—School 'Tokenism' assailed

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Ralph Matthews Jr.

"We are charged," said Mr. Sweeney, in commenting on de facto segregation "with failing to comply with some as yet undefined nebulous legal theory."

He gave as his opinion that the Board of School Commissioners had made progress in racial matters and should not be subject to the kind of criticism the public school system has been subjected to recently by the NAACP, a parents' group and AFRO Reporter Matthews.

He said "this is not Alabama or Mississippi" in objecting to a Tuesday AFRO article by Mr. Matthews Jr. that flatly accused the Department of Education of continuing segregation in both pupil and teacher areas.

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THE STATEMENT of Reporter Matthews that the School Board last week denied any racial segregation existed in the school system but this week was considering the NAACP's charges of discrimination, admitting to segregation and therefore by implication, drew Mr. Sweeney's wrath.

Strenuously objecting to the words "tokenism" and "segregation" as regarding the schools, Mr. Sweeney then said, "I don't like to be equated with those cracker states" and termed the AFRO story "the most ridiculous, argumentative theory I've ever heard."

Then Mr. Sweeney, pointing to school board progress, cited the assignment last spring in September of a colored principal to a predominantly white school, both staff and pupil population.

It was at this point that Mr. Bond made his comment that one principal in one school was "tokenism anyway you look at it."

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MRS. PHILLIPS' statement of dissent was unprecedented in the recent history of the school board.

It marked the first time in many years that a commissioner had not gone along publicly with the rest of the board in approving personnel changes. (Mrs. Phillips is the mother of three school-aged children, and the only member of the nine - member board with children in the public schools.)

J. Percy Bond, the other colored board member, while supporting Mrs. Phillips' position partially, also said he could agree with some of the reactions of Mr. Sweeney.

Mr. Bond avoided taking with the other board members to approve the list.

The school commissioners were in favor of making changes on the matter of racial hiring patterns in the school system.

Mrs. Bond, at one point, emphatically said, "We know that when we put a colored principal in one white school, a colored teacher has to go in tokenism. It is tokenism whether we want to call it that or not."

At the same time, Mr. Bond also noted, "I agree also with Mr. Sweeney that we are moving in the right direction."

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COMMISSIONER Bond, a Morgan State College administrator, also said that such school policies as districting and bus transportation had to be considered racially.

He said it was important, in light of the Supreme Court school decision, that things be carefully assigned so as all schools would have a racial balance and not be segregated.

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SCHOOL BOARD chairman Eli Frank Jr., several times, had to bang his gavel vigorously to calm other commissioners and keep the controversy over school jobs and race from raging out of control.

Lost in the debate over "token" upgrading of colored personnel was the Baltimore Teachers Union request during this meeting to raise teachers' beginning salaries from $4,300 to $5,000 and final salaries after 20 years of service from $8,200 to $10,200 maximum.

Chairman Frank promised union spokesmen the board would explore the pay raise issue fully.

Other school commissioners not named above include: Dr. William S. Stone, who was absent; Sidney H. Tinley Jr. and Mrs. M. Richmond Farring and Dr. William D. McElroy and John R. Sherwood.

SLATED TO appear at this already stormy session were representatives of the Interdenominational Ministers' Alliance who seek more promotions and better assignments for colored school workers.

No Alliance spokesman was present at the Wednesday meeting. Chairman Frank said "it would have been convenient if they could have let us know" and that a letter granting them time to appear had been forwarded to the Rev. Marion C. Bascom, one of the Alliance representatives.

Later, the Rev. Mr. Bascom told the AFRO he misunderstood the date.

He explained that since the Board normally meets in Thursdays, he was prepared to appear then.

The ministers will make their presentation next Wednesday (June 26) at the 4 p.m. meeting of the Board.

Dr. George B. Brain, superintendent of schools, was not present. It was announced that he was at a White House conference called by President Kennedy to study school integration problems and related matters.

Edwin Stein, deputy superintendent, acted in his stead.

THE FULL text of Mrs. Phillips' minority report on school job policies follows: I want the record to reflect I have said earlier in our closed sessions about the appointments we are considering. We would have preferred them for further study at the last meeting.

I feel it important to assert the affirmative formal role to say what I have indicated before — namely, that it is my position that this Board is shirking its responsibility when it does NOT make a strong statement that there is faster desegregation in appointments and assignments of personnel as well as children.

We have here in the list we are approving today several — to be exact — six supervisory and principal appointments of colored personnel to jobs heretofore closed to them. This is a step in the right direction, but it is NOT enough, not when we look at the all-colored appointments in the schools numbered 100. Call for several colored — we are still doing what we did 40 years ago when I was in elementary school: shifting principals and vice principals from one three-digit school to another, white principals and vice principals to two-digit schools.

What I am saying about principals is true of teachers likewise. To be sure, this list shows some token desegregation steps but in my opinion, token desegregation is NOT sufficient at this time when our entire methods of desegregation are under fire by a parental group and the NAACP, and we face the threat of court action.

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I WANT to go on record in this public session — repeating what I have said in our closed-door meetings — it is my opinion that these changes indicated on the list of recommendations submitted to us for approval today are too few.

If we say we are a truly integrated system, we must move faster. And it is up to this Board to see that we do. We are the persons to approve the positions that the superintendent makes appointments subject to this Board's approval.

We determine policy. So it seems to me, we are evading our responsibility if we ignore the handwriting on the wall and fail to see the urgency to speed up our entire desegregation program.

What I have said goes not only for teacher and principal and other personnel assignments, but also for imbalance in school population, obvious segregation in pupil transportation and assignment.

The fact that district lines have been erased as of October, 1963 is not sufficient answer to the complaints of parents and other interested citizens. We need to do more. And, it is my feeling that we can do it immediately, not next October after school opens.

I RECALL that as soon as the Supreme Court ruled in 1954, the Baltimore School Board acted swiftly in dispatch. Within a week after the old way.

ELI FRANK JR.
School Board president said, "The staff has given every recognition to the policies of the Board . . ."

Hot words fly in school Bd. racial debate

Verbal sparks flew hot and fast at the School Board meeting Wednesday after Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Phillips, a school commissioner, charged that the Department of Education practiced "token desegregation" in its job promotions and assignments.

Board Chairman Eli Frank thereupon said: "We have been over these lists very carefully. The staff has given every recognition to the policies."

John Sherwood, senior Board commissioner, almost leaped to his feet in anger, shouting "That's not true," when fellow commissioner J. Percy Bond said the fact that the majority of pupils in part-time classes are colored is "on its face, discrimination."

Mr. Sherwood had earlier walked out of the meeting while Mrs. Phillips read her statement, passed much of his time sketching comic figures on his note pad and handing them to speakers appearing before the board.

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DR. WILLIAM D. McELroy sounded a note of bewilderment: He said that in the current furor over more rapid desegregation, "I have yet to hear anyone come up with an idea of how this can be done."

John J. Sweeney Jr., who did most of the defending of school board policies, said in answer to Mrs. Phillips:

Due recognition should be given, is it has not been, to the history of desegregation in Baltimore.

"We have been reading the handwriting on the wall and have read it for nine years.

"This board must move with celerity and I think it has been moving with celerity."

Mr. Sweeney angrily waved a clipping of a story in the AFRO-AMERICAN that stated bluntly that Baltimore schools continue to be segregated and that the School Board's newest moves were evidence that segregation did exist.

"Incredible, ridiculous, argumentative," were three phrases Mr. Sweeney used to describe the AFRO article.

He did not, however introduce any official evidence disputing the statement on segregation by this AFRO writer.—R.D.M.

JOHN J. SWEENEY JR.
'Due recognition should be given to the history of desegregation'

MRS. ELIZABETH MURPHY PHILLIPS
"If we say we are a truly integrated system, we must move faster . . . it is up to this Board . . ."

DR. W. D. McELROY
". . . discrimination has actually been against the white teachers . . ."

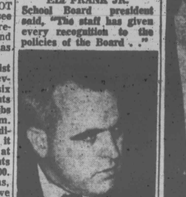
J. PERCY BOND
'It is tokenism, whether we meant to call it that or not . . .'

JOHN R. SHERWOOD
'It is not discriminatory . . .'

Williams still heads schools

Wesley S. Williams, president of the D.C. Board of Education, was re-appointed this week by District judges for another three-year term.

Judges also re-appointed Mrs. Gloria K. Roberts and Dr. Preston A. McLendon, whose terms expired this month.



WESLEY WILLIAMS

THE FIRST CLASS to graduate from the Calverton Junior High School included this week, from left, Missies Ivory Fulwood, Claudette Newson, LaSharon Mason and Charlene Hargrove. They were among the 371 ninth graders who were graduated in two sections on Wednesday as the new four-units in one school held its first commencement exercises.

New school appointments feature numerous promotions, transfers

Despite a "no" vote from School Commissioner Elizabeth M. Phillips, who charged that Department of Education job policy was "token desegregation," the School Board on Wednesday approved 192 personnel changes.

This year's teacher and principal appointments proved to be the most controversial job list presented to the School Board in many years. While granting that the Board of which she is a member had taken many positive steps on school integration, Mrs. Phillips said the job recommendations were "not sufficient" as concerned promotions for colored school personnel.

In her formal statement against the job list, Mrs. Phillips said: "we have here in the list we are approving today several — to be exact — six unprecedented assignments of colored personnel to jobs heretofore closed to them. This is a step in the right direction, but I do not feel it enough. . ."

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THE SIX "unprecedented appointments" highlight the job recommendations approved Wednesday by a majority of the School Board.

They are:

Dr. Elaine C. Davis, now vice principal of Garrison Junior High School, as supervisor of special projects.

Henry C. Johnson, department head of mechanical trades at Carver High School, as specialist in vocational education.

Mrs. Rebecca Carroll, now principal of Elementary School No. 116 as principal of Pimlico Elementary School No. 223.

Mrs. Enna A. Payne, now principal of Rosedale Elementary as principal of Monroe School No. 48.

William Pinderhughes, vice principal of Windsor Hills Elementary as special assistant in the elementary division.

Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, now teacher at Eastern High School as head of the department of the new Rock Glen Elementary and Junior School.

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OTHER KEY appointments included the transfer of Carver High vice-principal Dr. Benjamin Whitten to the vice - principalship of Edmondson High School and the appointment of Mrs. Thelma Wilson as principal of Fulton Elementary School.

Mrs. Wilson had been the principal of the largest elementary school in Wilmington, Del. and is a newcomer to Baltimore. Her husband, the Rev. Donald Wilson, is new rector of St. James P.E. Church. He succeeded the Rt. Rev. Cedric Mills as rector of the Virgin Islands Bishop of the Virgin Islands.

Elected to permanent status were:

Mrs. Carolyn A. Goodman, clinical psychologist; Mesdames Evelyn Brotman, Sherrie C. Harris, Doris Newell and Patricia Thomas, elementary grade teachers; Mrs. Mabel S. Stubbs, elementary teacher; Mesdames Sallie Hightower and Sandy Sarantinos, and Allan B. Gohy, secondary school teachers.

Also John N. Avery, secondary school teacher, special curriculum; Mesdames Rosalind P. Bovey and Elizabeth Jones, secondary school, home economics, and William H. Waesche, secondary physical education.

OTHER ASSIGNMENTS are:

Mrs. Jeanette Lewis, back from sabbatical leave, reassigned as elementary principal of Samuel Ready School.

Mrs. Margaret Freudenberger, made principal of Fallstaff School No. 34.

Mrs. Dorothy A. Farmer, now principal of Roosevelt School No. 30, appointed elementary supervisor.

Dr. Elaine C. Davis, now vice-principal of Garrison Junior High, made supervisor of Special Projects. Position is in salary interval 12.

Mr. Nusbert Jaffa, now principal of Windsor Hills School, made supervisor of Special Projects without change in salary.

Samuel Sharrow, transferred as principal of Lemmel School No. 32 to Weglein School No. 2.

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THE FOLLOWING principals were transferred without change in salary:

Mrs. Lucia Agnello, from Lanier School No. 14 to Morrell Park No. 229; Mrs. Alice Shelton, from Morrell Park to Carroll No. 34; Mrs. Regina C. Spicer, Groves No. 43 to Brehms Lane No. 221; Mrs. Anne Sweeney, from Fulton No. 32 to Mosher No. 144; Mrs. Mary Bruns, from Mosher School No. 144 to Fulton No. 32;

Mrs. Helen Carroll, from No. 136 to Pimlico School No. 223, Mrs. Carrie Carter, from Conner School No. 143 to Mt. Winans No. 156, Miss Lillian Louis, from Druid Hill School No. 137 to Lafayette No. 103.

Elliott Epstein, from Armistead to Rosemont; Miss Elizabeth Guerin, from Fallstaff No. 343 to Hamilton No. 226, Harry Levin, from McHenry No. 10 to Barclay No. 84, Clifton S. Murray, from Murphy No. 119 to Rosedale No. 48, Mrs. Rosa Owens, from Washington No. 23 to Hampden No. 38, Mrs. Rose B. Payne from Rosedale No. 148 to Monroe No. 48, Miss Jessie Sipin, from No. 65 to Edgecombe Circle No. 61, Mrs. Mary Rosenthal, from Lochraven No. 100 to Madison Square No. 26, Mrs. Naomi Weinberg, from Dorchester Heights No. 213 to Govans No. 213, Mrs. Ruth Wellington, from Druid Hill No. 125 to Druid Hill No. 137, Mrs. Mary Wilson, from Guilford No. 33 to McHenry No. 10.

Mrs. Thelma Wilson, now elementary principal in Wilmington, Del., named principal of Fulton Elementary School No. 138.

The Board also approved transfer of the following principals: Edwin A. Coleman, from Harford Heights No. 214 to Washington School No. 22, Mrs. Alice Bastard, from Mt. Winans No. 156 to Lockerman School No. 100, Charles E. Mason, from Mt. Winans No. 156 to School No. 136, Mrs. Eva Piper, from Rosedale No. 48 to Monroe No. 48, Mrs. Dalmas Milbourne, from No. 136 to Govans No. 213.

Milton Dugger, back from sabbatical leave, was transferred from Barclay No. 84 to the principalship of the Davis Elementary School No. 141.

Mrs. Ethelyn Hastings, vice-principal of Elsinore No. 152, was transferred to the principalship of Edmondson High School No. 245.

Mrs. Vera Kinnear, to principal, Lanier No. 14; Donald Leuchner to principal, William Fell No. 6; Mrs. Ellen Mansfield, to principal School No. 63; Mrs. Mary G. McCain to principal, Armistead No. 44, 33, Mrs. Elizabeth Monocrumos, to principal, Bolton Hill No. 13, Mrs. Lillian Wilson, to principal, School No. 136, Mrs. Vera Young, to principal, Garret Heights No. 212, Mrs. Ruth Zaremba, to principal, Harbor View No. 344.

David Davidson, now vice-principal of Ramsey Junior High was named principal of the same junior high school effective September 1, 1963.

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WHITTEN TO EDMONDSON

Benjamin Whitten, now vice-principal of Carver High School No. 454, was transferred to the vice-principalship of Edmondson High effective Sept. 1, 1963 without change in rate of salary.

The following vice-principals were transferred without change in salary:

Miss Florence Bailey, from Coldspring No. 99 to Weglein No. 2; Casper Bartolini, from Rosedale No. 34 to Rodgers School No. 87, Daniel Brennan, from Govans No. 132 to Windsor Hills No. 87, Gilmor No. 197, from Southern Park Lane No. 248 to Irvington No. 71, Mrs. Arcenia Caplan, from Rosedale No. 83 to Cross Country No. 247, Leonard Coplan, from Calverton No. 138 to Howard No. 61, Edward Lansey, from Druid Hill No. 137 to Madison Square No. 26, Leonard Pojunas, from Canton No. 230 to Glenmount No. 235.

Mrs. Hilda Rosenberg, from Fallstaff No. 341 to Barclay No. 34, Milton Stanley, from Alexander No. 212 to Druid Hill No. 137, Mrs. Sara S. Warr, from Cross Country No. 247 to Monroe No. 48, Lester Wallace, from Rosedale No. 83 to Harlem Park No. 35, Harry Zensel, from Mt. Winans No. 156 to Govans No. 213.

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The following Elementary Specialists were appointed vice-principals of the schools indicated. No change in salary: Mrs. Earl Britt, to No. 112, George Buck, to No. 46, Mrs. Ethel Cook, to No. 231, Mrs. Evelyn Josephson No. 240, Miss Rose Lee Kraus, to No. 83, Mrs. Ruth King to No. 87, Mrs. Ruth Pallozzi, to No. 248, Mrs. Mary Veloso, to No. 64.

Miss Jean Reed, from sabbatical leave, was reassigned Elementary Specialist effective July 1, 1963 without change in salary.

Mrs. Louise Tilden, back from maternity leave, was reassigned Elementary Specialist effective July 1, 1963.

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The following special assistants were appointed vice-principals of the schools indicated: Mrs. Ruth Bonds, to vice-principal Beechfield No. 237, John Maitland, to vice-principal, Fort Worthington No. 55 and Dolores Joyce, to vice-principal, Columbus No. 99.

William Frederick, now vice-principal of Windsor Hills School No. 87, was appointed special Elementary Division, effective September 1, 1963.

Mrs. Ruth Chadakowsky, now teacher-in-charge, Lochraven No. 100, was appointed vice-principal-in-charge of the same school.

Howard Eger, now teacher-in-charge of Highlandtown No. 215, was appointed vice-principal of Lafayette Elementary School No. 103.

Malachi C. Darkins, now department head of mechanical trades at Carver High School was appointed vice-principal of Garrison Junior High effective September 1, 1963.

Mrs. Bernice Turner, now classroom teacher at Lemmel School No. 100, was appointed vice-principal of Rosedale School No. 48.

Leroy Coles, now teacher at Harlem Park Junior High was appointed vice-principal, Coppin Junior High.

The following classroom teachers were appointed elementary specialists:

George Brown, Miss Alice Boehner, Mrs. Elizabeth Carr, Mrs. Rose Joell, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Ruth Edith Stark, Mrs. Rena Sugar, Valerie Wagner, head of Herring Run Junior High was appointed specialist assistant at Hamilton Junior High.

The following department heads were appointed special assistants at the schools indicated:

Sylvan Dogoloff, to special assistant, Lake Junior High School; Leo Heaney, Canton Elementary and Junior High.

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The following classroom teachers were appointed special assistants at the schools indicated: Mrs. Ethel Brennan, from Southern Elementary School No. 85 and Mrs. Velma B. Veazey from Rosedale No. 148 to Columbus No. 99.

Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, now teacher at Eastern High was appointed unit head at Rock Glen Elementary and Junior High School No. 60.

Mrs. Davis, now department head of mathematics at the Junior High was appointed unit head at Harlem Park Junior High School.

Herman Pollbein, now demonstration teacher at the Montebello Elementary Demonstration School No. 34, was appointed teacher-in-charge of Highlandtown School No. 237.

Mr. Edwin C. Hildebrand, now teacher of printing at Mergenthaler High was appointed teacher-in-charge of printing equipment maintenance in addition to his present responsibilities.

The following classroom teachers were reassigned senior teachers at the schools indicated:

Mrs. Dolores Baden, Druid Hill No. 137; Mrs. Alma Collins, Arlington No. 40; Mrs. Evelyn Fears, Columbus No. 99, Allen Kershman, Jr., Arlington No. 40; Mrs. Regina Tilden, Weglein No. 2; Mrs. Lula Watkins, Bolton Hill No. 13.

The following classroom teachers were assigned senior teachers at the schools indicated:

Mrs. Florine Brown, Franklin Square No. 35, Charles F. Burke, Alcott No. 59, Mrs. Mary J. Cesselsky, Gist No. 60, Mrs. Vondalee Clark, Lockerman No. 100, Mrs. Audrey Cooper, Poole Elementary and Junior High No. 56, Artie M. King, Gilmor No. 197 and Berkley Matthews, School No. 220.

The following were reassigned senior teachers in the Early Admissions Project for the school year September 1, 1963 to June 30, 1964: Mrs. Vera Branch, Mt. Royal No. 66 and Vaughn McClure, Diamond No. 240.

The following were assigned as Early Admissions assistants: Mrs. Grace Burkett, Cherry Hill Manor, Mrs. Margaret Brenman, Lexington Terrace No. 19.

The following classroom teachers were assigned demonstration teachers: Stanley L. Curtain, James Barnecki, Frank W. Kniss Jr., and Mrs. Louise J. Worthington, elementary and Junior No. 239.

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Morgan terminates Dr. Jones' contract

Morgan Trustees in session Thursday confirmed termination of contract of Dr. Clifton R. Jones, Professor of Sociology.

Petitions of Dr. Jones and counsel for his Association for his case were denied.

The charges were: (A) Conduct unbecoming a teacher, and (B) Conduct unbecoming a teacher whose spouse is a member of the faculty.

A faculty committee and counsel for Dr. Jones recommended lighter punishment.

Previous to termination of his contract, Dr. Jones was given an opportunity to resign.

He will continue to receive salary payments until Aug. 31, 1963.

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APPOINTMENTS

President Martin Jenkins was authorized at last night's meeting to augurate a graduate program, at Morgan, leading to the M.A. degree with number of departments being in 1964.

Preliminary architect's drawings for a Auditorium over Coldspring Lane were approved.

Plans for the Banneker Hall for the Eliza Jane Cummings House will be sent to the Board of Public Works.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Mrs. Helen J. Goodwin, B.S. and M.S. of Hampton Institute, Assistant Professor in English. To fill vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. James S. Smoot. Professor of English. Mrs. Goodwin has taught at a Norfolk, Va. elementary school and for the past five years at the New York University Reading Institute.

INSTRUCTOR

Richard E. Wilson, A.B. Shaw; A.M., Boston U. Instructor, History and Political Science. Mr. Maxwell has taught at Texas and Miles College and last year was a substitute instructor at Morgan.

Miss Elizabeth D. Ravenel, A.B. (or of English, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Beryle Williams in the position of Assistant Dean. Miss Ravenell has taught at Brentwood Junior High School in Boston.

Mrs. Jacqueline Wagner, A.B., Fisk, Assistant, Department of English, taught at Atkins High School, Winston-Salem, N.C. and has been a substitute instructor at Morgan.

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SUBSTITUTES

John C. Tinney, B.S., Howard; M.S., University of Chicago, substitute Instructor of Science Education. For the past six years Mr. Turner has been filling substitute positions at Morgan.

Charles F. Robinson, B.S. Virginia Union; M.S. Temple. Substitute instructor in the Department of Science. Mr. Robinson has taught for the past three years at St. Emma Military Academy.

RESIGNATIONS

Dr. Virgil Griffin, professor and head of the Department of Education since 1948. To accept a position as professor of Education at New York University with indefinite tenure. Through his publications and professional activities, he has been recognized as one of the outstanding educators in the United States.

Dr. Gilbert Ward, assistant professor, Political Science, and assistant director of the Political Education Institute, who has accepted a position as assistant professor of Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania.

PROMOTIONS

Dr. Regina Goff, professor of Education, to become acting head of the Department of Education. To fill the vacancy occasioned by the promotion of Dr. Virgil Griffin.

CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. Hortense Ober, Senior Clerk, Mrs. Betty A. Richardson, Library Assistant, Mrs. Rosalind E. Turpin, Senior Typist, Miss Delores Wilkerson, Temporary Stenographer. Mrs. Alice D. Tinsley, Temporary Library Assistant.

CLERICAL RESIGNATIONS

Mrs. Hortense Ober, Senior Typist. Mrs. June P. Smith, tabulating equipment operator II. Mrs. Irene H. Scott, Senior Clerk. Mrs. Elaine D. Jackson, Senior Clerk.

MAINTENANCE APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. Library Assistant, Policeman, Jimmie Sissom, Policeman.

MAINTENANCE RESIGNATIONS

Walter A. Schmid Jr., Police. Oscar R. Wright, Jr., Police.

—Zantzinger case

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shame faced expressions, as if they were embarrassed be involved in a trial of this nature.

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THE TRIAL was moved on here on the motion of defense counsel, who asked for a change of venue on the basis that a fair trial could not be obtained in Baltimore City.

The case is being heard by a panel of three judges—David K. McLaughlin, Irvine H. Rutledge and Stuart F. Hamill Jr.

Before them and the spectators, mostly white, who have crowded the courtroom since the trial began on Wednesday, has been spread out the story a young couple invited to a fancy dress ball, where the man of the house-hold became the center of attraction from the time he entered, twirling a cane, to the time when he departed in the arms of the police sobbing out for "justice."

Between his entrance and exit were numerous incidents of his calling the people employed to work at the ball n—— black b——s of arguments with other guests, of an intoxicated dance that ended with both he and his wife on the floor —and of course the caning of Mrs. Carroll, testimony disclosed.

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THE REAL highlight of Thursday's session came in the afternoon when the state called its final witness, Dr. Charles S. Petty, assistant medical examiner for Maryland, who performed the autopsy on Mrs. Carroll.

In Dr. Petty the state had its key witness. If he could not establish that the blow from Zantzinger produced the stroke that killed Mrs. Carroll, the case against Zantzinger had about as much substance as a bag of air.

Assigned to the crucial task of questioning Dr. Petty was Mr. Moylan, who has emerged as the principal legal figure in the case.

The gist of Dr. Petty's testimony, as contained in these words when he answered the question of whether the Zantzinger blow brought the fatal stroke:

"Yes. My opinion is that there was a definite relationship. The assault occurred some minutes before the onslaught of the symptoms of the stroke). I feel there is a definite cause and effect between the two."

Referring to Mrs. Carroll's past history as a nervous person, who became upset when anyone spoke sharply to her, Dr. Petty said:

"She was in a vulnerable position and following the assault, she suffered a hemorrhage and this caused her death."

In a manner, which resembled a teacher gently lecturing a class, Dr. Petty had previously explained that what the layman calls a stroke, is a massive brain hemorrhage caused by a tremendous rise in the blood pressure of an individual.

Dr. Petty said that Mrs. Carroll had undergone such a hemorrhage with blood rushing to her brain with such force that it increased its size by one-half, so that it (the brain) pushed out against the skull.

"This was nasty hemorrhage," he added.

What Dr. Petty was saying in effect was that the excitement of the incident with Zantzinger brought on the hemorrhage and caused her death—and this is what the state had to prove, if it was to win its case.

He added that he could find no disease on her body.

For almost an hour, the chief legal counsel for Zantzinger, Fred Green, attempted to shake the testimony of the witness but Dr. Petty remained cool, and never retreated from his stand that the attack produced the stroke.

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EARLIER in the day, three eyewitnesses took the stand to tell their versions of the attack. They were all co-workers of Mrs. Carroll, and were behind the bar with her when the attack took place.

First to take the stand was Mrs. Marina Patterson, 3400 block Cedardale Rd. This is the story she told:

"My first attention to Mr. Zantzinger was when Mrs. Ethel Hill was picking up glasses. He was talking to her."

(Mrs. Hill was the other waitress whom Zantzinger is accused of striking. At the time of the occurrence she was cleaning glasses from the tables in the Emerson ballroom.)

"I heard Mrs. Hill say, 'What is wrong with you, leave me alone.' Then I heard him say "n—— what's wrong with you." Then I saw him whack her across the buttocks with the cane.

"Then she ran out of the room yelling 'somebody help me, this man is killing me.'"

The next time Mrs. Patterson said she saw Zantzinger was when he came up to the bar and ordered a drink.

"Mrs. Carroll was fixing another drink so she didn't serve him immediately. He said 'n——did you hear me ask for a drink?' He said 'I don't have to take that kind of ——off a n——.'" He took the cane and struck her on the right shoulder.

"She leaned against the bar. Mr. Zantzinger stood at the bar for a while then he picked up his drink and left. She seemed to have been in shock.

"She said, 'That man has upset me so, I feel deathly ill.'"

Mrs. Patterson told how two co-workers helped Mrs. Carroll from the ballroom up to the pantry where she was placed in a chair and attempts were made to massage her right arm, in which she felt a numbness.

An ambulance was called and Mrs. Patterson said that the impact of what had happened was so great that she herself became hysterical.

When the defense took over cross-examination, Mr. Green placed a brief case on his shoulder and had Mrs. Patterson strike it in the manner in which she had seen Mr. Zantzinger strike Mrs. Carroll.

Mrs. Patterson obliged, and using a cane, which was apparently the duplicate of the one used by Zantzinger, she delivered a blow to Mr. Green's shoulder that echoed throughout the courtroom.

This concluded the demonstration.

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THE NEXT witness called was Mrs. Grace E. Shelton, 1900 block W. Mulberry St., who was also behind the bar working with Mrs. Carroll.

Mrs. Shelton first told how earlier on in the evening she had seen Zantzinger push his way through a crowd at the bar to demand a drink.

Describing the incident with Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Shelton said:

"When he asked for a drink, Mrs. Carroll said 'one moment sir.' She said 'why are you so slow you black ——' and struck her with the cane.

Mrs. Shelton also told how Mrs. Carroll had been taken from the bar to the pantry where "she became weaker and weaker and I became afraid and I said somebody had to get an ambulance."

Describing the speech of Mrs. Carroll at this time, Mrs. Shelton said she spoke like she had marbles in her mouth.

Her last encounter with Zantzinger came, said Mrs. Shelton, when she went back into the ballroom in time to see a guest, later identified as Hal Whitaker, 1000 block Rolling View Rd., strike Mr. Zantzinger on the chin.

Asked what happened; Mrs. Shelton said:

"He (Zantzinger) hit the floor."

Mrs. Shelton also described how, when police finally took Zantzinger from the hotel, Mrs. Zantzinger, who had been placed on a couch in the lobby, caught a glimpse of her husband in custody and then got off the couch, crawled across the floor and wrapped her arms around his legs.

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THE THIRD and final worker behind the bar on the fatal night was Miss Shirley Burrell of Cherry Hill, who said she first noticed Zantzinger because he was loud and she saw him hit one of the guests with his cane.

Then describing the caning of Mrs. Carroll, Miss Burrell said:

"I was standing next to Mrs. Carroll.

"Mr Zantzinger came up, and said 'give me a drink,' and she said 'just a minute sir.'

"She started fixing the drink after he was so demanding, and he said 'why are your pouring my drink so slow you black ——'

"She handed him the drink and then she stood there for a minute and then she fell on me. I was so shocked I couldn't say anything to her."

Along with another hotel employee, Mrs. Yvonne Goss, 3300 block Forest Park Ave., Miss Burrell said they "half dragged and half carried" Mrs. Carroll into the pantry.

The one thread that ran through the testimony of the three witnesses was that Mr. Zantzinger had ordered the drink, Mrs. Carroll had fixed it and he struck her with the cane.

Next to take the stand was Frank Carroll, 21, 2900 block Denham Circle, a son of the dead woman who lived with her.

The state used his testimony in an effort to establish its claim that Mrs. Carroll had been ill before the alleged assault took place.

"She (Mrs. Carroll) got up about three or four o'clock," the young man said

"She came downstairs and had some fried fish. She got her hair done and prepared to go to work," he added.

According to Mr. Carroll his mother had remained well and had made no complaints about her physical condition.

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THE SCENE then shifted to the Emerson Hotel itself, as the state called George N. Gessell, 18, of Gaithersburg, Md., who at that time was employed as a bellhop, but now works for a dairy farm.

His first contact with Mr. Zantzinger came as he (Gessell) stood outside the Emerson and the accused asked him "Why in the h—don't you open the lobby) doors," it was testified.

Zantzinger and his party entered the hotel, but the farmer came back a few moments later and struck the bellhop across the buttocks with the cane, according to the testimony.

"Like someone taking a switch to you" is the way that Gessell described the blow, and added, almost wryly, "it stung."

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AFTER HEARING from Mrs. Bertha Williams, 1000 block Homewood Ave., an Emerson Hotel elevator operator, that she had witnessed the caning of the bellhop, the state called William L. Wrightson, 2000 block Homewood Ave., a guest at the Spinsters Ball.

And who finally had to be knocked out by one guest who'd had enough of his conduct.

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OF MRS. ZANTZINGER, who was to sit there unmolested, they were to tell the story of how her husband used his shoe to beat her, and how finally, when the last act was played, out in the Emerson Hotel, she leaped down a pair of steps, threw her arms about his neck and then fell in an ungraceful heap to the floor, as she cried out of her love for "Billy."

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NOW WAS the day of reckoning for "Billy," and as the three black robbed justices entered the courtroom and walked to their chairs, the Zantzingers arose and stood, with everyone else.

It was not until Monday that the prosecution learned Zantzinger had elected to be tried by a court of three judges, rather than trust his destiny into the hands of 12 jurymen.

Perhaps, as one resident of Hagerstown was moved to remark, it might have been for the best—for here in Hagerstown, far removed from the scene of Mrs. Carroll's death, there was strong sentiment against the Southern Maryland farmer.

The feeling was not something that can be described in the graphic terms of black and white, for it was something even above that.

Put it down as sympathy for the underdog, or call it compassion for the weak who must contend with the strong, for the poor who must serve the rich.

Think of a glittering ball, fabulous dresses and the stiff white shirts of formal attire. Then think of a modest woman lying dead, and perhaps the feeling that moved these people will take on meaning.

But turn now to reality and watch as the state opens its case and makes it clear from the very beginning that it does not seek a first degree verdict, but perhaps a verdict of second degree murder, and certainly—no less than manslaughter.

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HOWEVER, before the state can move there are the usual motions to be heard by the judges, and it is here that the defense draws first blood — though it is not a great deal of blood.

In addition to all the other charges, Zantzinger has been accused of being drunk.

Even the defense is to admit that on that Zantzinger was under the influence of alcohol on the night of the Spinsters Ball, but for now, it wants the drunkenness charge dismissed because it was not placed until much later after the party.

The state doesn't fight this. It has too much else to do.

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And so the charge is dismissed.

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THEN MR. MOYLAN moves to the front of the judges. His back is turned to the spectators but his voice is loud enough to carry throughout the courtroom, and not one word is missed.

It takes half an hour for Mr. Moylan to complete his opening statement, but he does it in the manner of a master map - maker, painting in a piece here and a piece there, until what comes out is a complete picture of what the state expects happened on the night in question.

Each story has a beginning and Mr. Moylan begins this one by recalling that Mr. and Mrs. Zantzinger were the guests of a Towson couple at the Spinsters Ball.

They all met at the home of the