WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

POLICE LINK MAN'S DEATH TO HIT-RUN DRIVER

Alonzo Kelly sues wife for divorce

A junior high school teacher for 11 years and his wife, also a teacher, have entered divorce court here to settle domestic difficulties.

On Feb. 19, Alonzo T. Kelly, 2002 Mondawmin Ave., filed suit in Circuit Court for divorce from his wife, Mrs. Mary S. Kelly, of the same addr-

Mr. Kelly told the co- Although his conduct "has always been above approach" he has conducted himself "as a kind, faithful, chaste and affectionate husband." Mrs. Kelly "committed the crime of adultery with divers and lewd men whose names will be disclosed on the day of the trial."

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HE ADDED, "Said acts were committed without my connivance or consent and I have not condoned the offenses since I discovered the same."

Mr. Kelly also told the court that he and Mrs. Kelly were married in Warrenton, N.C. on Jan. 19, 1940.

The couple has one child, Alonzo Jr., age 17.

Mr. Kelly is a teacher at the Harvey Johnson Junior High School No. 196 while Mrs. Kelly is at Elementary School No. 142.

EEOC report withheld for revisions

Steps toward the completion of the first report to Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro and the City Council from the city's Equal Employment Opportunity Commission were taken by commission members Tuesday afternoon.

Philip Camponeschi, executive secretary of the commission, submitted a lengthy, detailed report which dealt with all phases of its activities since it began functioning last fall.

Richard W. Emory, EEOC board chairman, took particular objection to the inclusion of what he termed "philosophical material presented with factual data."

On one instance in reading a passage of the report outlining how colored citizens have long been discriminated against in the past, Mr. Emory said to Mr. Camponeschi:

"You should have been a preacher. This kind of thing is all right for the Rev. Martin Luther King, but I don't believe we should do this kind of philosophizing in this report."

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THE EEOC MEMBERS voted, however, to withhold the report in its present form, for a revision of the wording in some instances and the removal of some material for placement instead, in an accompanying brochure.

This is expected to require about three weeks.

Members of the commission, who have been seeking ways of convincing the City Council that an enforcement ordinance is needed to back EEOC rulings, were particularly concerned about how this should be stated in the report.

FURTHER CONCERN was expressed about how much philosophical data should be included in the factual report.

These and several other issues were not immediately resolved, due partially to the absence of three commission members.

It was agreed that a subcommittee would clear any questionable passages in the report and submit them later for approval of the body.

Theft for sick mother brings suspended term

"I needed $30 for my mother . . . she's a diabetic patient, and I help support her."

Thomas L. Evans, 19, of the 900 block N. Stricker St., gave this excuse in Youth Court Tuesday for stealing $220 worth of sheets and pillow cases, and received a suspended one year sentence, and probation for a year.

Young Evans was accused of taking the bed linen from a downtown store, where he had been employed since leaving school to go to work last October.

The articles were recovered in his home.

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"WHAT ARE YOUR plans, if you are given consideration in this case?" W. Emerson Brown Jr., his attorney asked him.

"If I beat this, this time," young Evans, a tall, serious-faced youth, said to Judge Michael J. Manley, "I hope I'll never have to come back here again."

Mr. Brown then pointed out that the youth had never been in trouble before, was not a member of a gang of thieves, and should be given all possible consideration.

Judge Manley agreed, but added he thought it was a case in which a verdict had to be rendered, rather than probation before a verdict.

ALADDIN AND LAMP

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The Florida A. and M. University Children's Theater will present "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" in Charles Winter Wood Theater on Feb. 27.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES BRANCH are shown above with pupils of Elementary School No. 128 who offered them a friendly hand after tragedy shattered their former home at 918 Pierce St. The Branches lost their youngest son, five-year-old Charles "Bunny" Branch, Jr., in a fire. Also bereft of their household possessions, the Branches now live at 928 Bennett Place. From left to right the pupils are Carolyn Burston, Carl Clark, Janice Nelson, Daniel Mattheys and Ronald Swift. They represent the entire school which collected 16 bags of clothing and four cartons of food for the Branches. Bunny was a pupil at the school.

Mrs. Alleyne fund raises $2,000

A check for $1625.50 was turned over to Provident Hospital on Tuesday by the Vivian Garth Alleyne Memorial Committee.

The presentation brought to $2,000 the amount of money raised by the committee since its organization Oct. 24, 1957.

Through the funds raised a television set has been purchased for the nurses at the hospital.

In addition a fund of $1,500 is to be set aside for furnishing a lounge in the new Student Nurses' Home to be known as the Vivian Garth Alleyne Room with an appropriate portrait and commorative plaque.

Other monies raised will be used to establish a Vivian Garth Alleyne Revolving Loan Fund for student nurses.

The committee was set up to honor the memory of Mrs. Alleyne who died Oct. 7, 1957.

She was one of the city's leading civic workers.

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MEMBERS OF the committee were friends of Mrs. Alleyne who had expressed a wish to be part of any effort to perpetuate her memory.

These persons were:

Mrs. Victorine Adams, Maxwell Alpert, city councilman, Jared W. Allen, Mrs. Alice B. Allen, Dr. Willard W. Allen, Mrs. Alice B. Arrington, Mrs. Ruth B. Brown, Mrs. Maida S. Brannon, Dean Thelma Bando, Mrs. William H. Chambers, Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro Jr., R. Clarke Davis, Walter T. Dixon, city councilman, Dr. Effie O. Ellis, J. Arnett Prisby Sr., Mrs. Saretha G. Greene, Jerome D. Grant, Mrs. Roger S. B. Hartz, Mrs. Hilda Higgins, Mrs. Grace Hill Jacobs, Mrs. Ruth T. Johnson, Mrs. Naomi Johnson, J. Alvin Jones, Mrs. Lena K. Lee, Richard Lidinsky, Mrs. Rose Mebane, Howard H. Murphy, Mrs. Odell W. Payne, Mrs. William Richardson, Lloyal Randolph, Mrs. Elizabeth Spicer, John L. Whitehurst, Mrs. Violet Hill Whyte, Mrs. Beryl W. Williams, Mrs. Rose Zoltowski.

They elected the following officers:

Mrs. Gwendolyn C. Lee, chairman; Miss Marion L. Jones, secretary; W. Emerson Brown, treasurer.

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IN SELECTING the type of memorial that would best exemplify Mrs. Alleyne, the Committee took its cue from the request of her husband, Dr. Bruce Alleyne that instead of flowers that expressions be sent in the form of contributions to Provident Hospital.

A memorial benefiting student nurses at Provident Hospital would symbolize the outstanding characteristic of Mrs. Alleyne — that of helping others.

All expenses of the committee were met through voluntary contributions and the cost of all printing was contributed by an anonymous donor.

A total of 350 letters were sent to persons whom the committee thought would be interested in contributing.

Contributions have ranged from $1 to $100.

10 Police killings in Baltimore area

APRIL 19, 1954—Robert McLain, 14-year-old Dunbar High School student of 404 E. Chase St., shot while running away from a stolen car at Madison and Fallsway by Officer Donald E. Mitchell of the Central District station.

The police department later exonerated the policeman.

JUNE 25, 1954—Harry Boyd Jr., 27, 1417 N. Broadway, shot in the back by Northeastern Patrolman Charles Pennell, who arrived on the scene after a street fight. Magistrate Meyer Cardin ruled the officer acted in line of duty and the killing was justified.

JULY 7, 1954—Robert O. Harper, 34, 1614 Barclay St., shot in leg and bled to death following shooting by Southwestern Patrolman Walter Mina Jr., who told superiors he was breaking up a disorderly crowd. Officer Mina was exonerated of the killing by Magistrate Meyer Cardin, who ruled he acted in the line of duty.

AUGUST 15, 1954 — Frank J. Williams, 24, was shot and killed by Sgt. Albert Heck as a suspect in two holdups and the non-fatal shooting of a tailor shop proprietor. Sgt. Heck was exonerated by a coroner's jury in Central Police Court by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1954—Donald Jackson, 23, of 2311 Lycott Dr., shot in the arm and chest by Southeastern Patrolman Benjamin Leidend. Leidend said he shot "in defense of my life." The 2300 block Gilmor St. Patrolman Leiden was exonerated of the killing by Magistrate Cardin.

OCTOBER 15, 1956 — Benjamin Brown, 14-year-old patient at Rosewood Training School shot and killed, by Northwest Patrolman Marshall V. Bryant with rifle he "didn't know was loaded." Magistrate Meyer Cardin dismissed the shooting charge after State's Attorney John Weiss said the State could not make out a homicide case against the officer who said the shooting was an accident.

NOVEMBER 7, 1956—James H. Duggan Jr., 28, white city sanitary department worker, killed by a policeman answering cries for help. Central District Patrolman Joseph Bosse was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

NOVEMBER 24, 1956 —Clarence Wilkerson, 39, 1304 Harlem Ave., shot and killed by a Baltimore County Policeman while getting out of a car as ordered by officer Louis DeManus was charged with homicide by State's Attorney Frank Hewell. On Monday, Dec., 10 a Baltimore County jury failed to indict officer DeManus. He was returned to the force with no official punishment.

JANUARY 21, 1957 — James Kenneth Robbins, 17, 1800 block Jackson St., was shot and killed after a robbery assault. Southern District Patrolman Melvin Kearns said as he fired a warning shot, he slipped on the ice. A bullet struck the youth in the back of the head. Patrolman Kearns was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin who declared that the shooting had occurred in the line of duty and was accidental.

AUGUST 4, 1957 — Benjamin Ward, 19, 281 N. Exeter St., was reportedly lunged at Officer Isaiah Pressey when the policeman attempted to question him about a stolen battery. Patrolman Pressey was exonerated by Chief Magistrate Stanley Richardson who declared the officer was acting in the performance of his duty.

FBI help sought to solve case

"Will stop back at 7 a.m. to determine under what circumstances the above subject received his injuries."

Officer Walter Heckerote of the Southern Police District included that notation in a report to Capt. Elmer Z. Brown on Feb. 15.

About 1:20 a.m. that morning Officer Heckerote reported he found Thomas Ballard, 49, of the 1100 block N. Fremont Ave., lying in a semi-conscious condition in an alley in the rear of the 700 block of Hanover St.

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FOUR DAYS later the man died in South Baltimore General Hospital.

But Thursday, 12 days after Officer Heckerote's notation, police were still seeking to determine exactly how Mr. Ballard was injured.

The clothes the man wore when found have been sent to the FBI laboratory in the hope that the paper sleuths can solve the mystery.

Meanwhile police are working on the theory that the man was a victim of a hit-run accident.

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WHETHER the accident, if there were one, occurred in the alley or somewhere else is still an unanswered question.

OFFICER HECKROTE reported that Ballard was treated at South Baltimore General for abrasions of the knees, contusions of the body, face cuts, and possible fractured ribs.

Police talked to Ballard on Feb. 16 and Feb. 17 and reported he said he had been drinking heavily and did not know how he was injured.

A canvass of the area where the man was injured turned up absolutely nothing, police said.

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BALLARD, UNEMPLOYED, had been living at the N. Fremont address but had not been seen there since Feb. 12.

His father, Sammy Ballard, 2900 block N. North Ave., claimed the body at the morgue.

Dreams really do come true

Dreams really do come true?

According to Northeastern District police they do for Norman Patterson, 34, of the 1300 block Mullikin St.

On Monday Mr. Patterson police said, is supposed to have had a dream about an arrest.

With the breaking of the dawn on Tuesday the dream came true.

Later on the day Mr. Patterson was released in $2,500 bail for action of the grand jury after pleading not guilty to operating a lottery.

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SGT. William Treherene testified that he and his men made the arrest after Patterman William Stanley met with success in placing 25 cents on 778 with Patterson at his home.

The raiders told Magistrate Simon Schoenfield that when they entered the house, Patterson scooped up several tabulation sheets and tossed them into a pot bellied stove.

From the papers they were able to receive police said they learned that 408 numbers totaling $39.60 had been played.

Bunny's schoolmates help his Mom and Pop

When tragedy shatters a family, there is not always a friendly hand to grasp.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Branch, 928 N. Bennett Pl., lost their youngest son, "Bunny," in a fire at their former home, 918 N. Pierce St. on the morning of Feb. 19.

"Bunny," whose real name was Charles Branch Jr., was a kindergarten pupil at Elementary School, No. 128, Schroeder and Pierce Sts.

On Tuesday, "Bunny's" teacher plus the entire school, offered a friendly hand to the family of their lost schoolmate and showed they remembered the youngster.

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EACH classroom in the school collected food and clothes for the family who lost all their possessions in the fire.

They collected so much it took them two days (Tuesday and Wednesday) to deliver it to the Branches' new home at 928 Bennett Place.

Altogether, they collected 16 bags of clothes and four cartons of canned food.

Mrs. Christine Smith, 936 Harlem Ave., the parent of one of "Bunny's" class-mates, did her part by giving his family a set of bedroom furniture.

To officially present Mr. and Mrs. Branch with their gifts, two representatives were sent from each class.

The representatives were:

Beverly Green, Edgar Jones, Ronald Swift, Barbara Kane, Marvin and Daniel Mathews, Joyce Nelson, Yvette Clark, Garry Eason, Maxine Dennis, David Cox, Elizabeth Sanders, Clifford Bradshaw, Deborah Gwaltney, Deborah Kancey, Virginia Burston, Lenora Powell, Garry Boswell, Anita Stewart;

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GAIL CLARK, Brenda Stuckie, Valentine Davis, Patricia Scott, Shellye Hawks and Frank Barnett;

Also Barry Garrett, Joyce Jackson, Carrie McCoy, Doris Shatten, Rene Crosson and James Frank.

Five-year-old Pandora Wilkins, 916 Pierce St., a ward of the Branch family was injured in the same fire which took Bunny's life.

Local lawyer challenges Devereux

A Baltimore attorney has charged that the civil rights voting record of Congressman James T. S. Devereux, GOP gubernatorial candidate, "runs counter to his party's platform and administration action."

The attorney, Louis R. Miller, made the allegation in a letter to Mr. Devereux last Wednesday.

The letter said:

"In your brief reply of the 10th last has been received in reference to your bid for governor. In reading it one can appreciate the desire of a politician to become the chief executive of his state.

"However, such a political ambition can not be fulfilled when one's public record runs counter to his party's platform and administration's action.

"Your vote against civil rights is not in line with Senator (Clifford P.) Case's remarks at a recent Lincoln Day address as reported in the press.

"He stated: 'For my own part, I am convinced that our party's position on the civil rights bill and Republican action in Little Rock in no way contributed to the Republican defeat (for governor last November) in New Jersey. But quite apart from that, we Republicans must keep right on the issue, not only because it is just, but because it lies at the very heart of our party's tradition and character.'

"That Republican member of Congress considers civil rights 'the greatest moral issue of our time.'

"Now then can you be our local leader and standard-bearer?"

Represents Morgan

Mrs. Grace L. Burke, personnel manager at Morgan State College, represented the college at the Annual Winter Workshop of the College and University Personnel Association Eastern Region.

The one-day conference was held recently at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.

William Fletcher dies, served on Constellation

The last former crew member of the historic frigate Constellation died Wednesday night.

He was William E. Fletcher, at the age of 94.

of Annapolis, father of Charles W. Fletcher, principal of Sollers Point High School, Turner Station.

Funeral services for Mr. Fletcher will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday from Asbury Methodist Church, Annapolis, where he was a life-long member.

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A VETERAN OF the Spanish American War and World War I, Mr. Fletcher had been critically ill and confined to an Annapolis hospital for several weeks. He remained conscious until shortly before his death.

Mr. Fletcher's death followed by one week that of Henry Roberts, a shipmate on the Constellation and a close friend for over half a century.

Mr. Roberts, 93, died at his residence, 1327 N. Carey St., on Feb. 19.

Both men, later employees at the Naval Academy, went on seven summer cruises as crew members of the Constellation.

WILLIAM FLETCHER
Served on Constellation

MR. FLETCHER was the oldest layman in the Washington Conference of the Methodist Church and a familiar figure at conference meetings.

Since 1929 he had been a lay delegate to the General Jurisdictional and Ecumenical Conferences of the church.

Mr. Fletcher was a native of Mitchellville, Prince Georges county.

He is survived by his son, Mr. Fletcher, and a daughter, Mrs. Pauline (Polly) Weeden, the wife of Dr. H. P. Weeden, of Lynchburg, Va.

Fall in snow is fatal to N.Y. cabbie visiting here

Cause of the death of a N.Y. cab driver who died instantly when he fell in the snow here last week is still unknown, according to the Medical Examiner's office, which said on Tuesday the autopsy report would not be ready for another week. The cabbie, 27-year-old Henry Terry of 1153 - A - E. 223rd St., Bronx, was dead on arrival at Johns Hopkins Hospital at 5:45 p.m., on February 15.

Henry Terry

Northeastern District police report that Mr. Terry was visiting relatives at 2635 E. Biddle St., and was in good health as he went out to put chains on his car preparatory to returning to N.Y.

Friends told police they heard a thud and found him lying at the bottom of the front steps in an unconscious condition. They surmised he slipped on the snow and hit his head on the concrete.

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HIS WIFE, Mrs. Carrie Green Terry, who was visiting here with him, told the AFRO her husband was apparently in good health and had complained of no previous illness. She was at a loss to explain how the fall could cause his death.

Mr. Terry, a cab driver in N.Y. for nearly five years, was a former serviceman, having seen four years service in the Air Force. He was a Mason and a deacon in the Oak Grove Baptist Church in N.Y.

Funeral services were held there last Thursday and he was buried in the family plot at Farmville, Va.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Terry is survived by two children, Kenneth, 10 months, and Anthony, 2 years; his mother, Mrs. Falphie Terry, Farmville, Va., a brother, Assie Terry, Farmville, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Cannon, Bronx, N.Y., and Mrs. Rebecca Womack, Farmville, Va.

The Terrys were visiting at the E. Biddle St. home of Mrs. Terry's brother-in-law, Robert Green Jr., at the time of the accident.

Home for Blind benefit tonight

A domino party and buffet supper for the benefit of the Home for the Blind will be held at 2115 Allendale Rd. at 6 p.m. today (Friday), according to Mrs. Anna Mae Hunter, business manager of the Blind Association of Baltimore.

The Association will also appear in several musical concerts within the next two weeks, Mrs. Hunter said.

On Sunday the group will appear in a 3:30 p.m. concert at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Biddle and Tessier Sts.

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THEY WILL perform at Ivory Temple Baptist Church, 1506 Myrtle Ave., at 8 p.m. Wednesday. And on March 16 the group will be at Good Hopeway Pentacostal Church, 2236 Pennsylvania Ave.

The Association will sponsor a tea at the Madison Ave. YWCA from 3:30 to 7 p.m. on March 9.

Charles Russell is president of the Association.

'YOU REGISTER Now So You Can Vote

Here are the facts in Baltimore:

Colored persons over 21	144,216
REGISTERED	87,496
Not Registered	56,720

Registered from April 1, 1957 to Feb. 1, 1958 10,123

You MUST register before April 19, 1958 in order to vote in the next election.

For further information call Register and Vote Committee.

The Rev. John L. Tilley, chairman,

402 Delphin St.
LA. 3-8503

Between hours of
8:30 A. M. - 5 P. M.

Miss Culson was Ora Fisher

BALTIMORE

Attorneys representing Mr. Ollie Mae Jante, of Lively, Va., filed papers registering the Orphans Court to name him, nearest kin, as administrator of the estate of the late Miss Ora Culson.

Miss Culson, an employee of the AFRO for 31 years, was a victim of coal gas in the house in which she lived alone.

According to Mr. White, Miss Culson was born Ora Fisher, and the name was changed when her employer, Mrs. Sallie Fisher, married Robert Culson.

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MR. WHITE says he and Miss Culson were second cousins.

The known estate consists largely of this Miss Culson interest in the AFRO insurance and profit sharing funds provided all AFRO employees.

The petition was filed on Feb. 18 in Orphans Court.

$50

Is the total set aside this week for News Tips and News Photos. For News Tips, call MU. 5-6015, 6016, 1812 and 1813. If no answer, call LA. 3-3024. Bring your News and Photos to the City Desk.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE EEOC

Q- What is the EEOC?

A- The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission set up through a bill approved by the City Council in 1956.

Q - What does it do?

A - Receives and processes complaints of discrimination. Also seeks to promote fair employment practices by conducting educational programs designed to eliminate prejudice and discrimination.

Q - Who may file complaints?

A - Any person who feels he has been discriminated against because of color, race, religion, national origin or ancestry.

Q - Where is the office?

A - People's Court Building, Fayette and Gays Sts.

(WATCH FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE EEOC)

Board hears decision on Buddy Deane show

The Bureau of Recreation officially notified the Board of Recreation Commissioners Tuesday of their withdrawal from participation in the WJZ-TV Buddy Deane dance show.

The Board was informed of the action during a business discussion by Harold S. Callowhill, superintendent of the Bureau.

Mr. Callowhill stated:

"Last fall the Board approved the Bureau's participation in the Buddy Deane Show with the understanding that recreation centers would send groups to the show.

"A snag developed in December when the show would not permit one of our integrated groups to take part.

"I checked with Mr. Anderson (James C. Anderson, board president), and we decided we would have to withdraw because we could not participate in segregated activities.

"We had to bow out along with the Board of Education."

THE BUDDY DEANE situation came to a boil early this month when the Board of Recreation and the School Board ordered the TV station that they could not condone the policy of separating youngsters on the basis of race.

The YWCA followed suit by telling all its teen age groups they could no longer participate.

The program director still maintained the station could not allow integrated dancing.

Despite the furor, last week's edition of Billboard, one of the leading entertainment magazines, carried a page one story saying that the Buddy Deane Show had steered clear of any controversy over its racial policies and had actually been praised by some citizens in the colored community.

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EASTSIDE EXPLOSION 'SOUNDED LIKE A BOMB'
(Story in Column 1)

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Sanity Issue Raised In Poe Homes Case

Explosion sounded 'like bomb'

By GEORGE COLLINS

"I thought it was a bomb" . . "It sounded like a train coming through the house" . . .

"I don't know whether I was knocked or whether I jumped out of bed."

Firemen, policemen, building inspectors, gas company officials and workers, all working frantically to avoid further damage and to eliminate imminent dangers that could erupt into a major tragedy at any minute.

Fear stricken mothers, returning home from movies, schools, and other evening engagements, concerned for the safety of their children in care of babysitters; anxious home owners concerned for the welfare of sick relatives, and the curious.

This was the scene and these were the comments of the residents of the 1000 block N. Eden St. in East Baltimore following an explosion at 10:9 N. Eden which all but demolished the three-story structure and inflicted heavy damage to adjoining properties, 1008 and 1012, Tuesday night.

The explosion, caused by an overheated hot water tank, reduced to a mass of twisted wreckage the belongings of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Canton, both 79, only occupants of the building.

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MR. CANTON told police and firemen that he lit the gas heater around 7 p.m. and forgot to turn it off before he and his wife left the premises around 7:30 p.m. The explosion occurred around 10 p.m.

Upon their return at 11:30 (Continued on Page 2)

WHERE FRIEND DROWNED — George Jones, 11, smiles as he shows detectives the spot at 27th St. and the Hudson River in New York where 7-year-old Louis Diamant drowned last Sunday. Young George told police "I threw him a piece of string, but it broke." X shows the spot where Diamant disappeared.

(Photo on Page 2)

Boy, 11, tells of drowning 2 playmates

NEW YORK—An 11-year-old boy, who confessed this week to pushing his two playmates to their deaths in the Hudson River, has been held for a hearing on a children's Court here March 14.

He is George Jones, who police say, has admitted shoving brown-skinned 4-year-old Theresa Murphy and 7-year-old Blonde Louis Diamant off the Hudson River pier where they both drowned.

The Murphy child disappeared last June 28 and the Diamant boy several days ago. Police quoted young Jones as saying the girl tattled on him and the boy backed down on a promise to give him a dime.

Deputy Chief Inspector Edward W. Byrnes said the boy confessed to the crime and reenacted the incident after long hours of police questioning.

He said the boy was questioned at the time Theresa disappeared, but police were not satisfied with the evidence and released him.

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YOUNG GEORGE lived in the same uptown Manhattan housing project as the Murphy girl at the time of her disappearance.

His widowed mother, Mrs. Lynette Jones and his sister, later moved further down on Manhattan's West Side in a project where the Diamant family resided.

After the Diamant boy's disappearance, police checked the housing project and upon questioning Jones, said he told fanciful stories at first, but under interrogation confessed to drowning his playmates.

Mrs. Jones, a seamstress, sat beside George during the questioning urging him to tell the truth.

Re-enacting the crime as he described it, the boy told detectives that the Diamant boy had asked him to go roller skating with him in exchange for a dime.

He and Louis skated around the block and Louis slipped and fell into the Hudson River.

"I hope we can find it."

So interested in recovering the rugs are Mr. and Mrs. Morton that they have employed an attorney to aid in the search.

According to Christopher Foreman, the attorney, the Mortons are entitled to their carpet, every inch of the 322 feet of it, and he's willing to help get it back.

He said:

(Continued on Page 2)

AFRO survey gets bathtubs

"Your visit to my house really did help them a lot.

"About one month after you had gone—my landlord put a tub in, a hot water tank, a cement kitchen floor and fixed my house on the outside.

"Thank you for everything you have done. I am so thankful."

These were the words on Wednesday of Mrs. Hattie Hill, 65, 622 Jasper St.

She was speaking to an AFRO reporter about the difference in her home as it is now and what it was when he first visited her on Dec. 7 of last year.

At that time she had to wash her face in a kitchen sink and had no hot water.

Things have changed since then.

She has both a tub in which to take a bath and hot water in which to take the bath.

THE PURPOSE of this second visit to the Jasper St. home was to see if the AFRO's investigation of sanitary facilities

(Continued on Page 2)

● THE WEATHER ●

Friday, mostly cloudy with chance of light rain, lowest about 40.
Saturday, considerable cloudiness and lowest about 48.
Sunday, clear and warmer.
Monday, snow or rain.

	SUN RISES	SUN SETS
Friday, March 7	6:26 a.m.	6:57 p.m.
Saturday, March 8	6:24 a.m.	5:58 p.m.
Sunday, March 9	6:23 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Monday, March 10	6:21 a.m.	6:01 p.m.

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If your head is circled in the lucky picture which appears in this and every edition, you can collect $5 cash simply by calling at the AFRO City Desk before the next edition is out. Look for the lucky picture, you may be a winner!

Who has carpet?

Carpet, carpet, who's got the carpet?

This is the question concerning 322 square feet of carpet reported missing from the living room, dining room and upstairs hallway of the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Morton, 722 E. Coldspring Lane.

To be exact, the carpet is wall-to-wall type, gray and with a raised design.

When Mr. and Mrs. Morton purchased the Coldspring Lane house the carpet was on the floor. That was in December, 1956.

Preparing to move into their new home, Mrs. and Mrs. Morton went to the house the first week in February.

The carpet was missing, every single foot of it.

They nevertheless moved in last Monday.

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LAMENTING THEIR loss, Mrs. Morton told the AFRO on Wednesday:

"We had such a beautiful carpet. It was on the floor when we bought the house. I expected it to be here when we moved in.

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April 19, 1958 is the last day you can register to vote in the May primary election.

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Who must register: Any new resident who plans to make Baltimore his home and has not registered to vote before.

Any resident who has turned 21 since the last election.

Any resident who failed either to register or to vote at least once in the past five years.

Any person already registered as an independent who desires to affiliate with a political party in order to vote in the May 20th primary.

Where to register: Basement People's Court Building, southeast corner of Fayette and Gay Sts.

When you can register: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 9 to 12.

If I have already registered, do I have to register again? —Ans. — No, not unless you have changed your address or failed to vote in the past five years. When is the last date I can register in order to vote in the next election?—Ans. April 19, 1958 and don't wait until the last minute!

Show your voting card in church on Sunday.

New faces in May 20 primary

By MAX JOHNSON

Current indications are that several new political aspirants at least two with strong support — seeking nomination and election to Maryland's General Assembly from the Fourth District will provide one of city's liveliest campaigns in the May 20 primary elections.

As of AFRO presstime Friday, this district's political pot has these facets on, or about to enter, the campaign:

DEMOCRATS

SENATE—J. Alvin Jones, recently retired minority placement consultant with the Maryland State Employment Security Board and City Park Board member, seeking election for the first time.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES — Truly Hatchett, incumbent;

William B. Dixon, insurance executive and bondsman, making his first bid for office, though he has been a leading figure in the district's politics for some 25 years.

Mr. Dixon and Mr. Jones are reported to have the support of James H. (Jack) Pollack,

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6 P.O. workers to new jobs

With the upgrading of six colored postal employees to supervisory positions, effective tomorrow (Saturday), the number of workers in this category will be increased to 18, according to John W. White, president of the Baltimore Branch National Postal Alliance.

Mr. White said the number of colored supervisors have doubled since February, 1957, when William F. Laukatis took over as acting postmaster.

"He has promised us that he will continue to make promo-

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GLAD TO GET OUT of stalled elevator in Lafayette Courts where they spent three hours are Constance Williams, 14, and brother, Oscar, 10. Only discomfort they suffered—cold feet. See Story Page 6.

Many heartaches in Room No. 134

By B. M. PHILLIPS

"I find the children neglected and hold the case sub-curia pending adjustment . . . I find Mrs. H. needs help . . ."

The speaker was a small fatherly-looking grey haired man sitting in Room No. 134 at the Courthouse . . . a room which might well be called 'heart-break room.'

Room No. 134 is actually the Juvenile section of Circuit Court. The fatherly man who spoke sympathetically to the mother before him was Charles R. Moylan, who has been dispensing help and guidance here for 14 years.

All of the cases he hears involve innocent children who did not ask to come into this world.

Some of the children are misguided or unloved and unwanted or ill - clothed . . . and for most of them there is little hope for the future.

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WHEN THEY reach Room No. 134 they are usually accompanied by a police officer, and/or a probation department worker . . . and their mothers . . . (Rarely does a father appear . . . it's mother, you know who shoulders the burden when things go wrong.)

In most cases, the mothers who come are charged with neglecting to provide for the proper care and supervision of the children.

And, usually, as in the case of Mrs. H., a Fairfield mother of five, the main thing is as Judge Moylan says, 'they need help.'

A bystander, just looking at Mrs. H. could tell she needed help.

In her arms was a five-month-old baby, boy wrapped in a pink bunting.

Trailing behind her were four unkempt children — two boys

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Connor school

The Board of Education announced at its meeting yesterday (Thursday) that the new elementary school at Hoffman and Eden Sts., No. 143, will be named for the late Dr. Miles W. Connor.

Dr. Connor headed Coppin State Teachers College and was affiliated with the Baltimore schools for over three decades before his death in 1956.

Court to wait on doctors

"He has been acting peculiar for ten years . . . seems like his mind comes and goes . . . I don't think he is normal . . .

"My wife (his mother) has been in an insane asylum in Philadelphia for 28 years."

This plea on behalf of William McKinley Johnson, 32, on trial in Criminal Court Tuesday for the Poe Homes killing of his wife, Mrs. Beulah Johnson, 900 block W. Lexington St., last April 16, was made by his father, the Rev. Albert D. Johnson, 800 block Chauncey Ave.

Attorneys for Mr. Johnson, Richard W. Whitlock and William D. McMillan Jr., entered a not guilty plea, with the reservation to change the plea should medical examination support their contention of temporary insanity.

Judge Anselm Sodaro, at the conclusion of the two-hour and 20-minute trial, stated that he would withhold a verdict in the case, pending receipt of a medical examiner's report on Mr. Johnson.

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MRS. JOHNSON, 30-year-old mother of four children, was shot to death in the 200 block N. Amity St., around the corner from her home in the project named for the writer of numerous mystery stories.

One of the chief witnesses against Mr. Johnson at the trial Tuesday was his 12-year-old son, William McKinley Johnson Jr.

Under questioning by Executive Assistant State's Attorney James F. Price, young Johnson told this story of the death of his mother.

"I was down the street and my father came up while my mother was moving.

"He wanted to talk with my mother. She wouldn't talk with him. She told him she would be back.

* * *

"WE WERE upstairs, and my father went down to the bottom of the frigidaire and got something. I didn't see what it was.

"Then, when we got downstairs, he shot. My mother screamed that she was shot.

"My father chased her down

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The weatherman....

By MOSES NEWSON

Do you feel pretty peeved with your weatherman when he predicts clear and sunny and it clouds up and rains?

Sure you do.

Well, you might be interested in knowing that when the weather is contrary that way, it gets under the weatherman's skin, too.

"It's all very interesting, but lots of times it's frustrating," says Herbert L. Alkire, meteorologist in charge of the Baltimore Weather Bureau, about making we