'Lutheran Hospital serves all,' says administrator

"Anyone will be seen regardless of race, creed or financial status," declared Robert Hoyt, administrator of Lutheran hospital Wednesday.

The question of the policy of the hospital was raised Tuesday night when Mrs. Steven Brown, Sr., 2820 Brighton Street, stated that she was refused service to her son, Steven Bernard, age 5, and treated discourteously when she took him there to the emergency ward at 8:45 p.m.

"I was greatly disturbed about his vomiting and coughing spells which had just begun, and thinking that I might be unable to get my private doctor at that time of night I rushed to the hospital. A family friend, Mrs. Esther Brown, accompanied me.

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"THE NURSE in attendance asked me curtly why had I not seen my family doctor. I explained that I had never been able to get a doctor at this time of night, and that my son seemed in serious condition. He had a fever and I was deeply concerned.

"The nurse told me that I would have to go to some private doctor and she told me if I obtained treatment there I would have to pay. I explained to her that I was prepared to pay, and to wait as I would do in a doctor's office.

She continued to raise her voice and to act discourteously. I waited awhile and then took my son home. While we were still there another woman and her child received courteous and prompt attention from this same nurse, who had told me I would have to wait two or three hours."

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AT 1 A.M. the AFRO reached the night superintendent, Mrs. Elizabeth Potter who said it was not customary to be discourteous to anyone, and that Mrs. Brown should return with the boy and received attention.

About 2 a.m., Mrs. Brown returned to the hospital with her son. His condition was diagnosed as an asthma attack.

"I have children of my own," said Mr. Hott, "and I know of a parent's concern. An attack of asthma can scare anyone to death and mothers are apt to become panicky.

We have the report here that Mrs. Brown waited only about 15 minutes. Before we could get to her, she had taken the child and had gone."

"The accident room here is just what the word implies. It is for emergencies and accidents. Last year we handled about 16,000 cases. A lot of them were not emergencies.

"We had cases as for instance, people who had been taken with sore throat two or three days before and had just decided to come to the hospital.

"Our problem is that often such people take our time and facilities from those who are in serious condition. We have only three tables.

"The basic policy as pertains to the accident room is that it is for accidents and emergencies, but we try to take everyone who feels he has cause to come."

"HELLO THERE"—The voice you hear when you call Provident Hospital might well belong to this charming young lady, Miss Delores Madden, 2100 Homewood Ave., who has that well-known smile in her voice.

Fire victim 'fair,' Provident reports

Fire victim Gregory Smith, 8, was reported in a "fair condition" at Provident Hospital late Thursday.

The youngster was injured when he leaped from a third floor window at 551 Laurens St., early Saturday morning to escape a fire that killed his mother, his brother, and two other tenants in the house.

Funeral services for the mother, Mrs. Leola Hennegan, 36, and her son, Stanley, 6, were held Tuesday at Mt. Olivet Christian Church, Penrose and Fulton Ave., with burial in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

The third victim, Ralph Bailey, 43, a second floor tenant, was also buried on Tuesday after funeral services at the Church of God in Christ, 42 Robert St.

The body of the third victim, Elmer Hughes, 44, of 1304 McCulloh St., who was visiting Mrs. Hennegan at the time of the fire, was shipped to Lynchburg, Va., for burial.

Name Odell Shaw 'airman of month'

A/1C Odell Shaw, son of Mrs. Sarah Shaw, 1416 W. Lafayette St., has been named "Airman of the Month" for July by the 6390th Support Group of Headquarters Air Research and Development Command.

Airman Shaw enlisted in the United States Army in June 1948. He has served as a paratrooper and a member of the Military Police for a total of six years' service in the Army. In 1954 he joined the Air Force as a driver.

Presently assigned as a personal driver for Brig. Gen. Hurt M. Landon, he previously was driver for Brig. Gen. Don D. Flickinger, who is now Commander of ARDC's European Office in Brussels.

Airman Shaw holds the Paratrooper's Badge, the National Defense Service Medal, the Army of Occupation Medal (Germany, World War II), and the Good Conduct Medal. Airman Shaw is a member of ARDC's recently formed drill team.

He resides with his wife, Jeanneane, at 2506 Ellamont.

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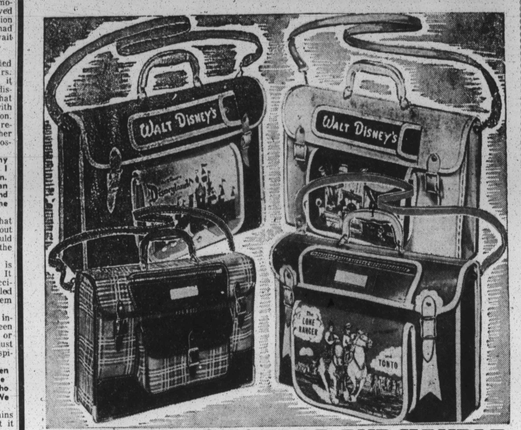

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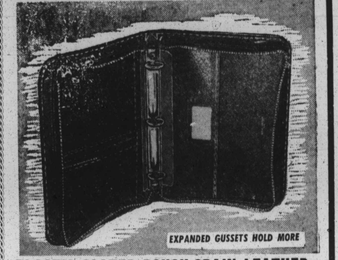

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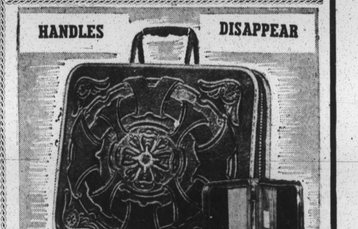

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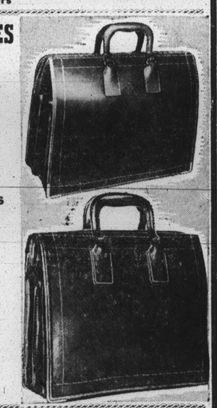

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Democratic Viewpoint

By ROBERT B. WATTS

George P. Mahoney's victory on last Monday has at last settled the issue with respect to who will be the Democratic opponent for the incumbent, Senator Butler.

The Democrats did themselves little good in settling this issue and the scars of battle may be hard to overcome. I was present when this issue was settled and passion was the order of the day.

Each speaker spoke with emotion and I had the feeling that few if any of the Tydings adherents will support Mr. Mahoney. You could just stand and listen to the comments to the effect that Butler would win in November.

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I EVEN OVERHEARD direct comments that "I'll be for Butler in the fall." Politicians are a funny lot. It is hard to picture them taking this defeat in the old college spirit.

Mahoney is considered an interloper, a man who didn't consult the D'Alesandros and the Pollacks and the Brooke Lees before entering politics.

I have found that this is an unpardonable sin in politics. It therefore appears that the first (D'Alesandro), fourth (Pollack) and fifth (Pollack) districts might very well go to Butler.

Reuben Caplan, a member of the Pollack organization, was strong in his denunciation of Mr. Mahoney and it is felt in political circles that Mr. Pollack will throw his support to Senator Butler.

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OTHERS FEEL that between now and the November election Mr. Mahoney and his friends will be able to make deals that will patch up these great differences.

Mike Birmingham, Baltimore County leader who apparently broke with Mahoney in Chicago, is expected to have a change of heart and support Mahoney. His Congressional candidate, Gordon Boone, needs all the Democratic votes he can get and Mahoney can be of great help to him.

Mrs. Tydings was a gracious loser and called all factions to join together to support Mr. Mahoney. I have very reliable information that Mrs. Tydings would have been a real liberal candidate and that she was responsible for whatever changes were seen in her husband.

She hails from Wisconsin and would have been a real champion of minority causes. Perhaps we will have another opportunity to judge this gracious lady and it is hoped she will seek office again. I think she made many friends in her attempt to gain the nomination.

It was surprising that no colored Democrats were seen around the Belvedere on this occasion. Many of the leading Democrats were on vacation and attending the Elks convention. Truly Hatchett, Lloyd Randolph, Sam Stewart, and others are in California attending the Elks convention, but many Negro Democrats who were still in town failed to make an appearance and this is regrettable.

Let us hope that we colored Democrats can have a united party in support of the Democratic candidates in November.

Sudan's ambassador now in Washington

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Dr. Ibrahim Anis, the first Sudanese ambassador to the United States, arrived in Washington by air Tuesday. Dr. Anis, who is in his fifties, is a physician.

Dr. Anis is staying at the Mayflower Hotel while his aides who accompanied him are looking out for a suitable place to locate their embassy. His wife and children will arrive later.

'In another world,' says skin diver

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

"It's like being in another world. Its hard to describe but you might get the same feeling if you were in a space ship."

There was a hint of suppressed excitement in the voice of Malcolm Jones as he spoke of the thrills of skin diving and as his hands gently caressed the equipment on which he stakes his life everytime he sinks into the strange and often wonderful world inhabited mainly by fish and only occasionally by man.

Man has been swimming for uncounted years but it is only fairly recently that he has been able to stay under water for any appreciable length of time without cumbersome diving equipment.

Now, loaded down with modern air tanks, flippers and a variety of other equipment, a man with courage in his heart can glide with the fish in a world that is one of the last on this earth.

This men and women as well use no diving suits and hence the name "skin divers."

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BUT YOU don't become a skin diver overnight and for 18-year-old Malcolm, his preparation for the sport really began when he was seven years old and learned to swim.

"I first became interested in skin diving when I went to Little Creek, Va., where the underwater demolition teams for the Navy (the frogmen) train," Malcolm said.

The oceans and rivers were far away as Malcolm spoke in the club basement of his home at 3124 Belmont Ave., but as he talked they came closer through the power of his own enthusiasm.

"One of the first things I did when I got back home was to see a salesman in a sporting goods store and he got me more interested and arranged for me to join 'The Maryland Waterbugs.'"

The Waterbugs is the only skin diving club in Maryland and Malcolm is the only colored member.

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WHEN HE begins talking about the weekly trips taken by the club, the mass the members attend before each dive, their adventures underwater, and the comradeship of the men, he doesn't have to say words about "acceptance." — it is obvious he is just another skin diver.

And when he tries to explain the thrill he gets from diving his words come hard and he admits:

"You just can't put into words the feeling that comes over you. You have to dive to know how it feels. I feel that I missed part of my life until I started diving.

"Its like nothing else in the world."

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IT TAKES COURAGE to be a skin diver and it also takes a certain amount of basic equipment that can cost up to several thousand dollars.

The most basic equipment includes an air tank with a mouthpiece, a pair of flippers that help the diver glide through the water, a face mask, weights to keep the diver down, a knife, a combination compass and depth indicator, and a waterproof watch.

The average tank contains enough compressed air for an hour and ten minutes and weighs 40 pounds.

"After you learn how to dive you have to learn 'how to breathe,' said Malcolm. "If you can control your breathing and omit some of your breaths, you can make a tank of air last longer.

"If you want to stay down even longer you can rig up two or three tanks to give you that much more air, and shift from tank to tank."

The air enters the mouth through a rubber mouthpiece with the exhaling done through the nose. The tanks have a safety device that cuts off the flow of the tank when the air is running low so that the diver has ample warning that he had better start thinking about getting topside.

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THE DEPTH INDICATOR is used to tell how deep the skin diver has gone. The record for a dive is held by a Frenchman who went to 350 feet. Malcolm has gone down to 105 feet and hopes to go any further.

"It takes about five minutes to go down to 100 feet and about 15 to come up. You can't come up too fast because you have to compensate for the change in pressure," Malcolm said.

This change in pressure is one of the hazards of skin diving since a too sudden change can produce a case of the dreaded "bends." The deeper a diver goes the more pressure is put on his body.

At 100 feet the pressure on the body is 44 pounds per square inch greater than at sea level and nitrogen collects in the blood stream.

This nitrogen has to escape from the body on the ascent, hence the necessity for coming up slowly to avoid the rapid escape of the gas and the subsequent "bends."

But in spite of this, Malcom insists that skin diving is:

"As safe as you make it. You've got to know your equipment and you've got to know what you are doing."

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THE SKIN diver's link is the air tank he wears strapped to his back. Malcolm has three of these rigs which cost anywhere from $160 to $290.

Probably second in importance are the flippers which cost $10 and propel the diver through the water with the ease of a fish. The combination depth and direction indicator sells in the neighborhood of $20 and a mask costs about $2.

Fully equipped, a skin diver bears a striking resemblance to a man from some distant planet, but underwater the buoyancy reduces the weight of the equipment and the diver is able to move about freely.

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THE DIVERS usually climb into a boat and move out to the spot where they are going to dive. Some of them simply lower themselves into the water and others fall off the side of the boat.

Regardless of the way they enter the water, the divers always go down in pairs as a safety measure.

When Malcolm dives he not only dives with a buddy but also with a knife, here due to a recent experience at the Conowingo Dam.

"One of the fellows went down about 100 feet and accidently got tangled up in a mess of fishing lines. He was down there alone because his buddy had come up to the top to get another tank of air. When the buddy got back he was just in time to cut him free from the lines. That taught me to never dive without a knife."

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MALCOLM, LIKE most skin divers, has to fish underwater and this is done with a spear gun that shoots with the force of a high powered rifle.

"The fish seem to think that you belong underwater and they show little fear. Everytime I go diving I find plenty of fish to shoot," he said.

The spear guns cost about $25.

Skin diving is not only for the summer months but is a winter sport as well, even when there is ice on the surface.

"Last year we broke ice to go diving. The only thing you have to be careful of is that you mark the hole through which you entered the water so that you can find it again when you come up. Otherwise you're in trouble."

Since previous skin divers can't enter cold water clad only in a pair of trunks, they wear rubber suits ranging in price from $75 to $135.

There are also suits which fit a diver almost like his skin and keep out all water. Then there are "wet suits which trap a small amount of water so that the diver's temperature can warm it to the heat of his body.

Malcolm prefers the dry suit.

"Actually," says Malcolm, "the secret is in wearing the right type of underwear. If you do this then its just like diving in August, no matter what the temperature of the water is.

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MALCOLM, who stands five feet ten inches tall and weighs 175 pounds, is a graduate of Douglass High School and a freshman at Morgan State College. In addition, he works in a drug store and for a local sporting goods store.

All these things keep him rather busy and some weekends he is unable to go diving, much to his regret.

"It feels like a wasted day. When I'm diving I'm in another world."

Malcolm believes that if more people knew about the thrill of skin diving, there—would be more skin divers. For that reason he would like to form a skin diving club, since his club "The Waterbugs" has a limited membership of 23 and several hundred names on the waiting list.

"Once you dive," he promises, "you're a diver for life. Its a whole new world."

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MALCOM admits that some people might find his hobby a bit strange, but he finds it fascinating.

"Perhaps he is something like the mountain climber who was asked why he climbed and gave the classic answer: "Because the mountains are there."

"The oceans and rivers are there, a vast and strange land full of living things and strange shadows. A land that as Malcolm says:

"Is like being in another world."

WINTER AND SUMMER — A skin diver, properly equipped, can dive no matter what the weather. In the first picture Malcolm Jones is clothed in a rubber swimming suit that fits him like a glove and enables him to enter the water even in the dead of winter: Under the suit Malcolm wears long underwear—the suit keeps out the water and the underwear keeps in the body heat. The second picture shows Malcolm in his summer gear. The tank on his back contains compressed air which enables him to stay under water for over an hour.

Vaccine shots are still available

Polio vaccine shots are still being given and will be given indefinitely, Dr. Huntington Williams of the Health Department said Thursday.

Dr. Williams reported, also, that since April 18, 1955 when the first vaccine inoculation was given in Baltimore for the prevention of polio, a total of 241,653 inoculations have been given.

Since January 1, of this year 155,771 inoculations have been given to date, Dr. Williams said.

The schedule for vaccine inoculations has not changed. It is as follows:

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TUESDAY: 12:30 p.m. - 1219 Druid Hill Ave. (Union Baptist Church), 515 W. Fayette St. (Western Health Center)

WEDNESDAY: 12:30 p.m. - 1219 Druid Hill Ave. ; 1:00 p.m. University Hospital, Lombard and Green Sts. (Appointment)

FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. - 620 N. Caroline St. (Eastern Health Center).

Sightseeing

By James D. Williams

Sure sign school is ready to start: Fellow outside the annex of Booker T. Washington High School on Wednesday, washing the windows with a hose and giving the front of the building a bath at the same time.

Solved- The mystery of the strange white letters "PEDO" showing up on city streets. A young man spent half a day trying to pronounce the letters.

Area is to warn motorists they are nearing a heavily traveled pedestrian crossing. You'll find the letters near schools.

Still unsolved is the mystery of who decided "X" was an abbreviation for crossing.

COOL JAZZ NOTES

JAZZ EXPERT Harley Brinsfield giving another one of his informative lectures, this time at the Tuesday meeting of the Frontiers Club.

Around town Mr. Brinsfield is getting the name of the premier authority on matters involving le jazz hot.

Raymond Johnson, 1637 Smallwood St., Paul Solomon, 1930 W. Lafayette Ave., and Eddie Traver III, 2524 W. Franklin St., among the young men leaving recently for six months training with the Army.

The first six weeks will be at Fort Knox. That's where they keep all the gold.

Gentleman who said he was from the Automobile Club Association calling up in a hurry with a problem.

Had an interracial driving class at Clifton Park and wanted to know where the members

Coming Events

SEPTEMBER 3
Labor Day.
SEPTEMBER 4
School begins for Baltimore City Teachers.
SEPTEMBER 5
School begins for youngsters in Baltimore City.
SEPTEMBER 6
School opens in Baltimore County.
SEPTEMBER 7
Free polio shots at Eastern Health District, 620 N. Caroline St., 8:30 a.m.
SEPTEMBER 9
Ebenezer AME Church testimonial honoring Miss Ethel B. Johnson for 40 years service to the Sunday School, 2 p.m.

Cross raising at Mt. Zion AME Church, 3 p.m. Long Green, Md.
SEPTEMBER 10
New membership year opens at Western Branch of the Red Shield Boys Club of Baltimore
SEPTEMBER 11
All staff meeting for school personnel at Memorial Stadium. Dr. H. Hunt, undersecretary of health, education, and welfare, is the speaker.
SEPTEMBER 10, 11, 12
Governor's Conference on Juvenile Delinquency at University of Maryland, College Park.

'I sure was hoping,' says top captain

A PROUD YOUNGSTER — That about describes Joseph Lockett, 16, 1635 Ellsworth St., captain of the winning block in the 22nd annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign. Using a green and white color scheme, hard work, and imagination, the Clean Blockers turned their street into one of the beauty spots of the city. Says Captain Lockett about winning the top award: "We were very happy."

"I didn't know we were going to win, but I sure was hoping."

"Sure I was nervous when they called my name. I couldn't even smile."

This was Tuesday afternoon, four days since the 1600 block Ellsworth St. had won the top prize in the 22nd annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign, but Captain Joseph Lockett hadn't gotten over the thrill yet.

It was shady and cool outside of Joseph's home at 1635 Ellsworth, and all along the street with its pretty green and white color scheme adults and children either played or rested.

"Everybody in the block was happy because they all had worked so hard," said Joseph as he looked proudly up and down the street.

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FOR BEING the best block in the city the Ellsworth St. Clean Blockers received a check for $75 and on Wednesday they held a victory party.

"We'll have a little bit of everything" said Joseph, "just to celebrate."

Last year the block won third prize and it was then that plans were laid for winning the top prize this year.

"THE ONLY problem was keeping the street clean once we got it clean," said Joseph. "Now that it is clean we want to keep it clean."

Soft-spoken Joseph is a pupil at Vocational School No. 453, and one of these days he hopes to be a carpenter.

Looking forward to this he has already built several pieces of furniture including tables used in his home.

Proud of his block winning the top prize, Joseph isn't going to rest on his laurels. Instead his gaze is fixed on 1957.

"Everybody wants the block clean and we'll be back again next year." Joseph is the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Lockett. He has two sisters, Gracie and Vilia, and four brothers, Rodgers, James, Leonard, and Ollie.

Personalities of 'Old Baltimore' recalled

The distaff side got in on the memories of Old Baltimore this week with a letter from Mrs. Anita Henderickson Cleary; Mrs. Cleary who lives at 1600 E. Biddle St., wrote in her letter:

"I would like to add the names of a few more persons who were old Baltimore residents in the days gone by.

"I was a resident of the 1400 block Jefferson St. and would like to add the name of John Jones who had a barber shop at Spring and Jefferson Sts. He was the father of Mrs. Mildred Jones Seaborne who is now vice principal of Dunbar High School.

"Charles J. Bailey, at the other corner, was one of our leading morticians. Joe Rochester was an orchestra leader and he later became a mortician.

"John L. Hitchens was in the transfer business and had an office on Holiday St. His daughter was a teacher at old East Street School until she became Mrs. T. Evans Fernandes Sr.

"Joseph G. Locks Sr., was a mortician on Central Ave. There was also the Rev. Phifer—father of Dr. Theodore Phifer—and H. Grafton Brown, principal at the time of East Street School in the 500 block. His son is Dr. Rayner Brown.

"Let's not forget the Carter family on Jefferson St.; the Rev. Mr. Carter's son is James Carter of Morgan State College—then there were Mr. and Mrs. Proctor who had two sons, Robert and William, who were school principals; Charles, another son, was a postal clerk. Frances and Viola, two daughters, were teachers; Dr. Solomon Proctor was a pharmacist and the Rev. George Proctor."

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There was an organ grinder with a little monkey dressed in a red coat with brass buttons collecting money.

Then there was the dancing bear on a chain led through the streets by a man.

"Remember the oolong tea and cocoa shells sold by C. D. Kenny—and the glasses of free iced tea—and the soft drink man at Lexington and Eutaw Sts. selling root beer, sarasaparilla and mead—five cents a glass. Remember the old man who sold 10 cent lemonade on the southeast corner of Fayette near Calvert?

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Off the Beaten Path

By ELIZABETH MURPHY OLIVER

Gertie Cunningham's Bar, Peach Alley and Hamburg Street, has been open every day, except Sundays and holidays, for the past 50 years.

It is the oldest bar in South Baltimore and probably the cleanest, it is spotless.

"My bar has always been integrated," says the middle-aged proprietress. "And we've never had anything but friendship here."

Old, fashioned charm is maintained by the swinging half-doors and the copper trough which is equipped with to carry away trash, cigarette butts and whatnot, which stretches the length of the bar at its base.

The bar itself is solid oak, is the original one Gertrude's German born father placed there when he built the building in 1900.

This was the favorite haunt of "Monk" Anderson, one-time Sheriff of Hamburg Street in the era of Tom Smith, the gambling baron of Baltimore in the '20s and '30's.

Gertie remembers him well as the kindest, most thoughtful man that ever lived in the neighborhood.

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AT ALICE Street and Arlington Avenue there is a bit of the country in town. Seven foot high corn waves its brown tassles and sports roasting ears about two neat rows.

Great, fresh green heads of cabbages grow along beside tomatoes, green beans, okra and green peppers.

Giant zinnias line the-walk of this mid-city garden and cluster together in an array of color in a circle in the middle of the yard.

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I SAW FALL today in the mist of the early morning. Although there is some regret at the passing of Summer, many lovers have found that September, October, November are months when romance culminates in marriage.

Statistics show almost as many couples marry in Autumn as in the proverbial June season.

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HUCKSTERS have their wagons filled with Maryland watermelons and cantaloupes now. Early-birds made a purchase at a bargain price.

The Salvation Army, Fremont Ave. and Russell St., is the place to go.

I got two vases for 25 cents near the Mt. Hope area and paraded at an antique shop at $35 each.

Also, a six-foot tapestry with the seal 1776 on the back, made in France. Entered into the port of Baltimore. It is worth about $200. I paid $1.50.

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THE SOFTEST place in the world is supposed to be under a horse's tail, but what reaches the softest spot in my heart is a proud horse whose driver thinks enough of him to treat him kindly.

I saw a beloved steed this week who was decorated with baubles, bangles—and beads, straps, and horse-type decorations. Jauntily perched upon his forehead was a real rose.

I want to see a Gypsie, but not to get my fortune told. I wondered just what she would say for 50 cents.

She told me I was lucky, and would receive a lot of money if I could pay her 50 cents more and get the "figure" she had for me. For the total of one dollar, she would throw in a good luck charm.

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THERE'S something about a seagoing ship which makes us a far - away - places - feeling come up inside you.

I went on the Bay Belle one night about 2 a.m. just to see what it was like when the crowd had gone.

The men were getting her ready for excursion trips the next day. As we looked around we were able in the absence of people to take in the exquisite furnishings, the varnished gargoyles of the Victorian period.

The Bay Belle is one of the most spacious, ornate pleasure boats which sails the Chesapeake.

It is reminiscent of the Mississippi steam boats which used to tie up at Memphis in the bygone days of the old South, in a circle in the middle of the yard.

PLUM ALLEY has been changed to Plum Street, Peach Alley to Peach Street.

Progress is gradually robbing the city of some of its old landmarks.

Bernard Percy Hemsley has been head morgue keeper at City Hospitals for 17 years. He is the embalmer, and assists in performing of autopsies.

His assistant is Herman Jackson who has been employed about 17 months.

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Rent control notes

(Ed. Note - Listed below are several questions and answers concerning rent control.)

Q. A tenant wants to know whether it is possible for the landlord to get an increase in rent though the lease is still in force?

A. Only if the tenant agrees to the increase.

Q. Why should a tenant agree to an increase?

A. If he wants an additional service, such as a new refrigerator or new gas stove, or new linoleum, or other additional services, then he would have to agree to the increase

Q. Otherwise the landlord wouldn't install the new equipment?

A. That's right.

Q. IS IT TRUE that a landlord does not need the consent of the tenants when he installs central heating?

A. That's correct. The landlord does not have to get permission from the tenants to install central heating.

Q. But I thought that when a landlord supplies additional services he is obliged to get the consent of the tenants?

A. Usually that is so, but not where a major capital improvement is concerned.

Q. Would a tenant whose lease is still in force be required to pay an increase in rent when the landlord installs central heating?

A. The tenant would not have to pay a rent increase for the duration of the lease. But upon the expiration of the lease, the tenant would have to pay the increase.

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Q. In many slum areas such increases could amount to a 50 or a 100 per cent jump in rent. How does the Commission square such sharp increases with its obligation to hold rents in line?

A. While such an obligation is one of the main purposes of the Rent Commission, it also has an equally important obligation. And that is, to prevent the further growth of slums and to prevent loss of life because of kerosene heaters and other types of hazardous heating methods. Additionally, the Commission is bound by the laws enacted by the Legislature.

Thus, if the law permits a landlord to get a rent increase on the basis of a major capital improvement, the Rent Administrator is obliged to carry out the law.