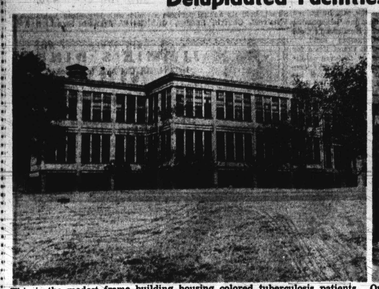
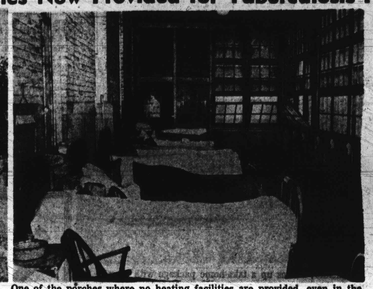
Delapidated Facilities Now Provided for Tuberculosis Patients at City Hospitals



This is the modest frame building housing colored tuberculosis patients This is the modern frame building housing colored tuberculosis patients at City Hospitals. An $8,000,000 loan to appear on the Nov. 2 ballot will provide money to replace these outmoded facilities.



One of the porches where no heating facilities are provided, even in the winter. Patients placed out here are supposed to be well enough to get up but often more serious cases are placed here because of lack of other quarters.

Peeling plaster on the wall of the women's bathroom is typical of the degenerated conditions that prevail throughout the tuberculosis wing. Many city leaders and civic organizations are supporting the Health Loan to build a new hospital.

'Yes' Vote Urged on $8,000,000 Bill

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the Southeastern district, where present facilities are in an old school house built before the Civil War.

McKeldin Urges "Yes" Vote

The City Hospitals building for colored tuberculosis patients has been condemned by the fire department officials and by every city official who has seen it.

"I visited that wing during my term as mayor and I know from personal observation that it lacks proper heat; wind blows through cracks in the walls; plaster falls from the ceiling; sanitary facilities are entirely inadequate, and in case of fire, the lives of all sick patients would be in danger.

"The City Hospitals are doing a wonderful work in the treatment and care of tuberculosis, but they cannot do their best in a building that would be a disgrace to a poverty-stricken hamlet, let alone a great and prosperous municipality like Baltimore.

"The hospital must be replaced by a new and modern hospital in keeping with the needs and dignity of the patients it serves. I urge all of our people to vote 'yes' on this health loan."

"Projects Can't Wait"

Mr. Waster of the welfare department, declared:

"The health loan is for three projects that simply cannot wait! The new tuberculosis hospital is needed because Baltimore has more tuberculosis than any major city in the United States.

"Regarding the home for the aged, to be old and poor is tough business. We owe it to our aged and handicapped poor to give them decent and good care.

"Two new health centers for the health department are included in the loan. The health of our people is our most important asset. These three projects should not and cannot wait!"

Milton Brown, executive secretary, Baltimore NAACP, stated:

"The exigencies of the health problem in Baltimore force our organization to support the health loan in spite of the fact that in proportion to need, colored persons will receive an extremely small portion of the benefits to be derived."

Said Alexander J. Allen, executive secretary, Baltimore Urban League:

"Unqualified support should be given to the health loan.

"Baltimore has the highest tuberculosis death rate among the nation's 25 largest cities; the rate among colored persons in Baltimore is five times that of whites, largely because of the lack of adequate facilities for treatment of the disease.

"Passage of this loan will replace the disgraceful facilities now at City Hospitals and will mean a net gain of 160 tuberculosis beds. The public home for the aged and the health centers are both greatly needed, and will serve colored persons as well as white."

Mr. Nice declared that the Republican City Committee also endorses the health loan.

Minority opposition to the loan has come from the Commission on Governmental Efficiency and Economy, which is not a government agency.

This group, which was set up as an independent fact-finding organization, loses its objections to the health loan upon the assumption that its plans appear imminite.

The commission also holds that the immediate need for a new home for the aged is not "satisfactorily demonstrated;" that the loan is being promoted largely for a new tuberculosis hospital unit; and that the various proposals should have been submitted separately.

Opposition Group Listed

Members of the commission's board of trustees are:

Charles H. Buck, chairman; L. Alan Dill, vice-chairman; George B. Hess, treasurer; C. Kestner Bowie Jr., William J. Casey, Clarence E. Elderkin, Walter A. Frey Jr.;

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agencies or individuals on appeal, if it is to do a service to the Government and justify its existence, it was disclosed.

Here is a concrete case of what can happen:

A survey made by a committee of poll experts, recently, of a Government bureau that employs over 5,300 Federal workers, having over 800 colored employees, showed that 182 of the latter were working in 13 segregated units.

The committee was disturbed that such a bureau, of such size had not a single colored person in its guard force, none was employed in the personnel office and none held supervisory positions. The effects of the separate units upon morale was questioned by the committee members.

Few Promotions Made

Some interesting practices were uncovered after conferences with top officials of the bureau and several of its employees in discussing the placement policies.

It was discovered that very few colored employees have attained intermediate level jobs and none is employed at the higher grades. All but a few are concentrated in Grades CAF-4 (entrance salary $1756) through CAF-6 (entrance salary $2,394). Those who are supervisors are on the lowest level of supervisors.

While white persons were promoted from group leader to higher supervisory positions, colored persons could move no higher in the supervisory line, to fill vacancies in the colored group only.

This means that there is in effect a quota system in the selection of colored supervisors. Training is not given minority group persons in excess of the number of supervisors required for such units.

There has been an increase over the years in the number of segregated units.

The management's position has been that this was necessary in order to provide supervisory job opportunities to colored workers, because it felt that the employment of non-white supervisors over mixed groups was not feasible.

There are however, 52 colored employees in non-supervisory positions above the CAF-3 level (all but one are CAF-2 and CAF-4).

Superior Workers Leaving

It has been determined that such conditions result in "loss of superior colored workers, who could not bear the frustrations of segregation and the denial of fair chances of promotion," the group pointed out.

This is an existing pattern in nearly every Government agency in Washington and the field. The committee investigating the bureau mentioned made some pertinent suggestions, which in this particular case, are being heeded.

The group said it considers it desirable to remove any practices in a Government agency which tends to treat workers as a group apart because of race. That all employees should be permitted to carry on their work and advance in their employment strictly on the basis of individual qualifications and merit.

That the filling of vacancies in the personnel office with well qualified applicant, regardless of race, when available, is an important requirement if discrimination is to cease.

Definite Federal Responsibility

The committee said it recognizes the inability of giving supervisors a choice among qualified candidates in filling a vacancy. Management, however, has a definite responsibility to create attitudes that will prevent the exercise of this choice from becoming a means of racial discrimination.

It believes that the segregated unit is not a solution to racial employment issues, that such units serve more as a reminder than as a remedy.

It, therefore, is suggested that Federal Bureaus take steps to discontinue the segregated units by transferring white employees into those units in small groups and transferring colored employers into other groups.

That non-whites be considered on an equal basis with whites as candidates for the next vacancies in group leader positions, regardless of racial composition of the groups under supervisory positions.

Board Members Named

Members on the Civil Service Fair Employment Board are:

Guy Moffett, former consultant in the liaison office for personnel management, Executive Office of the President, chairman; Fred C. Croxton, former conciliator in the Department of Labor; Dr. Ethel Dunham, former director of medical research, U.S. Children's Bureau;

Eugene Kinckle Jones, general secretary of the National Urban League; Jesse H. Mitchell, president of the Industrial Savings Bank in Washington; Daniel W. Tracy, former assistant Secretary of Labor and an official of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL; and Judge Annabelle Matthews, formerly in the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

LEGAL NOTICES

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND
1948
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND TO THE INHABITANTS OF MARYLAND GREETING:
Whereas, Chapters 1 to 14, inclusive of 1947, Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 respectively of the Laws of Maryland, Special Session, and Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution of Maryland, as amended by Chapter 1 of the Laws of Maryland, Special Session of 1947, provide that certain amendments to the Constitution of Maryland, which will be designated on the ballot as Constitutional Amendments Numbers 1 to 14, inclusive, respectively, of the Laws of Maryland, Special Session of 1947, shall be submitted to the people of Maryland for their adoption or rejection at the general election to be held throughout the State of Maryland on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1948, which said Constitutional Amendments are as follows:
AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department", to provide that the Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself in the office of Governor for a period of four years after the end of his term of office; and to provide for the submission of this proposed amendment to the people.
Section 1. Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, three fifths of all the members elected to each House of the Legislature thereof, that the following Section be and it is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department", to wit:
Section 3. The Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself in the office of Governor for a period of four years after the end of his term of office.
Section 2. The Baltimore Redevelopment Commission, or its successor in function, shall have and exercise the powers and authority of a Commission to carry out the objects and purposes of Article 21 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Baltimore City", subtitle "Housing", as now provided in Section 3 of said Article, the same to apply to and be effective in the City of Baltimore and in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area, as defined in said Section 3 of said Article, the same to apply to and be effective in the City of Baltimore and in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area, as defined in said Section 3 of said Article, and to the City of Baltimore and the Baltimore Metropolitan Area, as defined in Section 16 of the Constitution of Maryland, Article III, Section 16.
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