WHAT PRICE SERVICE?

Streetcar Riders Cold to Fare Hike Proposals

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to Dundalk, Turners Station and Sparrows Point.

Mrs. Edith Chatman of 212 Center St., Dundalk, who rides this line daily, said:

"The 26 line never makes a complete trip. The car either breaks down, catches on fire, or the motorman takes time out for one reason or another.

"Unless more cars are put on, and regular schedules followed, I don't think it is right to raise the fare."

With the mention of the words trolley and bus, Miss Ruby Williams of 722 Harford Ave., thinks of the 20 to 30 minute wait she has for the Cherry Hill bus. She is against the higher fare.

Mrs. Henrietta Hollaman of 1042 N. Eden St., stated that she would gladly pay the extra two cents if assured that she would not be left standing on the corner as in the past.

Elements Enter In

John Miller of 501A Dolphin St., who says one can "nearly freeze" on the No. 5 cars and "nearly drown" on the No. 16, doesn't approve of a higher rate. "No," said Mrs. Mary Scherer of 1047 N. Caroline St., the 10 cent fare is sufficient for a broken-down car which you have to stand half the time."

On the other hand, Mrs. Christina Burrows, 20 N. Gilmor St., who admits she seldom rides the trolleys, thinks higher rates, reflected in better wages for BTC workers, would bring improved service.

Better Service Plea

But Lewis G. Sheppard of 2014 McKean Ave., said: "The service offered by BTC now is hardly worth the present fare. When it reaches the minimum requirements of a real transit company, then I might be in favor of a higher rate, but not before. I can't buy a pig in a sack."

Mrs. Ella Watson, 829 N. Bond St., declared, "A higher streetcar fare should not be asked at this time."

It was suggested repeatedly that officials ride some of the lines from which the largest number of complaints come, and view the situation objectively from the riders' point of view.

Wife Admits Throwing Lye

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scorching lye burns of his eyes, cheeks, neck and upper chest.

Husband Testifies

Admitting that he and his wife had argued that day, Frank Lyons declared, "she has been giving me plenty of times!"

"Did you hit her with your fists?" he was asked.

"Yes," was the answer.

"Did you have her down on the floor?"

"Yes, but I don't remember hitting her with a chair rung," the man stated.

"Life is too short to live like this," the woman said she told Frank several weeks before, when one of his beatings had sent her packing home to her mother.

Fled to Airport

On the night of the lye throwing, Lt. Everett Dunn, detective, traced her to the Baltimore Airport, where with one of her two small children, she was clutching a plane ticket to Winston Salem, N.C. Blood was streaming from one of her ears at the time.

Her head was swathed in a bandana when Mrs. Lyons took the witness stand Wednesday to say that she never intended to harm young Boyd. The rest of her story was like this:

"We were only married a month when Frank started beating on me. I've left him several times, but he begged me to come back."

Details of Fight Told

"On Thanksgiving Day he struck me again, pushed me down the hall, knocked me over the kitchen table, kicked me in the chest, beat me in the head with his fists, broke a piece off the table and started hitting me with it over the back and head.

"He kicked me in the ear, chased me in the bathroom, threw me down on the floor and had his knees in my chest. I begged him to leave me alone.

"He went to the bedroom to get his knife, saying he was going to kill me. I poured the lye in a pan of water I was using to heat the baby's milk and was sneaking past the bedroom door when it opened . . .

Okla. U. Begins Delaying Action

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Wednesday from visiting her husband, Warren Fisher, in Providence, R.I., he has not yet appeared on the campus of the university at Norman.

State NAACP officials, it is said, have advised her to await the legal approval from the State Supreme Court before presenting herself for admission. While registration for the law courses began on Jan. 15, the new semester will not begin until Jan. 29.

Meanwhile, white students from Norman have been inquiring in person and by telephone when Mrs. Fisher is coming to the university.

Students' Welcome Assured

A large number of them, talked to by this reporter, said they are anxious to have her on the campus and see no reason for any further delay.

Norman is 26 miles from this city and there are no colored families in the college community. Local newspapers have quoted Mrs. Fisher as saying she "doesn't want to live on the campus." Mrs. Fisher has made no such statement to the newspapers.

Oklahoma "Accepts"

Asked to comment on the Court's decision, Dr. M. A. Nash, chancellor of the State Board of Regents, said, "Oklahoma will, of course, abide by the Court's ruling."

Then explaining that the provision of separate facilities for the two races would take millions of dollars, and might be too costly at this time, he added:

"The regents believe Oklahoma's problem now is one to be settled by the citizens through their legislature."

ORDERED SCHOOL OPEN—Members of the United States Supreme Court who handed down the decision ordering the State of Oklahoma to provide a legal education for Mrs. Ada Sipuel Fisher "as soon as it does for other applicants of any other group." Left to right, seated: Justices Felix Frankfurter of Massachusetts, Hugo L. Black of Alabama, Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson of Kentucky, Justices Wiley B. Rutledge of Iowa, William O. Douglas of Connecticut; standing, Justices Stanley F. Reed of Kentucky, Frank Murphy of Michigan, Robert H. Jackson of New York, and Harold H. Burton of Ohio. Justices Rutledge, Reed and Jackson absented themselves in the covenant hearings.

TAKES OATH OF OFFICE:

Curtis Gets 5 Posts as Legislature Opens

By Staff Correspondent

TRENTON — James A. Curtis of Newark, sworn Monday as a member of the State Assembly, is a member of five standing House Committees.

He took the oath of office along with 11 other men and women of the Essex County delegation.

Curtis, who replaces Dr. James O. Hill, also of Newark, is chairman of the Assembly Printed Bills Committee and a member of the Clergy, Fiscal Control, Labor and Industries, and Revisions and Amendment of Laws Committees.

Present to see him sworn were his wife, two children and mother.

A native of South Boston, Va., he attended public schools in East Orange and Newark and was graduated from Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.

In 1940 he finished Newark University Law School and was admitted to the bar in 1942 and in 1946 admitted as counselor.

For three years, 1944 through 1946, he was president of the Newark branch NAACP and a member of that organization's executive board during 1947, a position to which he was re-elected last month. Also he is a member of the executive and steering committees of the New Jersey Urban League.

Stork Beats Car in Race to Hospital

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ed gave birth to a 7 pound 7 ounce girl, who several minutes later was attended by Dr. St. Elmo Harris.

Dr. William Garner of Provident's obstetrical staff, who attended the mother, said both are in "very good condition."

Ambulance Fails to Come

After waiting several hours at her home at 407 Thrush Ct. in the Richard Rossin Project for an ambulance summoned several hours earlier, Mrs. Harris telephoned for help to her brother, who resides at 2039 E. Eager St.

The mother is the wife of Marvin Harris, an employee of the Bethlehem Shipyards. The girl born to them Thursday is their fifth child.

Does Garrett Deserve Award

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The award is made annually to an outstanding layman in memory of Mr. Colgate, who was president of the International Council for 16 years.

The AFRO points out to the International Council that as president, vice-president and member of the board, Mr. Garrett sanctioned the discriminatory policy of the Central Branch YMCA.

The branch, the communication reveals, has turned away out-of-town athletic teams which happened to have colored members, and refuses service to colored persons in its cafeteria.

Christianity Dubious

It is also pointed out that Mr. Garrett permits the Board of Recreation and Parks, which he heads, to refuse colored persons use of the municipal stadium, and to refuse to permit them to play golf in city parks or to play on athletic teams with white members.

"If there is any Christianity in Mr. Garrett's leadership of the YMCA or Park Board, it has been of the variety of which some of us cannot be proud," the communication asserts.

The Rev. Mr. Ford could not be reached for a statement on these facts at presstime.

Probation Violators Add Drama, Tears to Pleas

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"Twas a sad and penitent parade of persons who came before Judge Herman Moser on Thursday for violating probation, but the most interesting was the man with seven children, and "another one on the way."

It seemed that the man, Forrest Wilson of 1025 Vine St., had paid only $3 on his bill of $71.40 for restitution and court costs given him probation for illegally collecting unemployment compensation.

"Wife Almost Due"

"Judge, if you all want to take care of my seven children, I'll go to jail, but my wife is due any day now," informed Wilson.

As it turned out, to jail Wilson would have cost the taxpayers over $100 a month because of welfare payments which would have to be made to the seven children.

Deducting that he did not "like the arithmetic," Judge Moser decided to take Wilson off the probation department's hands.

"One day in jail!" declared the jurist, saying aside to prison attendants, "When you get ready to take the rest of the bunch over to the jail, let Wilson out."

Tears Drench Witness

In another instance, Lucas Farley, native Puerto Rican, spilled tears all over the witness stand as he cried, "I've been sick, I had to pay a lady's funeral bills, etc., etc."

"Well wait a minute, I'm not going to send you to jail," Judge Moser comforted. Faley offered to show that he was not one of the owes within 30 days.

"Oh, no you won't, because you'll be back here crying again in 30 days," remarked the judge as he instructed Frank Harding, probation officer, to work out more feasible arrangements with the man.

Five Jailed

Those jailed in default of payments while on probation included: Lester Barksdale, 1015 W. Lexington St., three months in jail on a bill of $52.40 (to be released upon payment); Allan Hill, 712 Mother St., 90 days for a $346.90 bill; John Jeffries, 802 Fremont Ave., 60 days for $67.15;

John Loudon, 205 N. Amity St., 90 on over $200; and Thomas Register, 813 Forrest St., 90 days, for $74.90. George Rosedon, probation officer, also assisted in reporting the violations.

Another AFRO Exclusive

Supreme Court Packed for Hearings

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cases scheduled for today (Friday) at noon.

George L. Vaughn and Herman Miller presented the petitioner in St. Louis case and Gerald L. Seegers argued for the respondents. Loren Miller and Thurgood Marshall of the NAACP national legal staff argued the Detroit case while Henry Gilligan and James A. Crooks, white Washington attorneys, handled the defense. Both (Gilligan and Crooks) vigorously attacked the government's petition as misrepresenting the facts.

The courtroom was packed with spectators of all races.

Opening the epoch making hearing, Mr. Vaughn argued that restrictive covenants are contrary to the laws that forbade teaching Freedmen to read and write.

Asking for Equal Rights

Declaring that the colored man only wants the same rights as other citizens, Mr. Vaughn said, he is knocking at the door of the nation and saying, "Let me come in and sit by the fire. I helped build the house."

Continuing the appeal in the St. Louis case, Mr. Miller pointed out that Canada, which has no Constitution or Bill of Rights, has outlawed covenants against a minority group (Jews), and said that he found it ironical that the American Court which are subject to both, are enforcing such barriers.

Voided by UN Charter

He also pointed out that racial restrictive covenants had been voided under the United Nations Charter.

Arguing in behalf of the covenants, Mr. Seegers insisted that men have the right to choose their own neighbors and declared that the issue was not one of abstract right or wrong, but of legal rights.

If the Supreme Court voided the covenants, he added, it would be changing the public policy of Missouri and that he said the tribunal has no right to do.

Much Case Attack

Attack in the Michigan case was opposed by Mr. Miller who asked the court to rule that such covenants violate the right to own property, one of the first civil rights guaranteed to all.

Following him, Thurgood Marshall, a veteran performer before the Supreme Bench, cited a mass of statistics to show the injustices and deprivations which result from enforcement of such covenants.

He was challenged by Justice Felix Frankfurter who declared that the results were not the point at issue, but rather whether covenants were legal or not.

Mr. Marshall agreed and pointed out that the number of covenants was not the issue either. If there was only one covenant, he explained, it would be just as unlawful as a great number.

Admits Marshall's Point

Later Mr. Frankfurter admitted that there was a close correlation between the social data given by Mr. Marshall and the legality of such covenants.

Stating that the lower courts had not done so, Henry Gilligan, attorney of Washington, condemned the government for tangling the case up in economic and social questions.

Issue Important

Mr. Perlman, in arguing the government's opposition to covenants, declared that "the issues to be decided by this court in these cases are of the greatest importance."

He termed the use of such devices as "a mistake to the principles of citizenship and to democratic institutions of government."

Although 19 States and the District of Columbia have approved, through their court, racial covenants of one type or another, Mr. Perlman continued, there is no legal foundation for them.

Ruled on 30 Years Ago

In fact, he pointed out, more than 30 years ago in the case of Buchanan vs. Warley, the Supreme Court ruled that "the legislative branch of the government lacked power to create and enforce segregation between races."

The covenants by private owners, he added, are merely a subterfuge to put into effect "legislation which, if enacted by Congress, by a State legislature or by a municipal council, would be invalid."

The right of a group of citizens to draw up such covenants, he added, was denied in the first recorded case in a law court concerning an effort to enforce a racial restriction covenant.

Outlawed First in 1892

The case was the Federal case of Gandolfo vs. Hartman in the Circuit Court of the Southern District of California, Jan. 25, 1892. The covenant in question was aimed at Chinese.

At that time, he said, "the court held that the agreement was made contrary to the public policy of the United States, in contravention of one of its treaties and in violation of a principle embodied in its Constitution, and was therefore void and unforceable in any court."

The decision, he said, stated emphatically:

"Any result inhibited by the Constitution can no more be accomplished by contract of individual citizens than by legislation and the courts should no more enforce the one than the other. This would seem very clear."

Demands Rule Be Word Magic

Then after reviewing the debt Americans owe to its colored citizens who have been promised "equal rights and privileges with all other people," he concluded:

"The governments submits that there should be an end to this word magic under which the colored and other racial groups are denied the fundamental and necessary right to buy and occupy homes; and denied complete equality before the law in this and other respects.

"Racial restrictive covenants on real property should no longer be enforced by any part of the judicial system of our country. They should be relegated to the limbo of other things as dead as slavery. We ask that the decrees here involved be reversed."

Wife of New York 'Y' Secretary Given Rites

LOS ANGELES (ANP) — Last rites for Mrs. Leisa DePrantis, wife of Robert B. DePrantis, nationally known YMCA secretary of New York, were held here last week. Mr. DePrantis made the trip from New York by airplane to arrive here in time for the funeral.

LOCAL CULTISTS UNDER FIRE:

'Church' Held Meeting Place of 'Men Lovers'

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from homes where the parents are separated.

School Yard Used

In another instance, one youngster confessed being involved with an adult, said to have the mind of a three-year-old child.

The adult was held for a psychiatric examination after being charged with having relations with the boy in the yard of School No. 110.

What to do with teenagers in the face of the lack of institutions for treatment of such psychological conditions, was the problem cited by the jurist, who detained the youths at Cheltenham pending examinations by the psychiatrist to the Supreme Bench.

"Somewhere in North America, there must be something that can be done for such people, lamented Judge Moylan, as he declared that he would urge medical authorities to find some solution to the problem.

CIVIL RIGHTS GROUP FORMED IN KANSAS

LAWRENCE, Kan. — (ANP)— Private religious, civic and social agencies met here recently and set up a permanent State Council of Civil Rights.

Suspect in Robbery Given Top Sentence by Judge

"Our colored citizens are living where they have to live, and not by choice, and the least the community can do is give them the right kind of protection," declared Judge Herman Moser Thursday, in imposing a maximum sentence upon a defendant in a robbery case.

The robbery victim incidentally was slain in a tavern last week.

Unable to convict George Smith, 22, on the first count of robbery with a deadly weapon, Judge Moser found him guilty of receiving stolen goods and levied the maximum sentence for the offense in terms totaling four and a half years.

The sentence, to run consecutively included other terms given Smith on other charges but representing the maximum in each case.

Would Discourage Thugs

"Too many complaints are being received from decent people who cannot walk the streets of North west and Northeast Baltimore in safety," declared the jurist, as he promised to put persons convicted of crimes upon citizens "out of circulation for a long time."

The victim in the robbery, which occurred in the men's room of a tavern on Dec. 12, was stabbed to death with a ice pick in a tavern of the same neighborhood, Saturday night.

He was Frank Boone, 40, of 722 Bruce St., in whose death a one-eyed ice man, Joseph Spiller, 41, is being held.

7 Others Being Held

Two others, John Kennedy and William Hines, said to have participated in the robbery of Boone were held pending a probation department investigation because of no criminal records.

Despite the absence of Boone, William J. O'Donnell, assistant State's attorney, was able to produce but one witness, Samuel Height 1128 N. Calhoun St., which enabled the gathering of enough evidence to convict Smith on the receiving count.

W. A. C. Hughes, attorney, defended Smith, while Kennedy was represented by Dallas Nicholas.

Poker Player Slain Over $1

Feared Robbery, Suspect Declares

MEN MET IN CLUB

Rites for Victim Held on Tuesday

RICHMOND—Funeral rites were conducted Tuesday at the C. P. Hayes funeral home for William Freeman, 44, of 117 W. Clay St., who died in St. Philip Hospital Sunday from bullet wounds inflicted as the result of a disagreement over winnings in a poker game.

Dr. C. C. Scott, pastor of Fifth Street Baptist Church, officiated during the rites. Mr. Freeman was shot fatally at his home by an acquaintance between 5 and 6 a.m. Sunday following a night of drinking and poker, according to investigating officers.

Police quoted the wounded man as declaring in a deathbed statement that he met his assailant, Augustus Watson, 53, of 107 Pulaski St., in the Cotton Club on W. Marshall St. around midnight Saturday; that they remained there until about 4 a.m.

Played at Watson's Home

Then they left the club, went to Watson's home, had a few drinks, and began playing poker, the dying man told the officers before lapsing into unconsciousness unable to complete his side of the story.

Police quoted Watson saying that he won $19 in the game, then Freeman suggested that they go to his (Freeman's) home where Freeman could get more money to continue the game.

When they got to Freeman's home, according to Watson's story, the man demanded the money he had won from him. He returned $18 of it, he said, and when Freeman found it short, he struck him in the mouth with his fist, Watson said.

Shot Four Times

He then pulled from an overcoat pocket a small revolver that he had brought along, suspecting that Freeman would try to rob him, Watson said, and fired four times at Freeman. He said he did not know how many bullets struck the man.

The wounded man was carried to St. Philip Hospital in a city ambulance, in charge of Dr. Peale, admitted to the emergency room and later died. Watson first was arrested on a charge of felonious shooting, but the warrant later was amended to charge murder.

Charges against Watson were continued to Jan. 21—following a brief hearing in police court Monday before Justice Carleton E. Jewett. Indications were that Watson will plead self-defense when he is placed on trial on the date.

Dr. Sampson Gets Hospital Post

PHILADELPHIA

After serving a year and a half as a clinical assistant at the Philadelphia General Hospital, Dr. William C. Sampson, 30, of 1624 Jefferson St., was assigned last week to assistant visiting surgeon of the institution.

Dr. Sampson, who has served two and half years on the staffs of the Mercy and Douglass Hospitals, has been secretary of the medical staff of the latter for a year and a half.

Teach Nurses Too

At Philadelphia General, he was assigned by Dr. Rufus S. Reeves, director of the department of public health, to work under Dr. Lewis C. Manges Jr., of the surgery department. He also assists in the teaching of nurses there.

A native of Sumter, S.C., the surgeon was educated at Vorhees Normal and Industrial School in Denmark, S.C., Wilberforce University and Meharry Medical College.

Assisted Dr. Stubbs

He served his internship at the Kansas City General Hospital, was a resident at Provident Hospital in Chicago, where he served a fellowship, returned to Meharry, and practiced in Philadelphia as assistant to the late Dr. Frederick Stubbs.

He was married five years ago to the former Miss Frances Berry of Nashville. They have three children, Gail, 4; Tessa, 3, and William Jr., 3 months.

He is a member of the Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania State, American Medical, and National Medical Associations, and IP program director of the Frederick Douglass Stubbs Surgical Journal Club.

AYD GROUP PROTESTS PEACE-TIME DRAFTING

WASHINGTON

North Jersey units of the American Youth for Democracy paraded in downtown Newark on Saturday in protest any attempt to pass universal military training legislation in Congress.

Dr. William C. Sampson

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STEPPING UP SERVICE—Dr. Marshal L. Shepard, recorder of deeds, and Mrs. Julia McLaughlin, supervisor, witness the inauguration of photostat machinery for the Recorder of Deeds Office in Washington. Operating the machine is Miss Wilma Stroman. While it took clerks from 6 to 12 typists to produce one liber every two or three days in the office, the photostat process can turn out 2½ libers a day.

Pa. Court Rules for D.C. Shriners

PHILADELPHIA

The Superior Court of Pennsylvania last week ended Imperial Potentate Raymond E. Jackson's latest legal effort to effect the ouster of four members of Mecca Temple No. 10 of Washington, upholding the Court of Common Pleas ruling of August, 1946, reinstating the quartet.

The men, William H. Bailey, Clifford C. Smith, Henry A. Hogan and Joseph H. Hankerson all of Washington, had been suspended from the Shrine School being given a hearing on Aug. 14, 1946, by Potentate Jackson, five days before the annual Shriners convention was held.

On Aug. 21, 1946, the four filed a bill in the Common Pleas Court alleging that their suspension was in violation of the constitution and by-laws of the order and were granted an injunction on Aug. 28, by Judge Joseph Sloan, restraining the imperial potentate from interfering with appellees as representatives of Mecca Temple, thus voiding their ouster.

D. C. Court Refuses to Act

Contending that the courts were improperly interfering in the business of a foreign corporation by the reinstatement order, Mr. Jackson appealed the Pennsylvania case and instituted another suit in District Court in Washington asking that the Pennsylvania Common Pleas Court order be dismissed.

In August, 1947, the District Court dismissed the contention of the imperial potentate's counsel that the Common Pleas Court could not have ordered reinstatement for the ouster Shriners, Ford V. Lawson, and Raymond Pace Alexander, attorneys, represented the defendant quartet in this action.

In its ruling last week on Mr. Jackson's appeal, the Superior Court affirmed the Aug. 28, 1946 reinstatement decree of the Common Pleas Court, ruling that Judge Sloan had discretionary jurisdiction to interfere in the internal management of the fraternal order.

Cards Urge Home Fight on Blazes

NEWARK

Homes in 47 Newark streets began receiving this week a placard from Public Safety Director John B. Keenan suggesting methods to reduce fire hazards.

Keenan said that areas like the Third Ward, where the percentage of fires is greatest, are receiving the cards first.

Headed "Save a Life from Fire," the cards advise:

Non-explosive liquids in clean ing clothes, eliminating rubbish, using ashtrays at all times and not smoking in bed, keeping kerosine burners free from carbon, and using fuel oil in metal cans away from open flames, and keeping all exits free from obstruction.

The cards point out:

"Do not hit your clothing takes fire. Drop to the floor or ground and roll up in a rug, blanket or in the dirt. Prevent flames from entering your mouth."

Grease and broiler fires in the kitchen will burn themselves out, it is pointed out, if the oven door is closed or the pan covered with a lid.

Householders are warned against "over-fusing, temporary wiring, overloading outlets and worn extensions and lamp cords and defective appliances."

Carver Vocational High to Get New School Bus

The school board approved salary schedules for secondary evening school principals and the purchase of a bus for Carver Vocational High School, during its meeting on Thursday.

The principals will be paid $8 per night. They are Henry W. Horsey at School No. 106; Leroy Flanagan at No. 130; James R. Hite, 130-A; W. Llewellyn Wilson, at Douglass High; Lewis M. Gwynn, Briscoe Vocational; C. Leroy Carroll, Dunbar High; and Walter O. Stewart, Carver Vocational.

Robert P. Diggs, vice-principal of Douglass will be paid at the same rate.

Transportation to Annexes

Saul M. Perdue, principal of Carver, requested that a bus be made available for transporting pupils between the main building at Carrollton and Lafayette Aves., and the three annexes.

They are located in the 500 block of W. Preston St., 1600 block N. Carey St., and the 2600 block of Pennsylvania Ave.

Seaman Wounds Self in Busy Times Square; Throws Gun in Snow

NEW YORK (ANP)—Seaman Jose Lallican testified in Felony Court last week that he shot himself by mistake New Year's brief hearing in police court Monday before Justice Carleton E. Jewett. Indications were that Watson will plead self-defense when he is placed on trial on the date.

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Dorsey Improving After Operation

Charles A. (Mouse) Dorsey district deputy of Elks, was operated on for a minor ailment, Wednesday, in Provident Hospital by Dr. Bernard Harris.

Mr. Dorsey had improved considerably by this morning (Friday) was making plans to return to his home.

Strange Man Sleeps in Home, Drops Clothes When Chased

A strange man entered a house on S. Paca St., early Tuesday night, calmly smoked a cigarette, then crawled under a bed and slept until 4 a.m. when he was discovered and ran from the house with an armful of clothes which he dropped.

The story was pieced together on Wednesday when eight-year-old Johnny Towns of 510 Paca St., belatedly told of the intruder's visit after his father, Albert Towns, surprised a man stealing the clothes.

Lad's Story

Johnny said that while his mother was visiting a sister who lived nearby, and his father was at work, the stranger came in and sat on a bed. The lad told the story:

"I told him that he wasn't my Daddy and to leave our house but he just sat there smoking. When he heard mother coming, he crawl in under the bed.

"I was scared that he might kill us so I didn't tell mother he was here."

Left Clothes Behind

Johnny was put to bed and shortly after midnight, Mr. Towns came home from his job at a Southside meatpacking plant. Unaware of the intruder's presence, the couple later went to sleep.

About 4 a.m., Mr. Towns said he was awakened by a noise and found a man taking clothes from the closet. He gave chase and the man fled, dropping the clothes as he ran.

Address Given Police in Raid Proves False

In Tuesday's edition of the AFRO, a story reporting a raid included the name and address of William Lafayette, 1718 W. Lafayette Ave., as recorded by police.

The address is that of Mr. and James Skyles and Mrs. S. Jeanette Mrs. James Mitchell; Mr. and Mrs. Green. The AFRO regrets the error.

Injured Riders Settle Claims

Some of the passengers injured or shaken up on a wild New Year's Eve ride in the Cherry Hill Home on a BTC bus are quietly settling their claims with the company out of court.

Most of the five persons reported injured have recovered. Others failed to report their injuries to police and were treated by private physicians.

Expected Mother Hurt

One of the victims was Mrs. Ethel Clark, 23, an expected mother of 2722 Shellbank Rd., who, though still in South Baltimore General Hospital, is improving satisfactorily.

Other of the passengers, Mrs. Geneva Garland, local musician of 205 Bridgeview Rd., is confined to her home under the care of a private physician.

The operator, who according to witnesses, shared a bottle of whisky with a white rider during the trip, is scheduled for a hearing in traffic court on Jan. 27.

He is Philbert N. Bowers of 217 Cedley St., and is charged with reckless driving.

Dentist in Texas Wants J.C. School

AUSTIN, Tex.—Dr. Everett H. Givens, local dentist, plans to appeal to the State Supreme Court against refusal of the Third Court of Appeals, last week, to grant his petition for establishment here of a colored branch of the University of Texas.

The trial court had held that Section 14, Article 7 of the State Constitution did not, as the dentist argued, establish a colored branch of the university. The Appeals Court upheld this ruling on Dec. 10 last.

The Givens case differs from that instituted by Heman Marion Sweatt and scheduled for argument Jan. 14 in the Third Court of Appeals. Givens wants a separate university branch, while Sweatt contends racial segregation in education violates the Federal Constitution.

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