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AFRO Campaign: New Workers Listed

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WORKERS: Christine Jones, Clarence Powell, Marma Savage, Rose Bailey, Margaret Hythe, William and Ann Calhoun, Bonnie Serra and Annie Wilson, Charles Gotham, J. McDonald, Mrs. Catherine C. Johnson, Christine Stillesbe, L. Haynie, Viola Smith, Rev. H. B. Tomlin, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. J. E. McCrea, Mrs. Inez Johnson, Lilian M. Maith.

1000 DOUGLASS CT., Edward Palmer, captain.

WORKERS: Georgia, George and Pearl Brown, Bertha and James Robinson, William and John Moore, Dorothy and Juanita, Oliver, Ernest and Leonard Methbish, Jerome Somerville, Mrs. Estelle Patterson, Sadie Carter, Viola Stanley, Lula Gomstrop, Lula Oliver, Betty Jennings, Mary Neal, Alice Johnson and Mr. Alonzo McIntosh.

Prestman St.

1500 PRESSTMAN ST., Linda Hammond, captain.

WORKERS: Louvinda and Delores Hammond, Shirley Brown, Brenda Woodland, Jannis McCoy, Emelda Weaver, Jean Morris, Jana Williams.

1000 STODDARD CT., Rosetta Schaired, captain.

WORKERS: Clara Moore, Harrison and Vonzella Shorter, Jerome Schairer, Willie M. Davis, Earl Taylor, Marcia Green.

4400 ST. GEORGE AVE., A. Marquet Holmes, captain. Edward Johnson, assistant captain.

WORKERS: Mr. and Mrs. Gwynn Kilgore, Bryant Cullen, Pvt. Neal Harmon, Rice Harris, Matthew Settle, Nash Boone, Davis, Ashley Williams, Williams, George Scott, Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Owens, Garton, Henry Scott, Rudolph Garrett, Miss Kratz, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell, Gardner, Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

800 COLD SPRING LANE, 4500 ST. GEORGE AVE., Charlotte Johnson, captain. Benjamin F. Johnson, co-captain.

WORKERS: Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Hill, Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Keith, Jones, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Tover, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Fitchbaugh, Dodson, Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Diggs, Bruce and Mr. Smith.

2000 W. WALBROOK AVE., Samuel N. Johnson, captain.

WORKERS: Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, N. J. Carroll, A. Holmes, Wiggins, V. Thornton, Mr. Holden.

700 PIN ALLEY, Catherine Lewis, captain. Fannie Gaskins, co-captain.

WORKERS: Florence Walters, Jessie M. Williams, Virginia Lewis, Lovie Jackson, John H. Good, Maxine, Jeanette Sanders, Dorothy Barnes, Gloria Patterson, Beatrice Singletary, Annie M. Smith, Rev. Johnson, Pearl Harris, Shirley Green, Sadie Carr, George Owens, Sophia Green, Donald Owens, Reginald Johnson, Edward Barnes, Catherine Lewis, Josephine and Tiny Goodman, Holden Anderson and Mrs. Alexander.

800 N. WOLFE ST., Iner Jones, captain. Mr. Burrell, advisor. Mr. Ray Alexander, inspector.

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800 W. LEXINGTON ST., Reginald Lonesome, captain. Mrs. Ethel Thompson, advisor.

WORKERS: Betty Carson, Donald Jones, Mrs. Lonesome, Mrs. Lillie James Aurelia Lonesome, Gwendolyn Kelly, Amelia Thomas, Marguerite Green and Mrs. Mildred Kelly.

1000 N. SARATOGA ST., Edith Mae Jenkins, Mrs. Elaine Fleming, advisor.

WORKERS: Angie M. Harper, David and Paul Harper, Jean Dorkins, Joyce and Jane Anderson, Loretta Gooch, Viola and Juanita Miles, Vernon Dorsey, Mrs. Edith Miles, Ruth Harper, Sarah Baker, Barbara Thomas, Leila Johnson, Catherine Anderson.

700 W. LEXINGTON ST., Douglass Harper, captain. Mrs. Ethel Thompson, assistant captain. Mrs. Mary Bowser, advisor.

WORKERS: Donald and Dennis Yates, Norma and Catherine Brown, Samuel and Lenroi Bowser, Jacqueline Brown, Nelson and Barbara Christie, Colleen and Charles Thomas.

800 W. SARATOGA ST., Jerry Johnson, captain. Mrs. Annie Oliver, advisor.

WORKERS: Jerry, Smith, Harry Johnson, Vernon, Keys, Robert Smith, Charlotte Bowen, Jacqueline Johnson, Ronald Carolyn and Lewis Green, Dolores and Sheldon Herman, Bernadine Powell.

Floyd Simmons Captain

800 W. LEXINGTON ST., Floyd Simmons, captain. Delmar Nelson, assistant captain. Mrs. Henrietta Jones, advisor.

WORKERS: Charles Simmons, Robert and Bernard Nelson, Eugene and Raymond Johnson, Joyce Nelson, Mc. Raymond Johnson, Frank, Harvey and Alvin McTyer.

800 W. LEXINGTON ST., Stanley Webb, captain. Mrs. Esther Payne, advisor.

WORKERS: Vivian Nunn, Arnold Webb, Jesse Nunn, Rosalind Webb, Vivian L. Calor, Delores Chapman, Jerome Nunn, Steven Mason, Sandelon Nunn, Mrs. Bessie Kelly.

800 W. LEXINGTON ST. Nellie Ad-

This Block Took Week's Top Honors in AFRO Clean Block Campaign

Here is the 1100 block of N. Calhoun St., Baltimore, winner of last weeks honor flag in the AFRO Clean Block Campaign. Miss Dessie Hopewell is captain.

With a little cleaning and painting the 1100 block of S. Sharpe St., is really taking on a beautiful appearance. Note the freshly painted flower boxes, especially the one in the center. Miss Daisy Wilson is captain. This block was erroneously listed as the 1100 block of N. Calhoun St. in Tuesday's AFRO.

Beauty Spot in Clean Block Campaign

Prizes Awarded in Clean-Up Drive

Principal, 2 Pupils Honored by Committee

An elementary school principal and two girl pupils were awarded prizes for their efforts in the Clean-Up Campaign sponsored recently by the Citizens Planning and Housing Committee and Molly Martin of WBAL.

The prizes were presented by Housing Court Magistrate Harry S. Kruger, Thursday night, in a telecast over WBAL-TV.

Mrs. Elizabeth Henderson, principal of School No. 126, won a cash prize for a school garden and flower plot. The money will be used to further beautify the garden located in Plummont Court.

The pupils were given new bicycles for their efforts in cleaning up the neighborhood. They are Misses Parthenia Royster, 12, of 1701 N. Spring St., and Teresa Moore, 9, of 1413 Harford Ave.

Guests on Radio Show

Magistrate Kruger and the winners were guests at 11 a.m., Wednesday, on the Molly Martin radio show.

The campaign began in April and ended in June. It was open to children between the ages of 6 and 18 years.

To be eligible for a prize, the child had to do something around or in the house to make it more livable. Having done this, a letter of 125 words or less, describing what had been done, was to be sent to the committee.

Money for the prizes was donated by the Corkran and Hill meat packers.

To Be Annual Affair

Though Magistrate Kruger is not a member of the committee, he was selected to present the prizes on the basis of his contributions toward better living conditions, through his housing court activities.

Mrs. Mildred Atkinson of the housing committee, said the clean-up campaign will be an annual affair. Others working on the project were Mesdames Nancy Hammond and Aurora Granofsky.

2 Knock Out Each Other in Pipe Duel

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feet long. Malone took it from him. Not to be denied, Watson returned to the cellar and came back with another pipe.

The swinging began, and each of the warriors hit the other at about the same time. Police found the men unconscious on the sidewalk.

Booked on an assault count, Malone was held in $100 bail by Magistrate Julius A. Romano in Western Police Court. Wednesday. A preliminary hearing was postponed until Aug. 3, pending Watson's release from the hospital.

Suspect Charged With Robbing, Blinding Vet

ROXBURY, Mass.— Frank Frazier, 40, of Hammond St., was held last week in $5,000 bail for the grand jury by Judge Elijah Adlow in a Municipal Court on charges of mayhem, robbery and assault with a dangerous weapon upon a war veteran who lost an eye.

Rev. Fassett Preaches

CAMDEN—The Rev. A. Fassett of Ferry Ave. Methodist Church was guest speaker on Sunday, July 8, at St. Mary Methodist Church, Burlington, the Rev. Horace Fisher, pastor.

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Officers Timothy Moran and Maurice Coehran
THESE OFFICERS ARE CO-OPERATING WITH MEMBERS OF THE CLEAN BLOCK CAMPAIGN.

Chuck Richards Seeks State Office

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Douglass High, Mr. Richardson won a berth on the AFRO Honor Roll because of his interest in and development of young local talent.

Through radio, television and outside promotions, he gave many Baltimore youngsters their start on the ladder to success.

CHUCK RICHARDS

Mr. Richardson was the first disc jockey of either race to be featured on the Baltimore outlet of NBC. Also he was the first whose promotion ideas, through transcriptions and commercials, were used on all of the local radio stations.

A former professional singer, Mr. Richardson has promoted a number of benefit shows for civic organizations including the NAACP and YWCA.

He resides at 1724 Bentalou St. with his wife, Mrs. Clarice Richardson and two sons, Charles Jr. and Harold, both of whom are of high school age.

Mr. Richards issued the following statement in connection with his candidacy:

"My many friends have urged me to be a candidate for this office, and I feel that I may possess the qualifications to represent them in the Maryland Legislature.

"I know that promises are easily made, but very earnestly hope my promotion ideas, through working principles or platform, if elected to the Legislature:

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"The establishment and furtherance of civil rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States;

"The establishment and maintenance of more hospitals, schools, roads, and housing projects;

"Continuation of the Maryland tax program as presently established, but less waste and more business management in our State administration and;

"Concentration of State departments and administrative bodies in one central area, so as to facilitate better service to the people of Maryland."

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Seventy Get Marriage Licenses in Elkton, Md.

ELKTON, Md.— Fourteen-year-old Lucille Harris, who was married to Herman Layne, 18, was the youngest of 70 bride-elects wed here the past month.

Miss Harris was followed closely by Miss Elizabeth Morris, 15, bride-elect of Lee T. Cates, 22, and Miss Nellie Chavis, 16, betrothed to Frank Burton Jr., 21. All the above were from Philadelphia.

Others obtaining licenses were:

GIBSON-STOKES— Gadies 26, Annie Mae 24, both Philadelphia.

LUMPKIN-WARE— Carl E. 37, widower; Nannie W. 39, both Philadelphia.

IDLETTE-BROWN— Henry 29, Ethel Sue, 23, both Chester, Pa.

PENDERGRASS- HUMPHREY Bailey, 23, Erma H., 21, both Washington.

ROBINSON-TUCKER — William, 22, Amanda, 19, both Philadelphia.

BROWN-MILLER— William I., 27, Violette F., 33, widow; both Philadelphia.

THOMAS-MILLER— Harry, 33, Classie Mae, 32, both Wilmington, Del.

SELF-BURNETT— Webbon, 22, Iola M. 20, both Philadelphia.

CARTER-CLARK— Charles, 22, Evelyn 21, both Philadelphia.

SMITH - GRAY — James, 50, Phyllis J. 33 both Philadelphia.

PRIVOTT - WOOD — Edward W. 29, Agnes, 30, both Philadelphia.

WOOD-COOPER— Clarence, 48, Anna M., 39, both Paulsboro, N.J.

TARVEN-BROWN— Willie, 50, divorced; Lula, 30, divorced, both Philadelphia.

HALL-WILSON— William P., 26, Charlotte, 18, Woodstown, N.J.

LAWS-FERGUSON— Charles T., 24, Dolores A., 21, both Philadelphia.

CHURCH-CLARK— Newton J., 37, Philadelphia; Dorothy, 22, Coatesville, Pa.

LAWRENCE-BLUE — Herbert, 27, Josephine, 18, both Philadelphia, Pa.

WALKER-LUCK— Shelly, 26, Dorothy M., 19, both Philadelphia.

DAVIS-ST. JOHN— Isaac, 35, Ivernia G., 38, widow, both Philadelphia.

TERRY-WASHINGTON.— James T., 31, Jannie W., 30, widow; both Washington.

NORWOOD-WILLIAMS — Oscar W., 21, Golfs, Md.; Viola, 18, Odessa, Del.

RICHARDSON-WOODARD — T. Benjamin, 26, Trenton, N.J.; Pearlie, 23, Lawrenceville, N.J.

ESPRY-DOAKES— Jesse L., 36, divorced; Juanita E., 32, divorced; both Alexandria, Va.

SYDNEY-BATES— Harry T., 30, widower; Jennie B., 32, Philadelphia.

GEORGE-GOLIMAN— Carey, 32, Gracie M., 26, both Brooklyn, N.Y.

MORTON-TRAVIS— James T., 28, Geraldine 21, both Philadelphia.

JONES-SOLOMON— William, 51, Ellen, 23, both Philadelphia.

HILBERT-HILBERT— Paul, 53, widower; Lydia M., 45, widow; both Bronx, N.Y.

LEWIS-WILCOX— Arthur 49, Ruby, 23, both Wilmington, Del.

LEE-COOK— Elmer, 34, Betty SNEED-GILLIARD— Earl C. 24, Ernestine, 20, both Brooklyn, N.Y.

BROWNRIGG-SHERIDAN — R. James, 52, Marie, 54, both Pleasantville, N.J.

MCCONNELL-GRIFFIN — John M., 27, Newark, N.J.; Ada O., 24, Darby, Pa.

SMITH-RODGERS— James, 45, Willie, 30, both Philadelphia.

GRAY-PITTS— Leroy G. 22, Avondale, Pa.; Alice E. M., 27, Coatesville, Pa.

KENLY-HOOKS— William F., 32, Sarah E., 25, both Perryman, Md.

GORDON-POWELL— Herman, 21, 50, divorced; Christine, 53, widow, both Chester, Pa.

CHEEK — ANDERSON — Obert 44, widower; Mamie, 52, widow, both Lancaster, Pa.

GILLES-SCHAFFER — David — 22, Helen, 18, both New York City.

TIBBLE-THOMAS — Lawrence E., 22, Fanny, 21, Philadelphia.

ROBINSON-WILLIAMS — Earl A., 32, Hazel C., 24, both Philadelphia.

SPICER-SMITH— Henry, 27, Adell, 28, both Philadelphia.

PIERRE-WYCHE— Lawrence L., 27, widower; Iola E., 24, both New York City.

O'NEAL-BLOCKER— David, 23, Margaret G., 20, both Philadelphia.

JONES-SCOTT— Gilbert, 21, Dessie F., 19 both Philadelphia.

GROSS-TERRY — Lawrence, 19, Dorothy, 19, both Philadelphia.

DOWNWRIGHT— Walter G., 22, Nina, 18, both Philadelphia.

BARKER-WEBBER— Marvin, 38, widower; Blanche V., 26, both New York City.

BECKMAN-SMITH — Jefferson, 28, Philadelphia; Josephine, 25, Fort Norris, N.J.

WILLIAMS-DOWNING — Porter, 28, widower; Rosabel, 37, divorced; both Philadelphia.

JACKSON-WILSON— Sam, 23, Edith E., 20, both Philadelphia.

GASKINS-AUSTIN— Louis J., 25, New York City; Willia A., 21, Philadelphia.

TAYLOR-JONES— Charles, 51, Mary, 40, both Philadelphia.

PITTMAN-PEARSALL— Irvin S., 22, Geraldine, 19, both Philadelphia.

NICHOLS-WHISBY— Robert, 33, Willy, 25, both Philadelphia.

SNOW-BLACKSTONE— Leon, C., 22, Chester, Pa.; Gwendolyn D., 18, Twin Oaks, Pa.

POTEAT-JONES— John W., 45, widower; Ella M., 33, Philadelphia.

Action Delayed in La Plata

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

LA PLATA, Md.—The Charles County Board of Education took under advisement a request made Tuesday in a petition signed by more than 400 citizens of both races to begin immediately the new consolidated elementary school structure, on the ground already purchased.

Leaders of a delegation of some 200 citizens, who appeared at a hearing before the board with the petition, told this reporter that if the local board ruled against them, they would take their case to the State Board of Education.

If they should not get satisfaction there they are prepared to enter suit to get better educational facilities for their children, it was stated, "We will use every effort to get our school built without going into court," the leaders added.

Approved Site Recommended

The School Board recommended to a special course building committee that a site approved by the colored citizens be purchased on the highway between Wayside and Newburg earlier in the year.

Some influential white citizens filed a protest with the board, reconfirmation of which action was made by J. T. Bowling, chairman of the board, to the effect that the grounds that the school would be a menace to the over 100-year-old Christ Church.

They also said it would destroy value of Sacred Heart Rev. Mr. Henderson, alleged to be a landmark in Charles County for about the same number of years.

2 Speak for Delegation

The 200 white citizens jammed the saml room, backing up the presentation of the petition by their committee leaders.

Spokesmen for the group were J. Mosher Wells of Mt. Victoria, Md., chairman, and Charles S. Butler, Tompkinsville, Md., assistant chairman.

The petition read by Wells and Spearman shortly after the board convened at 10 a.m., Tuesday, pointed out that colored citizens have constituted the largest population group of the 5th Election District in Charles County for over a half century.

It pointed out that a majority of them are land owners and taxpayers and contributed their earnings and labor to erect schools at Tompkinsville and Shiloh.

Schools Fire Hazards

It noted further that while the two schools served the purpose in their day they have now become fire hazards, overcrowded, not wholly inadequate and should be replaced by a consolidated school that will better serve the needs of the children.

The petition added:

Since the board took cognizance of a previous petition by these citizens and purchased a 7½-acre tract of land on which to erect a six-room building on Route 3 between Waysde and Newburg, the board should retain use of the site for the purpose for which the land was secured and begin construction as soon as possible.

Delle Fatal Fire pressed the board for an immediate answer at the time of the presentation. Bowling informed them that board members would consider the matter and call them later in the day as to what position they took.

Stage Sit-Down Session

The committee at first agreed to this procedure but on second thought decided to stay at the County Courthouse where the board was held until the board came to some decision.

The four members of the committee, Wells, Butler, Carol C. Middleton and Ollie R. Thomas both of Mt. Victoria, Md., waited for about five hours.

Bowling finally informed them that the board was unable to reached a decision as to whether to rule in their favor or that of the protestants.

Date Set for Decision

They were informed, however, by the chairman that a decision would definitely be made either Saturday or not later than Tuesday.

Among the reasons given by Henderson and the Christ Church congregation was that if a school were built for colored persons, in the area after colored businesses would spring up and along with them beer taxerns.

This reporter and the AFRO photographer, Wiley Davis, visited the Shiloh and Tompkinsville schools, Christ Church, the new school site and the Henderson property.

Church Far From Site

Christ Church is distant one-eighth of a mile from the new site in sight of the proposed school site. Henderson's property is almost equally as far in the opposite direction toward Newburg.

There is no possible way that a school for the proposed site could interfere with either piece of the property about which leaders are protesting.

Moreover, less than half the distance between the church and the new school site is a small community in which there is a flourishing (white) beer tavern.

The Shiloh School proved to be a small two-room structure with an annex likened unto a dilapidated, unpainted, wholly undesirable barn. Farmers, both colored and white, have better looking structures for their chickens, cows and horses.

The Tompkinsville School has a similar main room structure but that at Shiloh, but in worse shape.

To ten it all off, in the former school there is not even water for the children to drink. They have to carry water for better than twenty blocks in buckets from a neighbor's home.

Bowling told the citizens at the hearing, that the board is cognizant of their children's plight, "and we are going to do something about it."

Among those attending the hearings were:

Mrs. Lillian Butler, La Plata; James T. Slater, Pomonokes; Mrs. Geneva Thomas, Waysde; Mrs. Virginia Brantner, Newburg; Mrs. Ethel Key, Mrs. Mamie Butler, Mrs. Ella Price, Mesdames Elizabeth Washington, H. Butler, Theodore Butler, Marshall, all of Newburg; Mesdames Lewis Brown, and Bloonie Thomas Waysde.

Anna Lewis, Bertha Hill, Mary Southern, Florence Temple, Clarice Southern, Luvenia Chisley, Martha Edlin, Miss Anna Briscoe, Miss Corine Briscoe, Miss Viola Butler, Miss Ella Butler, Marmourite Matthews, Hattie Burrell, Murray Wells, Mrs. Ethel Wells, Mrs. Ella Wells, Mrs. Hill, Mary Clark, Elizabeth Gooseberry, Pearline Edlin, Maglin Proctor, Mary Dyson, Blanche Southern, and Mattie Chisley, O Thomas and James Smallwood all of Rock Point, Md.

Mesdames Bessie Colbert, and Mary Hill, Bertha Thomas and Irene Mills, Mrs. Anna Butler Mrs. Marie Smallwood, Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Maggie H. Thomas, Mrs. Robert Thomas, Mrs. Carrie Thomas, Mrs. Ella Butler all of Tompkinsville, Luther Shoemaker, chairman of the Charles County NAACP, which is supporting the effort; James F. Brown president County Fair Association and Builders Local 352 of Construction Laborers, La Plata; James T. Slater of Pomonokes and Benjamin H. Walton, secretary of the Fair Association.

Morgan ROTC Trains At Fort Meade

John Reeder Jr., left, of 1451 N. Carey St., and James F. Norton, 514 Sedgehill Ave., both Morgan State College students, are shown preparing for firing on the rifle range during ROTC summer camp training at Fort Meade, Md. Both qualified as sharpshooters in the practice. Upon completion of the six-weeks training, and another year of college work they will be commissioned as infantry second lieutenants.

VITAL FACTOR IN COMMUNITY:

N. C. Man Won't Let Blindness Be Handicap

By JOE MAXWELL

GASTONIA, N.C.— A 57-year-old blind man here puts in some 10 hours of work daily and could do more if he was permitted.

He is Ernest Bankhead, a native of York County, S.C., who has resided in Gastonia since 1919.

"My eyesight started failing me in 1933," Mr. Bankhead told the AFRO, adding, "but mere loss of sight cant keep a good man down."

Before he went blind, Mr. Bankhead was a barber in a white shop here. However, he does not think barbering contributed to his blindness or did anything to prevent it.

Just Not Enough Current

Asked what was the medical cause for his going blind, he said he has been done to gain his sight back, he declared.

"Something just like a light bulb in that there is not enough current to turn the eyes on. In other words, I have bad wirings (nerve cord)."

But that has not stopped him, for since he has been blind he has sold real estate, run a grocery store, by himself, and sold and demonstrated electric cookers.

He chimed in here to tell that he was once a chef cook in the days when the real store was a cook master.

No Time for Braille

A tall, brown man with broad shoulders, Mr. Bankhead says that he has not had time to learn braille. It seems that when he started to get interested, his children would run in and ask for money. "It was then that I realized that I had to continue work immediately," he said.

The children (four of them) are grown now. They are Mrs. Ernest Mae Nickson, employed in the registrar's office at Carolina Teachers' College; Miss Hazel Bankhead, a graduate of Morris College in Tenn. Alfred and William (Bill), in art school in Washington.

Much of his courage over the long years is due to his wife, the former Miss Jennie Shaw, he said.

People Held Generous

Mr. Bankhead, who lives in a very comfortable home, explained that the people of Gastonia, of both races, have been most generous to him since his misfortune.

"They saw to it that my oldest daughter was educated," he said. "then each child, in turn, helped educate the others."

Although he did not admit it, his family said that his untiring efforts and courage helped keep the family ties stronger than ever.

He attends the blind club which meets once a week at the home of Mrs. Ella Pharr. All members converge and discuss the Bible and coming Sunday school lessons.

The other members are Oscar Harding, James Ellison and Mrs E. McWhite.

Mr. Bankhead said that Harding and Ellison are able to read Braille, with Mrs. Pharr, the instructor.

Couldn't Keep Dog

When asked why he has no "Seeing Eye" dog, Mr. Bankhead said that he had one dog but the dog wanted to go "visiting" too often and he had to get rid of him.

Mr. Bankhead has been honored by his citizens on this city twice. His awards were trips to New York along with a white guide, his former boss, George Marshall, who owns a big barber shop here.

Mr. Bankhead, who is a devout churchman, attends the Epworth Methodist Church here, of which the Rev. Mr. Graham is pastor. His favorite Bible scripture is found in the Book of Job:

"Don't give up because you are blind," he banged home, "rather fight harder and you can demand a place in society. Eyesight is just a part of the human machine."

Witness in Dope Case Spared Jail

Said to have helped police in the smashing of "the largest dope ring here in recent years," Roland Roberts, Tuesday, won a suspended sentence and probation from Judge Michael Manley on narcotics charges.

Roberts of the 1100 block Edmondson Ave. turned State's evidence at the trial, several weeks ago, of Levi Acion, 50-year-old poolroom operator convicted of operating the $20,000 heroin ring.

2 Died From Drugs

Paul Mules, attorney for Acion, is seeking a new trial for the man. Existence of the narcotic ring first was made public by an AFRO story in early February.

Shortly afterwards, two young men were found dead on the street from overdoses of heroin on the same night. Police arrested Acion and Roberts in March.

The poolroom operator denied all charges of possessing and handling the heroin, although Roberts admitted being his accomplice.

Firer of Shotgun in Street Fined

Warned against taking the law into his own hands, Louis Nixon, 32, of the 1100 block Whatcoat St., was fined $100 and costs, Tuesday, for firing a shotgun at several youths who, he said, were abusing him.

Lamenting the high incidence of shooting in the Northwestern District, Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick imposed the fine in spite of testimony indicating the boys were drinking, swearing and had destroyed property at the Whatcoat St. address.

$500 Fine Suspended

Vernon Gordon, 22, of the 1100 block N. Stricker St., said he was seated on a trapdoor in front of the house when Nixon fired. George Wilson, 23, also of the 1100 block Whatcoat St., supported Gordon's testimony.

Charged with disorderly conduct, both Gordon and Wilson were dismissed.

Fitzpatrick suspended a $500 fine against Nixon for firing a shotgun in the street and disturbance of the peace charge. The weapon, which belonged to Nixon's landlady, was confiscated.

Man Caught in Act of Robbing Grocery

Caught in the act of ransacking a grocery store in the 500 block Oxford St., Charles Jackson, according to police, was apprehended while on his hands and knees behind the counter, Monday.

Jackson, 32, of 418 N. Greene St., was held in $1000 bail by Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick in Northwestern police court Tuesday, on a charge of stealing $34 cash, and $1.80 worth of cigarettes.

CASE OF MISSING $2:

Stable Operator Freed in 'Horse Theft' Killing

Homer Smith, stable operator, was acquitted Tuesday in the death of a man whom he fought about a "stolen" horse.

Also acquitted, on a burglary charge, was Clifford White, 25, who explained that he and the man who later died, did not steal the horse and wagon, but left it with a neighbor for payment of Smith.

Victim of a fractured skull was Edward Taylor, 35, who died several hours after he and Smith fought when the missing wagon was being returned to the stable