Schools Offer Hope For Pupils Slow To Learn

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

Compulsory public education has brought countless benefits to America, but it has also produced its share of problems, one of which revolves around the question of children who are slow to learn.

In its purest form, public education pre-supposes that all children are entitled to a free education — but yet even the most ardent supporter of public education would say that all children will benefit by being taken from education in its traditional format.

Whether because of physical, mental or environmental handicap, there are children who are through no fault of their own, are not equipped to learn as fast as the majority of other children in their age group.

IN SOME CASES the handicap can be removed with the right treatment, but in other cases the handicap may be immutable.

School officials have no desire to end the education of these children, but they must recognize the sometimes unpleasant fact that regular classes these children can never develop their full potentialities, and might instead develop complexes that will mark their life.

Twenty years ago Baltimore faced this problem and devised a system of special classes to serve these children.

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TODAY THERE are 148 of these classes scattered throughout the city's school system, carrying for some 2,232 children or more than two and a half per cent of the 14,000 children in the school system.

These children are selected on the basis of teacher and principal observations, and scientific tests given to determine the child's capabilities.

Before a child is shifted from a regular class into one of these special classes, the parents are contacted and asked to approve the change.

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TIME IS SPENT in explaining to them that the purpose of moving the child is to place him in an educational situation suited to his capabilities and interests, in order to aid him in developing into a useful citizen with a definite place and importance in the community.

The child's potential happiness and satisfaction in a situation tailored to his abilities is also stressed, and in most instance the parents can see the wisdom of the move and their permission is forthcoming.

If the parents raise any objection the child is allowed to remain in a regular class.

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IN TIME, however, according to Mrs. Koma Stinchcomb, supervisor of occupational and shop centers, the parents usually give their permission, realizing that their child would be a happier and better adjusted child in a situation that he can master, instead of being mastered.

The children come from every section of the city, and from every conceivable type of home. They come from elementary schools from junior high, from parochial schools and institutions.

Their ages range from 13-18 and many of them enter with educational problems that are heavy beyond their years.

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THE CLASSES are not graded in the usual manner, and the child is placed in a classroom with children having about the same general educational attainments.

Such a system prevents the child from developing a feeling of inferiority or frustration, since he is with children who are doing about the same level of work himself.

In theory, a child can advance from one opportunity class, to the shop center, to the occupational class and then to a regular classroom, depending upon the progress he shows.

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JOHN M. WOOD, vice principal in charge of School No. 132, drew on his experience with these special classes for the statement that most of the children enrolled in these classes usually end their education at 16, but he also says that a number do continue to the general vocational schools.

In a few instances, a child will show such improvement in the classes, that he will be returned to a regular school, Mr. Wood said. Examinations are given once a year to determine a child's progress and adjustments made accordingly.

In the opportunity classes, half of the day is devoted to academic subjects, while half is spent by the boys in industrial arts and crafts, and by the girls in home economics.

IN THE SHOP center classes the boys learn more manual skills to fit them for a variety of jobs while in the occupational classes they are equipped to handle semi-skilled jobs.

Throughout their training, the teachers never lose sight of their primary task of equipping these children to take their roles in the community.

They may never be physicians, lawyers, or teachers, but they can be useful citizens with good lives ahead of them.

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TO THIS aim these schools are dedicated and the majority of teachers and principals who work in them are convinced that they are doing an important job.

"We try to help these children adjust to their environments, and I think that we have been successful," said Mr. Wood.

To further implement the program, educational officials have set up a week-end study program in which a youngster works in the community for two weeks and then comes back to school for two weeks.

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THE JOBS are usually on an unskilled or semi-skilled level, but it helps develop a sense of responsibility in the youngsters and encourages them to attend school, since any truancy on the part of a child would mean his removal from the program.

At present there are 140 children in the city in this work-study program.

Because of the problems associated with their education, school officials try to keep the classes as small as possible in order that each child may receive individual attention.

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HELPED and guided through his time in school, the child receives help when he prepares to leave school. The Board of Education operates a placement service which helps him find a job.

Without these special classes and the men and women who staff them, many of these children at best would be unhappy in school, and at worse would be frustrated children who would become frustrated adults.

Children are impressionable, and any child in a situation where he always seems to be the one who is behind his classmates, is almost certain to develop an attitude that can easily make him a liability in the adult world.

By attempting to develop the assets of such a child in a situation that is comfortable to him, the school system has succeeded in living up to one of the prime requisites of education to equip children to live as successful adults in the world about them.

PRIDE OF WESTERN—These four seniors at Western High School took part in the recent Senior Day. Shown above, top, left to right: Marjorie Flanagan and Alfreda Hughes. Bottom: Marsha Abney and June Lee.

Booker T pupils meet new principal

The opening of school at Booker T. Washington Junior High became official with an assembly program at which the retirement of John N. Cotton, principal, was announced.

Harold Seaborne, vice-principal, introduced the new administrators, Mrs. Lillian M. Parrott, principal, and Mrs. Ethel T. Payne, vice-principal.

New faculty members include Mrs. Leona Carpenter - guidance; Miss Nellie Jackson, Miss Bertie Jenkins, Mrs. Catherine Young, English; Mrs. Margaret Land and Murlyn Thompson, history; Miss Valadia Smith, mathematics; Donald Patterson, physical education; Clarence Henderson, music; Miss Deborah Smith, commercial.

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NEW SEVENTH GRADERS and their parents met recently with seventh grade teachers in a session sponsored by William Spencer, the seventh grade guidance counselor. Mrs. Parrott, Mrs. Payne and Mr. Seaborne welcomed the pupils and explained to them what the school offers its pupils.

The Student Affairs Committee is a newly formed organization at the school. Members include: Hermione Harden, president of the Student Council; Dorothy Gray, editor - in - chief of the Booker T. Bulletin; Edward Gaines, captain of the safety patrol; Gilda Jones, president of the monitor force.

The senior Y-Teen Club of the school recently held its first meeting with 38 members present. Officers elected were:

Carolyn Cross, president; Sandra Evans, vice - president; Louise Hughes, recording secretary; Mary Parker, corresponding secretary; Diana Wagner, treasurer; Ethel Church and Mildred Harlee, inter - club council representatives; Joan Bell, reporter; Sylvia Stancil, song leader.

The club is sponsored by Ruperta S. Waters and Bertie Jenkins.

Sparky wants fire fighters

Any youngster who wishes to join Sparky's Fire Department and wear a colorful fire inspector's badge can do so and perform a valuable service to his community at the same time.

Sparky is the dog whose face has been seen on television and in the newspapers, and who stands as a symbol for fire prevention.

All a youngster has to do to aid Sparky in preventing fire is to send a postcard to Sparky's Fire Department, Boston 1, Mass. and he will receive a honorary Sparky's badge, a colorful membership card, and an official inspector's badge stating him how to prevent fires.

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THE 25 CENTS covers the cost of the three items, plus handling and mailing costs. The Sparky Fire Department is a completely non-profit organization.

The offer is being made as part of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15. All fire houses and fire boat stations will be open to the public during the week, with firemen on hand to answer all questions.

Groups of children or more should make arrangements in advance by calling Mulberry 5-2240.

Towson children show thrift sense

Imagine, if you can, a quarter of a million dollars in pennies, nickels and dimes.

This is the savings that has been accumulated, over a five-year period, by Towson area school thrift education program.

Inaugurated in 1950, and sponsored by county public and parochial school authorities, the growing program has included some 10,000 pupil participants since its inception.

At the thrift education activity now moves into its sixth year, every Wednesday will be bank day for some 2,800 Towson area youngsters at 18 schools.

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"A newspaper, like the community it reflects, is the sum of those who make it — and something more. It has a vitality of its own. There is no reason why good newspapers and good towns should fail to grow together endlessly, even though those who make them just grow themselves and die." Hal Boyle, columnist.

Adults at 135 plan fall slate

A number of activities to entertain their children were carried on during the summer by the Adult Education Class of School No. 135.

They included parties at the home of Mrs. Margaret Walker, 1821 E. Lafayette Ave., Mrs. Mary Bogier, 1744 E. Lanvale St. and Mrs. Rose Shepherdson, 1119 McDonough St.

The parents were entertained at a party held at the home of Mrs. Martha Underwood, 1704 E. Pratt St.

The parents are scheduled to resume their activities on Oct. 4. Mrs. Gloria Phillips is president, Mrs. Elozria Glenn is secretary, and Mrs. Blanche Hughes is instructor.

Parents offered help in children's rearing

A class for parents nearing families single handed will open next Tuesday night, Oct. 4, at the Department of Education, 2 E. 25th St., at 8 p.m.

Sponsored by the Adult Division of the Department of Education, the class will be under the leadership of Dr. Kurt Goldstein, chief psychiatrist, social worker of the Veterans Administration.

Baltimore is the second city in the nation to offer such a course.

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MOTHERS OR fathers left to rear children without the aid of death, divorce or temporary separation due to military service or long term illness, will find help in both the practical and emotional difficulties they face.

Questions discussed will include "How can a mother (or father) serve as sole bread winner and give children a warm and happy home life?" "How can a mother (or father) provide compensations for the absence of the other parent?"

With the wide-spread absence of fathers in service and the increasing divorce rate, many requests for a course of this kind have been received by the Adult Division.

It is open to both mothers and fathers who are resident in Baltimore free of charge. Registration will be taken at the first meeting of the class.

Dr. Fischer suggests steps for integration

A policy of integration should be clearly set forth and firmly applied by the responsible school board, according to Dr. John H. Fischer, superintendent of education.

The educator made this comment in an article, "The New Task of Desegregation," published in the September issue of the "The Maryland Teacher."

Dr. Fischer also stated his belief that through the ethical traditions of the teaching profession and the principles of school administration in the last half century, educational administrators have been at least partially prepared for integration.

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"THUS," HE SAID, "we find the best of American school administrators today accept broad responsibility for community leadership."

He also suggested that each program of desegregation must be created within each community.

In regard to those persons who fear what will happen with integration, Dr. Fischer said a "review of what actually occured shows that such predictions are frightened exaggerations."

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HE ALSO ANSWERED the critics who expressed fear of what would happen in "academic achievement" when classes were integrated.

"Those who claim that the school cannot serve well children of varying abilities and backgrounds without handicapping some group or another simply are not aware of what is happening in many good school systems," Dr. Fischer said.

He offered the following eight suggestions for methods by which a community can prepare for integration:

1. WHATEVER plan for desegregating schools is developed in any community must be devised to meet the problems and to utilize the resources of that locality.

2. The plan should be related to the community's ongoing programs of interpersonal activities but need not wait such projects.

3. Free and easy communication between white and colored groups will facilitate preparation and ease the transition.

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4. THE POLICY as adopted by the school board should be 10, at 8 p.m.

clearly set forth and firmly applied.

5. Administration of the change should be unequivocal.

6. Communication within the school system is essential for success and the channels should be open to children, staff, administrators and board.

7. Desegregation and integration are uneven, continuing processes rather than sudden massive changes.

8. The processes are affected by many contemporary forces, social, economic and political, and can be managed more effectively if these are studied and taken into account.

Student nurses back with club

The student nurses of Provident Hospital met last Tuesday night in the school's class room and reorganized the Student Nurses Glee Club with David Moore, Philharmonic conductor, organist, and music teacher as the new director.

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The organization plans to present several concerts and recitals during the school year as well as to make radio and television appearances.

Officers are:

Miss Lois A. Horton, president; Miss Eva Marshall, vice-president; Miss Elaine Jennings, secretary.

Miss Jacqueline Nunnelly, assistant secretary; Miss Florence Alston, treasurer; Miss Dorothy Martin, reporter.

Miss Ruth Horn, and Miss Grace Green are assistant reporters; Miss Jewell White, Miss Blanche James and Miss Shirley Dandridge, were chosen as soloists.

The group plans to make a early start for a seasonal concert and has set rehearsals for Tuesday evenings of each week.

LECTURES ON ROMAN CIVILIZATION

The Walters Art Gallery is presenting a series of eight, free, illustrated lectures on "Aspects of Roman Civilization" beginning Monday evening, October 3.

Classes visit Fort McHenry

By Mrs. LUCILLE T. WILLIAMS

In observance of Old Defender's Day, the third and fourth grade classes of Mrs. Mordecai Senior and Calvin Carrington, at Coppin Demonstration School No. 132, recently visited historic Fort McHenry. Children on the trip were:

Gayle Howell, Terry Barnes, Dennis Hailey, LaVerne Richards, Dolores Jabbs, George Curry, Emerson Diliver, Norvin Hogan, Gloria Day, Barreda Hughes, Jeffrey Raye, Carolyn Williams, Romaine Carter, Lenore Tate, James Williams, Roseline Veniey, Yurley Terry.

Doris Hill, Joseph Myers, Michael Simons, Jessie Dorsey, William Polk, Sonia Tindull, Camilia Gaskins, Janet Green, Valerie Dean, Patsy Roberts, Charles Howell, Louis Jackson, James Kindle, Frank Luker, Walter Nelson, Wayne Parker, Thomas Richburg.

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THOMAS WRIGHT, Harry Valentine, Evan Gilkes, John Oliver, Jerome Crockett, Vera Abrams, Mary Ball, Lana Cann, Jill Collins, Veronica Conway, Carolyn Diggs, Brenda Evans, Wilhemina Garner, Frederick Coffee, Judy Ann Dorsey, Joseph Patterson.

Alvin Hill, Michale Brown, Doris Horshaw, Ernestine Palmer, Carolyn Henderson, James Norris, Carol Dunlap, Mary Robins, Pearl Rogers, Donna Scott, Evelyn Strother, Brenda Crockett, Elwood Adams, Harold Brown, Clifton Chase, Sidney Cousins, Anthony Hawkins.

Bertha Hinds, Brenda Jackson, Loretta Kelly, Mary A. Lassiter, Peggy Newman, Carolyn Nicholson, Ella M. Owens, Brenda Pettiford, Antoinette Porter, Barbara Rhyne, Betty Robinson.

Organize institute for business owners

The University of Maryland, through its College of Business and Public Administration, and conjunction with the United States Small Business Administration, will sponsor a week Institute on management problems of the Small Business Firm, beginning on Tuesday, October 4, at 7 p.m.

Small business owners and managers interested in attending the institute have been requested to contact Mr. Harold Stottler, Director of Institutes at the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

Classes at Fort McHenry

NOT GLORIA—Nosirree, this isn't Gloria Lockerman. It's Joan Harrison, 4, of 2917 Baker St., has been mistaken for Baltimore's famous spelling champ. Joan, however, prefers arithmetic and wants to be "movie actress" when she grows up. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harrison, Joan's 3rd grade pupil, at St. Edward's School.

Johnson High holds assembly

Pupils model new fashions

An encouraging and inspiring TB orientation program was held at Harvey Johnson Junior High School last Friday. The importance of scholarship, good conduct and citizenship were stressed.

Avon Dorsey delivered the welcome address and the response came from Dolores Richardson.

Some of the highlights of the program included six selections by the school band under the leadership of Mrs. Ruby Gill and music by the glee club.

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AN ORIGINAL skit entitled "Six Steps to Success," was also presented. The author was Samuel Robinson, a ninth grade pupil.

Mrs. Eloise Wright, a home economics teacher, presented pupils who modeled clothing for girls junior high school girls and boys, as well as uniforms for shop work and gym activities.

Miss Hennessey Wharton, principal, discussed the importance of the program and the splendid manner in which it had been planned.

Mrs. Gladys Simms was chairman of the program, which had been prepared by other members of the faculty.

Greeks still banned at Morgan State

Greek letter groups at Morgan State College will remain under suspension until Feb. 1, 1956, Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan president, told nastily 2,000 students on Wednesday.

Speaking at the opening convocation of the school year, Dr. Jenkins said that in order for the sororities and fraternities to win reinstatement on the campus, they must subscribe before February to a code of conduct to be drawn up by a student-faculty committee.

He also warned that any attempt by an organization to resume activities before the February deadline would result in the offending group being barred from the campus for the "next five years."

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THE SUSPENSION of the Greek groups became effective June 7 of this year, after a survey showed a decline in the scholastic standing of most of the students who had been accepted as "pledgees" by the groups and were going through a probationary period.

School officials blamed the lengthy pledge period as the cause of the drop in scholarship, and also charged that excessive initiation fees were being levied on the students and the groups were violating the report upon hours during "Hell Week."

In announcing on Wednesday that the suspensions would continue until Feb. 1, Dr. Jenkins said:

"THERE WILL BE no meetings, no pledging, no talking to freshmen about pledging. There is to be no regalia worn on the campus except your (fraternity or sorority) pin. Put your blankets and your pennants in mothballs.

"If any member of any organization violates these rules, that organization will be suspended or readmitted in the next five years." Dr. Jenkins said.

(Fraternities affected are Phi Beta Sigma, Beta Sigma Tau, Alpha Phi Alpha, Omega Psi Phi, Phi Beta Sigma, Kappa Alpha Psi, Iota Phi Lambda, Delta Sigma Theta, Zeta Phi Beta and Alpha Kappa Alpha).

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DR. JENKINS also predicted that an estimated 1,900 students would be enrolled in the school this year and he encouraged the students to make full use of their time in College which he described as "the golden years."

The president warned that the increased use of machines in industry and business might result in the displacement of some workers, but he said, "there are tremendous opportunities for the well prepared" in fields such as medicine, science, teaching, and law.

"Segregation will pass," he said, "and on the positive side will be increased opportunities for employment, housing and political and social activities."

Youth is time to dream dreams

RALEIGH, N.C. — "Youth is the Time to Dream Dreams and See Visions," was the topic of Dr. Rudolph Jones, president of Fayetteville Teachers College at Shaw University last week during formal opening exercises held in Greenleaf Auditorium.

President Jones who is banner president over the services, invocation was given by the Rev. William A. Perry, president of Shaw University, Raleigh, Alabama, and Paul Crump, Jersey City, freshman, sang.

Greetings were brought by Dr. J. T. Hairston, the Rev. Paul Johnson, Dr. Marguerite Pridgeon, the Rev. G. E. Cheek, the Rev. C. L. Gidney, Dr. W. L. Green, the Rev. O. L. Sherrill, and Dr. W. H. Watson.

Baltimore Afro-American SCHOOL PAGE

JAMES WILLIAMS, School Reporter

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Tubman High plans annual county fair

Howard County PTA opens drive for additional members

IMPSONVILLE, Md. — Plans have been completed for the Annual County Fair to be held at the Harriet Tubman High School on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14 and 15.

Entries will include livestock, vegetables, poultry, and miscellaneous crops in the Agriculture Department and canned products, baked goods, sewing, handicraft and other household products in the Home Economics Department.

All interested persons are urged to make entries for the exhibits by contacting Mrs. Lucy Johnson or Waymon Scott. This gala affair will be climaxed on Saturday, Oct. 15, with a dance and a supper.

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THE SEVENTH Leadership Institute of the Maryland State Teachers Association was held at Camp Louise, Cascade, Maryland on Sept. 16-18. The purpose was to develop leadership for local associations and to stimulate interest in Maryland's five year school program.

Attending the institute were Joseph Shaw, E. E. Flurry and John Belcher from Harriet Tubman High and Frank Harriston from Guilford Elementary School.

Edward Hughes of Guilford was a recent visitor of the Harriet Tubman High School.

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GRADUATES OF Tubman who are entering or returning to college this fall are Christine Simms and William Norman at Maryland State.

Betty Hall, recipi - of the Senatorial Scholarsh, 2; Edna Brown, Douglas Dundee, student council president at Morgan; Herbert Brown, Jeanne Dundee, Mary Ann Gaither, Adelle Warren, Loretta Warren, Emcharles Wiggins, Ada Curry, Florence Lewis and Frederick Casper are students at Morgan State College.

Barbara Myers, Josephine Holland, Edna Young, Robert Smith, Shirley Smith and Earl Thorne are attending Maryland State. Roy Wallace is at Cortez Peters Business School and Thomas Hall entered University of Maryland.

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ALL PTA MEMBERS are asked to participate in the Annual Membership Drive which is being conducted by the Howard County PTA Council. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Ethel Hawkins, Silas E. Craft and Jesse Wilson. The executive board members are to be appointed at the next meeting. Officers of the Harriet Tubman Student Council are Martha Hoche, president; Joseph Philips, vice president; Patricia Howard, secretary; Lavenia Fields, assistant secretary, and Clifton Lewis, treasurer.

Silas E. Craft Sr., principal, announced that there are 647 students enrolled in the Harriet Tubman High School.

There are 285 students in the junior high and 162 in the senior high grades.

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THE HARRIET TUBMAN Livestock Judging State Champions will attend the National 4-H Convention which will be held October 1-7 in Atlanta, Ga. The delegates are Allen Cook, Paul Allen and Vernon Scott.

Mrs. Aileen Moore, chairman of the program committee, announces that plans are being made for the annual PTA Banquet which will be held on Oct. 26, 1955 at the Harriet Tubman High School.

"Explorers of the Unknown" is the name of the new science club organized recently at Tubman High. The purpose is to develop an understanding of scientific principles through a study of our environment.

Ernestine Foster is the president; Harry Young, vice - president; John King, secretary, and Phyllis Moore, corresponding secretary.

The reporters are Robert Drake, Theodore Green and William Wooden. The Club is sponsored by Mr. Gibson.

Parents may form nursery

Tips offered at free course

Parents wanting the advantages of Cooperative Nursery Schools for their children and themselves may see the necessary preparation for such participation is them by attending the new course on "Guiding Children's Growth," being offered this fall by the Baltimore Public Schools.

The class will open on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 8 p.m., in the Adult Education Building, No. 3 E. 25th St., with Dr. Katherine Whitehorn - Taylor, supervisor of parent education as instructor.

The course will meet weekly throughout the fall semester and will cover all the essentials for guiding young children wisely in both homes and cooperative nurseries.

TEN COOPERATIVES are now in operation with participating parents who have taken this course earlier.

The course will cover such basic topics as, what to expect from children at each age, what makes children do as they do, what kind of discipline, ways of developing happy relationships between children and parents, how children may play happily with others, providing good play equipment, and the parents own adjustments as persons.

The course is open to all Baltimore residents free of charge. Persons may register during the and meeting all requirements may receive the three units of credit toward the University of Maryland by completing this course.

—If you ask me

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is — characteristics typical of good hospital workers.

People who are "mad with the world" and can't bring themselves to be cheerful and pleasant don't belong on a hospital payroll.

Two years ago, Hopkins had too many "mad-at-the-world" people in its employ. Today, it appears it has weeded out these undesirables.

Only repulsive person I saw is that "drape" employed as a porter who shouted a four-letter invective (bad word) in the hallway early one morning.

He's a zoot suiter who "talks smart" to nurses, aides and others, and generally "acts cute." If the hospital fired him, it would be justified.

The zoot suiter could learn something from dignified Dave, Id H. Moore, 1616 Thomas Ave., who has been employed as a porter for five years.

I watched Mr. Moore go about his work quietly and efficiently all week. He would be an asset to any organization.

Mr. Moore has eight children and 20 grandchildren, four of whom live with him. He says he shuns baby-sitting duties.

Fellow patients — other new mothers on this floor:

Mrs. Evelyn Gail, 257 Robert St., who gave birth to a six-pound baby boy Sept. 28. Her husband is Louis Gail. They've named the new heir Carl Mark. It's their first child.

In the room next to me is Mrs. Miriam Dixon, who had a seven-pound, eight-ounce boy on Monday. Her hubby is Isaiah Dixon, real estate broker and co-owner of the Comedy Club—Pa. Avenue spot. They named the baby Isaiah Dixon 3rd.

This and that of many things...

Robert Bennett, son of Mrs. Irene Bennett, enrolled Monday in the General Theological Seminary, Chelsea Square, N.Y.—an Episcopal training school for priests.

Young Bennett, you know, is the Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Kenyon College (Gambier, Ohio), who last year was studying philosophy in Denmark on a fellowship furnished by that government. He is a member of St. James Protestant Episcopal Church and a postulant for Holy Orders.

Also a postulant (applicant) for Holy Orders in the Episcopal Church is another St. James member — Warner Traynham, who returned this week to Dartmouth College where he is a junior. He is the son of the Hezekiah Traynhams.

Proof that adult evening classes this term are popular: Students applying had made a block-long line in front of the new Carver Vocational School Wednesday night. There was no parking space within a block-and-a-half area.

Otho Pinkett, the housing exec.; Mrs. Laura Smith, the insurance salesman, and Mrs. Rebecca Mills, wife of the St. James Church rector, are serving on the petit jury for Federal Court.

Other jury members for the November term are: Harry P. Booker, 1119 Whitelock St., and Howard Brown, 1738 N. Appleton St.

Mrs. Elizabeth T. Meijer, ex-Baltimorean, now living at 1804 Broadway, San Francisco 9, Calif., writes this week:

"I am delighted to hear from my Baltimore friends about the smooth integration of schools. It is good to know we have not labored in vain in all these years.

Mrs. Meijer's, you'll recall, is the European native, who was active for many years in the NAACP, and other civic groups in Baltimore.

Included in Mrs. Meijer's letter were excerpts of a communication she had received recently from Mr. Aygeman-Dickson, Ashanti Akim College, Box 1, Domeabra, Gold Coast, West Africa.

The Ayyeman-Dickson letter said in part: "My wife and I are pioneering in the field of education among our own people.

"The work is plenty but the laborers and money are mountains to move. We are obliged if you could arrange with some women's clubs in the states to furnish us with some clothing and material for classroom use. Also old magazines. We are erecting our school buildings this year, hope to have 100 new students in 1956."

Mrs. Meijer adds that Mrs. Ayyeman-Dickson once studied here in Baltimore at Morgan State College and some local residents might like to write her and encourage her and her husband in their work and perhaps send them materials they can use in their work.

I think that's a good idea too. The Ayyeman - Dicksons' address is above.

A column on two back we published a letter from a reader to name the city's best public speakers.

Mrs. A. C. writes this week: "If I may suggest—a woman speaker it would be Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the Baltimore NAACP.

"Mrs. Jackson has put her money in action. Maybe her English is not so good but faith without work is dead.

"We need more of her powerful talkers but that's all they do. Mrs. Jackson talks and does too, too."

Speaking of the NAACP reminds me that my date, with the stork prevented me from hearing Dr. T. R. M. Howard, the Mound Bayou, Miss., physician, who spoke at the NAACP membership meeting last Sunday.

You know Dr. Howard is an unusual person.

He owns and is chief surgeon at Friendship Hospital in Mound Bayou. (Since 1942 he has performed more than 5,000 major operations).

He built and operates a park and a golf course in center for people, is a large cotton planter and owns and breeds prize livestock.

His Mound Bayou home is a museum. He has a late model high-priced car (Cadde).

He runs a chauffeur ("I leave driving to an expert chauffeur—my field is medicine.") and a bodyguard.

The bodyguard is necessary because Dr. Howard's Mississippi militant received leader.

Instead of sitting back and enjoying his wealth, Dr. Howard has become the spokesman for colored people in the state. He leads the Mississippi NAACP and other progressive groups.

And, because he is independently wealthy, he has not hesitated to speak out for his people.

Remember last year when Mississippi's Gov. Hugh White said colored people were 99 per cent for segregation in Mississippi and Dr. Howard stood right up in the Governor's Mansion and said he was "telling a propaganda lie," that colored people were 99 per cent opposed to segregation?

Boy, we could use more Dr. Howards in this country. God bless his soul!!

Tall Girls, Inc., to be hostesses

WASHINGTON

Those popular tall gals of Washington will present another of their unique affairs Sunday, Oct. 2, when they entertain guests at a cocktail party at Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The Tall Girls, Inc., will hold its affair from 6 to 9 p.m. at the residence of

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