## —H.U. coed slain

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make, which had been fired seven times.

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**MOBLEY, WHO** said he quit studying for the ministry about a month ago, explained the shooting in a statement to police.

Captain Laurence Hartnett, head of the homicide squad, said Mobley gave this account:

Two and a half months ago, he was out in the northeast section of the city looking for a Rev. Mr. Jennings.

Failing to find the address, he sought advice from a stranger on the street, who was Miss Jordan.

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**SHE GAVE** him directions. Subsequently, he saw Miss Jordan in the library at Howard University.

He struck up a conversation with her and they became friends. After dating her several times, he fell in love with her, he told police.

He told police he proposed to her, and the coed neither accepted nor rejected his marriage proposal.

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**ON WEDNESDAY,** he went to the campus library at 1:30 p.m., where he saw Miss Jordan talking to Polk.

**He asked her if he could walk with her to the bus stop. She said, "no," and added that Polk would walk with her, police said.**

Mobley allegedly went home.

He returned to the campus and saw Miss Jordan outside her classroom. He told police he was familiar with her schedule.

When she came out of her class, he began a conversation with her. Polk approached and Miss Jordan walked away with the youth, police say Mobley told them.

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**MOBLEY IS** alleged at this point to have whipped out his weapon. The chase led from the first floor to the basement where the couple was shot, police reported.

J. B. Hutchin, and Alfred E. Palmer, special policemen at Howard University, captured the suspect after he failed in an attempt to escape from the building.

According to the two guards, they received a report of the shooting. When they reached Douglass Hall, Mobley was fleeing from the center door.

When he sighted the guards, Mobley dashed back into the building through the north door and fled to the basement where the bodies lay, police reported.

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**THE GUARDS** ordered him to throw down his gun. The defendant obeyed without protest as the officers blocked the only exit from the basement.

During his flight, Mobley had previously run from the scene to the first floor corridor where classes were about to begin.

He started a class of German students, by breaking the pane of the locked classroom door with the butt of the gun. Then he tried to run from the building where he was spotted by the guards.

After giving his statement to police, Mobley was asked by Captain Hartnett how he felt.

"I don't know how I feel," Hartnett said the youth replied.

He said Mobley showed no apparent remorse or emotion.

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**"HE SAID** he came here from Greensboro, N.C., and wanted to be a preacher," Hartnett stated.

**"While he was studying at the seminary, he preached over 100 sermons at various churches in Washington and the nearby vicinity."**

The defendant said his mother and stepfather lived in Greensboro.

Miss Jordan, of the 2100 block I St., NE, with her mother, Mrs. Genevieve Girard, originally from Carlisle, Pa., had been studying at Howard for two weeks.

She had transferred from the Montgomery Junior College in Takoma Park, Md. Her ambition was to be a teacher.

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Neighbors of the dead girl said "She was a quiet girl."

"I saw her this morning and asked her if she was going back to school now that the snow was melting.

"She said, 'Yes,' and then she smiled. She looked so happy," one neighbor said.

The teenager was dressed in a brown tweed skirt and jacket, an overcoat and white rubber boots.

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**THE REV. THOMAS J. JENNINGS,** assistant pastor of Tenth Street Baptist Church, to whom Mobley apparently referred in his statement, was asked if he knew Mobley.

The pastor said he had met Mobley but had no knowledge of the incident referred to by the youth.

The Rev. Mr. Jennings met Mobley when the youthful preacher spoke as a guest at the Tenth Street Baptist Church two months ago.

"We always try to give seminary students an opportunity to speak," said the Rev. Mr. Jennings. "It gives them experience and helps them earn a few pennies to help them through school.

"After that night, he wanted to speak again, but we never set another date."

**THE REV. MR. JENNINGS** said Mobley telephoned his home several days after the sermon and asked the minister to take him to the post office in his automobile.

He said his mother had sent him some cake, but he didn't have enough money to go to the post office," explained the Rev. Mr. Jennings.

"I told him I would take him later that day. I picked him up at his home and we went to the post office.

"He asked me if I had any food at home because he was hungry.

"So I took him home with me and gave him some dinner.

"He had told us he was a student at Howard University.

"He seemed to be a nice person. This is the most shocking news I have ever heard."

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### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

WASHINGTON—The Federal Civil Service Board announced examinations for agricultural marketing specialist, fishery marketing specialist and agricultural marketing reporter, with salaries ranging from $4,525 to $10,320.

CAMPUS TRAGEDY—Morgue attendants and university guards remove the body of the slain Howard University coed from Douglass Hall on the university campus.

## —Little Rock goodbye

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was permanently expelled from the school board of the Little Rock School Board at a closed session of the board.

**It seems that Minnie Jean committed a cardinal sin in the eyes of the school board when she called Frankie Ann Gregg "white trash."**

The Gregg girl spent an entire week of her time following Minnie Jean and calling her a "n—er b—h" before beating her about the head with a purse.

Minnie Jean's expulsion has been viewed by observers as a move giving the "go signal" to an all-out unbridled harassment war on the remaining eight colored children at Central High.

One by one, observers speculate, the children will be harassed by segregationists in hopes of driving them from the integrated school.

**MRS. BATES** asked Minnie Jean and her mother, Mrs. W. B. Brown, met with school board members shortly before they took the action against the child.

They were not present when the school board upheld Bloxsom's recommendation that Minnie Jean be ousted from the school.

In attacking the action of the school board and confirming reports that Minie Jean would enter the New York School, Mrs. Brown declared;

"I'm grateful to Mrs. Bates and the NAACP for making it possible (scholarship to New York school.)

**"Minnie Jean will accept the $1,500 scholarship.**

While I'm grateful, I'm not happy. I'm not happy that children of both races at Central High School are being hurt by selfish and hateful people.

"Minnie Jean is looking forward to attending an integrated school without the indignities still being visited on the remaining colored pupils here."

In announcing hopes that Minnie Jean would come to the school, Dr. H. Brooks, head of the Lincoln School, stated;

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**"OUR KIND** of school cannot just sit by and not make some sort of gesture in a case like this.

"We are known as an interracial, inter-economic and experimental school trying to do something to relieve racial problems."

Lincoln School has an enrollment of 432 pupils of all nationalities.

Mrs. Bates said that all her recent efforts have been concentrated on getting Minnie Jean in school to avoid her losing time. She added:

**"A firm stand taken at Central High School by the school superintendent and the principal would weed out the minority of trouble-makers there who are harassing the children.**

"It's a plain case of discipline."

Asked if she anticipated stepped up activity against the remaining eight colored pupils at the school now that Minnie Jean has been ousted, Mrs. Bates stated;

"Unless school officials act with the firm discipline that is necessary, all of the children are subject to increased harassment."

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**THE MILITANT** civil rights leader hinted that she suspected that a drive was under way at the school to oust the pupils one by one.

**"We are discussing what action we will take on Minnie Jean's suspension. We will furnish legal counsel to Mrs. Brown on her request,"** Mrs. Bates stated, injecting;

"All nine parents of the children have protested Minnie Jean's expulsion.

"Getting rid of her has solved nothing."

**In another incident here Sunday, Dr. Lee Lorch, a mathematics professor at Philander Smith College, chased six cars full of white youths several blocks, after they stoned the home of Mrs. Bates.**

Dr. Lorch lost the cars after giving chase. Some two hours later, Mrs. Bates reported that a huge rock was tossed through a picture window in her home.

The stone was wrapped in a confederate flag, marking the third time a flag of that nature has been seen in connection with racial incidents here.

"We investigated and found that one of the cars belonged to a 16-year-old white pupil at Central High School," Mrs. Bates told the AFRO.

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**SHE IDENTIFIED** the pupil as Elizabeth Dolan. The incident, Mrs. Bates stated, was the second of its kind.

Meanwhile three white pupils at Central High School were given three-day suspensions Monday by the Little Rock School Board, which on the same day expelled Minnie Jean.

They are Howard Cooper, Billy Ferguson and Sammie Dean Parker. Cooper was ousted for wearing a card which read, "One down, eight to go";

Ferguson was expelled for pushing a colored pupil down a flight of stairs and Parker for passing out racial billfold type cards.

J. B. HUTCHINS

ALFRED E. PALMER

Hutchins and Palmer are Howard University special policemen who apprehended the suspect in the fatal shooting at the college Wednesday.

## —Body in fire ruins

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**was caused "by cigaret sparks that ignited in a sofa on the first floor" at 918.**

Mrs. Branch said Wednesday night they did not know who might have been responsible.

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**MOST OF** the inhabitants of the destroyed houses, as well as terrified neighbors, were asleep when the fire started.

The two others who jumped to safety from the third floor were Johnny Watkins, 22, and Miss Gerdie Lee Brown, of the 200 block Fulton Ave.

They had to climb out a rear window and leap from the roof.

Johnny was the one the others thought had rescued Charles Jr, who had been asleep in a back room on the second floor.

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**ON THE** second floor also were other children of Mrs. Branch — Corine Spears, 9; twins Joe Jr. and Jo Ann Spears, 8.

Another son Bossie Watkins, 24, and two friends were on the first floor.

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**In the house at 916 with Mrs. Hogan, a widow, were the woman's two daughters and two grandchildren.**

They included Miss Josephine Hogan, 24; Miss Carrie Maxine Hogan, 14; Thomas Lee, 12, son of Mrs. Lillian Hearn, and Janice, 3, daughter of Mrs. Lucy Mae Wellington, both of Baltimore.

Remarked Mrs. Hogan Wednesday:

"I was almost through paying for it, now I don't have a home."

She said she had $5,000 insurance on the house and $1,000 on the furniture "but I know my damage was at least $10,000."

"We smelled the smoke and heard the people next door screaming," Mrs. Hogan said. "I didn't even grab a dress."

She said she would stay for a while with a sister and her husband, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hornes, of 1900 Barclay St.

**FOLLOWING** are some of the comments of neighbors on Pierce St.

Mrs. Willie Mae Williams, 921:

**"My father woke me up. He said he heard an explosion like a bomb.**

"I saw the blaze and heard someone yelling out the window. Then I saw two people jump. I know one was a man."

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**MRS. PEARL COSBY,** 50, 925:

"It was the worst sight I ever saw.

"The man was at the window yelling for someone to come and help him. Then he jumped.

"There was nothing else for him to do, all that fire around him.

**"Oh, it was awful last night. It was awful. Everybody was in an uproar."**

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**MRS. CATHERINE ADAMS,** 914:

"I woke me up about 4 a.m. I smelled the smoke and heard all the screaming. I told my husband, Charles, to call the fire department.

"We are buying our home and it had me all shook up. I'm not calm yet."

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**MRS. BRANCH** said her family did not have any insurance on their ownings. They were renting.

She said the Red Cross gave them some clothes for the younger children on Wednesday.

**However, she said they were in need of clothes and furniture for everyone.**

She said they would be stopping with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Randolph, at 908 W. Pierce St., until they found another house.

Funeral arrangements for Charles Branch Jr. had not been completed.

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## Classroom calm upset by shootings

WASHINGTON

The 3:45 change-classes period at Howard University Wednesday was like all others—crowded hallways and students crossing the campus—except that death came suddenly and violently for Miss Gloria Jordan with a bullet through the breast and another through the heart.

Only a few feet away in the basement locker, room Henry L. Polk Jr. stumbled away critically wounded and colored. Freedmen's Hospital ambulance sped him away while Dr. Dorothy B. Ferebee of the Howard faculty pronounced Miss Jordan dead.

Mrs. Marie P. Alter, German instructor, told the AFRO that she heard a woman's scream outside her window on the campus. Three girls had their hands over their faces and Mrs. Alter said she shrugged it off as students throwing snowballs.

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**BUT AS SHE** started out of her office to the class awaiting her in room 105, Douglass Hall, she saw a man knock out the door panes at 105.

Then he turned and ran down the hallway," she said.

Howard student Fred Mathis told the AFRO he was on his way to German in room 105 when he heard shots and saw a man coming up the basement stairway.

**"I ran into 105 and warned the class," he said. "Just then the man began to knock out the door pane with the butt of his gun."**

The class of 30 pupils fled to the rear of the room, but the man did not fire, Mathis said. The man fled.

Mrs. Alter said she excused the class for the day and the excited pupils poured out of the room into more excitement in the milling hallway.

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**NOW THE** whole Liberal Arts study building had heard Miss Jordon and Polk had been suddenly shot down in the basement.

The beserk gunman apparently fled back to the basement where Special Police Albert Palmer apprehended him.

Sudden violence followed by confusion marred police's efforts to reconstruct just what happened prior to the outbreak of gunfire.

Miss Jordan was found in the men's locker room and Polk in the women's adjacent locker room.

HENRY V. MOBLEY
Held as suspect

**POLK** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Polk Sr. of 1600 Hamlin St., NE. Mr. Polk is a supervisor of the Washington branch of the North Carolina Mutual Insurance Co.

Polk is an engineer sophomore at Howard and graduate of Dunbar High School.

Polk began dating Miss Jordan last summer and they did their homework together, Mrs. J. Little, his sister said.

"They were not engaged," she told the AFRO, "and we knew nothing of the suspect."

She described Miss Jordan as "very attractive and very sweet." Polk is described as "a nice, clean, college-type fellow who loves hi-fi music".

They met through Miss Jordan's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Jones, who lives in the neighborhood in the 200 block of 17th St., NE.

Miss Jordon's mother, Mrs. Genevieve Girard, a Civil Service Administration employee, lives at 213 I St., NE.

Her husband was called back to Washington from Florida.

The mother was too grief-stricken to comment. She was treated Wednesday evening at Freedmen's Hospital for shock.

## —Churchmen

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op's Council.

Deputy Marshal Dow told the AFRO that the papers were an application for an injunction against the Rt. Rev. Mr. Wright. He said that the document has the force of a show cause warrant, and that the bishop would be obliged to answer the order in the Federal Court on Friday morning at 9:30 a.m.

**However, the marshal did not serve the papers at once. He came out of the room, waited until 4:40 p.m., re-entered the room and served the papers.**

It had been rumored throughout the crowd that the marshal had been present in the church earlier in the day while the Rt. Rev. Wright was at lunch in some nearby eating place.

However, tension developed in the packed and jammed church at the morning devotional services.

As the bishops entered filing in a single line with their robes trailing, at 10:20 a.m., audible muttering was heard.

Bishop Nichols walked third in line according to his seniority. He sat on the platform between Senior Bishop Sherman L. Greene and Bishop George Baber, who is presiding Bishop of the First Episcopal District.

At one time Bishop Nichols was seen chatting amicably with Bishop Greene, during the religious services.

## Sussex Co. OK's plans for school

SUSSEX, Va. (NNPA)—The School Board Thursday approved preliminary drawings for Sussex County's new 500-student colored high school, to be built at an estimated cost of $700,000 at its monthly meeting.

Gordon Galusha, Petersburg (Va.) architect, who designed the high school said the plans will be forwarded to the State Department of Education for approval.

The high school, planned for a 15-acre site near the courthouse, will be financed from a $770,000 building fund which includes $431,770 in site money and the remainder to come from proceeds of a special tax which has been in effect since 1948.

## Ex-Cuban president accused of conspiracy

WASHINGTON

Attorney General William P. Rogers announced last week that a Federal grand jury in Southern District of New York has indicted Carlos Prio Socarras exiled former president of Cuba and eight others for conspiracy to violate the neutrality laws of the United States.

Specifically, the indictment alleges that the defendants conspired to begin and set on foot, and to provide and prepare the means for, and to furnish money for and take part in military expeditions and enterprises to be carried on from the United States against the Republic of Cuba.

## —Rain, warmer

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worked all night Wednesday moving stranded cards from streets. Several hundred were towed away and information on "lost" cars can be had at the Fifth Regiment Armory.

Despite the all-out cleaning effort by city, state and army agencies, at least one private company joined in the battle to ease bottle necks near them.

Bethlehem Steel put its own equipment to work clearing Erdman Ave. from Belair Rd. to the city line early Thursday.

**ELSEWHERE** in the city, indications were that business as usual would be back on schedule Monday.

Children, it appears, were not the only ones to enjoy the snow.

**Arthur R. Watson, director of the Baltimore Zoo, told the AFRO Thursday, "our sea lions and polar bears enjoyed it."**

He said the zoo building doors were closed Sunday and Monday but are now open. About 50 visitors came through Thursday.

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**POLICE** Courts were back to normal, except that dockets were running unusually light.

Wilford W. Butschky, clerk of the United States District Court, said regular cases would be heard again starting Monday.

**Currently being heard are criminal cases, arraignments and hearings on law motions (no juries needed), he said.**

Criminal Courts are holding sessions for arraignments. Jury trials will commence next week.

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**SANITATION** Engineer Joseph H. Kirsch said if we get some warm weather we may be able to start collections in a few days."

**He urged citizens to pack their trash as tightly as possible until garbage collections are resumed.**

Mt. Auburn Cemetery reported operations back on a normal basis Thursday after a week of days in which quite a bit of snow had to be moved by grave diggers.

Monday and Tuesday were the roughest days, a spokesman said.

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## Steps into trough of molten steel

**"I felt like I was on fire all over. My very heart burned."**

These words describe how Otha W. Bydume, 50, 1719 E. Preston St., felt when he stepped into 14 inches of boiling hot steel on Jan. 21.

According to Mr. Bydume, the flesh on his left foot and leg up to the calf as well as his right foot is "cooked to the bone."

He told the AFRO: "When I finally came to and looked at my foot the meat and skin was hanging off in strips like pieces of burned paper.

"Even the nurses could not stand to look at it."

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**AS HE** sat in a wheelchair at the Maryland General Hospital where he is confined, Mr. Bydume told the AFRO that the accident took place at a local steel plant where he has been employed as a steel chipper for 19 years.

**Here is the story of the ordeal as Mr. Bydume recalls it:**

"I was walking along an aisle-way and I went to pass a box that was there. I touched it and when I found it was hot, I flinched.

"Along the side of the aisle-way was the hot liquid metal running along.

"I had plenty room to pass, but when I let go of the hot box, I lost my balance.

"I fell into the boiling hot steel with my left leg plunged into it.

"I remember leaping out of there.

"I was walking on the air.

"I was screaming and screaming.

"Then I collapsed.

"I can't remember how I climbed out. I think I grabbed hold of the box and pulled myself out.

"The men who came running told me they don't know how I got out but they say I sure came out of that hot steel."

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**MR. BYDUME** also revealed that his right shoe was gone when he came out of the steel trough.

"It was Tuesday night when I got my senses together," he said. "And when that Tuesday, Jan. 21, comes around again, I'll take off from my job if I'm working.

"I'll never work on that day again.

"I suffered so.

"I rolled and tossed all night. My feet are still on fire.

"They had to cut my clothes off of me. They had to give me pain pills but that didn't help me one bit.

"No one will ever know what I went through."

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**MR. BYDUME** was born in Rocky Mount, N.C., but came to Baltimore when he was "just a kid," he said.

He was married "when I was about 12 or 13 years old" to Mrs. Willie Mae Bydume and states that he will be by her side as long as "there is breath in my body."

He added that they were too young to get a license and that friends of the family got it for them. They have been married over 35 years.

He said, "I don't regret it at all, we have a nice family, we are still like kids together."

Mrs. Bydume visits him each day he said, as soon as "she gets off from her job as a helper in a laundry."

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**BOTH MR. AND MRS. BYDUM** are members of Faith Baptist Church.

**They have four children and 17 grandchildren.**

Two sons work at Bethlehem Steel Company.

They are Raymond and Robert Lee Bydume.

A third son, Harold, is a printer in the Washington government printing office, he stated.

A daughter, Mrs. Maybelle Pollard, is a Baltimore resident, has three children.

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FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY, these three are the names of the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Purdie, 3450 Spelman Rd., Cherry Hill. Charity, delivered by the stork to the Purdie's snowbound home Monday evening, is held by her aunt, Beverly Green, 10, of 813 Edmondson Ave. Faith, 2, is at left and Hope, 1, on right. The Purdie family includes sons Jerome, 5, and Rufus, 3. (Photo By Moses Newson.)

## Guard blames tickets for loss of his job

"Warden (Vernon) Pepper sack called me in and said I had a very bad traffic record and that he was unable to keep me.

**"He shook my hand and wished me good luck."**

Elbert Street, 23, 1517 N. Ellwood St., was explaining Tuesday his version of why he was dismissed as a guard at the Maryland Penitentiary on Jan. 31.

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**MR. STREET** said the traffic tickets involved charges of speeding, going through a red light, stopping on the highway and failure to keep to the right.

**He added that he had been dismissed on the charges which dated from 1956 to 1957.**

Mr. Street said the tickets first came up on Jan. 30 when he was told to report to the front office at the Pen.

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**AT THE** office Mr. Street said a guard officer told him he had a bad traffic record which he had not reported at the time he was hired.

Mr. Street said he explained that he did not think the charges were important and a day later he was fired.

He said he began work at the institution on Dec. 17 after passing the required tests.

A complaint has been filed with the NAACP and the EECO.

**MR. STREET** attended Carver Vocational-Technical High School and entered the Navy in 1952 to serve until 1956.

He is married to Mrs. Lillie Street. The couple has three children Michael, 5, Ricky, 7 and Angiea, four months.

## American Legion to stage contest

The Baltimore District of the American Legion will conduct its annual High School Oratorical Contest in the War Memorial on Thursday, March 6, at 8 p.m.

The District Oratorial Contest is open to all high school pupils, preferably ones who are in the third and fourth years. Sponsorship is readily obtainable for any pupil who is interested.

**The winner of the Department finals will also win a Savings Bond plus a three hundred dollar scholarship, the winner in the national run-off will receive a four thousand dollar scholarship.**

Schools or pupils desirous of participating should contact, I. Sewell Lamdin, chairman, at PL. 2-4255.

**Each edition of the AFRO carries a circled picture and the person in the circle has to do to collect $5 is to appear at the AFRO office before noon of the next publication.**

**Look for the circled photo—you might be the lucky person.**

## Owings Mills matron sues for divorce and custody of baby

MRS. JEROME PURDIE
She named the third one "Charity"

Mrs. Loretta Matthews of Owings Mills, Md., is suing McCoy Matthews of 3020 Auchentorly Terrace, for divorce, according to papers filed in Circuit Court.

**She is charging her husband with abandonment and adultery, as well as failure to pay her $35 per week as ordered by the Court.**

They are parents of a 10-month-old son, whose custody Mrs. Matthews has requested.

Married on Nov. 29, 1953, they separated on March 1, 1957, according to the wife's petition.

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**"HE STRUCK ME** and left," Mrs. Thereza Dowery of 3114 Windsor Ave., testified before a master, in a suit for divorce from James Dowery, last week.

**Their marriage lasted only 10 months and two days after the ceremony on Feb. 26, 1955, the wife said.**

Mr. Dowery was ordered to pay $10 per week for the support of a child born to them, and to pay arrears under a previous order from the State's Attorney.

**A DIVORCE** was granted to Mrs. Susie McDougald of 2861 W. North Ave. from Booker T. McDougald.

**Mrs. McDougald said they were married on Dec. 16, 1943, and he left her on Dec. 24, 1955.**

Her maiden name, Carter, was restored.

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**ALSO WINNING** a divorce on grounds of desertion was Mrs. Brown of 323 E. 20th St. from Mrs. Carrie Brown.

**A four-year-old daughter was given into the custody of Mrs. Brown, who lives in Buffalo, N.Y., according to the husband.**

Mr. Brown said his wife left while he was at work.

## Man held in 'jealousy' slaying of young matron

William Fowlkes, 35, of the 1900 block Presstman St., has been charged in Homicide Court with the knife slaying last Saturday morning of Mrs. Ernestine Franklin, of 528 Baker St., a 29-year-old mother of two small children.

**Mr. Fowlkes, who listed his occupation as a laborer, is being held without bail, pending a Homicide Court hearing. Date of this has not been set by the State's Attorney.**

The slaying of Mrs. Franklin was attributed to a case of jealousy," by Acting Captain Wade Jones, Northwestern District commander.

**MRS. FRANKLIN,** an attractive, well - groomed matron among her friends as "Ti" was slain at 1:45 a.m. Saturday, just after she left a tavern at Fulton Ave. and Baker St.

**Two of her brothers, Harry and Milburn Fitzgerald, witnessed the attack on her, according to police.**

Officer Calman Bernstein, Northwestern District, said he spoke up a fight between Harry Fitzgerald and Mr. Fowlkes, a few minutes after Mrs. Franklin was attacked.

**OFFICER** Bernstein stated that Mr. Fitzgerald told him at the time:

**"You don't want me, you want that man (Mr. Fowlkes)! He just cut my sister!"**

Mrs. Franklin was lying bleeding and unconscious nearby on the sidewalk, the officer reported, and a butcher knife was lying near her in a gutter.

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**SHE WAS** pronounced dead at Provident Hospital shortly after arrival at 4:15 a.m.

**Funeral services for Mrs. Franklin are held Wednesday from a funeral home in the 1800 block N. Monroe St. Burial was in the National Cemetery.**

Survivors include her husband, Alexander Franklin, 1500 block N. Gilmor St.; two children, two and four years old, parents, Emmons and Mrs. Mattie Fitzgerald; a sister, Miss Evelyn Fitzgerald, and three other brothers, Elwood, Irvin and Eugene Fitzgerald.

## Research award

In his Saturday Letter to the Mayor dated February 14, 1958, the Commissioner of Health wrote:

"Dear Mayor:

There is transmitted to you herewith the Weekly Morbidity and Mortality Statistical Report of Baltimore for the week ending February 13, 1958.

The City Health Department has been awarded a research contract to participate in a U.S. Public Health Service cooperative study on the relation of infection during pregnancy and congenital malformation.

The project will be directed by Dr. Matthew Tayback, assistant commissioner of health and epidemiologist in the study, who will be assisted, by Dr. Robert E. Farver, director of the Bureau of Communicable Diseases, and Todd M. Frazier, director of the bureau of Biostatistics.

The Baltimore City Hospitals will also cooperate in the study.

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