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Interracial commission praises local units

Establishment of interracial commissions at the local level in many cities and towns in Maryland has the approval and encouragement of the state Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations.

As Eastern Shore towns like Princess Anne, Easton and Chestertown have formed bi - racial Committees to ease racial problems, Parren J. Mitchell, executive secretary of the state agency commented this week:

"The Commission is pleased that such human relations committees are being set up in various towns and cities throughout the state. Our commission is attempting to work in cooperation with each local group to insure that the overall objective of equality for colored citizens is attained as quickly as possible."

IN OTHER activity, The Interracial Commission has begun to organize a program to see what can be accomplished in cooperation with various military installations in Maryland to a recent directive of the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces.

This Kennedy unit has advised that all armed forces base commanders take positive action in local communities to see that colored servicemen and their dependents are not discriminated against off base.

Mr. Mitchell said the commission was studying means by which it can use the President's order to further "our own purposes."

Business off 50% after NY boycott

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Some merchants in this Long Island community said their Saturday business had dropped as much as 50 per cent due to a boycott of their stores by colored residents.

About 100 persons picketed the shopping district and appealed to both races to boycott the stores in protest of a rezoning ordinance which would allow light industry to establish in a colored residential neighborhood here.

She's Engaged.....

By IDA MURPHY SMITH

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News from Eastside

By CHARLOTTE DOWNIE

Our Good Neighbor of the Week is stunning Mrs. Ada Spencer, the widow of the late Peyton Spencer a prominent churchman. Mrs. Spencer resides in the 300 block of E. 22nd St. Our neighbor is a native of Richmond, Va., but has lived in Baltimore for many years.

Mrs. Spencer is a very active member of St. Paul Baptist Church, the Rev. George A. Crawley Jr. is her pastor.

In her church she is president of the George A. Crawley Sr. Memorial; Co-Director of the Young People's Dept. of the Missionary Society; former assistant secretary of the church and is often selected as a delegate to the National Baptist Convention.

Our neighbor is president of the Commuter's Savings Club and vice president of the North Baltimore Civic Home improvement association, Inc.

Mrs. Spencer is a member of the 22nd Street Block Club, works in the Provident Hospital Drive; Community Chest Drive, and the NAACP.

Her hobbies are working with young people, sewing, decorating her home and traveling.

Mrs. Spencer is very fond of her foster daughter, Mrs. Mary S. Rone, superintendent of the Ebenezer Baptist Church Sunday School. Our Good Neighbor likes to cook eat southern fried chicken and make plain cake. Her favorite color is blue and she is a very fashionable dresser and likes children.

NEIGHBORS you just should have attended the first presentation of Mattie Pree's Millinery students at their graduation which was held at John Wesley Methodist Church last Sunday.

In addition to the beautiful showing of a featured collection of Mrs. Pree's original hats, the students also had an exhibition. BIG HATS, Little Hatts OOOhs sooo pretty.

Guest speaker was Mrs. Harrison J. Bryant who also presented the diplomas to the students.

Highlight of the affair was Guest Model Rhultye Corly of Washington, D. C. who showed hats made by Mrs. Pree and also narrated as she modeled. She is really terrific.

Model Corley is director of the first and only integrated modeling group "Les Modeles Royales Internationale" and is instructor and directress of the Academic of Cultural Arts, and a graduate of John Robert Powers.

Graduates from Mrs. Pree's were: Mesdames Dorothy Mack, Beatie McCullough, Lacinda Rucker, Mildred Knight, Pauline Ruth Chew, Georgia Watson, Esther P. Long, Ola Lee Lynch, Gladys T. Brown, Mamie Dughin, Helen D. Dixon, Irene Macklin, Bertha Ines Thomas.

Also Mary M. Jenkins, Charlie Jones, Nellie Gray Hannah, Isabella Bell, Mary B. Gordon, Sylvania Ismae Weems, Carrie Elizabeth Johnson, Beatrice Foster Hill.

Ruby Alma Miller, Ardessia G. Saunders, Sally Ann Waters, Elizabeth Darliels, Nora McCormick, Annie Crute, Hortense Spriggs, Mary James, Florence White, Bessie Holley, Alice Reynolds, Mildred Bean, Martha Blackwell, Elizabeth Watford, Roberta Byrd and Sadie Dixon.

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THE ANNUAL Baby rally sponsored by the Missionary Society of St. Paul Baptist Church was held this past Sunday. Theme for the Rally was "The Child's Heritage."

Presiding was Mrs. Hyler Shelton. The program opened with worship being conducted by the Matrons. Greetings was by Mrs. Ruth Horton followed by a solo by Mrs. Lillie Burk. The response to the welcome was by Mrs. Charlotte Downie.

Introduction of the speaker of the speaker was by Mrs. Betty Ford. Guest speaker was Mrs. J Juanita Green a nurse with the Eastern Health District.

Also on the program were: Miss Zenobia Barner and Mrs. Lottie Street. Remarks were by Mrs. Cora P. Crawley and Mrs. Malvena E. Amy. Report from the secretary followed. Over $462 was raised. The Rev. George A. Crawley Jr. is the pastor.

Officers of the society are Mrs. Malvena Amy, president; Mrs. Hylah Shelton, 1st vice president; Mrs. Gladys Lewis, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, 3rd vice president; Mrs. Viola Jones, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Pope, financial secretary; Mrs. Carrie Robinson, treasurer; chairman of Activities Committee, Mrs. Ada Spencer.

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AFTER HER lovely affair last Sunday Mrs. Mattie Pree entertained for a number of her out of town guests at a dinner party at her lovely home of Poplar Grove Street.

From Washington were Mesdames Oletha Blayton, Mattie Russell, Beatrice Daniels, Clidie B. Coleman, Beulah Watkins, Mary Harris, Mary S. Whitfield, Casandra Johnson, Rebecca Anderson, and Hattie Williams. Misses Anita Foster, Netta Davis, Baltimore; Eric Anderson, James Anderson and Thomas T. Johnson. Mesdames Clarice Pitts and your columnist. . .

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NEIGHBORS make this a must on your list to hear the Young Adult Choir of Psalmist Baptist Church. Director and pianist is Alvia Richardson, president is Roberta Henderson.

Members are Barbara Jones, Belinda Brown, Gloria Bean, Carolyn Richardson, Worthington Richardson, Rosa Johnson, Mamie Yearby and Jean Figerona. Annie Bean, Arsell Robinson, Nan Johnson, Irma Jones and Shelton Booker. The Rev. F. C. Atkins is the pastor. . . A fine blend of voices to hear.

Neighbors I am enjoying helping with the Vacation Bible School at my church this year . . . Members of my primary class are Juanita Stokes, Vanilla Brown, Michelle Brown, Glen Landon, Janice Jones, Pamela Simmons, Clarence Landon, and Kenneth Darrel Spencer, a very nice group of youngsters. . .

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NEIGHBORS had a grand time attending the 58th annual session of the National Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress at Birmingham Alabama, last week.

Met all the officers who are Dr. O. Clay Maxwell, president; Dr. E. C. Estell, vice president-at-large; Mrs. Bessie S. Estell, secretary, Mrs. Wilhelmina Scretchin, assistant secretary; J. C. Oliver, treasurer; Dr. James B. Cayce, director general; Dr. T. Oscar Chappelle, associate director general; Dr. Horatio Hill, dean, the Rev. A. McEwen Williams, assistant dean; Dr. Charles L. Kinkins, assistant dean and Robert Bradley, acting music director. . .

Met up with some Baltimore delegates, Mrs. Mable Gee, Miss Pattie Holloway and Marcus Wood Jr. . . . Others from Baltimore were there.

Had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Martin Luther King speak at one of the sessions. . . should have heard the thunderous applause he received. . . the people just love him. . . .

After over 12 or more years met up with Herbert T. Miller who is now the associate director of Finance National Council of Churches. (Remember when he conducted the first Provident Hospital Campaign with The late Mrs. Vivian Gaskin Adeye and Ruth Brown (of the Vags's) Mr. Miller began to chat about the past, was grand seeing him again and he called me by name at once (did I feel good —you know many miles away from home and then meet some one you haven't seen in Years)

Highlight the beautiful reception given Dr. O. Clay Maxwell at the Birmingham Museum of Art. . . And guess what? our Own Mable Gee of here about whites will march on the Capital, he assertert.

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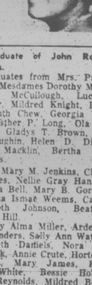

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N.W. area project fights No. 2 blight

WASHINGTON

Residents of the Second precinct led by clergymen from neighborhood churches, embarked on a cleanup campaign last Saturday in eight blocks of the ill - famed district. The campaign launched day was the first of a series of actions against blight in the area.

"The cleanup idea is one of many to emerge from the Community Service Project at 913 P St., NW, right in the middle of the squalid Second Precinct. The project comes under direction of Howard University and is financed by the Agnes Meyer Foundation and the University.

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A SPOKESMAN for the project said the clean - up campaign would be restricted to the 49th Census Tract which contains 9,000 persons, 49 churches, 43 of which are of the small, store - front variety.

Although social service workers comprise the backbone of the project, any interested person is invited to help. "The whole idea is to have people help themselves," the spokesman said.

Jackson explains 'no march' stand

CHICAGO — In the wake of pickets marching around his Olivet Baptist Church protesting his racial philosophy, Dr. J. H. Jackson, President of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., explained this week why the Convention's Board of Directors has called for a 60-day halt to anti - segregation demonstrations.

Dr. Jackson explained:

"We simply believe that a period of silent mourning and prayer while Congress is debating the civil rights package will be more effective than mass demonstrations," Dr. Jackson said.

"We are urging our people to make direct contact with Congress by telegram and mail supporting the legislation and we feel this will be far more effective than mass demonstrations during this critical peiod."

Rigths fight in mop-up stage Wilkins tells 54th meeting

By DAN DAY

CHICAGO (NNPA)—The NAACP has won its major battles in the civil rights field and is now in the process of "mopping up," Roy Wilkins, executive secretary, said here Monday.

He told a press conference on the opening day of the NAACP's 54th annual convention in the Morrison Hotel that "the backbone of segregation "has been broken and final victory should be less than five years away.

Wilkins predicted that protest demonstrations will continue well into the fall. He called the massive type of demonstration "a modern, useful and serviceable tool," which has formed a partnership with the courts in bringing full civil rights to 20 million colored Americans.

THE NAACP TOLD some 50-odd reporters it was his hope that the annual convention would "stimulate additional demonstration" by pointing out additional civil rights areas that need correction.

On the prospect of violence in the streets, he said he preferred not to elaborate on the subject, because violence encourages violence." He explained that he hoped his silence on the subject would discourage it.

Wilkins cleared up once again the controversial subject of open conflict between the various civil - rights groups. He said there "is no split" between the NAACP and the others, and insisted that there shouldn't be, because they were all established in the philosophic mold of the NAACP.

AS A MATTER OF FACT, he pointed out, a conference had been called for New York on July 2 to which the NAACP had invited the Dr. Martin Luther King; Whitney Young of the National Urban League; James Farmer of CORE; and A. Philip Randolph of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

He said the small luncheon meeting would concern itself only with final plans for mass demonstrations next month in Washington.

The "blackjack procedures" adopted by Southerners in opposing President Kennedy's civil rights package now before Congress actually "guarantees" that nonwhites will march on the Capital, he assertert.

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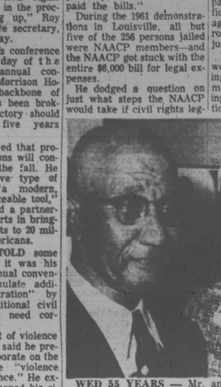

WED 55 YEARS — Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Edward Golder Sr., 908 Bennett Place, Baltimore, wed 55 years on July 7. For more about the Golders, see column, 'It You Ask Me', in this issue. (AFRO Photo by I. Henry Phillips.)

JFK tells NAACP success lies ahead

CHICAGO (NNPA) — President Kennedy told the NAACP Monday that it is holding its 54th annual convention "at a critical moment in history."

"Almost everywhere the obstacles to first class citizenship for all Americans are yielding to a determined effort by citizens to secure their rights," he said.

Mr. Kennedy commented that the NAACP "has played a major role in this struggle . . . both in the courts and in the community," and added that "it is possible in 1963 to see on the horizon a time when racial injustice will no longer exist."

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THE CHIEF Executive's message continued in these words:

"IT IS CLEAR THAT segregation and other obstacles to equal opportunity will be eliminated. But beyond this our goal must be the full participation of non - whites in American society on the basis of mutual respect and understanding.

"If when the current struggle is over we are left with a legacy of fear, mistrust and hatred, this goal may not be achieved.

"It is the responsibility of all of us to prevent this from happening. The resources of the federal government must and will be fully and creatively employed to meet the challenge.

"Government must make available the orderly processes of law to remedy grievances. Businessmen, public officials and community leaders also have a responsibility, and during recent weeks this Administration has called upon these groups to respond to the demands for equal treatment.

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"AT THE SAME time the leadership of civil rights organizations is being tested. it will require intelligence and determination to eliminate racial barriers and at the same time create a society based upon respect and understanding.

"The NAACP has displayed these qualities of leadership throughout its long history. I know that we can continue to count upon your leadership in meeting the challenges of our time."

gency resolution called for a National Civil Rights Legislative Convention to be held in Washington August 6 - 8. The convention would culminate in a mass rally on August 8.

Masons mark St. John's day

By MRS. MARY McDANIELS

APPOMATTOX, Va. — An appreciative crowd attended the annual St. John's Day celebration sponsored by the Long Mountain Lodge No. 204 of Masons of Virginia at the Promise Land Baptist Church June 23. The Rev. T. Van Rhoe of Danville, Va. was the guest speaker.

The church choir rendered special music. P. M. Ed Elliott was master of ceremony. The welcome to the church was given by Deacon Hancock. The devotionals were conducted by the W.M. Rev. R. Q. Lawing.

NAACP delegates cite failing of JFK proposal

CHICAGO (NNPA) — The civil rights plan adopted by the White House and sent to Congress doesn't fill the bill because it doesn't go far enough.

This was the gist of the first part of an "emergency resolution" adopted by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, closing its 54th annual convention in the Morrison Hotel.

However, the resolution passed by the 1,200 delegates commended President Kennedy for "proposing the enactment of this civil rights program as a step toward discharging the moral obligation of our federal government to its colored citizens."

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THE RESOLUTION, introduced by Robert L. Carter, NAACP Legal counsel, called on the Administration to provide additional safeguards.

Specifically, the resolution urged (1) the creation of a fair employment practices commission, (2) additional authority for the Attorney General to file civil rights suits, and (3) stronger sanctions against labor unions which discriminate.

The second part of the resolution called for the enactment of President Kennedy's "entire civil rights legislative program, without compromising or sacrificing any of its parts."

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THIS WAS THE "minimum to be demanded and expected at this session of Congress." The delegates said any Senator who fails to support the program would be against civil rights.

The delegates agreed to "cooperate, support and participate" in a "March on Washington" and urged their state conferences and branches to "mobilize local grass - roots support" for enactment of the White House program.

As a final item, the emer-

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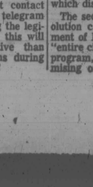

Gwynn Oak Says 'Not Today' As More Than 280 Are Jailed

Hearing tonight for demonstrators

'FREEDOM NOW' say signs of these demonstrators, photographed walking outside of Baltimore County's Gwynn Oak. As these demonstrators paraded, 300 others attempted entry to the amusement park and were arrested. Man leading demonstrators carries sign reading, 'Equal rights for all. Stamp out discrimination in the 50 states.' Other signs call for 'freedom now,' and 'all men are equal,' and 'wake up, white man.' Note demonstrators are both white and colored. (All AFRO photos by I. Henry Phillips).

While the rest of America tolled bells Thursday, July 4, to "Let Freedom Ring" in observance of 187 years of freedom and independence, 500 Freedom Riders stormed Gwynn Oak Park, the major outpost of segregation remaining in metropolitan Baltimore.

In an effort to make freedom for all a reality for all Americans, Freedom Riders from Baltimore, Philadelphia, New Jersey and New York staged a massive anti-segregation demonstration that left the all-white park reeling.

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During the two-hour assault on the racially segregated amusement center, one mile beyond the city line, 310 persons — including high-ranking churchmen and community leaders of both races — were jailed.

Some were charged with trespassing on private property and others were accused of disorderly conduct.

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MANY OTHERS were released on $103 bail and others chose to remain in jail, including

The Rev. Marion C. Bascom, pastor, Douglas Memorial Community Church prominent local civil rights leader; the Rev. Frank Williams, pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Church and president of the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance;

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The Revs. William T. Mango, Vernon N. Dobson, David Andrews, and Clinton R. Coleman.

Also Edward Chance, chairman, Baltimore Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), which sponsored the massive protest with the cooperation of other religious and civil rights organizations.

Magistrate Court hearings for the jailed freedom fighters will be held 7:30 p.m. today (Friday) at the Woodlawn Police Station in Baltimore County.

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CORE officials announced late Thursday that "another 'Operation Gwynn Oak' will be staged soon."

All of the 44 women jailed at Milder

All of the 44 women jailed are at Middle River. Ninety-two other persons remained in Towson jail at AFRO press time.

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SPIRO T. AGNEW, Baltimore County executive, told the AFRO he had asked police to release all demonstrators on their own recognizance.

His suggestion, made at 7.30 p.m. on July 4, was apparently ignored by the police who were still requiring bail at AFRO presstime.

Mr. Agnew explained: "The governor names the magistrates, so we have no control over them." He added he would try to reach Governor Tawes.

Mr. Agnew explained: "I feel that the trespass law is antiquated but while we're waiting for a decision from the Supreme Court, these people released on their own recognizance."

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DESPITE THE massive jailings which marred the nation's independence celebration, there was not a single incident of violence or police brutality, a stark contrast to previous July 4 demonstrations at Gwynn Oak, dating back to 1952.

Responsible for this is Baltimore County's new police chief, Robert Lally, former assistant chief of the Baltimore FBI office.

"We are here to protect the rights of everyone. We will enforce the law as it exists—fairly and impartially," he declared as the last bus load of demonstrators were hauled from the park.

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The new chief added that "we are not here to legislate or take side. Our only purpose is to enforce the law and we will not have violence from any side."

Unlike prior years, when private park policemen, employed by the owners — Arthur Jr., James and David Price — were accused of abusing, beating and mistreating demonstrators, they did little more than look on Thursday as county officers, under the watchful eye of Mr. Lally, gave them kid-glove treatment.

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FREEDOM RIDERS entered the park, were asked to leave and read the trespassing statute then jailed when they refused to leave.

Those who chose to, walked to waiting patrol wagons and school buses. Others who refused to walk were bodily carried to the shouting accompaniment of Gwynn Oak's own "Freedom Now" singers.

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A TIP-OFF to the firmness exercised by county police Thursday came Wednesday when Chief Lally met with the park owners and their private cops.

In no uncertain terms, Mr Lally told the policemen that if they used any more force than was absolutely necessary, protesters, they themselves would be jailed.

For the most part the private cops became spectators throughout the massive assault on the amusement citadel of segregation.

The horde of Freedom Riders struck the park at all points simultaneously and in staggered formations at 3 p.m. in a brilliant sunshine kissed by a gently and cooling breeze.

They hit at a time when the tension — created by a five-hour wait — was at the breaking point.

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Using buses, private cars, transit vehicles and walking, the demonstrators launched the massive assault on Gwynn Oak exactly 100 years and a day after the Union army sounded the death knell for the cause of the South and segregation at Gettysburg.

The Civil War fighters, 1963-style, using deployment strategy that would have reflected credit on Union Gen. George G. Meade at the height of the bloodiest battle in the history of the country, reversed to be denied entrance to the park.

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FEW OF THE caravan of buses and autos came near the main entrance of the park. Instead, they drove directly to pre-designated entrances and unloaded its human cargo which quickly vanished into the park only to encounter several of the approximate 100 county police posted throughout the park.

Mr. Lally declined to release the exact number of officers on duty, but it wasn't possible to walk more than a few yards in any part of the area without bumping into county policemen.)

To foil detection before they entered, many of the would be demonstrators waded across a stream of water three feet deep, carrying shoes in their hands. The waders included women and children of all ages of both races.

Amusement, and recreation had the area paralyzed during the two-hour protest and only moved at snails pace while police, spectators and owners awaited the arrival of demonstrators.

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SPOKESMAN FOR the brothers-owners was James Price, former assistant state's attorney for Baltimore City.

"We don't mix out here socially," he told reporters while police lines were drawn in the direction Freeedom Fighters were erpected to come.

"Will you admit them when they get here?" he was asked by the AFRO.

"Not today," he answered calmly.

As he watched police load the prisoners, later the AFRO asked if he had further comment on the impact and size of the peaceful protest.

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GLANCING AT the stilled ferris wheel, deserted refreshment stands and other idle devices, Mr. Price had a question of his own:

"What can I say? It speaks for itself. One thing is sure, it's a pain in the . . ."

He later added that colored persons are not barred from the park "for moral reasons."

"It's economics," he declared. "Whites won't accept colored out here."

While the park literally buzzed with excitement internally, nearly 100 demonstrators walked the picket line in the center strip which divides the dual-lane Gwynn Oak Ave.

They were banished to the middle of the busy throughfare when the owners claimed their property rights extended to the middle of the east-bound lane of Gwynn Oak Ave.

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THE PICKETS included several Catholic priests, lo-

Arrival of the first wave of the 1,000 demonstrators brought a sigh of relief for policemen who were straining under the tension created by impending protest and the swelling ranks of spectators who congregated near the main entrance of the park and the main route of the street for several blocks.

Occasionally a rebel yell flowed from a passing car decorated with rebel flags. Policmen, stationed at various points along the thoroughfare, directed traffic which at times was bumper-to-bumper for several blocks.

The five-hour wait was caused by the delayed arrival of 300 demonstrators from all points north.

As early as 10 a.m. local CORE, Council of Churches, labor union, and community leaders co - sponsoring the demonstration, assembled at Metropolitan Methodist Church, Carrollton Ave. and Lanvale St. to map strategy and conduct a rally and workshop on non-violent techniques.

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AMONG EARLY arrivals were some of the top churchmen in the country. They included:

Dr. Eugene Carlson Blake, stated clerk of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.;

The Rt. Rev. David Carrigan, National Council of Protestant and Episcopal Churches; Austin Healy, representing the Baltimore Archdiocese.

For the first time in the history of Baltimore demonstrations clergymen from all faiths and denominations took an active role in an anti-segregation protest.

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Among those jailed and released or remained in prison are some of the most prominent names in the local Catholic, Hebrew and Protestant churches.

Dr. Blake, who is also vice chairman of the National Council of Churches Committee on Religion and Race, gave this reason for the heavy outpouring of white clergymen:

"Both the National Council of Churches and the United Presbyterian Churches of the U.S.A. want to take action which would identify white religious leaders with colored religious leaders in the struggle for human dignity."

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Dr. Furman L. Templeton, executive director of the Baltimore Urban League was among prominent leaders jailed at Gwynn Oak.

Thursday, however, Dr. Templeton said he was not representing the Urban League. He was acting in the capacity of president of the national president of Presbyterian International Council, vice chairman, Presbyterian Committee on Religion and Race, and chairman, Education and Action Committee, Presbyterian Chesapeake Area.

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DUE TO limited facilities and personnel at the county sub-police stations "mass confusion" reigned far into the morning as police processed the demonstrators either for release on bail or committent to jail.

All persons choosing jail to bail were booked, and later transferred to police headquarters at Towson.

Police Magistrate C. John Serio was committing magistrate at Woodlawn until the day station was overrun with demonstrators.

They were then re-routed to Wilkins station near Halethorpe. Late Thursday, police dockets showed that 180 persons had been booked at Woodlawn and 130 charged at Wilkins.

Lt. Clarence Eckenrodt, who commanded the operation, told the AFRO due to limited booking facilities, demonstrators were seated in the courtroom until they could be processed.

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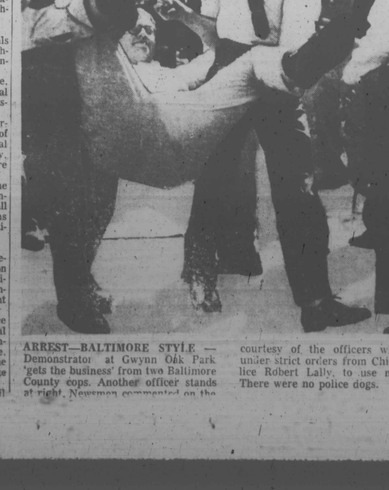
AVAILABLE cells could only accommodate a few of the prisoners, he said, necessitating the transfer to Towson.

At Woodlawn, Magistrate Serio engaged in a hassle with the Rev. Mr. Middaugh.

The clergyman asked the official to release all church-



ARREST—BALTIMORE STYLE — Demonstrator at Gwynn Oak Park 'gets the business' from two Baltimore County cops. Another officer stands at right. Newsmen commented on the courtesy of the officers who were under strict orders from Chief of police Robert Lally, to use no force. There were no police dogs.

School busses, paddy wagons

WHEN THE police-commandeered school bus left the park around 5:15 with the last load of demonstrators, calm and quiet fell over the park as holiday picnickers began drifting from the area.

However, as it developed later, one phase of the impact of the massive protest was just beginning.

When the AFRO arrived at the Woodlawn police station at 2 a.m., (Friday), what had been described earlier by Lt. Eckenroads as "mass confusion," stood out in bold relief.

Many of the persons taken to Woodlawn still had not been completely processed—booked, searched, fingerprinted and left to await transportation to wherever accommodations could be found in the county.

Chief Lally said all of the women prisoners who were not housed at County Police headquarters in Towson were transported to the Civil Defense Fire Station in Middle River, where beds and cots have been installed to facilitate the emergency.

All male prisoners who were unable to be accommodated at Towson were distributed at police stations through the county, including Wilkins and Woodlawn.

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AS EVIDENCE of the busy day's activity, a mountain of women's pocketbooks were heaped on a cabinet at Woodlawn.

Volumnes of envelopes, containing the personal belongings of male prisoners, including pencils, handkerchiefs, combs and money, were labeled and filed away.

All persons who chose to remain in jail were to be given a hearing at 7:30 p.m. today (Friday) before Magistrate Serio. Those released on bail are to be tried at 1 p.m., Monday, at Woodlawn.

The economics the Price brothers talk about was running into cash deficits for the already hard - pressed county and more of the same is promised.

Clergymen of all faiths jailed at Gwynn Oak

Nearly a score of prominent clergymen, representing all faiths and denominations, participated in the Independence Day segregation protest at Gwynn Oak Park. More than half of them were arrested.

Several were released on bail while others chose jail instead of bail.

Were released on personal recognizance.

This was July 4th, 1963, in Baltimore, Maryland, USA!

CHIEF OF POLICE of Baltimore County is Robert Lally, pictured here talking with newsmen. Chief Lally, former assistant chief in the Baltimore FBI office, assumed his Baltimore County post a month ago. Spectators commented on evidence of police brutality during arrest of 300 at Gwynn Oak. Chief Lally gave strict orders to his men to handle demonstrators gently.

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