Firemen Battle Blaze Set By "Peeved" Son

Smoke billowed from the home at 1705 Pressman St., where firemen were summoned Saturday to battle a blaze reportedly set by a peeved 18-year-old youth. Police said property damage was slight, but the boy's mother was treated at Provident Hospital for shock. The son, George Boston, has been charged with arson. A kerosene-soaked bed had been set afire.

Husband, Sisters, Nephews Share in Henderson Estate

RICHMOND

The will of the late Dr. Zenobia Gustav Gilpin Henderson, 49, was offered for probate last Saturday in the Chancery Court.

The document, dated last April 28, named Welton H. Henderson her husband, as executor of the $10,000 estate, all of which is personal property.

To her sister, Mrs. Emily G. Chambers, she left all of her household furniture.

To her husband, she left any and all automobiles owned by her at the time of her death, and all shares of stock in the Richmond Beneficial Insurance Company to be equally divided between her husband and nephews, St. James Gilpin Chambers.

Left U. S. Bonds

Also to her husband, sister, Nellie G. Gilpin, and nephews, St. James Gilpin Chambers and Wilbur Gilpin Chambers, she left all government bonds owned by her at death, monies in her possession or on deposit to her equally divided between them.

The residue of the estate is to be equally divided between the husband and the nephews, St. James Gilpin Chambers, Wilbur Gilpin Chambers and her sister, Nellie G. Gilpin, acording to the terms of the will.

Gardener Positions Open at U.S. Posts

Civil service examinations for positions of gardener at various grades, in the Federal Government are now open, the secretary of the U.S. Civil Service Examiners has announced. Examinations are being held at Ft. Howard Veterans Administration Hospital. Vacancies also exist at other establishments.

The salary for gardener, CPC-5 is $2,573 per year and applications will be received until the needs have been met. No written test is required and applicants will be rated on the basis of their experience.

Complete information and blanks may be obtained in Room 331, Post Office Building and in the offices of other local Government establishments.

'Hot' Deals Put Peddler in Hot Water

Allegedly attempting to sell "hot" hams, "hot" butter and "hot" hose landed Cleveland Smith, 37, 1501 Argyle Ave., in "hot" water, Monday, as he was held under $2,000 bail to face grand jury action on fraud charges.

Sterling Piper, operator of a gas filling station on N. Fremont Ave., said he gave Smith $16 for five black market hams he never received.

Other Complainants

Similar charges involving the purchase of butter and hose were lodged by Mrs. Gertrude Kennard, 1304 Myrtle Ave., Mrs. William Watson, 1003 Myrtle Ave., and the Rev. Percy Chisholm, 1531 Myrtle Ave.

Not guilty pleas were entered by Smith who refused to make any statement during the hearing.

Wife Says Realtor Gets Rents From Her Property

Charging that William B. Dixon, realtor, is collecting rents on her property at 1503 Edmondson Ave. without turning the money over to her, Mrs. Blanche V. Dixon filed a petition asking for an accounting, this week.

The bill, filed in Circuit Court, also asks that Mr. Dixon be restrained from further collections. The property is question is a three-apartment building, to which the wife filed a deed with her petition.

TO ATTAIN WORLD LEADERSHIP:

Work For Democracy, Mrs. Roosevelt Urges

America's need to work hard toward true democracy was emphasized by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Tuesday, as she addressed the Baltimore County League of Women Voters at luncheon at the Emerson Hotel.

She re-emphasized the point in answer to a question put to her by Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, NAACP president, who was among the guests.

Mrs. Roosevelt said she was explaining to a little German boy the advantages of democracy over communism when he inquired whether it was true that in America everybody has the opportunity to work.

Goal to Work Toward

Hinting at job limitations based on race, Mrs. Jackson asked Mrs. Roosevelt what would have been her answer to the child had he inquired if everybody has the opportunity to work regardless of race, creed or color.

In reply, Mrs. Roosevelt said that that is what America needs, to work toward a democracy which begins in the individual community and will spread throughout the nation.

When it can claim nationwide democracy, which grants equal opportunities and civil rights to all its people, then America can become a world leader, Mrs. Roosevelt declared.

Sun Not Real Battlefield

As a delegate to the United Nations, which she admitted is unsuccessful from a political standpoint, Mrs. Roosevelt maintained that the real battle today is not in the United Nations, but "Will be decided in every community in the United States."

Besides Mrs. Jackson, the luncheon guests of 900 persons included Mrs. Florence Snowden, Mrs. Alice B. Arrington, Mrs. Mason Hawkins and Mrs. Gloria Tucker.

To Receive Discharge

Now stationed at Hickam Field Hawaii, Airman 2nd Class Bernard B. Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Holmes of 461 S. Avondale Ave., will be discharged in February. He intends to enter college in September.

Heating Repairs Delay Fellowship House Bazaar

Repairs being made to the heating plant of the Fellowship House 21 W. Preston St., have necessitated the postponement of the bazaar under the chairmanship of William Price Jr., from tonight (Friday) to a date to be announced.

Modern Church Art Exhibited at Museum

Two outstanding achievements in the revival of modern church art is being shown in an exhibition which opened recently at the Baltimore Museum of Art, and which will continue until Jan. 20.

The first deals with the Church of St. Matthew in Northampton in England where the sculptor Henry Moore and the painter Graham Sutherland have been commissioned to replace works damaged during the war.

In the second section are the works of leading French artists which show a newly built mountain church in Haute-Savoie, France.

$25,000 Suit Filed for Accidental Fall

WASHINGTON

Willie Jones, 1538 Fifth St., N.W., a Western Union messenger, who fell and injured himself while delivering a telegram, last week, sued the Fairmar Corporation, 3811 Porter St., N.W., for $25,000 damages.

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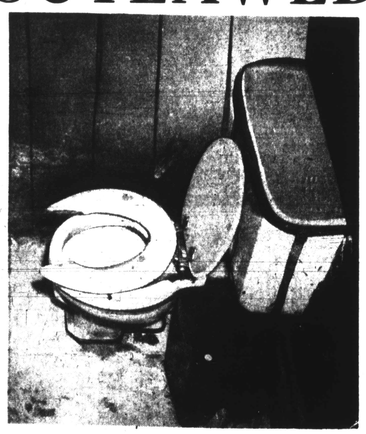

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Northwest Civic, Church Groups Deplore Poor Street Lighting

Lionel Hampton, one of the nation's top band leaders, and Lena Horne, famed radio, stage and screen star, take time for a quick private duo during rehearsal for the inaugural gala at the National Guard Armory. Both Miss Horne and Hampton were among the stars appearing before President Truman Wednesday night.

Truman's Address Calls for:

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Girl Kissed; 2 Shot, 14 Jailed

Caress Stealer Held as Gunman

Resentful Rival Lands in Hospital

WITNESSES CONFINED

Disorderly Conduct Charges Dismissed

One man kissed another's girl friend and looked what happened!

Two men were shot, one seriously, and 14 persons became involved in a tavern free-for-all which landed the entire group in jail, Thursday morning.

Wounded in the violence which followed the "explosive kiss" were Eugene Curry of 625 N. Eden St., now in a serious condition in Hopkins Hospital; and Winston Fowlkes, 39, of 1712 E. Biddle St., who was released from the same hospital on Thursday morning.

Shooting Suspect Held

After arresting the five women and nine men in a tavern at 1721 N. Wolfe St., Northeastern District police charged George Johnson, 27, of 1735 E. Biddle St., with the shooting. He was held in $2,500 bail for a further hearing on Jan. 28.

Johnson gave this version of the fracas during a hearing in police court:

"I kissed Helen Mariner and she asked me for a quarter. I told her I didn't have a quarter but had a dollar and she walked away.

Admits Pulling Trigger

"Then her boy friend came up to me and tried to start something. Someone hit me and I staggered back. Then Fowlkes reached in his pocket; and someone, I don't know who, shoved a gun in my hand at the same time. I shot Fowlkes and then shot Curry when he rushed at me."

The persons arrested by Lt. James Boyle and Sgt. Robert Cohen of the Northeastern District, were charged with disorderly conduct. These charges were dismissed by Magistrate at large

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Citizens Demand Better Lighting

Blame Gas Lamps for Crime Rate

SEEK INTERVIEW

Plars for White Areas Spark Action in NW

By PEYTON GRAY

Citing unsafe and deplorable conditions which are steadily growing worse, especially in Northwest Baltimore, an aroused citizenry is forming plans to carry the fight for modern and adequate lighting to the chambers of Mayor D'Alesandro.

Spearheading the movement is a group of interdenominational ministers and civic leaders who are seeking a conference with the mayor.

"Pressing business," much of which has been in the chambers of the General Assembly in An-

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Board Head Bares Crownsville Rift

Says Managers Would Have Improved Conditions If They Had the Power

Had the board of managers been so empowered to act, conditions at the Crownsville State Hospital for the Insane would have been improved, Leo V. Miller, board president, said here on Tuesday.

Speaking before the Frontiers Club at the YMCA, Mr. Miller said the Crownsville board has been stripped of power through the years. As it now exists, the body is little more than a buffer between the hospital officials and the public, he added.

Mr. Miller said he has urged Governor Lane to remove the "deadwood" from his five-member board, indicating that one member had missed 21 of 29 meetings and another 10 of 15 meetings.

Raps Legislature

He scored the Maryland Legis-

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Suing Landlord Tripped by Court

A landlord's attempt to collect back rent through People's Court, this week, uncovered his practice of splitting one apartment into two units to collect rents higher than those allowed under the OPA regulations.

Judge Joseph T. Parr held that this apartmental division, which resulted in two members of a family paying rent instead of one, did not "de-control" the living quarters from OPA maximum rent regulations as one unit.

Attorneys for the residents in four properties involved showed

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Baltimore Police Detain 2 Turner Holdup Suspects

Two parolees, arrested in connection with a Turner Station pool room hold up during which one man was wounded with a sawed-off shotgun, were turned over to Baltimore City police this week.

They were identified as Willie Parker, 24, and Thomas Broady, 28. Broady is now under police guard at City Hospital where he is being treated for a gunshot wound.

The men were arrested by Dundalk police, Sunday, after two bandits took $400 from a group of card players in the rear of the pool room, late Saturday night.

Didn't Move Fast Enough

Wounded in the daring hold-up was James Guthrie, 46, of 1005 K St., Sparrows Point. Guthrie was dropped by a blast from the shotgun when he failed to move fast enough for the bandits.

Pellets from the blast struck

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5 Nabbed, Fined in Weapons Raid

The first in a promised series of "shake-down" raids for deadly weapons was launched, Wednesday night, when detectives swooped down on East Baltimore taverns, collected 20 knives, a razor and a gun and arrested five men.

The raids are being conducted

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The Weather

Light rain or snow is predicted for the week-end period with temperatures averaging around the mid-thirties.

Precipitation is expected to average about three-fourths inch over the Maryland-Delaware area.

Ten Community Leaders Cited on AFRO HONOR ROLL

See Magazine Page THIS ISSUE

Vice 'Crack-Down' Nets 16 Suspects

Acting on a series of complaints from church people and merchants, police cracked down on loose women "working" the lower section of Pennsylvania Ave., early Thursday, and arrested 16 suspects on sight.

Following a mass hearing in Northwestern police court later that morning, fines totaling $175 in amounts ranging from $5 and costs to $50 and costs were meted out.

Officers testified they had received complaints from members of the Pennsylvania Ave. AME Zion Church in the 1100 block of Pennsylvania Ave. and from mer-

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Coming Events

FRIDAY

Lecture to the St. Andrews Brotherhood of St. James PE Church by the Rev. H. Maynard Richardson, Lafayette and Arlington Aves., 8 p.m.

Fourth Quarterly Conference of Providence Baptist Church, Edmondson and Fremont Aves., 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Open house at the Bar-Wil-Ba Convalescent Home, 1315-17 Madison Ave., 2:30 to 5 p.m.

Young People's Day at Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church with the sermon by Dean Frank Wilson of Lincoln (Pa.) University.

Observance of BTU Day at Providence Baptist Church, Edmondson and Fremont Aves.

Induction of members of the St Agnes Guild at St. James PE Church, Lafayette and Arlington Aves.

Duo Piano Recital by Orville Moseley and Hayes Strider of Morgan State College Music Dept. at East Hoffman St. Methodist Church, Washington and Chase Sts., 5 p.m.

Dedication of the Community Center at Turner Station, New Pittsburgh Ave., 4 p.m.

Lecture by Howard Fast spon-

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"By the Help of God..."

President Truman takes the oath of office in the biggest inaugural celebration in history. He called for freedom and equality for all in his address which followed.

Maps 4-Point U.S. Program

ERP, Large Army to Be Continued

SUPPORTS UN

To Share Nation's Benefits With All

By LOUIS LAUTIER

WASHINGTON — (NNPA) —President Truman took occasion on his inauguration for a full four-year term in his own right as the 32nd President of the United States to proclaim to the world the faith and aims of the American people.

His inaugural address, delivered on Thursday noon on the Capitol steps, after he and Vice-President Alben W. Barkley had taken the oaths of office, dealt essentially with foreign relations, but what he said with respect to human rights could be applied with equal force to racial relations in the United States.

Pointing out that the challenges that confront this country are now as momentous as any in its past history, Mr. Truman said the day marked "the beginning not only of a new administration, but of a period that will be eventful, perhaps decisive, for us and for the world."

Urges Peace and Harmony

The President described World Wars I and II as "the two most frightful" in history.

"The supreme need of our time is for men to learn to live together

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Crowd Applauds Mixed Parade

Extended for 7 Miles; V.I. Float Featured

WASHINGTON

Nearly one million persons jammed the mile and a half inaugural parade route from the Capitol to the White House following the swearing in ceremonies of President Harry S. Truman, yesterday.

About 1,250 of the 40,000 participants in the parade, which extended for seven miles, were colored. Floats, sponsored by the Virgin Islands and the National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches, were among some 40 featured in the parade.

The weather, although crisp and cool, proved to be ideal for the parade and although the crowd didn't show to much enthusiasm, they seemed to enjoy the elaborate show.

West Point Cadets

Passing review in the first eight divisions in the parade were the cadets of the United States Military Academy at West Point, who were attired in their grey dress uniforms.

Among the cadets were Robert W. Green and David K. Carlisle, of the class of 1950; Roscoe Robinson

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'Bogus' Ham Vender Gets Jail Term

Admitting that he posed as a seller of hams and collected money from unsuspecting "customers," Cleveland Smith, 35, was sentenced to a total of three years in prison, Wednesday, by Judge E. Paul Mason.

Saul Harris, prosecutor, revealed that Smith also will have to serve the balance of a two year sentence from which he was placed on probation in June, 1947 for another case of "larceny after trust."

Russell Frisby, probation officer, said Smith of the 1500 block Myrtle Ave., had not reported under the probation terms since last summer.

Arrested by Officers Walter Costen and Fred Fitzberger, Smith was said to have collected a total of $59 from three persons by promising to supply them with hams.

Central Baptist Officers Sue Pastor for $25,000

As the result of dismissal on charges of assaulting the Rev. Ira T. Guthrie, pastor of New Central Baptist Church, five officers of the congregation filed a $25,000 damage suit against the minister this morning (Friday) for false arrest.

The suit was filed in the Court of Common Pleas by Harry O. and Marshall Levin, attorneys for Fredrick Braxton, Sidney Johnson, Hugh Darby, James Jones and Silas Edwards, members of the trustee board.

The officers charged that on Jan. 17, the Rev. Mr. Guthrie "maliciously and without probable cause" swore out warrants for their arrest on charges of assaulting him the previous day.

Dismissed By Magistrate

They were dismissed at a hearing before Magistrate James J. Ellis Jr., at Northwestern police station this morning.

This latest police court episode between rival factions of the church grew out of last Sunday morning's services when the trustees forcibly removed the minister

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FLASH!

Judge E. Paul Mason this afternoon dismissed the bill of Complaint filed against the city by Druid Hill Ave. and McCulloh St. residents seeking to enjoin the use of the streets as one-way boulevards.

At one point the decision states that the situation does not seem to be one for interference by a Court of Equity. Residents have indicated they will appeal the ruling.

3 Pairs Married Under Year, Split

Mrs. Eula Gray of 1531 Leslie St., who admitted that she left Charles H. Gray after he had beaten her, was one of three plaintiffs married less than a year to be granted divorces in Circuit Court this week.

The wife, represented by Roy S. Bond, attorney, said they were married on Nov. 2, 1942, and that

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Cupid's Progress

A soldier and his bride-elect, nine out-of-town couples and 48 Baltimore couples obtained licenses to be married, here, this week.

A permit went to Pvt. Thomas Gannon, 21, of Fort Meade, to wed 18-year-old Dorothy F. Greenway of 614 N. Carey St.

Visitors to Wed Here

Also licensed were:

Rupert G. Johnson, 20, Glenarm, Md., and Miss Beatrice L. Cooper, 17, Bare Hills, Md.; John A. McIntyre, 58, and Mrs. Birlee T.

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Cheltenham Has Been Without A Superintendent for 47 Weeks

This school, charged with the care and training of 225 youths, needs a competent staff leader.

Integrated Army units like the above won cheers of Inaugural crowd.

Gov. William Hastie of the Virgin Islands was the ranking member of the race in the parade