SPARKLING NEW — The new Rognel Heights Elementary School No. 89 at 4300 Sidehill Ave. includes 24 regular classrooms, two special areas for art and music instruction, two kindergarten rooms and two pre-kindergarten areas. Pressure on nearby has been reduced since opening. Plans for the school were developed by the architectural firm of Hebrank and Pippen and executed by the Lachi Construction Company.

School workshops good forums if used

For the past two weeks, Baltimore City Public Schools have dismissed their students for half a day to allow teachers to participate in human relations workshops conducted at their respective schools.

The AFRO roving reporter sat in on one of these workshops at a school which will be designated hereafter as School X. We went primarily to find out what was being done in these workshops.

It is important to note, first of all, that the observations and conclusions that we are about to make by no means apply to all of the workshops. We were able to observe only one workshop in School X so that our comments do not necessarily hold true for all of them.

By the same token, however, the problems and concerns peculiar to the workshop participants at School X might very well apply in some of the other workshop situations in the other schools.

Nevertheless, the following comments will reflect only the situation as we found it to be at School X.

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School X is a senior high school located in the inner city. The student body is integrated by a ratio of about 50 per cent black to 50 per cent white. The faculty has a somewhat highér percentage of white teachers than black. Few, if any, of the students live near the school which is located in a commercial district.

Participating in Tuesday's workshop were about 15 teachers from School X. Of this number, five were black. The workshop discussion was led by a teacher who taught at a different school.

The theme of the workshop was "I am you — you are me — what are we doing to each other?" Since School is in the midst of a racial transition, many of the workshop participants interpreted the theme to mean, "how can race relations in the school be improved?"

Consequently, much of the discussion focused on this question. One of the problems cited at School X was the fact that few students, especially the white ones, participate in after-school activities because their parents fear their safety in the area where School X is located.

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Another teacher pointed out that the students seem to segregate themselves by sitting at all-black or all-white tables in the cafeteria. And by blacks being reluctant to interact in groups with white students and vice versa.

When one teacher made the comment, "We sit around and talk about the problems and let the kids go home," the suggestion was made to include student representatives in the next session.

Without definite ideas on how to include the students or just what should be discussed, the suggestion was defeated by voice vote and referred to a volunteer committee for further study.

Time ended too soon with the only definite thing having accomplished being an understanding that next week's meeting would be a decisive and definitive one.

From this reporter's viewpoint, the workshops are beneficial. A lot of views are being aired that may have gone unheard otherwise. Opinions differ as to whether or not the powers at 25th St. will be responsive to the problems and suggestions raised at these workshops, but the main point is that at least now the teachers have a forum.

Now the question is what will they do with it?

'Julius Caesar' on at CCB Theater

By DR. SIDNEY KOBRE

"Julius Caesar," the Shakespeare play about a political assassination in an earlier era, will be presented by the Community College of Baltimore Players, on December 4, 5 and 6 in the Campus Theatre. Curtain time is 8:15 p.m. The play is open to the public.

Although Shakespeare's play was given first in 1599, its appearance is timely in the 20th century when so many assassinations of political figures in this country, and, indeed all over the world have been carried out.

The parallel in the plays and in real life lies in the belief by every assassinator that he is doing his killing "for the good of the country." Although a good friend of Caesar, Brutus (in the Shakespeare tragedy,) believed that Caesar was about to become a king or dictator; hence he should be stabbed.

The play has remained popular for nearly 400 years, being considered by many to be one of the Bard's best plays, with "Hamlet" and "Romeo and Juliet" heading the list.

On the stage today, Caesar may sound hard to modern ears, but his manner was not objectionable to the spectators in the Globe Theatre of London. The audience expected a man who had conquered half the world to be domineering and "full of himself."

The cast of "Julius Caesar;" directed by Prof. Forest D. Gossage, is headed by Roland Grimm, as Caesar; Cornell Jones as Brutus; Will Rose as Cassius and Bill Mandley as Anthony.

In the cast, too, are Andrea Fletcher as Portia, Robyn Falk as Calpurnia, Jerry Wood as Casca, Tom Miller plays Octavius; Barbara Barth, Artimedorus; and Gordon Rose, Cinna the Poet. Tickets at $1 each may be purchased at the box office.

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Flying saucers spying on him declares Ali

NEW YORK (UPI) — Muhammad Ali spotted the "flying saucer" as soon as he started his roadwork at 5 a.m., Tuesday in Central Park.

It was a spot of light to the East, much brighter than any of the stars overhead.

"They've been following me for a year," he exclaimed. "I've seen 'em split into groups and float back and forth.

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As he ran for the next hour, the light hung in the sky, and Ali was almost willing to concede it was a bright star.

But moments later, he shouted for his trainers, Angelo Dundee and Drew "Bundini" Brown, and a reporter to show them another discovery. A pinpoint of light, not unlike the other stars, was moving due North. After 45 seconds it disappeared behind a clump of trees.

The first "flying saucer" was identified as the planet Venus by an astronomer after the police in Queens were harrassed by callers, and the second was identified as a missile.

"I still think they're flying saucers," Ali said.

add to the kind of enthusiasm and excitement that is a part of our atmosphere at the Civic Center."

Hargaden likewise is pleased with the prospect of the Dons playing in the Civic Center. "The Bullets have always displayed considerable interest in the high schools, and we're happy to have this opportunity to join with them in a venture that should be beneficial to everyone concerned," he said.

Leroy Kelly may retire

CLEVELAND (UPI) — Cleveland Browns running star Leroy Kelly has indicated he may follow head coach Blanton Collier into retirement soon if things don't start looking up.

"I've had some great years and I've been lucky with injuries until now," Kelly said. "This is my fifth season as a regular so one out of five isn't too bad.

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"I'm trying not to think of next year yet, but the way things have been going I can't help it sometimes," he added. "If I should have two consecutive years like this, it would be time to take a serious look, and think about retiring.

"This has been an awful tough, frustrating year," he said. "I have one more season to go on my contract and if it's like this one, I'll probably hang it up."

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Kelly, 28, has gained 487 yards so far this season and his average gain per carry has fallen to 2.9 yards as opposed to his career average of 4.9 yards.

His chief problem has been injuries. He has been healthy for only a few games, having sprained both ankles, strained an achilles tendon and suffered a strained hamstring muscle.

Schoolboy 5's to prelim Bullets-Warriors game

Loyola High School, of Baltimore, and Gonzaga High School, of Washington, will meet in a preliminary game prior to the Bullets' clash with San Francisco at the Civic Center on Saturday night, Dec. 12.

The announcement was made jointly Wednesday by Jerry Sachs, Bullets' executive vice-president, and Ed Hargaden, athletic director at Loyola.

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Actually, the two Jesuit schools, rivals of long standing, will be paying a triple-header on Dec. 12, with the action beginning at 4 p.m.

The Freshman teams will play at 4, followed by the Junior Varsity squads at 5. The Varsity game will have a6 p.m. tap-off.

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"We're delighted to be able to offer the facilities of the Civic Center to these high school teams," Sachs said in making the announcement. "I'm sure these young players will get a special thrill out of playing before a Bulets' game and we know they'll

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Black higher education — which way?

The Student Senate of Morgan State College will sponsor a Panel Discussion on "Black Higher Education-Which Direction?" on Wednesday, December 9, 1970 at 2 p.m. in the Student Union Lounge.

On the panel will be Dr. Calvin Burnett, President of Coppin State College; Dr. Samuel Myers, President of Bowie State College; Dr. Thomas Fraser, Interim President of Morgan State College; Edward Smith, Student Government President, Morgan State College; Mitchell Williams, Student Government President, Coppin State College, and Larry King, Student Government President, Bowie State College.

Dr. Haywood Harrison, Chairman of the Department of Education, Morgan State College will be the moderator.

Great aerial teams Saturday TV feature

The evolution of football's forward pass from legalization in 1906 to today's bombs is traced by one of the all-time chuckers, Green Bay Packer quarterback Bart Starr.

The former Alabama passer will offer his comments on the passing game and many of the men who made it go.

The color special will include action segments and interviews with many past and present All-Americans including Dixie Howell, Don Hutson, Charley Connerly, Barney Poole, Babe Parilli, George Welsh, Ron Beagle, Terry Hanratty, John Reaves, and Carlos Alvarez.

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Dave Eley, local athlete, stars at Oklahoma Tech

David Eley, freshman at Oklahoma State Technical College, has been acclaimed as highpointer of the basketball team.

David, son of Mrs. Louise [illegible] 2518 Biddle St., scored 27 [illegible] 20 rebounds against Cam[illegible] College, OST's third victory [illegible] son.

He and two other teamm[illegible] combined points to win the [illegible] 98. after two overtime peri[illegible]

Before going to Oklaho[illegible] played basketball here in [illegible] He attended Samuel Gump[illegible] Senior High School and [illegible] ated from Job Corps.

With a height of 6-feet, [illegible] doesn't find it hard to put [illegible] the basket.

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His mother, Mrs. Willie [illegible] "He has always liked baske[illegible] think his interest was he[illegible] few years ago when he [illegible] Chamberlain."

David met the 7-foot, 2-inch star of the National Basketball Association who now plays with the Los Angeles Lakers, five years ago at the National All Sports Camp in Monticello, N.Y.

Mrs. Williams, local soprano soloist and graduate of Peabody Conservatory of Music, may be his biggest Baltimore admirer but his aunt, Mrs. Martha Eley, a Loch Raven Blvd. Hospital nurse, says she must be next.

DAVID ELEY

Expect to hear more about Dave Eley in the basketball world even though he's in Oklahoma.

Foes trade verbal blows Muhammad maddens

NEW YORK UPI) —"In the ring, Argentine Oscar Bonavena is called crude but effective.

Cassius Clay found out that Bonavena is also crude but effective out of the ring Tuesday when they held a verbal sparring session to drum up a little more interest in their heavyweight bout Monday night in Madison Square Garden.

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"I never wanted to whup a man so bad in my whole life," Clay fumed after the confrontation. "You think I punished Ernie Terrell and Floyd Patterson, but you ain't seen nothing.

"Bonavena has made me mad with his predicting and racial slurs and stuff about me being chicken for not going into the Army. And he touched my face."

Then the 28-year-old deposed champion turned away from the scribbling reporters and winked at a friend.

To some innocent bystanders, it might have seemed Clay had been ready to settle his differences with Bonavena on the spot, but it's just an old, old game with a new name.

He called it "Baiting the Bear" against Sonny Liston, "Setting the Rabbit Traps" against Patterson, and now it's "Sticking the Bull."

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Bonavena's style, however, is not quite as polished as Clay's. At one point the 28-year-old Argentine snarled, "You chicken. Why you no join Army? Cluck, cluck, cluck. Me white, you black, you no smell good."

Clay feigned outrage. "You sucker," he said. "You say I'm going in the 11th round, but you're going in the ninth. Never predict on me. You're not good enough to touch me."

"Now you go in seven," Bonavena replied.

"What? what did he say?" Clay, also known as Muhammad Ali asked a translator. "Ask him what round he's going to knock me out."

"Ah, ha," Bonavena roared. "Even he admits I knock him out. But it be a surprise, big surprise."

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Ali tried to hold back his laughter and later admitted he wasn't as upset as he seemed, even in several pushing and shoving matches that occurred. During one pushing match, Bonavena touched Clay's face, but Clay went back to the dressing room smiling. "Did you see how much stronger and bigger I was when we shoved each other?"

He admitted, "I wasn't mad at Terrell and Patterson, either. I've talked a couple of times with Patterson since I whupped him, and we aren't enemies.

"Things like Bonavena said don't bother me no more, but they sure give those reporters lots to write about and that's the important thing."

Webster concerned about recreation

Delegate Kenneth Webster, newly elected to the house of Delegates from the fifth district, Baltimore City, told the AFRO this week that he plans to vigorously support legislation to increase recreation facilities and to improve and expand recreation programs in Baltimore City.

Mr. Webster states that traditionally city officials and the general public have minimized the importance of the need for quality recreation.

As a result, many of the city's young people between ages of 8-21 and their parents, who are dependent upon the resources of public recreation, do not know how to constructively utilize their leisure time.

A quality recreation program, according to Mr. Webster, should be mind-expanding mentally and physically stimulating and educative.

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The participant learns to use his or her leisure constructively, while adding to his skills and talents.

Furthermore, there is vigorous participation in active and passive recreational activities. The participant develops a healthful method of siphoning off the aggressions and frustrations that normally accumulate.

In addition, along with the competitive aspects of recreation, the rules of sportsmanship and fair play are learned.

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Mr. Webster believes programs having activities which address themselves to these ends should be instituted in Baltimore City.

This is especially needed for the young people of Baltimore's inner city who naturally encounter more frustrations than their outer city and suburban counter-parts.

"Population density, poverty, inadequate housing, the high rate of crime and drug use, all contribute to the need for these kinds of programs," Mr. Webster said.

In addition to Mr. Webster's personal concern about recreation, he belongs to the Concerned Citizens for Recreation, a coalition of people and organizations concerned about improving recreation in Baltimore City, which has done a survey on the quality of recreational programs provided under the auspices of the Bureau of Recreation.

As a result Mr. Webster has compiled a lengthy list of specific issues relating to recreation which he plans to seek information on and perhaps recommend legislation.

Powell to get 'Tops' salute

Big John "Boog" Powell, the Orioles' slugging first baseman who recently was named the American League's Most Valuable Player, will be honored at the 18th annual "Tops In Sports" banquet and dance January 6, at the Eastwind on Pulaski Highway.

Powell will receive the "Most Valuable Oriole" award presented annually by the Maryland Professional Baseball Players Association, sponsors of the banquet which each year features baseball's top stars.

He joins the National League's Most Valuable Player, Johnny Bench, and Hall of Famer Bill Terry at the head table. Bench and Terry each will receive the coveted Babe Ruth Crown, emblematic of slugging excellence.

Powell is the first full-time first baseman to be named MVP since Jimmy Foxx won the honor in 1938.

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'Diamond Jim' honored by friends at Brison's

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Diamond Jim Sears, one of Baltimore's most popular disc jockies was feted at Brison's Hill Top Inn on Thanksgiving Day by several elite social clubs and friends.

The affair featured a presentation to Mr. Sears of a gold plaque commemorating his being the first black general manager of a radio station in this city.

Mr. Sears is the general manager of Radio WEBB and honoring him at the standing-room-only affair were the Soulettes, The Unique Ladies, The Rose Hill Social 5 plus 1 The Cavalier Aces, Mini S.C.; Incrowds, Inc.; The Cossocks, Inc.; Also The Social Charity Club, Just Us Girls; The AFRO AMERICAN; Happy Gents, The Friendly S.C.; The Jet Set Creamers and Pals: Gay Tan S.C.; Beaux Esprits and Les Amis. Music was supplied by The Phase IV and Ernie Andrews.

Spearheading the affair were members of Mr. Sear's own group, The Diamond Jim Globetrotters.

Members of the Globetrotters are: Jim Staton, Phil Worsley, Booker T. Griffin, Dave Dinkins, Aleen West, Paul (Big Daddy) Anderson and Mr. Sears.

2 guilty on gun charges

Miss Sharon L. Sloane, 900 block N. Caroline St., and James King, 1800 block E. Federal St., were both found guilty of carrying concealed deadly weapons by Judge William M. Hudnet in Eastern District Municipal Court Sunday morning.

In both cases the weapon was .22 calibre revolver.

Miss Sloane was sentenced to pay a $50 fine plus court costs, and Mr. King was sentenced to six months in jail on the gun charge and two additional charges, one of resisting arrest and one of shooting Walter Cox of the 900 block N. Gay St.

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