Court reconsiders, Dr. Rhetta not guilty

Judge Herman M. Moser has reconsidered his findings of guilty and stricken out the 18-year suspended sentence he imposed in June on Dr. B. M. Rhetta Sr., records in Criminal Court show.

The effect of Judge Moser's action removes all findings of guilty on the part of Dr. Rhetta, and means he has no convictions against him and no criminal record to affect his professional standing.

Last June 17, Judge Moser, imposed a 10-year term on three abortion charges, to run concurrent, on the veteran physician and at that time said he was suspending sentence because of Dr. Rhetta's "age and health and his past good record."

Dr. Rhetta is 72 years old.

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JUDGE MOSER'S latest action was dated August 25, 1955.

In finding Dr. Rhetta not guilty of any charges whatsoever and striking out the prior findings of guilty and sentence entered previously and suspended, he has entered a general order for probation before verdicts and no verdicts are to be entered.

The jurist's action on the record reads: "Verdicts and sentences imposed in indictments Nos. 1143, 1474 and 1475, sentences imposed in indictments Nos. 1143, 1474 and 1475, Docket 1955, reconsidered and stricken out and probation before verdict entered in all cases aforementioned.—M.M."

The indictments involved charges of illegal operations involving Mrs. Ethel R. Denby of Edgewood, Md., and Toni J. Johnson and Agnes K. McLaughlin, both Baltimore. Indictment No. 1143 was the case involving Mrs. Denby. No. 1474 involved Agnes McLaughlin and No. 1475 involved Toni Johnson.

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DR. B. M. RHETTA JR., son of the accused physician, had earlier been found not guilty of performing two illegal operations in May when the state admitted it had no case against him.

The senior Dr. Rhetta when advised by the AFRO that the judge's new order had been entered in the Criminal Court records, thus ending the case, said he was "happy."

He said he was especially grateful to the hundreds of friends who had expressed hope that he would finally be cleared.

He went to jail once too often, so she got married

She had been friendly with him — off and on — for 16 years. Then he went to jail once too often and she decided it was time for a change.

When he came out of jail, he discovered that she was a bride.

That, Mrs. Lena Thomas of the 900 block Bevan St., a bride of a month and three weeks, told Judge John T. Tucker in Criminal Court, Tuesday, was more than Jesse Williams, 40, 100 block N. Poppleton St., could bear.

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IN FACT, Mrs. Thomas said, Williams thought that she was happiest with her husband than she had been with him during their 16-year relationship and he threatened to throw lye on the newlyweds.

Williams, who has been convicted for lye-throwing, denied that he threatened harm to the Thomases and said that he's had nothing but trouble through the years he has known the woman.

"I'm finished with her," he said, "and she's trying to frame me."

Police testified that they were called to the 900 block of Bevan St. on Aug. 19, where they found Williams seated on a bench next to the Thomases' home. A can of lye and a soda bottle was found 25 feet away.

Williams insisted that the items did not belong to him and said that he had come to the neighborhood to visit old friends.

"This woman (Mrs. Thomas) has caused me trouble for 16 years," Williams declared as he promised to stay away twelve from her.

He'll have a chance to keep his promise. Judge Tucker returned a verdict of not guilty.

Joy ride over

Two youths were sentenced to three years each in the Reformatory, Wednesday in Criminal Court, where they were convicted of unauthorized use of a car and stealing a set of license plates.

They are Leroy Waters Jr., 19, 1600 block E. Preston St., and Ronald Dudley, 16, 100 block N. Durham St. They received the three-year terms for unauthorized use and 18 months each for stealing the tags. The sentences are concurrent.

Police said that they arrested the youths on Aug. 5 at about 3:30 a.m. when they saw them in the stolen vehicle near the Somerset Homes.

The youths, both of whom have extensive criminal records, told Judge John T. Tucker that they borrowed the car from a friend.

Police said that they were told the car belonged to "Jerry and Tiny Tim."

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CORE pickets Gwynn Oak Park again

Pickets appeared again at the entrances to Gwynn Oak Park on Sunday to protest the barring of colored persons from the private park.

The demonstration, organized by the Committee on Racial Equality, was carried out at the same time the park was observing "All-Nations Day."

About 40 colored and white adults and children marched quietly and in orderly fashion outside the park.

The signs said "Why are Negroes Not Permitted to Attend All-Nations Day?" "Why are Negroes Not Admitted to Gwynn Oak Park?", and "We're Americans All."

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CORE HAS been demonstrating outside the park since last spring when talks with the park management failed to reach any conclusion.

Gwynn Oak Park is owned by Arthur B. Price, former president of the City Council and Democratic candidate for mayor.

The management of the park has told the AFRO that its policy would not change until the hotels and restaurants of Baltimore announce a change in their policies.

Atwood to get Liberia post?

FRANKFORT, Ky. (ANP) — Dr. Rufus B. Atwood, president of Kentucky State College, seems reasonably certain to go to Liberia as educational director for the International Cooperation Administration program in that country. Dr. Atwood has made formal application and has been interviewed. He is now in the process of undergoing the regular security investigation. No announcement is expected until these are completed.

A native of Hickman, Dr. Atwood is a graduate of Fisk University and of Iowa State College. He became president of Kentucky State in 1929, a post which he still holds.

THE COLLEGE has developed tremendously under his leadership. He is secretary of the Conference of Negro Land Grant Presidents, composed of land grant schools of the South. He married the former Miss Mabel Campbell.

Dr. Atwood had been expected to play a key part in the integration program which is advancing rapidly in Kentucky. Friends feel the new post will enable him to render effective service to educational work in the African Republic.

Wife accused in icepick stabbing

WASHINGTON

Mrs. Sadie L. Collins, 33, 2000 block Gales St. N.E., Tuesday was placed under $500 bond as a result of her alleged stabbing of her husband, James W., 32 with an icepick Monday night.

A further hearing is scheduled for Oct. 6.

Hubby who cut wife and set clothing afire held

An angry husband who could not wait for his wife to pack her belongings after ordering her to leave their home, was charged with arson and assault Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Mae of the 1000 block N. Gay St., told police her husband John, 36, first burned her clothing, then cut her on the neck with a straight razor when she didn't get out of the house fast enough.

She said he ordered her to "pack and get out" during an argument Sunday morning.

When she could not stuff all of her clothing into a shopping bag she said her husband took the bag and threw it into a kitchen stove.

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AS SHE fled from the house leaving her two small children behind, her husband followed and was later arrested in Turner Station.

A neighbor, Mrs. Mary Henderson took the children to her home.

At the hearing before Magistrate Clement Schonfield, Mae was held in bail of $2,500 on the cutting charge. No bail was set on the arson charge.

Philly visitor who struck housewife pays $75 fine

"I'm not going to stand for anyone, especially someone from out of town to come into Baltimore and slap our women around."

That's what Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr. told a 34-year-old Philadelphia man Thursday who was charged with slapping a housewife.

Charles H. Smith, who came to town to visit his mother in the 1900 block Waibrook Ave., was fined $75 and costs because "he lost his head," according to witnesses.

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MRS. MARCELLA MITCHELL of the 2100 block W. North Ave., testified that the six - foot-three visitors struck her when she complained about a disturbance around her home.

Witnesses said Smith had left a nearby bar and was sitting on the steps when Mrs. Mitchell complained.

He allegedly told her: "You are too little a woman to complain to a big man like me."

Baltimore man seeks his brother

James Edward Comedys, of 1529 McCulloh St., is looking for his brother, Arthur Mathews Comedys.

James says he last saw Arthur two months ago in Baltimore when Arthur was living with him.

Arthur is 42 years old, four feet eight inches tall, weighs 150 pounds and is called "Shorty," his brother says.

James said he believes his brother went to a packing house to work in Bridgeville, Del. or somewhere in Pennsylvania.

He fears he may be somewhere sick, because, says James, Arthur never stayed away so long before unless someone had heard from him.

Dr. Mordecai Johnson, wife sail for Turkey

WASHINGTON

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, president of Howard University, sailed from New York City, Wednesday, aboard the Queen Mary to attend the second general conference of the International Association of Universities which meets in Istanbul, Turkey, Sept. 19-23.

This conference will be the first to be held by the Association since its founding in December, 1950. At that time representatives of universities in 33 countries throughout the world met at Nice, France, to establish a formal organization.

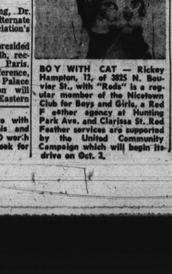
Through this organization, university officials are enabled to pursue certain activities in common, according to H. M. Keyes, secretary.

AT THE NICE meeting, Dr. Johnson was elected as alternate member of the Association's board.

The organization is presided over by Dr. Jean Sarrailh, rector of the University of Paris.

Following the conference, which will be held at Sale Palace in Istanbul, Dr. Johnson will tour several Middle Eastern countries, including Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Israel.

Mrs. Johnson is accompanying Dr. Johnson on the trip.



BOY WITH CAT — Rickey Hampton, 12, of 2825 N. Bouldvar St., with "Rada" is a regular member of the Nicetown Club for Boys and Girls, a Red Feather agency. Visiting Park Ave. and Clarissa St. Red Feather services are supported by the United Community Campaign which will begin its drive on Oct. 3.

Father Divine follower buried after five weeks

PHILADELPHIA

After laying at the city morgue for five weeks, the body of Celestial Realm, 55, follower of Father Divine, was buried August 31 at Merion Memorial Park.

No services were held, but the body was interred by the Irvin Funeral Home, 743 N. 47th St. through arrangements made by St. Mary Bloom, after a committee decided that Celestial Realm should have a Christian burial.

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FROM THE time of her death on July 22 until the body was removed, morgue officials had been pressing the Divinites to make burial arrangements.

In the ensuing weeks, arrangements had been made twice to commit the body to Potter's Field.

Four found guilty in narcotics case

Local man's bid to be big in trade nipped in the bud

"Small fry," who wanted to be a big fish in Baltimore's nefarious narcotics trade drew a five-year term in the Penitentiary Court.

Prompt police action snared the five-footer, Clarence Rollins Jr., in a king-sized dragnet before he got even a good-sized nibble.

Also convicted along with the 34-year-old "Small Fry" of the 900 block Russell St., for conspiring to violate the narcotics laws, were his wife, Mrs. Esther V. Rollins, 30, and Aaron D. Cooper, 22, 2400 block Edmondson Ave.

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THE ROLLINSES, Cooper and Miss Anita Crooke, 21, 600 block W. West St., who was identified as Cooper's girl friend, were all found guilty of possessing narcotics.

A fifth person, Mrs. Rosalie Hardman, 25, 800 block S. Hanover St., also charged with possession, was found not guilty.

"Small Fry" received five years on each charge, but Judge John T. Tucker ordered the sentences to run concurrently.

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COOPER WAS given two years in the Reformatory. He was found not guilty on a conspiracy charge.

Miss Crooke received nine months in the Reformatory.

Mrs. Rollins was given a suspended a one-year term and placed on probation for two years.

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"SMALL FRY," was the only member of the ring who had a criminal record. The record showed that he had received terms totaling 11 years for burglary and assault and robbery.

He told the court that after being released from jail in 1952, he married and became the father of two children.

With a family to support, "Small Fry" said, he needed money and the dope traffic looked like a good way to make ends meet. He protested his innocence and said that he and Cooper were the only ones involved.

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"Small Fry" did not have to become a narcotics biggie was short-lived.

He made two trips to New York to obtain dope "from a woman" and the ring was broken by narcotics squad officers following the second trip.

Police testified that on July 28 at about 10 p.m., they sent an informer into Miss Crooke's house where he purchased 25 capsules of Heroin for $31 in marked bills.

Police entered the place and found Miss Crooke holding the marked money. At the time, it was testified, Mrs. Hardman was separated from her husband and she and her young daughter were roomers in the West St. house.

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POLICE SAID that they found 37 capsules in Mrs. Hardman's room.

Testimony later developed that they were placed there by Miss Crooe, and Mrs. Hardman was not a member of the ring.

Cooper came to the house while the raid was in progress, police said, and was arrested. Nothing was found on him.

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POLICE TESTIFIED that Cooper told them he had gone to New York with the Rollinses where they bought the dope and brought it back to Miss Crooke to peddle.

Mrs. Rollins was arrested outside her home. Police said that they found 23 capsules of cocaine taped under a dresser in the Rollins home.

"Small Fry" who was arrested on July 30 on Fremont Ave., admitted having purchased the Heroin, but denied having any knowledge of the cocaine.

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HE TESTIFIED that his heroin was placed in capsules in Miss Crook's house and it was to sell for 1.25 a capsule. Rollins said that he planned to sell it at a low rate so that it could be disposed of easily.

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Arrested while breaking open a gum machine, Branch Bolling of the 1300 block N. Stricker St., had a criminal record. The record showed that he had received terms totaling 11 years for burglary and assault and robbery.

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Suspect, 21, held in criminal attack

RICHMOND

A criminal assault charge against Zebedee W. Barnes, 21, of 700 block Gilmer St., was certified to Hastings Court Monday.

Police Court Justice Harold C. Maurice fixed bond for Barnes at $2,000 after a matron of the unit block E. Clay St. testified that Barnes forced her at knife point to accompany him to a deserted spot off Chamberlayne Ave. where he assaulted her.

Barnes was arrested by Det. Sgts. F. S. Randolph and J. W. Vann. Police said he admitted attacking the woman shortly after midnight Saturday.

Attempt made to open theatre safe

A four-by-three safe at the Dunbar Theatre in the 600 block N. Central Ave., proved to be too tough for would-be safe-crackers Wednesday.

When Fred Coy, janitor at the theatre arrived for work, he found the safe battered but intact in the rear of the building. Police said the safe crackers used a pass key to gain entrance to the building.

3,500 MORE BRITISH TROOPS TO LEAVE KENYA

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Caterer's heirs end year-long fight in court over will

Court upholds widow's claim 1949 document was legal; Mrs. Jenkins awarded estate

A year's court fight between Mrs. J. Logan Jenkins, Sr., and her son, J. Logan Jenkins Jr., ended with a settlement thereby allowing the mother to complete administration of the late caterer's estate, this week.

The amount actually being fought over entailed less than $5,000 that could be distributed at this time. Considerable property could have been involved after Mrs. Jenkins' death, however.

J. Logan Jenkins Jr. filed to have the court declare his father died intestate on the basis that the papers probated by Mrs. Jenkins did not constitute his last will.

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THE WILL in question was drawn on Feb. 7, 1949. It gave the entire estate to Mrs. Jenkins for life.

It also gave their Morgan Park home to their "adopted daughter," Mrs. Ethel Wynn during her lifetime, provided she outlived Mrs. Jenkins.

At Mrs. Wynn's death the property is to go to Provident Hospital.

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THE WILL contained bequests of $100 each to three grandchildren, Rebecca Jenkins Mitchell, J. Logan Jenkins, 3rd, and Killian Jenkins, all children of J. Logan Jenkin Jr.

A bequest of $100 was given to Mrs. Violet Hill Whyte. $200 was willed to the Jenkinses' other son's widow, Mrs. Howard Jenkins, and $5 to Mrs. J. Logan Jenkins Jr.

The will also provided for their real-estate, at the death of Jenkins, to go into a trust fund, to be managed by Mrs. Whyte.

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THREE-FIFTHS of the income from the trust was designated to be until Mrs. Jenkins died, two-thirds to J. Logan Jenkins Jr.

If the latter was the first of the brothers to die the entire income was to go to Howard. But if J. Logan predeceased his brother, Howard's share was to go to Mrs. Wynn.

In the will the father said: "I have fully considered the needs of my two sons and their families, whom I have endeavored to care for and upon whom I have bestowed gifts during my lifetime. I am also aware of the ingratitude and lack of appreciation which each of my sons has shown my wife and me."

The will named Mrs. Whyte and Mrs. Wynn executors.

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WHEN THE will was probated by Mrs. Jenkins it was found that certain paragraphs had been snipped off with scissors.

Under testimony, Mrs. Jenkins admitted cutting out the paragraphs, but said that she did so at the request of Mr. Jenkins, who intended to make a new will.

She said, however, that illness prevented him from getting to their attorney's office to have the new document drawn.

It was his intention, she said, to change the will and "give to each according to what each one merited."

He planned to change the bequest to Provident Hospital, she said, after he learned of funds being stolen from the institution.

It was his intention, she said, to leave the paragraph which gave her his entire estate.

She and Mr. Jenkins had had identical wills, leaving their entire estates to each other, since the first document was drawn, she showed.

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THE COURT upheld the 1949 document as Mr. Jenkins' last will and testament. Mrs. Jenkins thereby inherits all of his property, which also includes real estate 2028 Druid Hill Ave. and 1360 Calhoun St.

A relieved nurse said, this week, that after threatening to sue for a portion of Mr. Jenkins's personal estate, $7,859.42 in cash, in three city banks, a compromise was reached where by he was given $1,000.

Mrs. Wynn, whom Mrs. Jenkins upheld in court as an "adopted daughter" with all rights of a real daughter is his second cousin.

She came to live with them 36 years ago when they were first married. She was never legally adopted, however. It was their joint plan, she said to provide for her as for a real daughter.

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MRS. JENKINS was, for many years, one of Baltimore's leading caterers. He died on Oct. 16, 1954, and the son, Howard, died in June of this year.

The Orphan's Court approved $496.38 funeral bill, a bill to Sharp Street Methodist Church of $142 for burial lot, and administrations costs, Wednesday.

A balance of $7,772.57 from the cash estate was then turned over to Mrs. Jenkins.

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Wife Returns For Clothes, Husband Kills Self

'Big Steve' To Jail

Wife finds mate dead in bedroom

- Had told her to come back for clothes
- Second time he had tried to end life

An estranged wife was shocked, Tuesday morning, when she returned home for her clothes and found her husband hanging from the bedroom ceiling.

Dead is James Edward Denny of the 1500 block McCulloh St., who committed suicide by hanging himself from a plastic clothesline. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Provident Hospital.

The 35-year-old man's body was cut down at about 10:45 a.m., Tuesday, by police and firemen summoned to the first-floor apartment by the wife, Mrs. Mae Lois Denny.

Mrs. Denny had come to the house for her clothes earlier in the day, but had been told by her husband to come back an hour. She returned to find her clothes cut to shreds and her husband dead.

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POLICE SAID Mrs. Denny recounted the events of her ordeal up to the suicide as follows:

Last Saturday Mrs. Denny left her apartment at home following a domestic quarrel with her husband. It was one of many the couple had.

Only three weeks ago, she said, Denny had been convicted in Northwestern Police Court and fined $25 and costs for striking his wife.

Employed at the Cat's Paw Co., police were also told that Denny attempted suicide about two months ago, but no official record of the attempt could be found.

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AFTER LEAVING her husband, Mrs. Denny stayed with a friend, a Sue Buddell, in the 700 block W. Fayette St.

Tuesday morning around 9:30 o'clock Mrs. Denny returned to her home. She said she left her husband and asked him for her clothing. Mr. Denny would not admit her, she said, but told her to return in an hour.

When Mrs. Denny returned and was unable to enter the house she went around to the rear and through the kitchen window saw her husband hanging in the hallway.

She hailed a curious patrol and Officers Harry Klagg and James Jones broke into the house through the rear window to cut the body down.

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MR. DENNY, a World War II veteran and native of the North Wilkesboro, N.C., used a plastic clothesline to kill himself. He wrapped it around the upper part of the door frame and around his neck, then stepped off a kitchen chair.

After her husband's body was cut down, Mrs. Denny discovered that he had cut up all her clothes during the half hour between the time she first spoke to him and the time he took his life.

The Dennys had been residents of Baltimore for the past four years. A 7-year-old daughter lives in North Carolina with Mrs. Denny's relatives.

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NARROW ESCAPE—Lewis J. Tich, 5201 Anthony Ave., managed to crawl from his truck unharmed after it turned over, Thursday afternoon, at Fremont and Lafayette Ave. when it collided with another car, driven by Mrs. Irene Johnson, 2243 Penrose Ave. Mr. Tich is charged with reckless driving and failing to stop at the stop sign, while Mrs. Johnson has been charged with reckless driving. The trial will be held in Traffic Court, Oct. 11 at 10 a. m. According to police, the accident occurred when Mr. Tich, who was driving south on Fremont Ave., went through the sign, and collided with Mrs. Johnson's car which was going west on Lafayette.—Photo by Otho MacKay.

Jewish New Year holiday begins today

Jews all over the world, at sunset today Friday) will begin the observance of the Rosh Hashanah Holy Days which mark the beginning of the Jewish New Year of 5716.

The 10-day New Year holiday will end at nightfall Sept. 28 with the observance of Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

Commemorating the holy days, special high services will be held in Baltimore's many Jewish congregations and at military and naval installations in the vicinity.

Services men have been invited to visit the Jewish homes and the synagogues during this period.

Gloria having hard time being normal

Spelling Champ Gloria Lockerman is having trouble settling down to the normal routines of school.

Advertising and business promoters are still seeking her to make guest appearances or to accept gifts.

Her recent fling occurred this weekend when a department store in Washington, D.C., gave her and her grandmother, Mrs. V. T. Key, to participate in a show window demonstration.

THE THEME of the display centered around 14,000 Question" television show on which Gloria won $16,000 of the prize money.

A miniature reproduction of the television stage was set up in the window including two glass cases containing $44,000 in cash, and the isolation booth in which Gloria was placed to spell the winning words.

Gloria and her grandmother, who conversed with hundreds of onlookers through a loud speaker, were later gifted with complete wardrobes, including dress-

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THE SPORTS FRONT

- Lacy picks Rocky to win

By SAM LACY

NEW YORK—Rock Marciano will retain his world heavyweight championship in Tuesday night's meeting with Archie Moore at Yankee Stadium.

In the opinion of this writer, Marciano figures to win by a knockout.

Although the champion is by no stretch of the imagination, the master ringman that Archie is, I believe this fight will be decided on punching ability. Marciano is the more powerful of the two.

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MOORE IS unquestionably the classier boxer, Marciano taking on the resemblance of an undisciplined bull in comparison.

But I am convinced it is this very crudeness that makes the rock so devastating.

Archie himself has said any man can a knocked out if he gets hit hard enough, and any man hits hard enough if he hits the right spot.

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IN PICKING Marciano, the writer is disregarding the warning of a long-time friend, Archie Moore. I have known Moore longer and better than I have known any other fighter in my years on the beat.

"I'm going to win," Archie told me in his North Carolina quarters last week. "Don't bet anybody you want to when you're doing your job for the paper, but if you bet any money, bet it on me. I'm going to beat him."

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INTERNATIONAL Boxing Club officials estimate that Tuesday night's title battle will exceed two million dollars in gross receipts.

According to them, the advance sale alone indicates a $750,000 gate. Theatre television is being piped into 127 houses in 26 cities throughout the country, and 500 radio stations are contracted to carry a blow-by-

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- Indians are jinxed in D.C.

CLEVELAND—The Cleveland Indians, back home and licking the wounds left by their latest frustration at the hands of the Washington Senators, were nonetheless confident they will repeat as American League champions.

Both Larry Doby and Al Smith, two of the mainstays in the bid for the Tribe's second straight AL pennant, admitted the team has agreed Wednesday night's loss to Washington hurt.

"But," said Doby, "that just means it'll take a little longer."

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A REPORTER had asked the

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High schools lack football opponents

Because the educational setup in Baltimore is integrated yet not integrated, three previously all-colored high schools are facing dark days insofar as varsity athletic competition is concerned.

The School Board decreed last year that Baltimore schools are to be integrated in accordance with the Supreme Court ruling that non-segregation must be effected immediately set about formulating plans for the mixing of the races in elementary and high schools throughout the city.

But where integration in the classroom was effected without serious consequence, this was not true of the athletic program.

DOUGLASS HIGH, Dunbar and Carver Vocational High were able to act in accord with the ruling as far as the academic phase was concerned. But there was not true in the case of their athletic program.

Because they are barred from

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LYNCHING

- Mother to testify at Miss. trial

(Special to the AFRO)

CHICAGO—Mrs. Mamie Bradley, 34, mother of the lynched 14-year-old Emmett Till, will go to Sumner, Miss., next Friday to testify in the trial of the two men charged with the kidnaping and brutal murder of her boy.

This was told the AFRO, Thursday, by Chicago Branch NAACP Attorney William Henry Huff, who also stated that as of Thursday Mrs. Bradley had not received any official communication from Mississippi authorities inviting her to attend the trial.

"All that we know of an invitation by Gerald Chatham, district attorney of Hernando County, is Mrs. Bradley to appear at the trial is what we have read in the newspapers," Mr. Huff said.

"As the trial does not begin until Monday, it is possible for us to receive a telegram from him long before Mrs. Bradley is to appear on the witness stand.

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"THERE WILL be some time consumed in picking a trial jury," the attorney pointed out, and it is quite possible that Mrs. Bradley might not be called upon to testify before Tuesday or Wednesday.

Mrs. Bradley will be accompanied to Mound Bayou, Miss., by Bishop Louis Ford of the Church of God in Christ, Ray field Moody and Mrs. Ward, the latter two of whom are her close friends.

Prior to "going to Mississippi, she will attend an NAACP membership kickoff meeting in Cleveland, Sunday, with Mr. Huff, who is her legal counsel.

MR. HUFF disclosed that he had written several air mail, special delivery letters to Mississippi officials within the last week.

In the first letter to Mr. Chatham, the county district attorney, Mr. Huff set forth that Mrs. Bradley would only attend the trial of the suspended murderers of her son under subpoena and that the State of Mississippi would be responsible for her safety during her stay in the state.

He wrote a second letter to J. P. Coleman, attorney general of Mississippi, and a copy to the governor of Mississippi, informing them of Mrs. Bradley's plans to attend the trial and asking them to specify the exact day she would be called upon to testify.

The letter to the state's attorney general also asked that the ring allegedly removed from Mrs. Bradley's slain son's finger by the deputy sheriff who first

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FLASH!

Flim Flam artist given 5 years

Jack H. (Jacket Boy) Wilson, 43, was sentenced to five years hard labor (Friday) by Judge John T. Tucker in Criminal Court after pleading guilty to a larceny charge.

Wilson who gave a Philadelphia address, admitted being one of two men who tricked Mrs. Sarah Hill of the 400 block Carrollton Ave., out of $400 on July 11 as she left the Carrollton Bank.

NAACP

- Local branch seeks 10,000 new members
- 1,000 workers are needed before Oct. 1

The Baltimore NAACP needs 10,000 new members.

The annual membership campaign will officially open Oct. 1 and end Oct. 22.

The first step toward the 10,000 goal is to recruit 1,000 volunteer workers in all areas of the city.

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AT THE kick-off meeting, 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, Dr. T. R. M. Howard, of Mound Bayou, Miss., who is "called "Mississippi's Mordecai Johnson," will speak.

The wealthy physician who is president of the Mississippi NAACP State Conference, is one of the most dynamic speakers ever to come to Baltimore.

Heading the campaign is John Finney, field secretary from the national NAACP office who is now in Baltimore.

His purpose is to organize and collect a large portion of the memberships before the drive begins Oct. 1.

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RECRUITING of workers is going on constantly and Mr. Finney can be reached at 1320 Fayette 3-5508 or contacted in person at the NAACP office, Mondays and Thursdays.

Memberships start at $2, and for $3.50 a member will receive a subscription to the Crisis Magazine, the national organ of the organization. Other membership categories are:

Life memberships may be had for $500 and may be purchased with a down payment of $50 with the balance in installments.

Colorful rites for Geo. Wood

By JAMES L. HICKS

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The keepers of the flame in Harlem watched one of their brightest lights burn out Tuesday night as 1500 persons from all walks of life crowded Memorial Baptist Church to pay their last respects to George Wood Jr., popular manager of the Red Rooster Tavern.

With Ethel Waters singing "Peace, Be Still" in Sparrow and Paul Robeson singing "Rock of Ages," people big and small joined with the Guardsmen and the Rev. Willard Monroe to make funeral just the kind of thing he would have wanted.

In many respects it was dazzling and embellished with beautiful flowers, glamourous women and distinguished people — just as George would have liked it.

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