VIEWING THE exhibition of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers and the Northwestern Investigating Co. are shoppers participating in the Black Trade Fair which ran from February 8th thru February 12. The Urban League mans its tables as visitors are explained the role of the organization in the community.

Kamka new head at reception center

Gordon C. Kamka has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Maryland Reception, Classification and Diagnostic Center, according to Joseph G. Cannon, Commissioner, Maryland Division of Correction.

The appointment is effective immediately. Mr. Kamka, 31, a graduate of Baltimore City College, received a Bachelor of Arts degree, with a major in psychology, from the University of Maryland in 1963, and a Master's degree in counseling and education from State University College, New York, in 1966.

Other graduate work includes criminology courses at American University, and the University of Southern California, where he also took courses in education.

He received an honorable discharge with the rank of Captain from the U.S. Air Force in November, served as chief of weapons system security at DaNang, Vietnam; chief of administrative security at Ramstein, Germany; and deputy commander of services at Etain, France.

He and his wife, Joyce, and two children reside at 4319 Hamilton Avenue.

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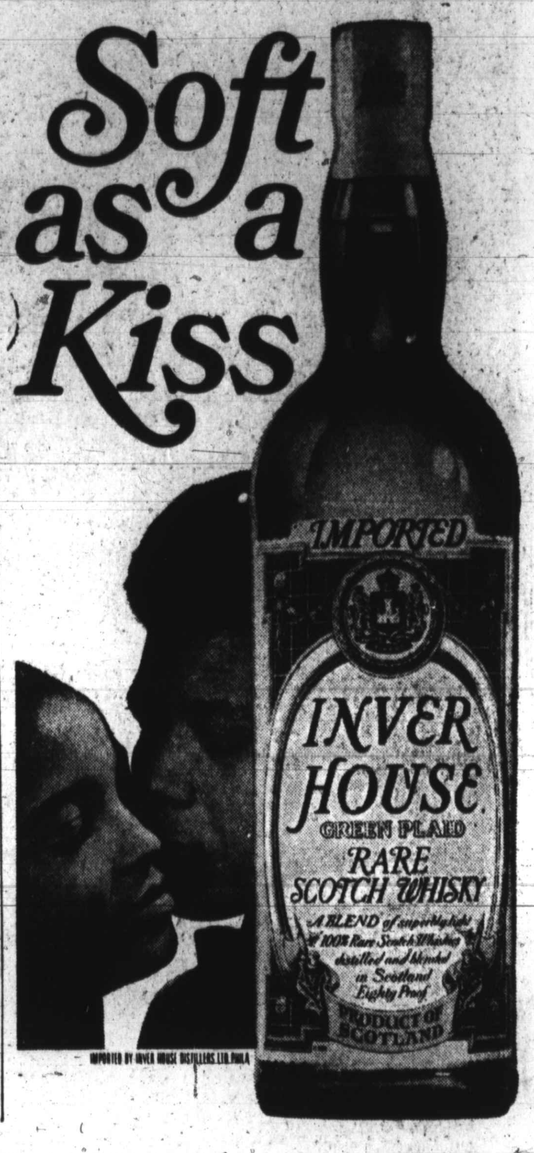
"What is Pre-School Education All About?" This will be the topic for discussion at the Baltimore Association for Retarded children's Pre-School Committee meeting at 8 p.m. today at the BARC head quarters, 4321 Old York Road. The meeting is open to the general public and all parents of retarded children of pre-school age are particularly asked to attend.



Tax laws include three added savings

Three new areas of income tax savings have been added to the tax laws for certain families who made job-related moves during 1970, according to Martin J. Reilly, a director of the Movers' / Warehousemen's Association of Maryland.

Mr. Reilly said that a study of the Tax Reform Act indicates these new areas of allowable deductions.

— Temporary living expenses at the new location.

— Certain expenses involved in the sale and purchase of property.

— House-hunting costs before the move.

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The older allowable deductions for actual costs of moving household goods, crafting, packing, value protection, in-transit storage and the costs of transportation for the family remain virtually unchanged.

The new categories can mean substantial tax savings for the family:

— Temporary living expense deductions include the costs of meals and lodging for the taxpayer and his family for 30 days after moving to the area of new employment if the taxpayer is looking for permanent residence or waiting to move into a new residence.

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— Among the deductible expenses involved in sale and purchase of property are real estate brokers' commission, excrow fees and similar expenses necessary to sell property and attorney's fees, escrow fees, title costs, loan placement charges ("points") and similar expenses necessary to purchase a new residence.

— Pre-move house-hunting costs, including transportation, meals and lodging for the taxpayer and members of his household are deductible if the taxpayer already has obtained employment, the purpose of the trip is to find a residence, and the trip is between the general areas of old and new employment.

There is an overall limitation of $2,500 for the three new categories and the house-hunting cost is limited to $1,000 of that 2,500 total.

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Expenses for the older allowable deductions for the actual costs of moving and travel are not included in that maximum. However, all expenses must be reasonable.

To qualify for the deductions, the taxpayer must move to a new place of employment which is at least 50 miles farther from the old residence than was the old employment.

For example, if the taxpayer's old employment was 10 miles from his old residence, then the new employment must be at least 60 miles from the old residence.

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Further, the deductions only can be claimed if the taxpayer was a full-time employee for at least 39 weeks during the 12-month period immediately following arrival at the new employment.

Mr. Reilly, who is president of Fidelity Storage Company, an Allied Van Line agent, recommends that the taxpayer who might benefit from these new rules study them in their full form so that no potential tax savings are overlooked.

How Much Is a High School Diploma Worth?

A noted educator made the surprising statement that high school graduates earn over $2500 more a year than non-graduates. Asked where he got the figure, he cited a recent U.S. Department of Commerce report that shows a high school diploma is worth $130,000 extra earnings over a working lifetime.

According to Dr. Keith J. Craven, Dean of Franklin Academy, which offers accredited high school training at home, the government figure is conservative. "Students who complete our courses can go into new jobs," Dr. Craven said, "which pay them much more than $2,500 a year over their former earnings.

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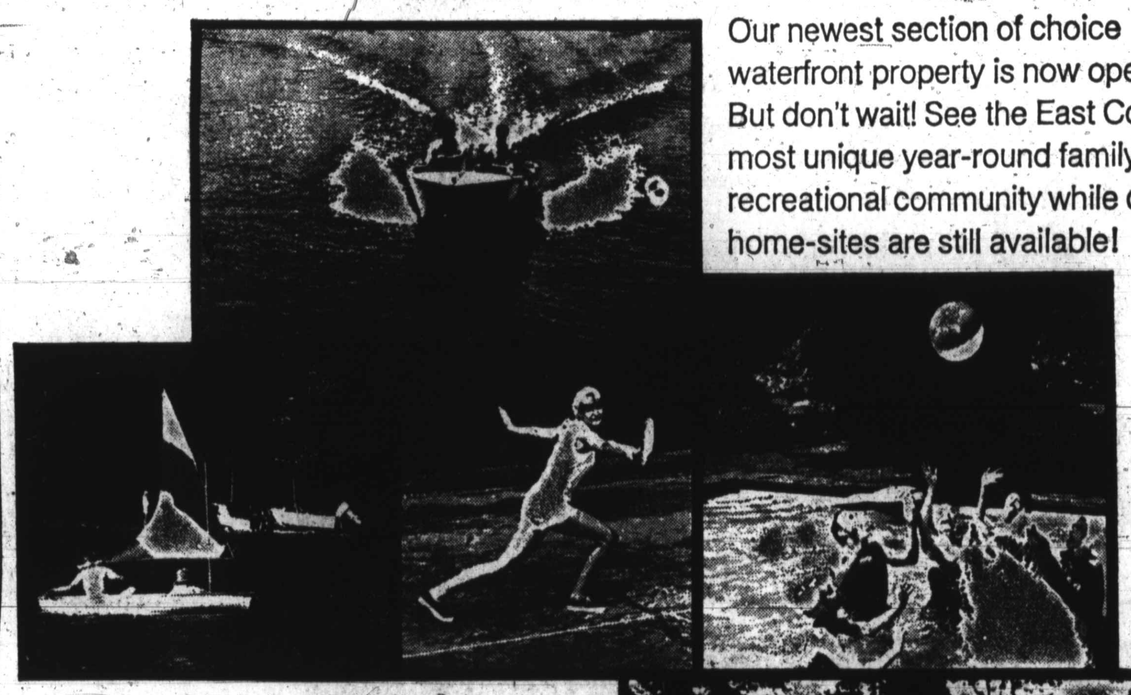

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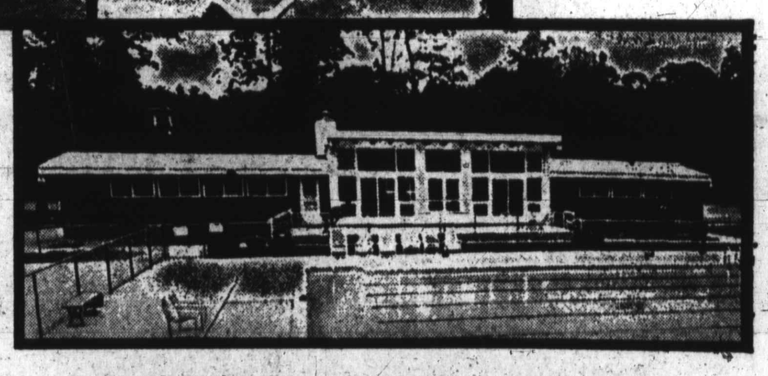

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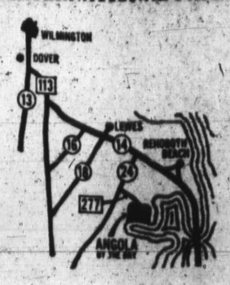

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