Board Urged to Clarify Procedures at Cheltenham

Parole System Held Badly in Need of Readjustment

Kiah's Requests Net School Auto, Truck; Committee on Housing for Staff Set Up

A clarification of procedures and the establishment of minimum standards in the administration of the Cheltenham School for Boys was urged by Calvin L. Kiah, superintendent, on Tuesday at a meeting of the board of directors.

Among the items for which these requests were made were those affecting the school's parole system and staff housing.

Under a temporary plan set up by Wallace Reidt, board executive secretary, all the school's social workers were brought into the city two days a week for a stated period to clear up a backlog of 87 parole cases.

Parolees' Homes Visited

This involved visitations of the homes of these 87 paroled boys, a job not done since their release from the school a year ago.

Mr. Reidt stated that he insisted upon home visitations in lieu of the suggestion of Charles Cephus, Cheltenham's case work supervisor, that court releases be sought for this group.

"We could not assume that these boys had adjusted satisfactorily on parole when it might be found that some had been committed to the State Reformatory for Males," Mr. Reidt pointed out.

New System Inaugurated

It was also reported that Cheltenham's city parole officer, a temporary employee, made no home visitations because he was physically incapacitated, and depended on the boys themselves to visit his office at 14 E. Pleasant St.

The board urged that in the future home visitations must be made prior, during and after a boy's parole from the school.

It approved the purchase of an automobile for the case work department, and a dump truck for work on the grounds, but voted against the superintendent's recommendation for a bus for the extension of the school's cultural program.

The superintendent explained that many church and musical groups were unable to serve Cheltenham because of the transportation problem.

Committee to Be Named

Thomas B. Sprague, board chairman, said he would appoint a committee to work with Mr. Kiah in setting up minimum standards for housing of those persons not quarterroded in the staff cottage.

This followed the superintendent's statement that inadequate living quarters were no obstacle in obtaining qualified workers.

Mr. Kian cautioned the board against placing too large a number of the boys for too long time on farm duties.

"Remember, we are running a school and not a work house," he said, "stressing farmin; to a great extent would be giving these boys; skill which cannot be utilized in their rehabilitation."

Learn Handicraft Trades

All boys are used at harvest time, the superintendent said, pointing out that at other times they are used in doing laundry, dairy and kitchen duties; carpentry, shoe repair, electrical and plumbing work.

Mr. Sprague deplored the lack of management of the school's 1200 acre campus from which corn and potatoes were not harvested until well after the proper season.

This was due in part to the lack of a qualified farm manager. Dr. Robert L. Jackson was authorized to aid Mr. Sprague in seeking a person qualified for this post.

Lattrell's First Meeting

Present at the meeting for the first time was J. Grayson Luttrell, appointed to fill the unexpired term of Howard H. Hill, who died two months ago.

Also in attendance were James M. Hepbron, director of the Baltimore Criminal Justice Commission, Milton J. Patterson, director of the State Department of Public Welfare; and Dr. H. D. Williams, superintendent of the Warwick School for Boys in New York.

FOR NEW FIREHOUSE—The above volunteers, including citizens, fire-fighters, and members of the ladies' auxiliary of Chapel Oaks, are engaged in a drive to raise funds to replace the Chapel Oaks fire house and apparatus recently destroyed by fire. From the left are: seated, Mesdames Ann Asker, Juanita Washington, Martha Barker, Mildred Fritzgerald, Thelma Chambers, and Doris Willis; standing, Charles Burke, W. C. Glover, William Childress, Leonard Bechief, the Rev. Leroy Pailen, Arthur Balden, William Gordon, James Coleman, Hubert Washington, and George Willis.

High Court Asked to Ban Separate Public Schools

Okla. Attorney, Marshall Arguing Sipuel Case; Seek Ruling on Equal Education

WASHINGTON

The United States Supreme Court on Wednesday, was asked by Amos T. Hall, Tulsa, Okla., and Thurgood Marshall, New York City, NAACP attorneys, to ban segregation of colored and white students in public education systems.

Representing Miss Ada L. Sipuel, they asked the court to rule on the full meaning of the Fourteenth Amendment in terms of higher education for all students, regardless of race, creed or color.

Specifically, the attorneys requested that the High Court clarify the previous ruling in the Gaines case so that it will make clear for the State of Oklahoma and all other States who may be concerned in the future with the constitutional meaning of the phrase, "equal education for all."

Barred From Okla. U.

Miss Sipuel, graduate of Langston University, who was denied admission to the University of Oklahoma Law School, sought redress in the State Court and the Oklahoma Supreme Court, which upheld the Oklahoma University's right to bar her.

She is now asking the U.S. Supreme Court to overrule the Oklahoma Supreme Court's decision and require the State to provide a legal education for her now.

Mr. Hall, first to address the High Court, pointed out that it was Oklahoma's constitutional duty to provide a legal education for Miss Sipuel of the same standard provided for white students by the State.

Declaring the case was identical to the Gaines case, in which the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that Gaines was entitled to a legal education in Missouri, Hall emphasized that if Oklahoma forced Miss Sipuel to wait organization for a separate law school for colored students, it would be years before she could obtain her desired education.

Two Years Behind Already

White students, with the same qualifications, who applied at the same time Miss Sipuel did for a legal education, have completed nearly two years of their course, Mr. Hall added.

This added imposition on the petitioner is unconstitutional, Hall told the High Court, and requested that the learned justices clarify the term "separate but equal," as no separate facilities for higher education for colored student exist in Oklahoma.

Hall, again citing from the Gaines decision, said that the ruling stated specifically that whatever system a State adopts, "it must furnish equal opportunity for higher education now . . . not three or four years hence.

"If Miss Sipuel is required to take 'the circuitous route to obtain a legal education,' she is being deprived of her constitutional rights."

The Board of Regents of Oklahoma had no unallocated funds to open a separate law school, never included such an item in its budget, and would have to go to the State Legislature to obtain funds which it may or may not get, Hall said.

"All of which means that Miss Sipuel may never get a legal education under the decision of the Oklahoma Supreme Court. It would take years of waiting for the enjoyment of a right which the Fourteenth Amendment guarantees now," Hall concluded.

Mr. Marshall declared it was unbelievable that they should be in court in the light of the fact that Oklahoma has one complete law school for whites but nothing for colored.

"All that we are asking is legal education on the same basis on equal terms," Marshall added.

Defense Hides Behind Demand

He charged that the respondents are standing behind Oklahoma's segregation statutes as a complete defense, and moreover, have added a "brand new defense," that there be a demand for a legal education by colored students.

Marshall also pointed out the difference between white and colored students who become eligible for legal education in Oklahoma at the same time.

The whites go to law school immediately, but the colored must find some place in the law which will require the Board of Regents to build a law school somewhere, at sometime in the future to decommodate them.

"This is the best example of the inherent right of separate but equal facilities," which does not apply in this case, Marshall told the justices.

Relied on Mistake

He also charged that the Oklahoma Supreme Court relied on a mistake in fact of the Gaines case, notwithstanding the fact that the error had been corrected both in the Missouri Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court.

This point was that Gaines had first applied to Lincoln U., for a law education, a move which the Oklahoma Supreme Court said Miss Sipuel failed to do.

Gaines, according to Mr. Marshall, never did this either. He pointed out that Gaines was the recipient of a letter from the dean of Lincoln U., but that he never contacted the school himself.

Marshall also cited the University of Maryland, and the University of Tennessee cases, and declared that if Miss Sipuel is not allowed to enter the University of Oklahoma now, she is put in the position of taking a chance on getting her constitutional rights at some future time in spite of the constitutional guarantee of higher education by the State now.

Defense Plea

Mac Q. Williamson, attorney general of Oklahoma, and Dr. Maurice E. Murrieli, dean of Oklahoma University Law School, argued the defense side on Thursday, declaring that Miss Sipuel had not exhausted all means at her disposal to obtain a legal education under the segregated State policy.

The two contended that she could have gained admission to a separate law school by applying to the Board of Regents of Higher Education, as the Oklahoma school could not admit her because of the State's segregated educational policy.

The eight justices with Justice Murphy absent, repeatedly questioned the two State officials on their argument.

Justice Makes Query

Justice Jackson put the State officials squarely on the spot when he inquired why the State had not done nothing to remedy Miss Sipuel's plight in the two years the case has been in litigation.

It was pointed out and admitted by the State representatives that neither the University nor the Board of Regents had made any effort to provide a legal education for Miss Sipuel, notwithstanding the fact that she was entitled to one.

Rebuttal

Marshall, in rebuttal, declared that it was shocking and almost unbelievable that State officials would hide behind such a pretense and that under such a type of defense the State was not entitled to any consideration.

He said that the only possible compliance with the law would be to admit Miss Sipuel promptly to the University of Oklahoma Law School and that this is the relief we seek, and feel that such an opinion from this high court will give justice in this case.

Wallace for President' Group Plans Meeting in February

Members of the "Wallace-for-President" Committee will hold a State-wide meeting in mid-February, it was announced here this week.

Followers met at the Pythian Building, Sunday, to form a third political party, designed along strictly interracial lines.

James A. Martin of Annapolis was elected chairman. The vice chairmen are William Hill, Ernest Fiedler, John Anderson, William R. Coleman, Dr. J. E. T. Camper.

Welcome New Members

Mrs. Reba Lewis, Robert Burns Jr., I. Duke Avent, Truman Keesey, Dr. W. H. Watts and Donald McLaughlin. Byron Allen was elected treasurer and Harold Buchman, secretary.

Persons desiring to join the new third party may do so by contacting Mr. Buchman at the Committee's temporary headquarters, 213 Tower Building.

Police Training Class to Be Resumed Monday

Class work in the NAACP Police Training School will resume on Monday in the office of the association at 402 Dolphin St., at 8:30 p.m.

Classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays thereafter until the course is completed, Edward N. Wilson, registrar at Morgan State College is the director.

South Baltimore Notes

The Royal Ladies Chorus held a dinner recently at the home of Mrs. Estella Lee, 926 S. Hanover St. among those present were:

Mesdames Bertha Harris, Mary Davis, Lela Wadd, Odessa Brutho, Mary Black, Fannie Wilkson, Lucy Wilkson, Dorothy Ward.

Also Mesdames Emma Jiggesst, Mary Southerland and Elnora Skinner. Vincent Lee, Roy Ward and Clarence Lee were also present.

Several Entertain

On New Year's Day, a cocktail party was given by Mrs. Minnie Drummond, Miss Elizabeth Hutchinson and Mrs. Bernice Quill. Guest included Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Levi Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bolan, Mr. and Mrs. William Polk, William Farmer, Milton Howard, William Lee of Washington and Mrs. Emma Holloway.

Mrs. Triby Wicks of 2613 Sugget St., entertained at breakfast on New Year's Day. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Segale, Miss Helen Travers, Mr. and Mrs. William Polk, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hill.

Musicians Mark Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Spence motored to Philadelphia recently to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Scott of 2918 Astern St. They were accompanied by Miss Lula Beth Epps, Raymond Wade and Mr. Al Saunders and his Baronis of Rhythm observed their first anniversary recently with a celebration of the Southside.

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Other Real Estate	1.00
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	$34,001,221.18

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Capital Stock	$ 600,000.00
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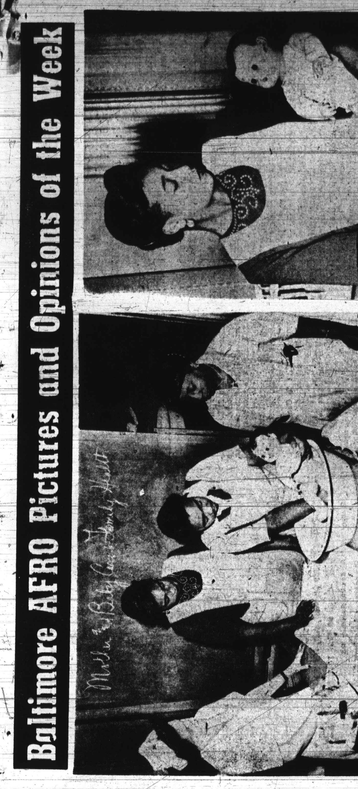

SUPPORT HIS BACK—When holding the baby, it is important to let your arm support his back and his head. Mrs. Henson shows the proper way.

BATHING THE BABY—Mothers must learn, so the Red Cross teaches the art. Here Miss Ann Hopkins, instructor; Miss Mary T. Keller, and Mrs. Elizabeth Henson, Mrs. Sarah Scott and Mrs. Sarah Mulden.

Don't Manhandle That New-Born Baby

Baby Care Can Be Learned in Six Easy Lessons

EXPECTANT mothers have a lot to learn. So, as usual, the American Red Cross comes to the rescue by providing a free three-week course in baby care. The group in Baltimore meets at the chapter headquarters, 3 W. Mt. Vernon Place, twice a week in a two-hour session, picking up important pointers on feeding, bathing, changing and tending the little bundles from heaven. They learn, for instance that about the bath, the important factor is getting the water at proper temperature; about the a sp, it's comfortable bed clothing and an atmosphere conducive to sleep; about the feeding, it's digestible food and regularity of hours; and in general, it's giving the baby whatever attention he needs when he needs it, but not enough to make him a spoiled child. The beneficial hints and habits taught by the Red Cross help Baltimore matrons meet the responsibilities suggested by Edward Carpenter, who said, "motherhood is, after all, woman's great and incomparable work."

THE FINISHING TOUCH—With the final pin and the final pat, baby is comfortable again—at least for a few minutes. Of course, a real live, kicking baby may prove more difficult to handle than the doll.

MAKING THE CHANGE—This is a job which new mothers will be called upon to do often. In this class, they are taught that there's more to making a baby than just applying the latest diaper-folding technique.

THE NEW LOOK—Styles in diapers change from time to time. No longer are the three-cornered pants popular, so Mrs. Henson and Mrs. Scott here put the new look into infant underwear.

The Baltimore Afro-American, January 10, 1948

"See What The AFRO Says About It"

Veterans Whirl

By JAMES E. HICKS

Ohio, Oklahoma and Kansas are the only States which have given a bonus to veterans of World War II.

Hey, Joe, you wanna go back to Burma? Do you want to be a Peace Officer in the Golden Triangle? Remember the fighting in Burma-Indian Theater?

Well, the State Department is asking for men who served in Burma to have agreed to accept appointments as Peace Officers under the provisions of the Public Act.

Now you don't remember the Fulbright Act is the law which provides for the exchange of foreign colleges and universities and students, using American money.

U.S. to Feed Bill

Uncle Sam will be paid for by the resistance movement in which the United States left in retreat when the Japs started the shooting war ended.

Yes, Joe, you can go back to the Burma-Indian Theater if you really want to do a job which will benefit the people of the country in which you served.

Joe, what are you waiting for?

Joe, you can go abroad. Charles S. Johnson, president of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., has been appointed to the Foreign Scholarships.

Joe, we know that big John Vinson you get your information but Dr. Johnson fill in the Washington Letter in the Pittsburgh Courier of January.

Joe, you can spend out study. Joe, swipe a leaf right here. Dr. Johnson is a Fisk graduate.

Imported Advice?

Every little once in a while some editorial writer in the South gets a one-paragraph editorial that all the Negroes should be good boys and girls.

Barney Taylor, of the American Veterans Committee, has a column in the Nashville Tennessean.