Weather main factor in decline at city pools

"I think the weather has been the main factor in the drop in attendance at our pools.

"Private pools have lost 20 to 30 percent worth of business because of the cool weather.

"Our loss is reflected in their statistics."

That was the comment on Wednesday of William R. Schmidt Jr., chief administrative assistant for the Bureau of Recreation and Parks, on the decline in attendance at the municipal swimming pools

Mr. Schmidt's statement was in contrast to the announcement of R. Brooke Maxwell, director of the Bureau of Parks who declared last week that attendance at two of the city's most popular pools, Druid Hill and Clifton Park, had fallen off because of integration.

Baltimore's nine pools were opened to the public on a non-segregated basis for the time this summer.

Since opening in June attendance at the City pools have been off 64 percent.

BEFORE LEAVING on a three weeks vacation trip Mr. Maxwell attributed the drop only partially to bad weather.

He stated white people in Druid Hill and Clifton Park areas have deserted because of the integration policy."

He pointed out, that the attendance of colored swimmers had increased by 15 percent.

Mr. Maxwell would not speculate on the future of the municipal pools which are scheduled to close for the fall on Tuesday.

ASKED WHY it was necessary for the department to maintain separate figures giving a breakdown on the number of colored and white who use the pools, Mr. Schmidt declared:

"It's an experimental thing.

"I don't see any violation of the court's decision in keeping a record of attendance at the pools.

"We didn't keep records before but we started simply to see what the trend would be.

Statistics revealed by Mr. Schmidt show that during the first eight weeks of last summer's season, more than 55,000 swimmers used the Clifton Park pool.

This summer a total of 4,123 white persons have used it and a total of 14,522 colored swimmers have visited the pool.

PRIOR TO July two pools were operated in Druid Hill Park.

The No. 2 pool was assigned and more up to date No.1 pool was reserved for whites.

When the pools were integrated attendance at the No. 2 pool declined as a result it was closed.

Commenting on the declines have been noted in other years Mr. Schmidt quoted the following figures.

"In 1951 our biggest year a total of 294,972 persons used the city pools. In 1952 attendance dropped to 222,842.

"In 1953 the figures reached 270,379 and dropped again in 1954 to 243,860.

"We had our second biggest year in 1955 when attendance reached 265,358.

"Because of the weather this year, we have not been the only ones to lose business.

"Carlin's, Beaver Springs, Meadowbrook, and Orchard's have had the same trouble" Mr Schmidt stated.

Blonde mother begs for her brown baby

BELAIR, Md. — "They told me if I would sign adoption papers' for her brown baby) I could have my other children back.

"I wouldn't do that!"

That's what a blonde mother of an alleged brown baby tearfully testified to in Harford County Circuit Court Tuesday.

In addition to the young child supposedly fathered by a shy brown-skinned laborer, Mrs. Mary Malcom is the mother of three blonde children.

She was in court to ask for the return of her three sons and daughter.

They were placed in separate foster homes a year ago when juvenile authorities charged the mother with neglect.

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THROUGH HER attorney Milton B. Allen, Mrs. Malcom contends that she is being punished in violation of the 14th amendment because of her color.

After her children were taken she stood trial in the Harford County Criminal Court on a 1715 Maryland Law designed to punish white women who gave birth to brown babies.

Mrs. Malcom was found not guilty.

The law which was placed on the books before the American Revolution states:

"ANY WHITE woman who shall suffer or permit herself to be got with a child by a colored man or mulatto, upon conviction thereof in the court having criminal jurisdiction, either in the city or county where such child was begotten, or where the same shall be born, shall be sentenced to the Penitentiary for not less than 18 months nor more than five years'

A similar case against a 20-year-old blonde girl is pending in Baltimore.

AS A RESULT of the Criminal Court hearing for Mrs Malcom, Jamison, the alleged father of her son was charged with bastardy.

Tried in the county court, the charge against Mr. Jamison was dismissed.

Mrs. Malcom whose husband deserted her over two years ago, was then charged with neglect.

An accident in one of those homes six months ago left her seven-year-old daughter permanently scarred.

Until February 1955, Mrs. Malcom resided in Harve de Grace, Md.

IN A PETITION filed with the court, Mr Allen alleges that a number of Harford County public officials combined efforts to present a case against his client based on hearsy.

The officials named in the petition included William Bullock, chief of police; Warren Taylor, patrolman; Benjamin Ray, chief of police; Mrs. Gulliver of the Department of Public Welfare; and Miss Estelle Everett of the Juvenile Court.

Also, Miss Henrietta Mace of the Department of Public Welfare and Raymond Fulker sheriff.

In her testimony, Mrs Malcom stated Tuesday that she was told by Miss Mace and Mrs. Gulliano that she would never get her children back until she signed adoption papers for the alleged brown baby.

"I wouldn't do that," she declared.

The mother testified that she is willing and able to provide for the support of her children if they are returned to her.

A decision in the case was witheld by Judge Stuart Day.

'Maids in uniform only,' Gwynn Oak Park policy

"I was deeply ashamed before her."

This poignant statement from a letter to the AFRO touched off an interview with the management of Gwynn Oak Park concerning its admission policy.

The letter was signed by Mrs. Sherry Friedman of New York. She wrote:

"Recently we decided to take the children and our maid to Gwynn Oak Park to give them a treat. Upon our arrival, we received a shock we shall probably never forget.

"We were told that our maid, because of her color, could not enter the park. We were also told that she would be permitted to enter the ground if she were in uniform. I am sure this person was hurt deeply but I was deeply ashamed before her.

THE AFRO, upon receipt of the letter, contacted Arthur Price, former president of the City Council, and listed as the owner of the park.

Mr. Price denied any affiliation with the park and referred the call to Hallam Steward the manager. Mr. Steward said:

"It's actually not our policy but the policy of the people we serve. We thought the best way to solve the thing was to put it to some kind of vote.

"We conducted the vote a couple of years ago when we were first approached with the thing by CORE — the Committee On Racial Equality. In the course of the season, 78 or 79 thousand (voted) against (desegregation and about 111 or some odd figure — less than 123 — were in favor of (desegregation)."

"If colored people are excluded," Mr. Steward was asked, "how does putting on a uniform change things?"

He did not answer directly; he stated that there were several families nearby that sent their children to the park in the care of their maids, and that there were special accommodations for the children and watched them while they rode.

"But they are not allowed to ride on the rides?" he was asked. His answer was:

"Do you think the Supreme Court decision on desegregation of parks and schools will have any effect on the attitudes of the people in your area?" was another question asked Mr Steward.

"On the policy and operation?" he answered — "I doubt it . . . No."

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THE EPISODE can perhaps best be stated by the finish paragraph of Mrs. Friedman's letter

"What happened to us, if it proved to New York ten years ago. The incident occurred while she was in the city for a week's visit with her parents.

"How long," she asks, "will it take Baltimoreans to realize that people are people."

Newstippers ring phone, cash register at same time

First-callers on big stories look the lion's share of the pot this week, but other Newstippers also came in for their share of the bounty. Two ladies tied for first place this week and got $5 apiece by being the very first to call in stories on The Laurens St. fire in which four persons died; and the Baker-Smallwood Sts. automobile accident in which nine were injured.

Trying for second place with tying calls were the two persons who called about the policeman who was shot on Pitcher St., they got $3.50 apiece.

Checks for $2.50 each to the callers who gave the Newstips on the purchase of the estate of the late Dr. Marion Wilson; the young man in Easton, Md. who was killed accidentally, and the death of Mrs. N. B. Carrington.

ROUNDING UP the list of Newstippers and winning awards of $1 each are the following tips: $75,000 land purchase of new homes; the death of Allen P. Collick; the license hearing for a tavern at Mulberry and Poppleton Sts.; the three-car crash Wednesday night, 1100 block Fulton St.

The checks which will come rolling out to the Newstippers are a pretty good return for a telephone call. You can get on the 'check wagon' too — just call City Desk and say "I've got a Newstip" whenever you learn of something interesting.

Amateur photographers can also cash in—there's $25-a week allotted for Newspix — pictures taken of news events as they happen. Bring your pictures in to the City Desk — you'll be surprised to learn that there's gold in that camera, too.

The telephone numbers for Newstips are: MU.5-6015, 6016, 1812, 1813; if no answer, call RI. 4-0508.

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'He promised me a home'

"Before I married him he promised me a home. Afterwards he put me in the four-rooms apartment of his grandaughter along with her husband and their five children.

"When I objected to the crowded conditions he told me that if I didn't like the home in which we were living I could get out."

Mrs. Minnie Green, 1127 N. Caroline St.,

She, however, charged her husband, Ernest, 68, with technical desertion. The court agreed with her, giving her the divorce she had asked for.

Mrs. Green, 53, said that she put up with his failure to provide 'a home for her from May 10, 1947 until August 1, 1948.

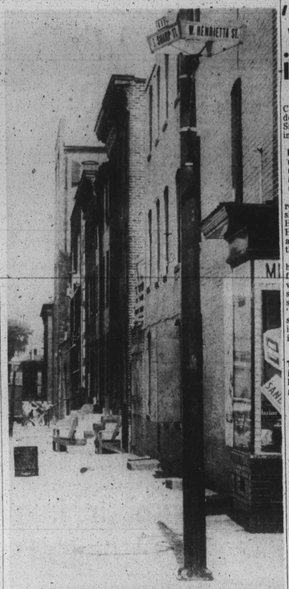
Along with the divorce she had her maiden name, Jones, restored.

"SHE WANTED ME HOME" was the odd excuse Albert C. Tellington gave for the separation of himself and his wife, Mrs. Bertha Lee Tellington.

Mr. Tellington, who is in the U.S. Air Force, asked for a divorce on the grounds that Mrs. Tellington had deserted him.

"We had frequent arguments about finances and about me in the service. She always wanted me home. One thing led to another and she left me on Nov. 15, 1952," he said.

They had been married in 1949 and were parents of a son. The father, who said that he provide 'a home for her from May 10, 1947 until August 1, 1948. Along with the divorce she had her maiden name, Jones, restored.



NO IT AIN'T—Don't let the sign fool you. Henrietta St. isn't really Henrietta St. and Sharp St. isn't really Sharp St. It's the other way around. Henrietta St. is really Sharp St. and Sharp St. is really Henrietta St. The only thing wrong in this picture is the way the street signs have been erected. But don't give up hope. Just up the street there is another sign that identifies Hamburg St. as Sharp St. and Sharp St. as Hamburg St. It's confusing, but once you get the hang of reading the wrong way signs, it's easy to get lost.

Luxemburg, here come the Skinners!

"When the letter came I was so excited I ran out on the porch and told my next door neighbor "Its come at last."

Attractive Mrs. Vyna Skinner sat in the living room of her home at 2033 Wheeler Ave., surrounded by her husband, Dr. Daniel T. Skinner, and their sons, on Tuesday afternoon.

She was speaking of how the family received the news that they are to spend almost a year overseas.

On Sept. 17 the family will sail for Rotterdam, Holland, and then travel to the Grand Duchy of Luxenburg where Dr. Skinner, associate professor of modern languages at Morgan State College, will teach English at the Lycee de Garcons.

Dr. Skinner will be the first Morgan professor to go abroad under the Fulbright International Exchange Program.

And while he is there, his post at Morgan will be taken by Marcel Desire Vandenbulcke, a Belgian educated in Europe who is a teacher at the Ecole Normale, Elisabethville, Kantanga, Belgian Congo.

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IN ORDER to obtain the post, Dr Skinner filed an application under the Fulbright International Exchange Program.

"We had expected to hear about it in May or the first part of June and we had just about given up hope when it came toward the middle of June," said Mrs. Skinner.

"I was teaching summer school at Texas Southern University when I got my wife's telegram," said Dr. Skinner "and I was very excited and happy."

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THE SKINNERS were married during the war year of 1944 and there wasn't a chance for a honeymoon before Dr. Skinner was shipped out.

"So," said Mrs. Skinner with a warm smile, "this will also be like a honeymoon."

The Skinners are both natives of Boston, but it took a war to bring them together and when Mrs. Skinner tells the story of their romance she and her husband both smile with their memories.

"All of our lives we lived a few blocks from each other. Mrs. Skinner said "One night a friend of mine came by and asked me if I was going to the Delta meeting. First of all I told her no but she insisted that I go and, said, 'you might meet your future husband.'

"It sounds strange but that's how it happened. We got on a streetcar and rode for one block and my future husband got on. He was in the Army and on leave at the time."

The romance had the traditional happy climax with the marriage and the birth of their two sons, David, 8, and John, 7.

WHEN THE Skinners arrived overseas, it will be the first time for Mrs Skinner and the children, but not for Dr Skinner.

"I was in Belgium and France during the war," recalled **the teacher, "and I've always wanted to go back. I'd like to see Paris again and Ver Viers, a small town near the frontier."**

"I would like to see Florence, David wants to see the Alps and John wants to get an English racer bike in England," added Mrs. Skinner.

The boys have already learned a few words of French to help them in the country where French, German, and a native dialect, Luxembourgeois, are spoken, and when they reach their destination they will be enrolled in an international school.

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MRS. SKINNER, who was once an agt teacher in Washington, plans to continue her study overseas, while her husband will do research work on the influence of Victor Hugo on certain Belgian poets

Dr. Skinner earned his doctorate at Harvard with a dissertation on the influence of Hugo on a French Canadian poet. He holds the A.B. degree from the same school and the A.M. from Boston College.

A Phi Beta Kappa scholar, Dr. Skinner was the first colored instructor at Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass., 1948-49.

He has also taught at Virginia State College, Dillard University and Morgan State College, School, Mass. He was appointed to the Morgan faculty in 1946.

IN PREPARATION for their trip, the Skinners have done some shopping but as Mrs. Skinner pointed out:

"We were told that the people of Luxemburg dress very conservatively so while we won't be elaborate we will try to look like Americans since after all we are in a sense good will ambassadors for our Country."

"One of the things we want to do is help improve the relations between the countries. There are things that we can tell them about America that aren't in text books and we can help them understand this country," added Dr. Skinner.

Overseas, the Skinners hope to locate a furnished apartment or house. The family is just about ready to sail and perhaps their emotions can best be summed up in Mrs. Skinner's description of the children.

"They can hardly wait to get aboard the boat."

'Jennie Carrington's faith in God never failed...'

"On the sick bed of life Jennie Carrington played a part which deserved the highest praise. Since I knew her, she starred in three acts.

"Act I was when I first met her and she was playing her memorable role as an active member in the Metropolitan Methodist Church, a faithful member in the church of God.

"Act II took place in her sickroom where, although feeble, she never became despondent. Her faith in God never failed. Her cheerfulness indicated her abiding faith. She had a peace that passed all understanding.

"Act III took place at the hospital where she was confined many times. Although she was unable to speak at the last since she had lost her voice, sadness had no part in her life. "She greeted everyone with a smile. She seemed to be saying to me: 'It's all right. I'm in my Father's care.'

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"SISTER JENNIE CARRINGTON died as she lived, confident in God, unafraid of death. I am happy to have known such a great soul."

Thus spoke Rev. Kelly Jackson, Thursday morning, at funeral services for Mrs. Jennie O. Carrington, who died Monday after a prolonged illness.

She was the wife of Rev. N. B. Carrington, pastor of Union Memorial Methodist Church.

The services were held at Metropolitan Church, with the Rev. Kelly Jackson, the former pastor, now district superintendent of the Washington District, giving the eulogy.

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THE CONGREGATION sang Mrs. Carrington's favorite hymn, "How Tedious and Tasteless the Hour."

The Rev. James D. Browne offered prayer.

The Rev. C. S. Briggs read the 90th Psalm, and the Union Memorial Church choir sang with Spellman Johnson directing, and Mrs. Sophie Johnson at the organ.

"In spite of her prolonged illness, Mrs. Carrington was cheerful and hopeful, leaning on her faith in God until the last,"

said Rev. C. A. Scott, district superintendent.

Garrett Rawlings, representing the members of her church, stated that "Mrs. Carrington was a faithful, true and sincere member whose greatest concern was her church. Metropolitan has lost a loyal member."

Telegrams of condolence, received from over fifty friends, were acknowledged by Rev. Reginald Daniels, pastor of Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church. Among the messages was one from Mayor D'Alesandro.

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MRS. CARRINGTON was born in Louisa, Va., June 9, 1891, the daughter of Charles and Aletha Tinsley. She graduated from Virginia Normal School and Morgan College where she received the Hughes Medal for scholarship.

She and the Rev. Mr. Carrington were married in 1913.

Mrs. Carrington was an active member of Metropolitan Church for 40 years, until her first illness in 1945.

She is survived by her husband, a son, Charles T. of Chicago, a daughter, Beatrice Myers, and two brothers, William and Frank Tinsley. Another daughter, Alice died ten years ago.

Pallbearers were the pastors from the West Baltimore District and included Revs. George Allen, I. P. Blackman, A. H. Hammond, Sr., J. W. Landford, A. W. White, A. A. Thompson, Aaron Johnson and William H. Watson.

Friends and relatives filled 20 cars for the trip to Arbutus Memorial Cemetary for burial. The Rev. Frank L. Williams, pastor of Metropolitan, presided at the graveside rites.

'They tried to pick up and clean up'

"They tried to pick up, clean up and do everything they saw anyone else do."

Mrs. Evelyn Longus, 1100 block McKean Ave., was speaking Monday at the AFRO City desk. Her two-year-old son Louis Longus was the AFRO Lucky Picture winner for August 25 and was at the AFRO City Desk to collect his $5.

Little Aaron photographed in between mouthfuls of pop corn at a a AFRO Clean Block jamboree at a local vacant lot was sort of nonsentimental about the whole affair.

After she was handed his $5 check his mother, Mrs. Longus, said: "We are trying to get the children to work all through the winter to help keep the block clean. It gives the children something to do instead of just going out playing."

There is a Lucky Picture winner in each edition of the AFRO. Watch for it. It may be your picture that is circled. In order to win, the person whose picture is circled must call at the AFRO office before noon of the next publication date.

Hospital escapee held in slaying

Sought in connection with the slaying of a 28-year-old man who was stabbed two weeks ago, a fugitive from Crownsville State Hospital, was arrested in Bel Air, Md., Wednesday by State Police.

A teletype alarm was sent out for the fugitive by Northeastern District Police on Tuesday following the death of Samuel Spriges of the 700 block Harford Ave.

Spriges, a patient at Johns Hopkins Hospital, the victim gave police a description of his assailant.

The suspect, Anthony Evans, who allegedly escaped from Crownsville on June 24, was found working in a bean field near Monkton.

Shopping Center to mark 'step forward'

—"We believe the Mondawmin Shopping Center will mark a step forward for colored families in their marketing."

Thus commented James Rouse, of the Mondawmin Corporation, as he answered several questions of homeowners, Monday, who live in the area of Reisterstown Rd., Liberty Heights, Tioga Pkway, and Gwynns Falls Pkwy., where the center is under construction.

Mr. Rouse was speaking in answer to the question:—Will everyone receive equal treatment in all the stores and restaurants in the center?"

While Mr. Rouse said that he had no control over the policy of the merchants involved, he felt certain that many of them "would be favorable to an open policy."

He pointed out that many of the contentes coming into the center were national businesses which would "feel more free" to operate on an open status rather than the local businesses.

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MR. ROUSE added that the racial locale of the shopping center has led many local merchants to "predict its failure."

"They claim that with an overwhelming colored trade, the white will not come," Mr. Rouse said.

However, he declared that the merchants who intend to set up their businesses in the center "are well aware of the situation and are prepared to do business with the market available."

He added, "It has been our policy to treat the center as one for the people, not white people, or colored people, just the people. We intend to establish the attitude of naturalness in the center."

Another question, which was raised at the informal meeting, was the one concerning the control of traffic on Gwynns Falls and the discouraging of delivery trucks from this boulevard.

In answer to this, Mr. Rouse said that the corporation will hire its own police force to patrol the streets and guard the center.

Furthermore, he said, a "ring road" is being built within the center area leading to the 4,000-car parking space, to relieve the main thorofares.

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AS FOR the trucks, an underground tunnel, leading to the shopping center buildings, is under construction. It is anticipated that most of the trucks will enter through the Reisterstown Rd. entrance, although there is another entrance on the Gwynns Falls Pkwy. side, he said.

Nevertheless, should other traffic problems arise when the shopping center opens, Henry Barnes, traffic engineer will be notified immediately, Mr. Rouse promised.

Acting as chairman of the meeting was Earl Koger of the New Ashburton Improvement Association.

Others present were:

Mrs. Lillian Parrott, principal, Douglas High School; Mrs. Leo Hillen, Pimlaw Assoc.; Miss Alice Koger, Hanlon Hill; Dr. Samuel Myers, Windsor Park; Dr. Isaac Young, Frontiers Club; Mrs. Verda Welcome, Welcome Group and Mr. Daniels, New Area Improvement Assoc.

'I couldn't help it'

When the sound of ripping, rending, bending metal ended, when the sirens has ceased, when two ambulances had been sent away empty from the 1100 block N. Fulton Ave., Wednesday night, Francis J. Brown told traffic officers:

"I couldn't help it."

What the driver, who lives in the 2200 block Druid Hill Ave., couldn't help' was the earth-shattering collision of his car with three parked cars, one utility pole and, apparently, one of the sturdy, brick-fronted buildings in the block.

The accident, which occurred shortly after 8 p.m. Wednesday attracted approximately 100 onlookers and slowed traffic on the busy artery to a trickle.

ONE CAR OWNER, Norman Goodman, said that he is not such a good policy to park in front of his shop—his was one of the cars damaged. The other two cars belonged to William Taylor, 3100 block Presbury St., and Clifton Skeeter, Newport News, Va.

Damage was slight to the vehicles — but Brown must face charges in Traffic Court next week on charges of: drunken driving, reckless driving and speeding.

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Prayer For Today
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Eyewitness Describes Beating In Police Station

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2 Die In 5-Story Fall

10-Year Term For 'Joke' Snatching

'Lord, have mercy' cry stuns court

"Lord, have mercy. Lord, have m-e-r-c-y."

This loud and anguished outcry came from the lips of Dock Mathis, 42, 1361 N. Calhoun St., in Criminal Court Wednesday after Judge Joseph C. Carter slapped a 10-year prison term on him for purse snatching.

Momentarily stunned spectators watched wordlessly as the convicted man was rushed hurriedly from the crowded courtroom. In the corridor, the distraught man bumped his head against a wall until he was restrained.

Police testified that at the time of his arrest he treated the purse-snatching matter "as a joke."

"Everybody has a right to the use of the streets," said the jurist in sentencing the defendant to the Maryland House of Correction for a term of ten years.

"He wouldn't have gotten any more than that if he had been an armed robber," a courtroom observer said after Judge Carter passed the stiff sentence. "After all, there was no money in the purse."

Mr. Mathis was accused of snatching a purse from Miss Bessie Anderson, a resident of the Madison Avenue YWCA, while at Madison and North Avenues on August 4.

He was arrested minutes later after a passing motorist, attracted by the victim's screams, trailed the defendant and summoned police.

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MISS ANDERSON, a business woman from Atlanta, Ga., said she had no mon-

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SINGING IN HARMONY—These happy kindergarten children at Sir Robert Eden School 20 are illustrating their nursery-rhyme song by raising their fingers. Mrs. Lois Sanner is the teacher. Of the school's 27-member faculty, six are colored. The school is located at Eden and Federal Sts.

'Both went out of the window...'

"They were roommates. They had a dispute. They had been drinking. As happens with many people, they had an argument. The argument developed into a fight.

"They fought in the room. It went on for quite a while. There was only one window in the room and both of them went out. Nobody knows the cause of the dispute. At the time they were alone.

New York police were describing the deaths in New York of William E. (Billy) Woods Jr., 25, 621 N. Payson St., Baltimore, and his roommate, Arthur P. Walker, 32, of San Antonio, Tex.

They fell from the window of a fifth floor apartment they shared at 100 Moringside Drive early Saturday following what neighbors described as a violent argument.

Mr. Woods died instantly and Walker died 45 minutes later at Knickerbocker Hospital.

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A MEMBER of an old Baltimore family, Mr. Woods was the son of the late William E. Woods and Mrs. Gladys Clark Woods of the Payson St. address.

He is the grandson of Sumner G. Clark of Baltimore and great grandson of Judge Henry Clark, for many years a leader in the Bazarites.

Irenaeus Woods' tragic death in New York occurred just two months after that of his grandmother, Mrs. Sarah E. Clark, who was buried in July from the Sulivan Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Woods will be held from the same funeral home on Saturday at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

Before going to New York this past May, Woods was employed by a department store. He saw service in World War II.

Besides his mother and grandfather, he is survived by five brothers.

Thank God for NAACP, -wife of kidnap victim

VICTIM'S WIFE Mrs. Ethel Clark, Baltimore mother of four whose husband James was arrested by mistake and taken to Greenville, N.C., by bail bondsmen, is shown here with Jay McRae, NAACP attorney, who helped secure his release this week. The husband was found not to be the wanted man.

Poolesville 'We don't know our schools are integrated'

By LARRY STILL

"We are fully determined that they should go according to the law."

This is what Mrs. Ora S. Lyles, foster mother of a child deserted Thursday just before meeting with the principal of the Poolesville school. One of Mrs. Lyles' children is among 14 colored pupils enrolled for the first time.

Mrs. Lyles is one of the parents of the recently integrated children who conferred with the principal on the anti-integration demonstrations in front of the school all this week. She said there is no fear or tension in the area.

"We know the law is going to protect us. They have to do it. And the children are just as happy as they can be. They love the school. They say the teachers are good and treat them swell. We don't worry about the hoodlums."

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"IT IS UNFORTUNATE that the demonstration occurred at Poolesville and spoiled the good work we are doing throughout the rest of the county." Mrs. Lyles, secretary to Supt. Forbes W. Norris of Montgomery County Schools, declared Wednesday.

Mrs. Dawson expressed the sentiment of all school officials as the county integrated all of its senior high schools

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'We don't know our schools are integrated' that came from Dr. Houston R. Jackson, assistant superintendent of public schools.

Schools which will have part time classes are as follows:

No. 119, Gilmor and Mosher Sts.; two classes; No. 120, Pamlyslyania Ave. and Robert St.; 4; No. 132, Mount St. near Riggs Ave.; 6; No. 138, Harlem Ave. and Monroe St., 16; No. 141, Saratoga and Bentalou Sts., 16; No. 142, Walbrook and Small-wood St.; 8; No. 145, Poplar Grove and Lanvale Sts., 12; No. 74, 22nd and Homewood; 6; No. 112, Laurens and Calhoun , 2; No. 104 Carey and Schroeder Sts., 2; No. 100, Mount and Saratoga, 2; No. 160, Cherry Hill and Seabury, 14; No. 159, 801 Ridgeview Ave., 22; No. 146, Preston and Eden Sts. "With integration working so smoothly, school principals and school officials were reluctant to talk about the subject, preferring to pass it off as something that happened and accepted.

Instead, they were concerned with such problems as the necessity for overcrowded schools. Today the count showed a total of 7,370 children in 186 part time classes at 23 schools.

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THE CITY'S some 154,000 school children started this third year of integration with indications of a pattern that has become well established, has become well established, even though the opening of

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Integration works smoothly in counties

"We have had no evidence of anything but a very happy opening day. There have been no reports of trouble."

Dr. David S. Jenkins, superintendent of Anne Arundel County schools was speaking Thursday of the opening of county schools for the first time on an integrated basis.

A total of 30 colored children

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were enrolled Thursday in ten formerly all white schools stretching north from Annapolis to the Glen Burnie area.

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UNDER ITS plan of integration adopted this year, the first three grades in the elementary schools were open to all pupils on application.

Originally 29 pupils were granted permission to change their schools, but the number was reduced by four when the applications were withdrawn.

At the board meeting on Wednesday an additional five applications were approved raising the number to 30.

Schools involved are the Marley Park and Glendale Schools on near Glen Burnie; Annapolis West Annapolis, Eastport; Severna Park, Arnold and Jacobsville, to the North of Napolis, and Meade Primary, near Fort Meade.

There were no reports of any excessive absenteeism as a result of integration and on the surface at least, the county's first day of integration went smoothly.

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THE SAME SITUATION was reported in Baltimore County which opened its second year of integration with some 58 schools out of a total of 91 op-

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The Clinton situation

By LOUIS E. LOMAX
Special AFRO Correspondent

CLINTON, Tenn. — While 600 national guardsmen stood watch, school life went on as usual at the Clinton High School moved toward complete integration Wednesday.

Meanwhile, in interviews with the colored pupils, 11 expressed the belief that school integration would not lead to social or interracial dating.

The lone exception was Robert Thacker, a 17-year-old junior. Thacker has attended mixed schools in Michigan, Indiana and Wisconsin. He said: "We are all just

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Eyewitness describes beating in Northwest Police Station

By ELIZABETH MURPHY OLIVER

All night long I have hoped it was a dream.

I stood helplessly by in Northwestern Police Station a little after 8 last night and saw a policeman beat a man and drag him roughly on the floor

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while the victim writhed and rolled in agony.

He held one arm about his head to protect himself. The other hand clutched his eye. He moaned and sobbed deep sobs from down inside.

I stood there wanting to scream for help. I restrained myself only I was in a police station.

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JUST THEN SOMEONE said, "Hey lady, where are you going?"

I rushed to the desk and asked: "Why is he beating that man?"

No one answered me. Everyone ignored me.

Everyone seemed to be standing, watching, listening.

Two policemen finally dragged the man up to the desk. He was still sobbing and holding his eye.

Blood was dripping from somewhere. It seemed to have been from the other eye but the nose, I wondered how an eye could run blood.

His face was not like it was when I saw him in the store

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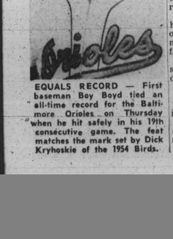

EQUALS RECORD First baseman Boy Boyd tied an all-time record for the Baltimore Orioles on Thursday when he hit safely in his 19th consecutive game. The feat matches the mark set by Dick Kryhoskie of the 1954 Birds.

Where did Baptist $$ go?

By LOUIS LAUTIER

DENVER, Colo. (NNPA) — The board of directors of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. had a stormy meeting Tuesday afternoon as members got in one row after another.

The rows began after a motion had been made to adopt the auditor's report.

Members shouted at each other, several were trying to talk at the same time, and preachers exchanged angry words.

Through it all, Dr. J. H. Jackson of Chicago, the convention president, who was presiding, sat patiently until reasonable quiet was restored, then tried to guide the board as to what it should do to meet the various problems it faces.

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AS A MEANS of settling differences among board mem-

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But how will you know this man?

He is small, pale, a little thin, but with great expressive soulful eyes, a gusto for life, and in his buttonhole he wears a dandelion in the spring, a rose in the summer, a chrysanthemum in the fall.

At first you may think his walk is feeble. When you look again it has the freedom and freshness of a great river. He is almost seventy but his skin ignores wrinkles. He is part Indian, he says. As you listen to him talk you know he has youth in his soul. He is younger than Springtime.

If you do not discover him from this description, search for a group of children attentively, in open-eyed fashion, seated on the grass. He will be in the center.

Or, watch for a group of men, young and old, who seem to be wrangling over trivia like baseball scores or the weather, quibbling over some weighty issue, there under the leafy trees. Moses Robert Hicks, for that is his name, will be the one to whom they will certainly turn for a decision.

He is our Little Governor of Lafayette Square.

Most everyone in Baltimore

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