CITY TO WELCOME WILMA THE GREAT

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BOY'S BRIGHT DREAMS END UNDER WHEELS OF A TRUCK

JAN. 13TH WILL BE WILMA'S DAY

City, state to roll out red carpet

Wilma Rudolph, winner of the 1961 Sullivan Award and two-time "woman athlete of the year" honoree, comes to Baltimore next weekend to receive the plaudits of city and state.

The triple champion of the 1960 Olympic Games is destined to be honored by Gov. Millard E. Tawes and Mayor J. Harold Grady, as well as by the AFRO-AMERICAN, during a crowded one-day schedule next Saturday.

Wilma, who became the bride of William Ward, a fellow athlete at Tennessee State University two months ago, will wind up her brief stay with a trip to the 5th Regiment Armory as a spectator at the All-Eastern indoor track meet.

Mayor Grady has proclaimed Saturday as "Wilma Rudolph Day" in Baltimore.

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THE ATTRACTIVE, 21-year-old college senior will arrive shortly after 10 p.m., Friday night at Friendship Airport.

At 11 a.m., Saturday, she will be greeted by Gov. Tawes in Annapolis, and at 1 p.m., Wilma will be given the key to the city by Mayor Grady at City Hall.

At 2:30 o'clock, Wilma will be guest of honor at a luncheon at Morgan State College, with the trustees and President Martin D. Jenkins.

Miss Rudolph—or Mrs.

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WILMA RUDOLPH WARD
Displays spoils from Olympics

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More demonstrations set against segregated cafes

"Upon review of this proposed bill, we believe it is legally sufficient." . . . Attorney General Thomas B. Finan and his deputy, Joseph S. Kaufman gave this opinion in a letter to Gov. J. Millard Tawes today (Friday), on a revised proposed public accommodations bill to be acted on by the General Assembly next month. The new amendments gave enforcement powers to the Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations instead of the political subdivision as the earlier version provided. . . . These are developments on other fronts of the controversy within the past three days:

TAWES

As a legislative showdown on a public accommodations bill nears, Gov. J. Millard Tawes, this week, predicted, with caution, the passage of the law next month.

In a telegram to Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, NAACP president, the governor said a "solution to the problem (equal accommodations) would appear to be imminent," when the General Assembly convenes in February.

The telegram was in reply to Dr. Jackson's request of Dec. 22, when she urged the governor to call a special session of the General Assembly

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CIG

The Civic Interest Group will take its segregation protest to the Eastern Shore Saturday for the second consecutive week.

Cliff Henry, spokesman, said demonstrators will visit Easton Saturday. A caravan of autos and buses will leave Grace Presbyterian Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., 11 a.m. Saturday.

Easton residents will join the protest and demonstrate until 8 p.m. when a rally will be held at the Union Baptist Church, 116 Hammond St.

Last week CIG led a caravan to Crisfield, Governor Tawes' hometown, and staged an anti-segregation protest.

KEARSE

Dr. I. Logan Kearse, pastor, Cornerstone Baptist Church, and key figure in local war against restaurant segregation, renewed his fight this week.

After the minister and Warren S. Shaw, real estate dealer, left Criminal Court Wednesday, where they and 30 demonstrators were arraigned on trespassing charges, they were jailed at Hooper's, Charles and Fayette Sts.

They entered the restaurant, where both have been arrested twice before, and sat in 45 minutes before police hauled them off to jail.

"I didn't have time to get

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THE BURHA STORY

Agency to probe itself

Notarized statement are being taken in the investigation of charges that racial discrimination blocks promotion of an employee of the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency.

Richard L. Steiner, BURHA director, disclosed that action this week as he personally assumed responsibility for the investigation in his agency with promise of a public statement of findings.

In taking over the investigation Mr. Steiner said it would not include such questions covered in the complaint as employee morale, adequacy of supervision or efficiency of precedures and that no public hearing would be held.

Daniel L. Nicolas, a planning department employee with BURHA, has charged that he has been denied promotion to the post of senior city planner, though he is No. 1 on the eligibility list, because of his race.

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BEFORE TAKING over the investigation himself, Mr. Steiner asked the Civil Service Commission and the City Solicitor to look to the matter.

He was told it was a departmental matter.

Procedure of the investigation was disclosed this week to Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, who filed the complaint for Mr. Nicolas on behalf of the NAACP's legal redress committee.

Mr. Steiner said he had set Jan. 19 as a deadline for the notarized statements to be in his hands. He said they were requested of "all persons directly involved."

In striving to make the investigation as fair and im-

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A MOTHER SITS AND GRIEVES

MRS. JUNE HOPKINS
Mourns for dead son, traffic victim

'He always liked trucks...'

By FRANK HUNT

Eight-year-old Charles always said he wanted to be a track driver like his daddy. He was the happiest kid in town when he received a toy truck for Christmas.

A week later the brightly-colored toy sat under the Christmas tree in his home at 25 E. York St., discarded and forgotten.

Its owner is dead—killed by a life-sized model of his Christmas gift on his way to school.

"He was always talking about trucks. He would play with that thing until I had to run him out of the house," said Mrs. June Hopkins, the dead boy's mother.

"God knows I wish he were here to play with it now," she added.

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CHARLES WAS hit by a truck 12:30 Wednesday at W. Montgomery and S. Hanover Sts. on his way back to School 126 following his lunch period.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at South Baltimore General Hospital.

The 29-year-old mother, who has six other children, sat in the living room of her home five hours after the tragedy recalling the nightmarish events of the day.

Only her eyes—bright with unshed tears—and her set features belied her quiet, seemingly emotionless voice.

She hadn't gotten around to taking down the Christmas tree she said indicating the modestly decorated fir in one corner.

Among the toys which still lay around its foot was the toy truck and a bowling set that Santa Claus had brought Charles for Christmas — garish reminders of the living in a house where death momentarily held court.

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THE knowledge of her son's death did not come to Mrs. Hopkins with the merciful incisiveness of sudden and certain loss.

It was at least ten minutes before she was sure that the blood splatted on the street at W. Montgomery St. and S. Hanover was Charles'.

"I was on my way out the

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Grace's successor to be set March 1

WASHINGTON

A contempt of court hearing against Walter McCollough, deposed Bishop of the House of Prayer for All People, was postponed by District Court Judge George Hart Jr., Thursday, pending an election meeting tentatively set for March 1.

Judge Hart set the date for election of a new bishop and continued the contempt hearing after Elder McCollough promised in open court to restrict his church activities to the geographical area over which he is state chairman.

Contempt charges were filed against Elder McCollough primarily as the outgrowth of his travels about the country for church meetings. His opponents have accused him of flaunting a previous order by Judge Hart restraining him and others from holding themselves out to be the successor to the late Bishop C. M. Daddy Grace until a new election is held.

THURSDAY'S HEARING pointed up the fact that a split over strategy has developed among the church faction which earlier won a fight to have Elder McCollough's election as bishop ruled illegal and which subsequently accused him of being in contempt of court.

Two attorneys, both stating they represent the group which brought the class action, expressed conflicting views regarding procedure. James Hogans, attorney, emotionally opposed any delay in the hearing while King David, attorney, said he did not object to the continuance.

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JUDGE HART stated that

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THE CONTROVERSIAL HENRY BARNES — SAINT OR SINNER?

THE MAN

By MAX JOHNSON

"I hate to leave Baltimore. I like the people here, and I think I've got the finest department in the world.

"My home is here. My family and three grandchildren are here.

"If the Mayor had gone to the Board of Estimates and asked for a $2,000 raise for me, I would have stayed here.

"But, the Mayor said he would make the recommendation next year, in 1963. That's an election year. Anything could happen."

In his office atop the Maryland Port Authority Building, Pier Two on Pratt St., Henry A. Barnes, Baltimore's recent commissioner of Transit and Traffic, was speaking Thursday afternoon, telling why he had given up his job here to accept a similar position in New York City.

"That's water over the dam now," he said to his visitor. "I don't like to leave Baltimore with

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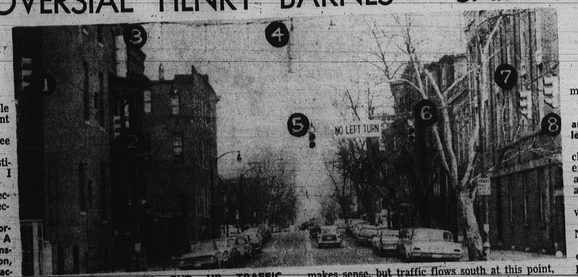

WHEN MR. BARNES PUT UP TRAFFIC LIGHTS, Mr. Barnes really put up traffic lights. This is the intersection of Madison and Lafayette Aves., where there are eight lights. This probably makes sense, but traffic flows south at this point, on Madison Avenue, and lights one and two are facing north.

THE PEOPLE

"Baltimore is going to miss Traffic Commissioner Henry A. Barnes."

"Poor New York!"

This is how public opinion split this week in an AFRO "man-in-the-street" poll on Mr. Barnes' leaving our fair city.

Motorist and pedestrians welcome the chance to talk about the man who for the past eight years has decided such important matters as where, how and when they'll cross the street, and catch the bus.

On whether they'll find it easier to drive to work or go by bus.

Mr. Barnes has accepted a similar position in New York City as of Jan. 15, with higher pay.

Comments ranged from a biting "good riddance" to a concerned "who can we get to replace him."

Opinion, as indicated by the comments listed

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