Pickets March in Protest of Ford Policy for 3rd Year

The Baltimore NAACP is beginning its third year of picketing the Ford Theatre in protest against its racial segregation policy.

Current legitimate plays at the Ford Theatre have been contracted by the Theatre Guild in the American Theatrical Association of New York City.

In response to a letter from Milton P. Brown, NAACP executive secretary, requesting the Guild's assistance in protesting against the segregational policy of the theatre, Warren Caro, executive secretary, made the following explanation in a letter:

"The Theatre Guild is, and has always been, opposed to racial discrimination and to every form of intolerance.

Under Contract

"For the current season in Baltimore, we are under contract with Ford Theatres and our membership and we are obligated to live up to their terms. The Theatre Guild, a producing organization, cannot determine or control the policy of theatres."

Actors Equity Association which has banned the appearance of legitimate stage shows at the National Theatre, Washington also was requested by Mr. Brown to lend its assistance against Ford.

Letter Referred

Alfred Elton of Actors Equity Association, in a letter to the NAACP office, dated Aug. 18, stated: "Your letter of July 26, which we acknowledged on Aug. 4, has been referred to the Council Committee Re 'Jim Crow.'"

"This is the same committee which studied the Washington situation and read a report on it to the Council.

"Since no immediate action or commitment has been forthcoming from these two organizations and the Ford Theatre's management has not appeared willing to change its policy, the NAACP will continue its picket line of protest.

Confessed Forger Gets 2-Year Term

"You may be allergic to prison walls, but I'm going to send you behind them again," declared Judge Herman M. Moser in Criminal Court, last week, as he sentenced a confessed forger to two years in the penitentiary.

The accused, Jesse Davis, 33, pleaded guilty to forging 25 checks valued at $300. His method was to make small purchases and receive the balance in cash.

Fled From Virginia

Records revealed that Davis, after being given a 5-year-term for forgery in 1942, fled from a prison in Richmond, Va., was recaptured and returned in 1945 and fled over the prison wall the following year.

He still faces six years in the Virginia institution after completing the term in the local prison.

Pickets Continue at Ford Theatre

The Baltimore NAACP this week began its third year of picketing Ford's Theatre because of its segregation seating policy. Among the pickets on Friday night were, left to right, Daniel P. Atwood, chairman of the picket committee; Parren J. Mitchell and M. Bracey.

Admits Burglary, Awaits Grand Jury

Pleading guilty to two burglaries which netted him approximately $330 in cash and loot, a confessed "second-story man" was held under $5,000 aggregate bail on three counts Wednesday to await grand jury action.

In Northwestern police court, the suspect, Ernest Carter, 29, of 711 W. Lafayette Ave., mumbled incoherently and nodden assent as Magistrate Fitzpatrick read the three charges to him.

Carter was apprehended after a chase over rooftops in the 600 block of N. Fremont Ave., by Officer Kenneth Vaught.

Sent to cover the rear of a cafe at 603 N. Fremont Ave., early Wednesday, the officer said he saw the suspect scaling a fire escape and gave chase.

Carter was apprehended after he had dropped 30 feet to the rear alley. A set of burglar's tools, including a crow bar, pair of canvass gloves and a screwdriver, found at the cafe were identified as Carter's property.

Questioned by officers, Carter admitted having burglarized a drug store in the 300 block of W. Lexington St. of $291 worth of miscellaneous items and cash, and $39 in cash from a five and ten cent store in the 1300 block of Pennsylvania Ave.

NAACP Youth Group to Seek New Members

The NAACP Youth Council will meet at 5 p.m. Saturday at the Sharp St. Community House and launch a membership drive.

Miss Thelma Watson is president and Miss Jean Neverdon, secretary.

Shooting for Fun Costs 2 Jail Terms

Staging a wild West "shoot'n iron" show in the 600 block of Lanvale St., cost two Northwest Baltimore men five-month jail sentences, this week. Arrested on charges of carrying deadly weapons and disorderly conduct they were identified as:

Charles Colvin, 23, of 1025 Briscoe St., and Daniel Jackson, 30, of 640 Greenwillow St. Colvin told Magistrate Fitzpatrick he was "just trying the gun out" after buying it from an unidentified man for $5. Jackson, who claimed he happened to have a revolver in his possession for protection, explained that he heard the other man shoot "so I shot too."

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School News

Many parents seem to feel that all education should occur in the schools, failing to realize the number of things that may be learned on trips to museums and historical spots in the city and vicinity.

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In addition they have an opportunity to see places that their parents do not have the time to take them to.

Parents Can Go on Trips

Parents who have some spare time during the day are invited to accompany their children and the teacher when the class goes on a field trip. In this way they can help the teacher and also have an enjoyable time.

The initial faculty meeting of the Robert Brown Elliott School No. 104 was highlighted by reports of teachers who attended various workshops last June.

Better ways of using the school's audio-visual aid machines as suggested at the Audio-Visual Aids Workshop were discussed by Mrs. Alphua Williams and Mrs. Earla Wheaden.

Mrs. Mae Murray reported on the newer methods of teaching arithmetic.

Report on Workshops

A report from the workshop in music was given by Mrs. Charlotte Swan and one from the workshop on social background of juvenile delinquency, was presented by Mrs. Winifred Sheppard and Mrs. Elizabeth Williams.

The workshop on the government and history of Baltimore was debriefed by Mrs. Gwendolyn Seaborne. The workshop on city government in action by Miss Delois Caul, and the art of ceramics by Mrs. Grace Burkett.

A discussion of the newer types of report cards was made by Miss Owen Gray who attended the Morgan State College summer session, and by Mrs. Lillian Wilson who also attended summer school.

Club Packs Discussed

Andrew Johnson, Boy Scout executive, was guest speaker. He discussed "Organizing a Cub Pack with boys of 9, 10 and 11 years of age," in the interest of forming a cub pack at the school.

During the meeting, commendations were also extended to William Johnson, captain of his block, for his fine work during the AFRO Clean Block Campaign.

The kindergarten of Elliott School No. 104 has an enrollment of 141 pupils including three sets of twins.

The following teachers have been added to the faculty: Mrs. Grace Burkett, Misses Gwendolyn Chester, Dorothy Johnson, Louise Smith, Marion Young, Nancy Norris and Marie Dowell.

"Floating teachers" who will assists teachers of overcrowded classes with the instruction of basic subjects are Mrs. Lillian Wilson and Miss Owen Gray.

Harriet Beecher Stowe School No. 118 had a faculty meeting Monday. The remedial program was discussed and emphasis was placed upon the new trend in arithmetic.

Mrs. Mary Brooks, elementary supervisor, demonstrated some of the new trends. Material also was given by each teacher. Mrs. Maud Williams is principal.

Young Woman Jailed on Charge of Theft

Despite her emphatic denials, Miss Ella Mae Mitchell, 26, of 206 Lloyd St., arrested previously on a similar charge, was sentenced to 30 days in jail Thursday morning, when convicted of stealing a pair of trousers from Hopkins Cleaners where she was employed.

Reported missing about 10 days ago, the trousers were found in an East Baltimore pawn shop. When police located George Brown, who had pawned them, he said Miss Mitchell asked him to get some money on the pants.

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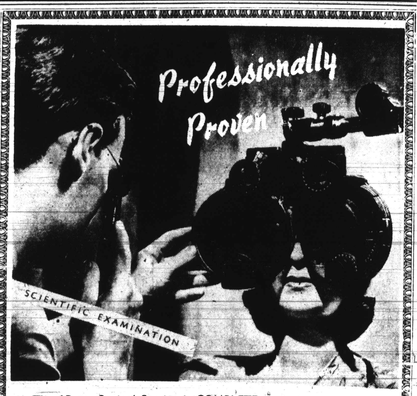

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Miss Mildred Moon Weds Louie Robinson in Capital

Above is the wedding party at the marriage of Miss Mildred Moon, and Louie Robinson. The ceremony took place recently in Washington. Pictured are, left to right: Eugene Walker, Miss Jeanne Cupid, Hoyt Wiseman, Miss Louise Arrington, the newlyweds, James Taylor, Mrs. Racel Cave, Dr. Sergil Cave, Miss Sallye Thompson, Aubrey Robinson and Miss Virginia Jervay.

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Fisher Honored on 42nd Anniversary

WASHINGTON

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. R. Farley Fisher were feted on their forty-seventh wedding anniversary with a party given in their Logan Circle apartment, on Sept. 17.

Approximately forty close friends gathered to felicitate them. These friends were received by the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Fisher and their daughter, Mrs. Gwendolyn Fisher Kelley, who sponsored the anniversary celebration.

Friends Assist

Mrs. Kelley was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Bertha Ingram, Mrs. Henrietta H. Armstead, Mrs. Maggie Naylor, Mrs Mary Fisher, Mrs. Adelaide Crockett, and Miss Edna Graves.

Miss Wilkins Sings

Miss Nora Wilkins, accompanied by Leon Fisher at the piano, sang several selections.

The Rev. Dr. Fisher, the son of the late Rev. Dr. R. A. Fisher, former pastor of John Wesley Church, is the general secretary-auditor of the AME Zion Church. He attended the public schools of Petersburg, Va. and Washington and is a graduate of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Fisher is the daughter of the late Thomas Ingram, for many years organist of John Wesley Church.

Parents of Three

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Fisher have three children: Reginald Franklyn, a special student at the University of Illinois; the Rev. Mr. Algernon Hillary, a minister in Talladega, Ala.; and Gwendolyn Mae who resides with her parents.

The feted couple received many valuable gifts, including a purse.

Among guests at the reception were:

Bishop and Mrs. H. T. Medford, Bishop and Mrs. W. W. Matthews and daughter, Mrs. Juanita Johnson, Dr. D. C. Pope, Dr. and Mrs. S. Gill Spottswood, Mrs. Julia Spottswood, Jones, the Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Flowers, Dr. J. A. Babington-Johnson, J. E. Boger, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Peyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Leon B. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. C. Henderson, Mrs. Anna A. Finney.

Mrs. T. L. Murphy, Mrs. Florence Brooks, Mrs. Gertrude McDonald, Mrs. Rose Nelson, Misses Edna Graves, Nora Wilkins, Esther Irvin, and Wesley Ingram.

Howard Graduate Passes Bar in Md.

WASHINGTON

J. Franklyn Bourne of 211 Elm St., N.W., was one of four colored candidates to pass the Maryland bar examination held July 26 and 27, it was announced recently by the Maryland Board of Law Examiners.

Mr. Bourne, always referred to by his friends as "Frankie," received his A.B. degree from Lincoln University (Pa.) in 1940 and his LL.B. degree from Howard University this year.

A native of Frederick, Md., Frankie has spent most of his life in Washington. He is at present employed in the law firm of Hayes, Reeves and Mitchell, 2002 11th St., N.W.

Rev. Mr. Jones Party Honoree

WASHINGTON

The Rev. Fair J. Jones, pastor of Zion Hill Baptist Church, was feted on his birthday with a party given by members of his church at the home of Mrs. Emma Dees, 23 Fenton St., N.E.

Chief party hostess was Mrs. Irene Coleman, the church's clerk.

Celebrating with the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coleman, Mrs. Lena West, Mrs. Margaret McClurkin, Miss Maggie Tercher, Mrs. Maggie Burges, Miss Lillian Kelly, Mrs. Rebecca Bland.

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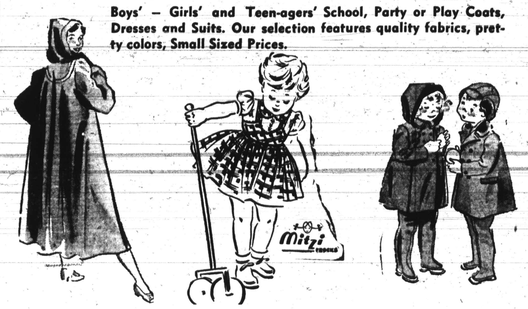

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