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School No. 130 Addition to Be Erected in 2 Years

Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro broke the ground for the erection of the new addition to the Booker T. Washington Junior High School Wednesday, at 10 a.m.

"As the residents of this area know," Mayor D'Alesandro said "the present Booker T. Washington Junior High School has been greatly overcrowded and has outgrown the population that exists in this neighborhood, and it was not feasible to move to another location. Therefore it was decided to augment the present facilities to properly care for the needs of the community."

Mayor D'Alesandro explained that the property is not large enough to give adequate and proper athletic and recreational facilities, so the architects have designed a building that will compensate for that.

Two New Gymnasiums

The new addition will contain two gymnasiums, one above the other; locker and shower rooms; 20 classrooms, six of which are for science; and auditorium that seats 1169 persons, with a stage which is 30 by 67 feet, with dressing rooms; and a kitchen with all the required facilities.

The alterations to the present building will include a reorganized basement to accomodate a new boiler room and mechanical rooms and incinerators; a new cafeteria that will accomodate approximately 800 students and faculty members; new shower and locker rooms for engineers and kitchen help; band room with a place for instrument storage; library and practice rooms; new book storage room; a new suite of offices and an elevator for faculty and supplies between the basement and fourth floors.

Congratulations

Just before the Mayor broke the ground for the new addition, he said, "I congratulate all those who have aided in making this school possible, and I also desire to congratulate the pupils and faculty who help make the Booker T. Junior High School one of the city's leading educational institutions."

John Cotton, principal of the school told Dr. William H. Lemmel, Superintendent of Schools, "They told me that it couldn't be done and that I would never get a new building when I came here in 1943, but here is the beginning of it. It makes me very happy."

The new building will cost $1,848,000. The Tyler, Ketchum, Meyers Co. is the contractor and they have a contract that will extend 790 days. The contractors were given this amount of time so that the necessary alterations of plans can be made from time to time.

Clean Up Neighborhood

It was suggested that since a building valued at nearly two million dollars is to be erected, the citizens of the area start a movement to rid the area of the slums, in order to give the children an atmosphere equal to that of the building.

Members of the school board, Dr. Elizabeth Morrissy and Walter Southerlin congratulated the faculty and pupils. Others present were Houston B. Jackson, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. J. Carey Taylor, Director of Secondary Education; Dr. Carrington Davis, Miss Frances Murphy, Dr. George Murphy Sr. and Mrs. Josephine Murray, president of the P-TA.

BABY CONTEST— winners in a competition sponsored recently by the Pastor's Wardrobe Committee of the Church of God and Saints of Christ, 1015 Lafayette Ave. were from left to right, Henry Byrd Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Byrd Sr., 1348 Stockton St.; Barbara Ann Wilder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilder, 1364 Whatcoat St. and James Hurtt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hurtt, 1372 Whatcoat St.

Baltimore Y Officials at Anniversary Meet

William H. Kindle, executive secretary of Druid YMCA, and J. A. B. Callis, chairman of the board of managers are attending a four-day convention in Cleveland, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National YMCA.

Also attending the convention are Rudolph G. Wheeler of the Turner Station Y, and Henry Byram, executive secretary of the YMCA in Annapolis. The convention began June 21 and will end June 24.

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Pupil-Parent Panel Held at Homemakers Confab

Pupils, parents and teachers combined ideas about family management at a special conference of Home Economics teachers this week to develop an improved program of instruction for the city's future homemakers.

Sponsored by the Department of Education at the Baer School for Handicapped Children, this professional study group had as a theme, "New Trends in Home Economics Education."

High School Teachers Meet

Home economics instructors from all city junior and senior high schools attended the three-day-session, June 18 through 21.

A panel discussion, "The Kind of Home Economics Program We Want for Baltimore" was a highlight of the conference. Panel members included a Douglass High School pupil, a father of three girls and eight other school and community representatives.

Miss Freddie Hill, Douglass High eleventh-grader, told the teachers that home economics training should be continued through the senior year of high school.

More Homemaker Courses

"After the tenth grade," said Miss Hill, "We don't get home economics. I think that some of the academic subjects should be taken out in favor of such training.

"Another improvement," she continued, "would be to include boys. After all, men often do the buying for their families and they should know what they're buying."

Charles King, probation officer for the Juvenile court, and father of three school-age girls, gave a parent's view of an improved home economics program.

Father Wants Finance Lessons

He asked for greater emphasis on consumer buying. "Income is a main cause of divorce because young couples don't know how to manage it," he said.

Mr. King pointed out that intelligent buying and saving habits would do much to alleviate resentment arising out of the money troubles of young couples.

"Installment buying," he said," is another thing that Home Economics teachers can explain to their pupils. There is both bad and good in such credit arrangements."

Miss Elaine Kanian, a pupil at Garrison Junior High School, wanted more stress on interior decorating in home economics courses, saying that "I am very much interested in art."

She told how beneficial activities such as trips to furniture and appliance stores are for girls. They get a chance to observe the latest trend in household equipment first hand.

Miss Eloise Von Staden, a pupil at the Baer School, expressed the desire for more sewing, less cooking in her home economics classes.

Another parent, Mrs. John Weller, whose daughter attends the Roland Park Junior High School, listed four main points that she felt should be included in home economics courses.

Baby Care Stressed

Baby care, was her first suggestion, and she cited how helpless she felt when her daughter was born. "All those Spanish words I had learned in school didn't help me one bit."

The correct budgeting of income was her second point and she coupled this with budgeting of work time so that household duties wouldn't pile up to harass the housewife.

Care of elderly people was her last idea on improved home economics instruction. "Children should be taught to take care of old folks, not financially, but the care of Mom and Dad, who in growing older, need a little patience in handling."

Counselors in Discussion

Other speakers on the panel included Mrs. Hilda Smoot, home economics teacher at Gwynn Falls Junior High School; Miss Willa Benson, pupil at Garrison Junior High School; Mrs. Jean Wheeler, guidance counselor at Western High School and Miss Elizabeth McClain, counselor at Clifton Park Junior High School.

Miss Nellie S. Buckey, Supervisor of home economics education, acted as moderator. Mrs. Inez Key, head of the Douglass High School Home economics department presided.

G. Gordon Woelper, principal of Patterson Park Junior-Senior High School, summarized the discussion. He listed areas to be stressed in improved home economics instruction as:

1. Food. 2. Clothing. 3. Family Relations. 4. The House 5. Child Development 6. Consumer Education 7. Money management 8. Care of the Aged.

Josiah T. Henry, Lawyer Given Honorary Degree

Josiah T. Henry, well-known Baltimore attorney, was awarded the honorary doctor of laws degree at Delaware State College's 50th commencement exercises recently.

A native of Cambridge, Md., Mr. Henry is a member of a prominent family in the public schools of Baltimore, and received his higher education at Delaware State College, Howard University and Howard University Law School, and the University of Michigan Law School.

He is past president of the Monumental Bar Association, a veteran of World War II and past exalted ruler of the Monumental Lodge of Elks. In 1940 Mr. Henry was named chairman of the colored division of the Democratic National Committee of Maryland. He is a board member of Morgan State College.

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Four Arrested in Dope Raid

The police war on narcotics continued this week with the arrest of two females and three confessed dope addicts, and of two men who allegedly supplied them with heroin.

After a hearing before Magistrate John L. Berry in Northwestern police court, Tuesday, the four were held for grand jury action in bail totaling $14,000.

They are Clayton Cuff, 24, of 1928 Pennsylvania Avenue, held in $5000 bail on a charge of peddling heroin to Miss Jean Fisher, 16, of 733 W. Lexington St., and having narcotic equipment.

Girl Purchased Dope

Milton Johnson, 26, of the 500 block Oxford St., was charged with selling heroin to Miss Betty Tom Duggans, 19, of the 700 block W. Lexington St., and held in $3000 bail.

The girls, accused of having syringes and the needles for administering dope, were held in $3000 bail each.

Policewoman Violet Hill Whyte testified that both girls were "known addicts."

"I worked with them before and they seemed to be responding. It has not been necessary for us to arrest them until now," she told Magistrate Berry.

The suspects were arrested June 16 during a raid on a house in the 700 block W. Lexington St. The raid was conducted by the police narcotic squad under Sgt. Joseph Carroll.

Morgan Instructor Granted Zoology Ph.D.

Nathaniel K. Proctor, assistant professor of biology at Morgan State College received his doctorate in Zoology from the University of Pennsylvania at the schools commencement activities last week.

A 1934 graduate of Morgan, Dr. Proctor received a bachelor of science degree from the Baltimore school. He earned his Master of Arts degree (Biology) at the University of Pennsylvania and spent a year at the Johns Hopkins University Graduate School of Biology.

He was an instructor of Human physiology and laboratory instructor in biology at Morgan before entering the service. Dr. Proctor held the rank of captain during his four-year army stint. He is married, has two children and is a native of Baltimore.

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Man Held On Murder Count

The man who blew off a 20-year old boy's head with a shotgun, May 11, was arraigned on charges of murder, and a previous cutting offense, at a hearing in Northeastern police court, Wednesday.

Magistrate Samuel Gaboff held John T. Lane, 1738 E. Chase St., without bail for Grand Jury action on chrges of killing Robert Lee Brockington, 1800 E. LaFayette Ave., and cuttying Dewey Brown, 1112 N. Central Ave.

Brockington was standing at Chase St. and Central Ave. talking to a friend, Lee McClendon, 1000 block Central Ave., when he was shot without warning.

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SHOCKING DOPE SECRETS

These Youngsters Don't Need Park Board Ruling

These youngsters enjoying themselves on the sliding board at Easterwood Park do not know and care less what ruling the Park Board makes about their playing together. Race has no thing to do with their pure enjoyment of the sport.

There Is No Segregation in Using Dope; Girl Addicts Will Do Anything to Get Money for Narcotics, Youthful Prisoner Tells Investigating Senators

WASHINGTON

Sen. Herbert R. O'Conor, chairman of the Senate Crime Investigating Committee, last Tuesday appeared surprised to learn from a colored drug addict that white prostitutes sell their bodies to colored men in order to get money to buy narcotics.

This bit of testimony was developed during the appearance before the committee, of an 18 year old youth brought to the hearing from the Federal narcotics hospital at Lexington, Ky.

The youth, whose identity the investigating committee ordered must remain anonymous, is a native Chicagoan and testified he started smoking marijuana at the age of 14.

Addict Will Do Anything

Under questioning by O'Conor the youth said a drug addict will do anything to get money to buy narcotics. He admitted knowing girl addicts who used narcotics in great quantities. He said these girls were both white and colored.

"How did you know about the white girls?" O'Conor asked.

"There is no segregation in using dope," the youngster replied.

"Do you mean that white girls would be in company with colored boys and would be using it, too?"

"Certainly," replied the youth.

"What did they do to get the money?" O'Conor asked.

"Anything," replied the youth.

"Would that include prostitution?" asked O'Conor.

"Yes, I have heard it," replied the youth.

"Did you know white girls in colored neighborhoods?" persisted O'Conor.

"Yes," replied the youth.

"What ages were they?" O'Conor asked.

"From sixteen up, maybe a few fifteen," replied the youth.

Senator Alexander Wiley, Republican of Wisconsin, then took up the questioning. "Do you mean that white girl addicts would indulge in prostitution with colored men?" he asked.

"Yes, I guess you can put it that way. It happened," the youth said.

"You think the basis of the prostitution was the need of money to get drugs?" Wiley asked.

"Would you say you and they went into crime after or before becoming addicts?" asked O'Conor.

"After becoming addicts," replied the youth. He said it was because of his addiction that he turned to crime. The youth further testified that although he knew a number of youths his age who were using marijuana, there was no dependence on the drug. The number of "reefers" needed to get the desired effect depended on the quality.

Used Marijuana at 16

He said he used marijuana until he was about 16 years of age, then started sniffing heroin. He continued that about a month and then started "mainling" (injecting). At first he used a third of a capsule, but had to increase the quantity until he was using four capsules to get the desired effect.

Story of a Musician

A number of addicts and one peddler, all of whom are now confined at the Maryland House of Correction at Jessup, were paraded before the committee on Wednesday and told their case histories.

One of these addicts, aged 41 years, has been a musician for about 23 years and had earned as much as $250 a week. In addition to playing, he also wrote music for various combos and was a phonograph maker. He said he had played in bands from Newport News, Va., to Canada, through the New England States, the Eastern States and the Southern States.

A native Baltimorean, he started smoking "reefers" at the age of 16, or 17 just after finishing high

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Ober Shrugs Off Witnesses's Charge Against Sgt. Carroll

Police Commissioner Beverly Ober, Wednesday night, said he had absolute confidence in Sgt. Joseph Carroll, head of the Baltimore narcotics squad.

The comment was a result of an allegation by an unnamed witness before the Senate Crime Committee that "Sgt. Carroll would let some (vendors) operate and arrest others."

The witness, who is serving a 20-year term in the House of Correction, added that on some occasion police "send the word down when there is going to be a raid."

Senator — Will you just give us any particular case or cases which you might have in mind?

Mrs. Whyte — Well, I have in mind several cases where with parental help and the help of local church people we made adjustments. When the case was acute, we took action.

Senator — Will you state whether the law enforcement officials in the city were given information about this increase and tell us what, if anything, has been done about it?

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Senator—Was the situation in the past such as to warrant all of this special attention? Had it gotten very serious in your opinion?

Mrs. Whyte — Frankly speaking, we have had tremendous activity in the Northwestern section of Baltimore over a period of years but just recently the spotlight has been put on that spot and, of course, activity has been greater.

Questioning of the witness was taken up at this point by Senator George, Moser:

Moser—Have you had any information about dope parties that some of the young people have?

Attended Parties

Mrs. Whyte — Yes, I have had much information. In fact, I have been happy to slip in on some of them.

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Policewoman Whyte Paints Horror Picture of What She Saw at a Dope 'Pad' in Northwest Baltimore; Confessions of a Young Mother

WASHINGTON

Policewoman Violet Whyte, member of the local police force, and an array of both victims and vendors of the narcotics menace, on Wednesday, combined testimony before the Senate Crime Committee to reveal the backstage operations of the racket in Baltimore.

Text ofthe testimony they gave follows:

Sen. Herbert R. O'Conor — In your observations of the handling of cases, what were those persons of that age using? What kind of drugs?

Mrs. Whyte—They began almost without exception with the use of marijuana.

Senator — And then having used that for a period of time, did they switch to heroin?

Mrs. Whyte — They switched to heroin.

Senator — Did you find many cases where the extensive use was such as to go to alarming proportions.

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Adams Testimony for Crime Probe Now Postponed

William (Little Willie) Adams, local sportsman, has been notified by counsel that his appearance before the Senate Crime Investigating Committee has been postponed indefinitely, for reasons unknown to him.

Mr. Adams had been subpoenaed to appear before the Senate Committee on June 27 to divulge what he knew about the numbers racket in Baltimore. He received notification of the postponement on June 26, the day before his appearance.

"I don't know anything, but I was fully prepared to testify before the committee," said the dapper businessman. "When my lawyer told me the hearing was postponed, I was as surprised as anybody else.

Fully Prepared

"Some questions the committee might have asked me, there's a

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OPEN FOR 3RD TIME:

Golf Course Victory Ends Ten Year Fight

The Park Board's decision, Monday, to permit both races to play on the city golf courses indiscriminately, climaxes a 10-year fight by colored golfers.

Also it marks the third time that the courses have been available to all times to all citizens.

Murphy of the Monumental Golfers Association, filed suit to open the city's other three courses on grounds that the 9-hole Carroll Park Course, to which colored persons were restricted, was unequal.

Played During War

After a favorable court decision, both races played golf together for three years without incident until the meeting of the Park Board of that period spent thousands of dollars to "equalize" Carroll. The jim crow policy then was renewed.

Four years later, however, Mr. Harris, the only one who voted against the schedules three years ago.

All in Favor

Monday's vote of the board was unanimous. Dr. J. Ben Robinson who was absent from this week's meeting, and who was a member of the 1948 board, said later that he would have voted like the other members if he had been present. The other holdover member is S. Laurence Hammerman.

Regarding other forms of mixed recreation, the board failed to give in to complete integration. It votes to maintain "certain" tennis courts and athletic fields and playgrounds for mixed play.

Joseph King, secretary to the board, said these "certain" facilities will soon be designated, possibly on July 10 when the golf restrictions finally are removed.

The new ruling regarding mixed play on tennis courts, athletic fields and playgrounds, however,

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AFRO Strikers Back at Work

Striking AFRO workers signed a back-to-work agreement Thursday afternoon after picketing the company's office for eleven days.

At 6 p.m., the first of the night crew signed in and went to work. The remainder will be absorbed gradually as the mechanical department is reorganized over the next 30 days.

The strikers were reinstated without discrimination and agreed to work in harmony with new workers, and with former members of the union who worked during the strike.

Pickets Withdrawn

The company and the union agreed to continue negotiations on a new contract.

The union agreed to end the strike immediately, withdraw pickets and the charges filed with the Labor Relations Board and notify all advertisers and customers contacted by the union that the strike is ended.

The union has a membership of nearly 30 and constitutes one-fourth of AFRO workers.

During the strike, AFRO supervisors and workers from other departments got out all editions on schedule.

Ten-Year Court Fight Cost Golfers $10.000

The 10-year court fight to end segregation on city links has cost the Monumental Golf group some $10.000, William B. Dixon, president during those years, estimated this week.

Mr. Dixon said the Park Board's action this week "Was no more than if should be They certainly don't deserve any flowers for simply doing what is right. The people who won the Fort Smallwood suit should have the same privileges there as any body else, too."

Charles Law, funeral director, won a Federal Court verdict which held that Carroll still was unequal, and which opened the three 18-hole courses at Clifton, Hillsdale and Mt. Pleasant to colored golfers.

Forward Acted Again

For 10 days after this ruling, both races played together. Then the Park Board met and adopted schedules which designated specific days for use of each course by each race.

It was this series of schedules that the present board did, away with this week. The board now includes only three of the members that were serving when the schedules were adopted in 1940.

Among these three is Dr. Ber-

AFRO Clean Block Prize Fund Now Reaches $1,000

The Clean Block prize fund now totals $1,051.85. Contributors were:

Mayor D'Alesandro Jr. the City Council, $500; J. Pres ton Linberry and Mrs. Gehrge Holland, jointly, $30; Baltimore Interracial Fellowship, $2.50, Charles Harrison, $5, Faculty School No. 82, $7.85, Asa Royster, $1 Real Estate Board of Baltimore $50;

Faculty and student body of Douglass Evening High School $15.

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AND INTEGRATED TOO:

Wave, 25, Says Varied Careers Open in Navy

By JAMES L. HICKS
NNPA Correspondent on Tour Of Army, Navy And Air Force Installations

NAVAL AIR TRAINING COMMAND, Pensacola, Fla. — A pretty twenty-five-year-old Wave who has been thoroughly integrated into the Navy's training station at Pensacola last Friday offered her experiences as a guide for young women who wish to serve their country, but cannot make up their minds what branch of the service to select.

The Wave, Marlynn Johnson of 440 West St., Port Chester, N.Y., was so thoroughly integrated along other personnel at the NATC base where she works that I hesitated about making her acquaintous and asking her to write a thumbnail description of herself and her reaction to the Navy.

But here is what she says:

"I can't thank you enough for being interested enough in my opinions to want to print them. I only hope that through my actual experiences I will be able to open my eyes of the many young girls who still have doubts about this great outfit, or who may be interested in a branch of the service, but are yet undecided as to which branch to select.

Variety of Ratings Open

"I might be a bit prejudiced but I sincerely feel that for a definite career, the Navy has a large variety of ratings that are open to us. For example, there are hospital corpsmen, flight orderlies, yeoman electronics technicians and many others.

"Since I dabbled in secretarial work in civilian life, I've chosen

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Howard H. Murphy On Welfare Board

Setting a precedent, Howard H. Murphy, business manager of the AFRO — AMERICAN Newspapers and active civic worker was appointed to the State Board of Public Welfare, Thursday, by Governor McKeldin. Heretofore, all members have been white.

Mr. Murphy got this appointment as his term expired as board president of the Barrett School for Girls in Glen Burnie, a position he had held for 12 years, having been a member for 15 years, serving first as secretary.

The nine members of the welfare department board serve six-year terms.

The State Department of Public Welfare, located at 120 W. Redwood St., is the central coordinating and directing agency of all welfare activities in the State. The department's 1952 budget request was $19,845,119 including Federal, State and local funds.

Its responsibilities include aid to dependent children, old age assistance, child welfare services and any other such activities financed in whole or in part by the State or Federal government.

Governs Institutions

The Department is responsible for the care of the neglected, dependent and delinquent children

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BAFFLED THE ENEMY:

73d Engineer Combat Bn. Cited for Working Miracle

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FORT HOOD, Tex., — Lt. Gen. Edward M. Almond, commanding general of the 10 Corps in Korea has issued an official commendation to the 73rd Engineer Combat Battalion, a colored unit, for its fighting in Korea.

This commendation came to light when a sergeant formerly stationed at Fort Hood, wrote a copy of the citation to the post commander at Fort Hood.

Sergeant M Sgt. Billie Grant battalion sergeant major told his former camp commander that his unit landed in the invasion at Inchon on Sept. 15 and was in the heroic group of men who were trapped and later evacuated from Hungnam last December. He added that the unit now has three campaign stars to add to its Korean War ribbon.

The Citation

The official citation from General Almon read as follows:

"It is with great pride that I commend the 73rd Engineer Combat Battalion for achieving a memorable combat record in the Tenth Corps sectors which offers inestimable proof on the Armed Forces Day of the power of combined teamwork in defeating a numerically greater enemy.

"The 73rd has played a key role in the UN victories in the Korean campaign. Often it accomplished engineering miracles despite the enemy and temperatures which ranged down to 25 degrees below zero. The Battalion has turned in a splendid performance.

"Teamwork has saved the lives of thousands of UN fighting men in this bitter campaign. Through team-work we have denied the conquest of Korea to an enemy which often outnumbered our forces ten to one.

"Men of the 73rd Engineer Combat Battalion, a part of the United States land, sea and air service team, have rendered the highest patriotic duty of which all Americans at home may be justly proud."

"EDWARD M. ALMOND
Lieut. General, U S. Army
Commanding"

General Almond formerly commanded the all-colored 92nd Infantry in Italy during the last war,

IMPRESSED WITH AFRICA:

Mixed Crew Handles 1st Iron Ore from Liberia

By BUDDY LONESOME

Officials in steel plants throughout the country enthusiastically hailed the arrival in Baltimore, last Friday, of 10,000 tons of high grade Liberian ore, the first ever shipped to the United States. The ship arrived aboard the Liberty ship Stanley G. Reed, which sails with a mixed crew.

The high grade mineral was loaded at Monrovia, Liberia, and brought to the B and O pier in Curtis Bay after a 4,000-mile voyage. Its arrival is particularly significant at this time not only because of the current steel shortage, but experts describe the ore as having a very high percentage of iron content.

The initial shipment, consigned to the mills of the Republic Steel Corporation is only the forerunner of an expected one million tons a year to move through the Curtis Bay port for steel plants in this country.

From Mothball Fleet

The Simeon G. Reed, which served in the last war, was taken out of the Hudson River mothball fleet to make this first voyage. It will soon be replaced by four super ore carriers capable of carrying 24,000 tons.

The ore was unloaded at the B and O pier and then the ship was moved to a Clinton St. Pier for loading of general cargo consigned to the trade marts of Liberia, and for routine reconditioning.

While the ship is in port, most of the members of the 38-man crew left, leaving, with a few remaining to serve a security watch, Capt. Joseph Stajenko, master of the vessel and one of the fortunate men on this liberty.

Has Confidence in Africa

Remaining in charge of the Reed is 1st Mate Bernard Swartz, who resides in North Bergen, N. J. First Mate Swartz has been working the African Coast for over 3 years, and expressed confidence in the country's ability to increase its earning powers and progress.

He said: "Monrovia is alright, don't think it's another Belgian jungle out there, for it isn't true. The people are very Americanized and have adopted many, in fact most, of the American customs.

"The city itself retains quite a few traces of colonial atmosphere

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