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wood School. To date, the protest from the Rollingwood group has been the only public attack on the transfers.

On Wednesday, Mr. Lipscomb spun a variety of reasons why the colored children should be sent to other schools in the area —but not to Rollingwood.

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OPPOSING MR. LIPSCOMB his 25 supporters was Robert B. Watts, attorney for the Montgomery County PTA, who told the board:

"The whole argument of these appellants is that they just don't want colored children in the school despite their claims that they favor integration. This board should support the stand of the Montgomery County board which has acted in the best interest of all the children."

Mr. Watts also hinted broadly that a reversal of the county board's decision would find the whole matter ending in the courts with the support of the NAACP.

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"THIS IS NOT a popularity contest and talk of a referendum to determine whether the residents want integration is foolish. It is the school authorities who have the duty to run the schools.

"Mr. Lipscomb says he knows what the colored people want. Montgomery County—how can he possibly know?? Mr. Watts any complaints if the children had been white instead of colored?"

For several moments Mr. Lipscomb dodged around the question saying that it was based on speculation. After the question was repeated he finally said, "I don't know."

Mr. Lipscomb also accused the board of "trying to force integration by the transfer of these colored children," and said, "If these children had been white the transfers never would have been made."

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AT THIS POINT, Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, a member of the state board, interrupted Mr. Lipscomb to ask, "Would there have been

—Fire board

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all on an integrated basis.

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WHEN FIREMEN were first hired in October of 1952, the board expressly ordered that they be housed and assigned to duty on a thoroughly integrated basis.

The board was cited for this forward step on the AFRO's 1954 Honor Roll.

The firemen in houses which reportedly violate the board's policy of integration are:

Engine Co. 26, at Pontiac Ave. and Fifth St., in Brooklyn; Engine Co. 10 at Chesapeake Ave. and Childs St.; and Engine Co. No. 57 at Pennington Ave., and Filbert St.

Signs marked "special" are reported over the beds of colored firemen at these locations.

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AN AFRO reporter visited Fire House No. 35 on Aug. 31 and found a paste board sign marked men assigned to 30 engine, 35 truck, and five hose companies, "special" over two beds and a commode, and another "special" sign in one of two restrooms. Firemen said the "special" meant colored.

Capt. Christian Reynolds, commander of the Fire House No. 35 told the AFRO; "The practice is general.

"Every fireman has the same facilities here. Of course they (the colored) have their own beds and restroom."

Reynolds said some fire houses were segregating colored firemen first came to light on May 1, in a newsletter released by the Baltimore Urban League.

Dr. Furman Templeton, executive secretary of the Urban League commented under the heading, "Do You Know that 110 firemen are members of the Fire Department and Democratic practices in fire houses need improvement?"

ASKED WHAT steps the Urban League might take in view of the fact that it led the struggle for the appointment of colored firemen, Dr. Templeton said:

"The Urban League proposes to take an active interest in the elimination of these forms of discrimination in city employment and on city property."

Dr. Templeton said David Glenn, community education secretary of the Urban League, would attend today's meeting.

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EXCEPT FOR the three fire houses mentioned here, it is understood that colored firemen encounter no segregation at other fire houses.

Firemen on duty at Engine Co. No. 23 at Mount Royal and Guilford Aves., and Engine Co. No. 31 on Gay St., for example, report their operations working smoothly under integration.

At Engine Co. No. 36, at Leadenhall and West Sts., one fireman said: "There is nothing to complain about here. We have a nice group of fellows and everyone enjoys the same facilities."

At Engine Co. 25, another fireman stated: "There are no complaints. If there are any complaints in some other fire house we do not know about it. They should take their complaint to the board."

One man at Engine Co. 32 said: "Nothing has been heard here concerning poor treatment. We all get along well."

Studio audiences couldn't see Gloria

By SHIRLEY KYLE

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Members of the studio audience could not see Gloria Lockerman because the cameras were directly in front of the contestant.

Live TV shows are fine for those who don't mind watching a mass of television equipment cruising about a circular stage.

To make it easier for the audience, television sets are located in strategic places at the foot of the stage so that everyone can see what is actually going on in front of the cameras.

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IN OTHER words, people leave their television sets at home to go to a television studio to watch the televised program on another television set.

There's only one slight difference here, however. The TV sets in the studio are idiot boxes as "monitors."

And that's the situation I found at CBS-TV Studio 33 where the "$64,000 Question" program was being televised.

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FINAL PREPPARATIONS for the Tuesday night 10 p.m. show got under way early in the afternoon when script writers, advertisers and musicians poured over last minute revisions.

I arrived at the studio at 8 p.m. with members of the television orchestra. As the musicians filtered up, Wendy Barrie, who handles the commercials on the show, was twirling about the stage seeking comments on her new gown.

A producer rescued Gloria and two other contestants from the excitement of the rehearsals and carried them to a private dressing room for a "conference."

They didn't reappear until five minutes before the show.

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IN THE meantime, stagehands were racing about setting up scenery for the various commercials and the program.

The orchestra was located right of the center stage. Next was a dressing booth for a model whose job is to apply makeup for a commercial.

At the rear center of the stage was the "isolation box" which is a Mobile oversized phone booth, where contestants begin their climb to the big money on the show.

Next was the IBM meter which selects the questions for the categories on the quiz program.

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A BEACH scene, for another commercial was next; then came Miss Barre's stall and last, at far left were special advertising signs.

All of the scenery on the stage was painted in varying colors of blue and white.

Miss Barre wore a fuchsia gown while another model was dressed in forest green gown.

Huge spotlights were located above the stage, some directed toward the cast, other directed toward the audience.

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THE LIGHTS for the audience were turned on only when the cameras were showing home televiewers who was present in the studio. The inside of the studio resembled a small theater complete with balcony.

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Pastor fined $50

PORTLAND, Ore.— The Rev. Elbert D. Riddick, white, was fined $50 in Municipal Court Friday for attacking Mrs. Lisabeth Sheppard, 38, and her son with a rake because he didn't want "black people walking on my sidewalk."

Pleading innocent, Mr. Riddick, pastor of a small congregation here, insisted that the issue in the case was whether "a white man in front of his own home should have to be crowded off his own sidewalk."

Dress rehearsal started at 8:30 p.m. The orchestra went through its part first. Then came Miss Barre. Her script was completely written out on a paper which revolved on a gadget resembling an old-fashioned phonograph.

The roll was located on the left side of the camera used for Miss Barre. A similar device was set up for Hal March, emcee of the program.

During the rehearsal, three young teenagers substituted for the contestants on the show.

FIVE MINUTES before the program was televised for the home audience, the actual contestants joined the audience. The cameramen and the orchestra leader donned earphones so that they could get directions from the director during the show out of ear-shot of the audience.

The monitors were turned on and at 10 p.m. sharp the show began. Right after they went down on the home video watchers, Gloria and the Marine captain were called to the contestant back stage.

IT WAS GLORIA's grandmother, Mrs. V. T. Key of Baltimore, who announced to Announcer Hal March what Gloria's decision about continuing in the quiz show was.

"The Lord has been wonderful to Gloria," Mrs. Key said to him. "I think we will stop here."

Mr. March agreed with her saying: "You have obviously made the right decision."

The $16,000 was presented to Mrs. Key in two checks—one for $15,500 and the other for $500, which Gloria can spend at will. The former check, minus taxes, will be placed in trust for Gloria.

When asked what four presents she would enjoy having, Gloria whispered to the announced that she most wanted a television set, a bicycle, a tape-recorder and a one-year's subscription to the Little Lulu comic books.

Mr. March immediately announced that her wishes had come true thru the good offices of the network, sponsors, and friends of the program.

Mrs. Key revealed that last week had been such a busy one for her household that she had not been able to get either the washing or ironing done.

GLORIA TOLD how much she had enjoyed attending the West Virginia State Fair as a guest of honor. She disclosed that she had not been asked to make a speech, only to pronounce the word anti-disestablishmentarian, which she spelled the second week on the show to win $8,000.

On Tuesday night's program, Gloria said nothing about having received threatening letters from cranks about her appearances, but she had previously told the AFRO she had received several.

The pert little champion speller told the AFRO that the letters were "threatening and full of nonsense which might upset some people," but not Gloria.

Gloria, who can take care of herself in handling reporters, said she did not care to have the letters published in the papers.

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BUT THE AFRO learned that one of the letters came from a white woman in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and was addressed to "Gloria Lockerman, the colored girl."

The letter reportedly told Gloria that "white people are

Mayor probes fire that killed 6 tots

Takes personal charge in worst tragedy in Cleveland's history

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Cleveland's Mayor Anthony J. Celebrezze personally took a hand in the investigation of this city's worst residential fire in history which wiped out six small children of three families in an overcrowded slum tenement Wednesday.

The fire started in a first-floor hallway and spread up the stairway to the second-floor rooms in which the children were sleeping. Flames spread so rapidly that the father of three of the children and three other several times as he tried to rescue them.

MRS. RUBY Murphy, mother of William Jr., 6, Veronica, 5 and Larry, 4, three of the dead children, received smoke as she washed clothes in the cellar.

She rushed upstairs to awaken her husband, a night-working bricklayer. Mrs. Murphy was unable to escape while her husband calmly tried to reach the children who were cut off by a solid sheet of fire.

The other three victims were Levert and Sandra Grove, 10 and 8, and seven weeks old, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Perk Grove, who lived in Bonnie Brae Grove Sr. The Groves were both at work when their children perished.

FIREMEN WERE called by a heroic 13-year-old girl, Castella Boyd, but when they arrived the hydrant in front of the house failed to work. Valuable time had been lost as they finally succeeded in getting water from another pipe nearly a block away.

The house was completely gutted by the blaze. Progressive Baptist Church, next door, suffered damage estimated at more than $2,500.

City officials have been ordered by the mayor to determine whether overcrowding in the house made control of the blaze impossible and whether building or fire laws were violated in the wiring or construction.

FRUITS OF GREED—This is picture that so angered Cleveland (Ohio) officials that mayor of city personally directed an investigation into the blaze that burned fatally the six children whose bodies are shown here. Photo was made in Cleveland morgue two hours after children died.

S.C. council leader wrong, says woman

PARLERS, S.C. — An Elloree Citizens Council leader, Simon Brown says, in trying to induce her to sign a counter-NAACP school petition, "Told me that Mr. (A.) Blackman (branch president) had had to leave town."

—'Gang Busters'

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at least ten boys and sometimes an equal number of girls, who create general disorder in the area and engage in petty thievery.

On Tuesday they took a bed spread from a clothes line.

On Monday, they tried to invade a birthday party given by a resident for her teen-age daughter.

According to one teen - age guest, the gang made an unsuccessful attempt to crash the party being "turned away by a police officer who had been summoned before their arrival.

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IN ANSWER to questions concerning the gang one man said: "It does not make sense to pay rent and have to put up with something like this."

ANOTHER STATED: "They get together around the play area every afternoon. That's when the cursing and stealing starts."

One young housewife said the gang was such a nuisance that she remains in her home most of the time.

"If I sit on the porch they moved me," she declared.

"The cursing and crap shooting starts around 4 p.m. and continues into the night."

"When it rains they gather under an archway near one of the unfinished buildings and go right on. It seems as if nothing will stop them," she revealed.

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OTHER TENANTS stated that the gang gathers in the early afternoon in a small confectionary store near the project, and dance there until dark. Then they stop and flirt with the girls with their girl friends "to steal and curse."

Most of the tenants interviewed expressed the opinion that "other the police do not know what's going on or they do not care."

Although an officer patrols the area regularly, no arrests have been made.

Another tenant revealed that on one occasion she saw an officer stop and talk to the gang then continue walking.

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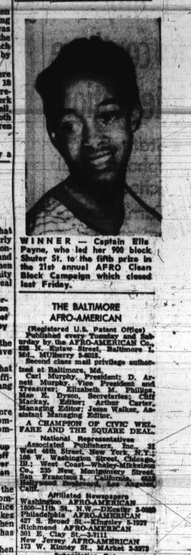
THE OWNERS of a small store at the edge of the project complained that "business now compared to what it used to be."

"Now they spend the time up with removing wine bottles off their lawns the morning after they can't see another step," said.

Asked if they had reported the disturbances to police one woman said "I have called the police many times, but it takes them so long to get here. When they finally arrive the gang has gone."

Four other persons when asked about the gang refused to comment.

"You had better talk to the folks in the housing office," they said.



WINNER — Captain Ella Payne, who lid her 900 block Shofer St. to the fifth prize in the 21st annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign which closed last Friday.

—Grandma

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killing me even when I told him I didn't know where my daughter was," she said.

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AFTER SEVERAL minutes of this, the grandmother said Lee forced her to undress and then assaulted her.

"Was he drinking?" asked Magistrate Waitzf.

"Yes," she answered in a tired voice, "He had been drinking wine. I could smell it."

Lee's wife said when she came home shortly after the alleged assault she found her husband still in bed with her mother.

Police said they were summoned to the Normount St. home at 2:30 a.m. with a report of a "man with a knife." They were met by Mrs. Lee who reportedly told them her mother had been criminally assaulted.

Lee was arrested in the house and the grandmother was taken to the Pine St. Station where a physical examination revealed that she had actually been assaulted, police said.

Arresting officers were listed as James Mathias and Robert Layko.

THE HOUSE in which the assault is alleged to have taken place is located in one of the most attractive and peaceful neighborhoods in Northwest Baltimore.

When interviewed by a reporter late Thursday at her home, Mrs. Lee said that she did not want to talk about the case.

"There is no comment I have to make; I think he has done enough."

Even as she spoke to the reporter, there was a heavy trace of nervousness in her voice.

Mrs. Lena George, the defendant's landlady at the Ellicott Drive address, said Lee had been unemployed for the last ten days. She was unable to say what trade he pursued while actually working.

She said he had lived at the house for two months and described him as "very quiet and nice."

The defendant did not testify except to enter a "not guilty" plea. He was not represented by counsel.

His wife, Mrs. Lee declined to comment on her feelings when interviewed by a reporter at her mother's attractive home late Thursday.

She did say, however, "he's caused me enough trouble already. He's been in the papers once before and I don't want to see anything about it."

—Bride speechless

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formed by the Rev. J. W. Johnson, pastor of the AME Church in Princeton.

A sign language perfected by the bride and bridegroom, employed during the rites, was not detected by the large assemblage of guests and others attracted to the extravagantly lovely outdoor scene.

The bride was radiant in a gown of white nylon tulle, floor length, fashioned with an oval neckline, and long fitted lace sleeves. Her veil fell from a bejeweled coronet, and she carried an old fashioned bouquet of white flowers. Harrison Owens gave his sister in marriage.

The bridesmaid's gown, of pink muline and lace was off-shoulder and featured a muline stole. She carried a colonial bouquet of pink flowers.

Claire, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold St. Hill, of Atlantic City, was the flower girl. She wore a yellow organza frock. Henry Chappel, four-year-old son of ex-mayor and Mrs. Gilmore Chappel, of Lawnside, carried the two-diamoned-studded rings on a white satin pillow.

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A NOVEL INNOVATION was reciting of the well known "Blue Bird of Happiness" preceding the wedding by Miss Emma Talifero, whose sister, Miss Mabel Talifero offered two solos, "O, Promise Me," and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bridegroom, a restaurant company employee, has planned to become a commercial pilot but said he understood that they might not have been married. So, he will be satisfied transporting his wife—taking her up, and never letting her down."

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Lyon Home tenants begin rent strike

Loudspeakers blared throughout the area of the Lyon homes, Thursday, Sept. 1, advising tenants of the Lyon Housing Project not to pay their rent in advance for the month of September.

The message was the result of a meeting held at Turner Station Community Building at more than 100 fruit tenants pledged that they would fight the project management's ultimatum that they must pay on higher contract terms.

On Monday, Levi Williamson, president of the Lyon Tenants Association, was told by the management aides of the project that they did not think the rent increase as of August 1, 1955, would be revised.

The group, last week, had sent to the management a petition stating that its members were withdrawing the contracts they had signed last month, because of management's failure to give consideration to their request that the new rent schedule, brought 20 per cent more than they had been paying under Federal ownership, be reduced.

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THE TUESDAY night meeting was called by the president of the Tenants' Association, Mr. Williamson. The Rev. W. L. Jeffries led the group in prayer.

The Rev. Harold G. Nixon reviewed the facts of the rent controversy up to the present time and explained to the group the importance of everyone cooperating.

The Rev. Mr. Jeffries followed up with another talk, which informed the group of the committee meeting with the manager, Mr. Neale, in which no new information was disclosed. He stated that Mr. Turnbull, a county commissioner, had made an appointment for 3:30 p.m., Friday (today), at which time he would discuss this matter in his office with the tenants' representatives.

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THE CHAIRMAN presented Mr. Buchman, attorney, who informed them that after the Labor Day holiday there would be a meeting with county commissioners, landlords and himself.

He advised the tenants to contact the county commissioners and request them to impose rent control over the situation.

In the event that they withhold rents and some of the tenants are summoned to court for non-payment of rent, he advised that they take that opportunity to express in court the fact that they feel they are entitled to provisions promised in the lease and therefore refuse to pay the rent until the landlords arrange for bargaining.

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THE CHAIRMAN stated that when Michael J. Birmingham, chief county commissioner, returns from his vacation they will make an appointment to meet with him.

The Rev. Mr. Nixon asked the group to indicate by raising their hands whether or not they would have a rent strike. The vote was unanimous.

Daughter asked to return home

The mother of Shirley Diggs, 15, who disappeared from her Annapolis home on Sunday, has issued a plea for the girl's return to return home.

Mrs. Josephine Forester, 1818 N. Payson St., said that the shock of her daughter's disappearance had made her ill and that she wanted the Uchild to come home.

At the time the child left her Annapolis home, the mother said she was travelling with her father and grandmother.

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There's a Lucky Photo with a head encircled in this and every edition of the AFRO worth $5 to the person in it. Look for it, it may be you.

Strikers get new support

NAACP backs hat workers

The strike at the Berne Hat Co. has entered its fourth week with the strikers enlisting the support of the NAACP as they seek higher wages and what they term "better working conditions."

Meanwhile, the strikers continued picketing the hat company at 311 W. Baltimore St., as the International Hat, Cap, and Millinery Workers Union, (AFL), supplied them with food and $25 a week to replace the wages they are losing on strike.

Involved in the strike are approximately 65 employees, most of them colored women. They walked out of the plant Aug. 15, following a disagreement with the management over the firing of five employees and the question of union recognition.

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ALSO AT STAKE in the labor dispute is the strikers' contention that the hat company pays colored workers lower wages than those paid to white workers performing the same jobs in the industry.

It was this contention that played an important role in persuading the NAACP to support the strikers, according to Bowen Jackson, executive secretary of the local unit of the organization.

"All workers should be paid the same wages for the same work," said the NAACP is opposed to the payment of discriminatory wages," he said.

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MR. JACKSON also joined with the strikers and union representatives in asking that members of the community support the strikers by turning down jobs with the firm until the strike is settled.

Mrs. Rena Marchant of the union's Chicago office, has said that the national organization will support the local strikers "all the way down the line."

Tyler heads VFW delegation

WASHINGTON

Alfred Tyler of Baltimore the delegation of the Bethes-Welch Post No. 7284 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the 56th national encampment in Boston this week.

Other Delegates besides Mr. Tyler, commander of the post, are James H. Horne, James E. Andrews and William N. Lancaster.

Tip on drowning week's top winner

The first person to call the AFRO about the youth drowning in the Patapsco River is this week's top $5 winner in the AFRO's News Tip Contest.

A second award of $3 will go to the tipster who notified the AFRO about the youth being fatally shot in East Baltimore during an alleged robbery attempt.

A third award of $2 will go to the person who called about the sisters being arrested and man being shot during an altercation in a local ballroom.

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OTHER AWARDS of $1 each will be sent out to the persons who called the AFRO about the following incidents:

One man shot, another cut during altercation in 900 block W. Saratoga St., more information on boy drowning in Cherry Hill, two women in fight in 2400 block Howard St., stolen car in accident in 1600 block Washington St., truck in accident at Druid Hill and Lanvale St., resignation of Provident Hospital dietician.

Also shot and killed in 1700 block E. Eager St., shooting in 2300 block Bryant Ave., two - car accident at Gilmor and Laurens St., 3 - car collision at Arundel and Chase St., cars crash into ice cream store, streetcar hits elderly man, man beaten with hammer in 2200 block Ruskin Ave.

Also two injured when car overturns at Mulberry and Greene Sts., fire in 1500 block McCulloh St., and newsboy saves six sparrows.

THE AFRO has a total of $25 to pay out each week to persons who are first to call in tips on events they see or hear about which will make news.

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Charges travel agency bigotry

NEW YORK — The American Jewish Committee filed last week the first complaint since passage of the state's antidiscrimination law in 1945, naming a local travel agency specializing in European package tours.

In its complaint the committee charges that Marsh Tours, 830 Fifth Ave., insists that an applicant state his "race, color, place of birth and parents' names" to qualify for a tour membership.

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THE A.C ASKED the State Commission Against Discrimination for an order requiring the travel agency to "cease and desist from the unlawful discriminatory practices."

Marsh Tours pamphlets make it clear that "persons of a particular race, creed, color or national origin are unwelcome, objectionable or not accepted, desired on solicited," the AJC says.

Name new aide in Civil Defense

Colonel Frank Milani, Director of Baltimore City's Civil Defense Organization, has announced the appointment of Jack C. Gault as Administrative Assistant for Evacuation and Supply.

Among Mr. Gault's many responsibilities will be the preparation of plans for pre-attack evacuation or dispersal of the city's population in event of an emergency.

Mr. Gault formerly served as director of Dayton, Ohio, Miami Valley Civil Defense Authority.

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Crayton Sausage gets only $2,000

Equipment that cost $8,000 snapped up at auction sale

The Crayton Sausage Co. ended the manufacturing phase of its operation in Baltimore on Tuesday morning as all of the equipment in the plant at 1708 Eiting St. was sold at a public auction for a little over $2,000.

When the plant opened in 1948 it was valued at $8,000.

Owners of the firm arranged for the auction after deciding to discontinue marketing the sausage in the Baltimore area. The manufacturing process is now done at the home plant in Cleveland.

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A GROUP OF some 30 men was on hand promptly after 10 a.m. Tuesday, when the auctioneer opened the sale by offering the plant equipment as an entirety and attracting a top bid of $2,000.

Then began the auctioning of each separate item with the provision that if this type of sale produced more money, the sale as an entirity would be cancelled.

An air compressor was the first items that comprised the next for $50. Two mops, two trash cans and a mop bucket were the items that comprised the next lot that sold for $3.

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IN RAPID ORDER, as the auctioneer kept up a fast-paced bidding, two galvanized meat trucks were sold for $8 each, a hand truck went for $4, and Henry Parks, owner of the Parks Sausage Co., bought a hand loading truck for $30.

A minor with a 500 gallon capacity went for $45, two gas heaters were sold for $1 each, and a wooden meat block went for $1.

The first purchase of any size was an electric grinder that went for $150, to be followed by a platform hauling truck for $11, and a pitch fork for 50 cents.

MR. PARKS purchased a 500-pound stuffer for $775, but not until after the most spirited bidding of the afternoon. A large walk-in freezer and compressor, which the auctioneer said could not be replaced for less than $2,000, went for $500.

Ten flourescent light fixtures went for $3 each and Jim Dorsey, operator of a filling station at Mosher St. and Pennsylvania Ave., bought a rubber hose for $2.50.

Other items included arm chairs that went for $7 each, an executive desk that sold for $30, an adding machine for $65 and a typewriter for $47.50.

The last item to be sold was a 1950 ton and a half truck that brought $155.

When the company opened here originally it was headed by Leon Crayton of Cleveland, William L. Adams, vice president, and Henry Parks secretary.

Mr. Adams left the company in 1950 and Mr. Parks left in 1952 to start his own company.

7 committeemen named by NAACP

CUMBERLAND, Md. —Seven persons were named committee chairmen at a recent meeting of the Cumberland branch NAACP.

John Gorden, president, named Miss Jane Gates to the membership committee; Mrs. Mae Washington, finance; Mrs. Hertha Washington, publicity; John Beard, labor and industry; Mrs. Hubert Franklin, entertainment and youth work; Mrs. Opal Jones, housing; and the Rev. David C. Sterett II, community coordination and education.

More than 50 new members registered in a recent membership drive giving Cumberland a large and active chapter of the NAACP.

At the YMCA, two swim and gym parties have been held for the youngsters and others are scheduled for the early fall.

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SEVERAL CONFERENCES and meetings were also held recently with the superintendent of public schools and the school board. The meetings resulted in the desegregation of almost all schools in the county. The few exceptions have been in situations where crowding exists. It is anticipated that the situation will be cleared up by next fall.

During Cumberland's recent Bicentennial, a float in the name of the NAACP, an interracial choir opened the festivities.

A picnic has been planned for Sunday, September 4th, at Malampiya's on Christie Road where Cumberland's high point of the afternoon will be a ball game between Piedmont and Cumberland.

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