Brager's cafeteria open to all

"In the cafeteria I serve the public and my employees both white and colored, I don't care what their color is or their religion either."

Paul D. Sowell, president of Brager's Department Store, Eutaw and Saratoga Sts., was speaking on Thursday of the policy of his store in serving food to colored customers who provide the store with an estimated 23 per cent of its total sales.

Mr. Sowell said that all customers are now being served in the cafeteria which has self service, but the soda fountain section is still reserved for white patrons only.

The company president explained that the soda fountain has waitress service and he decided to keep this section segregated until he could determine how his customers had accepted the change in the cafeteria.

"I have no objection to serving them all," he added, "but I don't know how it will be taken."

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THE CAFETERIA is located on the grond floor of the store, while the soda fountain is on the first, Mr. Sowell said. He also explained that the cafeteria was used mainly for hot meals while the soda fountain featured quick order items.

"I started it about 60 days ago," Mr. Sowell said in answer to question on how long the cafeteria policy had been in operation.

"I'm trying to feel this thing out. I'm quite eager to break all these barriers. I think they are ridiculous," he said.

"When I came here (in 1941) we had separate colored and white toilets and I abolished that. We had separate check rooms and I abolished that.

"At that time they were making notations on charge accounts as to whether the customer was white or colored and I abolished that," Mr. Sowell declared.

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THE QUESTION of segregation at Brager's arose when a customer, Jodie Vance, 410 N. Monroe St., wrote to complain that when he went to the store on Wednesday to pay a bill, and visited the fountain, he was advised by a waitress that he could not be served.

In the letter, Mr. Vance said in part:

"You know that many states have dropped discrimination against colored persons. As far as I am concerned it is un-Christian like. I am sure that you will admit that colored persons helped build your business to what it is today.

"I am hoping that you will take this into consideration."

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IN COMMENTING on the letter Mr. Sowell said:

"I don't know who it was who told him that. I've got a lot of people working here. I've made no big fanfare about it but maybe I should have released the news."

"I'm sorry that the customer didn't get the proper handling and I think that I will take some steps to make sure that they (the employees) understand that."

RECONCILED?—Mrs. Edith C. Little, Provident Hospital nurse, leaves Northwestern Police Court where her husband, William Edward Little, was placed on probation for 18 months for striking her. David A. Hyman, counsel for Mr. Little said: "I hope they can reconcile."

'No hope of reconciliation with wife,'—Howard Dixon

Howard D. Dixon, real estate dealer and co-owner of the Comedy Club, filed a petition in Circuit Court, this week, asking for an absolute divorce from Mrs. Mildred Holly Dixon.

The young businessman father of two children, five and eight years of age, said that he and Mrs. Dixon have voluntarily lived apart since 1952.

Their separation he said, is "deliberate, final, and without any hope of reconciliation."

The wife, he says, lives at their Catonsville home, 5934 Old Frederick Rd. He gave his address as 1416 Pennsylvania Ave.

Josiah F. Henry is attorney for Mr. Dixon.

AFRO efforts to reach Mrs. Dixon for comment on the suit proved futile on Thursday.

'If I can't have you nobody will'

"He pulled up in his car. I was sitting on the steps. His hands reached for me. He said: 'I've got you now.' He drove off. Later he told me: 'If I can't have you, nobody else will.'"

Mrs. Edith C. Little, an attractive, prematurely gray, 28-year-old Provident Hospital nurse, was testifying Wednesday in Northwestern Police Court.

Her estranged husband William Edward Little, 28, 3300 block Round Rd. Cherry Hill, was charged with striking her with his fist on July 16.

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ACCORDING to police Mrs. Little was admitted to Provident Hospital early July 17 in a hysterical condition, following an attack by her husband in the vicinity of St. Agnes Lane.

Prompted by her husband's counsel, David A. Hyman, Mrs. Little said that her husband had taken her and her brother to Winfield about 7:30 p.m. July 16, a few hours before the attack.

The trip lasted about two hours. He returned her to her home in the 1000 block of N. Arlington. Ave. about 9:30. Still later, about midnight he returned and grabbed her into his car and drove away, later attacking and beating her, she said.

"I want a divorce," Mrs. Little told the crowded courtroom. When asked whether or not she still loves her husband, she replied: "At one time, I can't stand anybody beating on me."

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MAGISTRATE Linwood G. Koger Sr. looked at Mr. Little, a tall heavy-set man dressed in a gray-striped suit, with an orange-white sport shirt open at the neck and said:

"You've got too much power to hit that little woman. You'll never win her back, striking her and lording over her. She still loves you."

Magistrate Koger suspended a 60-day jail sentence and placed Mr. Little on probation for 18 months.

Hurt in fall

John Cox, construction worker of 602 W. Lanvale St. sustained scalp injuries when he fell from a ladder while working in the 1300 block W. Mulberry St. on Monday.

He had six stitches taken in the wound at Franklin Square Hospital and later released.

Gloria Lockerman to draw PALMA car winner

Winning numbers in the grand drawing for the late-model, fully - equipped Mercury and other sensational prizes in which will be given away by the Pennsylvania Avenue - Lafayette Market Association on Saturday, August 18 at 2 p.m. will be drawn by Gloria Lockerman.

Gloria, a twelve-year-old Baltimore schoolgirl recently appeared on several nationwide television shows. She is the spelling champion of the "$64,000 Question TV show." The spelling expert, whose poise and charm captivated audiences throughout the country, stated that she would be happy to take part in the drawing.

The grand drawing will take place from a stand erected on Laurens Street near Pennsylvania Ave. Saturday August 18, at 2 p.m. a change from the previously announced time of 7 p.m.

Coupons for the Mercury and other prizes are available to any adult at any of the Palma stores or market stalls.

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PALMA STORES are located in the 1500 to 1800 blocks of Pennsylvania Avenue and the stalls are located in and around the Lafayette Market. These establishments are easily recognized by the now familiar PALMA emblem displayed on the premises.

"Coupons are absolutely free. There is nothing to buy, nothing to write, nothing to rhyme.

Winning numbers will be announced over WEBB between 2 and 3 p.m. on the day of the drawing. Numbers will also be posted at all Palma members at 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 8, and published in the AFRO-AMERICAN.

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RULES FOR the drawing are simple. All winning numbers will be verified at the **AFRO AMERICAN, 628 N. Eutaw St. Baltimore,** as Mrs. Lockerman's prizes at the AFRO- AMERICAN, except for the winner of the car for whom special arrangements will be made. Winners must present their coupons at the AFRO and claim their prizes not later than the close of business on Friday, August 24.

In the event no winner appears to claim the car, the next highest winner will be awarded the Mercury.

Should the winner of the car be under legal age, he must be accompanied by his parents or guardian.

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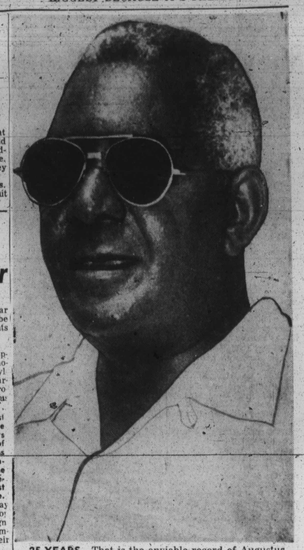
ACCORDING to Melvin Epstein, chairman of the Promotion Committee of the Pennsylvania Avenue Lafayette Market Association the current promotion is the most ambitious undertaken by PALMA.

"This is one of the biggest promotions we've held," he said. "This is one of the ways that we of Palma have of showing our many patrons that we appreciate their patronage and good will. The members of Palma have dedicated themselves to honest values, courtesy and service.

"I am more than happy to say in talking to many who shop where they see the Palma sign that they too, feel Palma members are carrying out their pledge.

"I regret that everyone can't be a winner. There will be other and I hope, bigger promotions."

The first prize, the late model Mercury will tour the market area—each Saturday until Aug. 18, the day of the drawing. It can be seen on Pennsylvania Avenue on these days or at the Park Circle Motor Company every day.



25 YEARS—That is the enviable record of Augustus Robinson, 57, 1100 block Whatcoat St. Blind since he was 17 years old, Mr. Robinson is still one of the top AFRO carriers in Baltimore.

'I've been selling AFROs a little over 25 years'

"I've been selling AFROs a little over 25 years. I started on June 17, 1931." This is what Augustus Robinson, 57, 1141 Whatcoat St. proudly told an AFRO interviewer in his neatly furnished home Wednesday.

Seated on a large davenport next to his wife, Mrs. Edna Robinson, Mr. Robinson said: "I've been blind since I was 17 years-old. We married in 1920, and have two children living. A son died about seven years-ago.

"My sons helped me sell AFROs. My daughter is married now." Mr. Robinson recalled. Nodding toward his wife, he remarked: "She's a big help to me."

"I count the money," Mrs. Robinson smiled.

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SELLING AFROs helps support us." Mr. Robinson continued. "I worked at the Maryland Workshop For the Blind from 1919 to 1931."

Selling back on the davenport, Mr. Robinson said: "I don't have the least idea how many customers I have, but I sell over 200 AFROs on Fridays and over 150 on Tuesdays."

Standing up and reaching for his pipe, he said smilingly: "It looks like the people don't want to miss the AFRO, rainy or snowy weather, and me, I get it to them."

MR. ROBINSON's call of 'AF-FRO,' is a familiar sound in the Northwest area bounded by Calhoun, Mattison, Dolphin and North Ave.

A helper walks with him on his route. He uses a wagon to carry his papers.

James H. Murphy, AFRO circulation director, noting Mr. Robinson's silver anniversary this week said: "I commend Mr. Gus Robinson on his 25 years of service. Being blind has in no way kept him from getting ahead."

"In fact, his handicap has only stimulated his ability to improve. All of us in the AFRO circulation Department wish him well on this anniversary."

Mrs. Emma Savage, 90, dies; funeral Sunday

Mrs. Emma Savage, a lifelong resident of South Baltimore and member of two old Baltimore families, died on Tuesday, one month after she marked her 90th birthday.

Mrs. Savage made her home at 510 W. Cross St. Her death on Tuesday at University Hospital followed a short illness

Funeral services will be held on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at John Wesley Methodist Church, where Mrs. Savage was a lifelong member.

THE DAUGHTER of Cammie and Thomas Martin, Mrs. Savage was born May 27, 1866. She was married to the late Hezekiah Savage and they had ten children, six of whom survive.

The children are: Mrs. Marie Scribner, Hezekiah, Sherman and William Savage, Mrs. Mildred McCullum and Mrs. Floretta Brooks.

There are also 20 grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great, great-grandchildren.

'Miss Lottie,' longtime Bates teacher, dies

Miss Charlotte Ruddock, better known as 'Miss Lottie' and 'Miss Ruddie', longtime teacher at Bates High School in Annapolis, died on Tuesday at a Convalescent home in Washington.

Mrs. Ruddock, who was 76 years old, retired from the schools nearly 16 years ago.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at Asbury Methodist Church in Annapolis with the Rev. I.J. Barry officiating. Burial will be in Brew Hill Cemetery in Annapolis.

Survivors include a niece, Mrs. Charlotte Brashers of Washington; two nephews L. C. and Edwin Ruddock, of Washington and Harrisburg, Pa.

MISS RUDDOCK was born in Lucia, BWI, the daughter of the late Jane and John Ruddock. Her parents were slave exporters.

She came to the U. S. while still a youngster, in company with her brother, the Rev. E. J. Ruddock.

She finished Howard University, class of 1914, and began teaching in Annapolis elementary schools the same year.

In 1918, she transferred to the home-economics department of the Bates High School, and remained there as a teacher for 30 years, until her retirement in 1944.

ACTIVE in the Annapolis community, Miss Ruddock joined Asbury Methodist Church, in 1914, and was a leader in the Home Missionary Society of the church.

She was a founder of a teachers' organization called "The Dukes," and was honored by Annapolis teachers who named the chapter of New Teachers of America the Charlotte Y. Ruddock Chapter.

She was a member of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority. Order of Eastern Star No. 15, Prince Hall affiliation and the National Council of Negro Women.

'I'm back, I'm Nock'

"I'm back."

"Who?"

"I'm Nock, the man who fell five stories."

That in brief sums up the conversation of a man who fell from a downtown office building seven months ago and is alive to talk about it.

Released from Mercy Hospital on Saturday, Alvin Nock, 20, of 1100 N. Monroe St., declared: "Yes, I'm back and glad to be alive."

ELATED OVER the fact that he escaped death by a fraction, Mr. Nock stated Wednesday, "I'm feeling fine now." Just wanted everybody to know it."

An employee of the Queen City Window washing company, Mr. Nock dropped from the fifth floor of the Maryland Trust Co. at Calvert and Redwood Sts., on Jan. 28th.

His fall was broken by a lower third floor roof which was a part of the building where he and his brother, Elton L. Nock were working.

Mr. Nock sustained leg and back injuries. With a chuckle he says: "My friends didn't think I would make it."

'Non-support traps suspect

"If he hadn't done anything I don't see why he ran away to Virginia."

Judge Michael Manley drew this conclusion Wednesday before sentencing John W. Gibson, Jr., 22, 600 block Vine St., to 3 years in the House of Correction for robbery.

Mr. Gibson was accused of robbing John McGowan, a fellow - employee at a coal yard, of $15 in November, 1954.

OFFICER ERNEST O'CONNOR, Southwestern District, testified that after he picked Mr. Gibson up on a non support charge on July 13 "we learned the defendant was wanted on a robbery warrant of Nov. 8, 1954."

Officer O'Connor said when Mr. Gibson was questioned about the robbery, he denied it. However, the officer said the defendant related that when he learned police were looking for him he left Baltimore and went to Richmon, Va., where he stayed four months.

Julius Romano, assistant State's attorney, said Mr. Gibson served three prison sentences. The prosecutor said the defendant received a one year term for larceny in 1945, two years in 1948 for auto larceny, and 18 months in 1951 for auto larceny.

'They were all good buddies'

"They were all good buddies."

Mrs. Pensacola Ross, 1422 N. Broadway, bereaved mother of an 18 year - old East Baltimore boy killed in a weekend auto crash, was referring to the others killed and injured in the freak accident.

Funeral services for the victim David Ross, will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at the family home. Interment will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

The Western Union Messenger and Walter A. Fallin, 22, 1712 N. Bond St., were killed outright when a car in which they were passengers overtdrned on the new Harrisburg Expressway early Saturday.

Injured in the accident were Joseph R. Carpenter, 21, driver, 1600 block E. Oliver St., Martin Fallin, 17-year-old brother of Walter Fallin, 2000 block E. Preston St., and Lester Johnson, 21, 800 block McDonough St.

Ross, a former Dunbar High School student, is survived by his mother: seven brothers, Oscar, Joel, James, William, Daniel, Nathaniel and Moses, and three sisters, Georgia, Ruth and Vashti.

CRASH VICTIM'S relatives are shown entering the Elliott Funeral Home on Tuesday to attend services for Walter A. Fallin, 22, 1712 N. Bond St., who died in auto crash on Harrisburg Expressway near Lutherville on Saturday. Also killed was David Ross, 19, 1422 N. Broadway. Car turned over eight times after rear tires blew out. The widow, Mrs. Evelyn Fallin is at right.

'Leon' holds key to freedom

"Do you think if you could find Leon you could get him to come down and testify? . . .

This inquiry by Judge Michael Manley evoked snickers from spectators in Criminal Court Thursday, but it was no in no laughing matter for one of three defendants on trial for larceny of an automobile belonging to Harry Uppmen, 3600 block Ellamont Rd.

James Nettles, 19, 1500 block Riggs Ave., said the car he was accused of stealing May 22 was loaned to him by a man 'Leon.' He was unable to supply Leon's last name or address.

Nettles placed on probation in June for similar charge, was found guilty of unauthorized use of an automobile and sentenced to not more than 18 months in the Maryland State Reformatory for Males.

Judge Manley also revoked his 18-month probation which he must serve consecutively with the other term.

Two other youths, Levi L. Jackson, 19, and Edward F. Thomas, 16, both of the 1500 block N. Carey St., were sentenced to not more than one year each in the Maryland State Reformatory for Males.

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Beautician hurt in auto accident

Mrs. Arlethea Thompson Young, owner of a beauty shop at 1403 Pressman St., has been discharged from Provident Hospital where she was undergoing treatment for injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

The accident occured on Route 301, 15 miles south of Baltimore, as Mrs. Young was returning from a visit in Waldorf.

The car reportedly skidded between a telegraph pole and an embankment, demolishing the vehicle.

Mrs. Young is a member of a number of civic and social clubs and the Metropolitan Methodist Church. Injuries were listed as cuts, bruises and a fractured leg.

Vodka and orange juice bad mixture

"You can't do like the Russians. Vodka certainly shouldn't bother vodka. You deserve to go to prison." Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr. was reprimanding Edward Louis Liggins, 26, 2000 block Druid Hill Ave., in Northwestern Police Court Thursday.

He was charged with disturbing the peace at his home and with striking his wife, Mrs. Janie Liggins, who is expecting their second child.

Mrs. Liggins, dressed in a blue skirt and pink maternity smock, said: "Last night he and a friend came to the house and drank vodka and orange juice.

"I knocked his drink over and he started beating me."

"THE MOST I did was hold her and try to keep her from hitting me." The young husband who was neatly dressed in a pink shirt and light tan trousers said.

After the defendant said he was out on strike, Magistrate Koger changed a $50 fine to a suspended sentence of three months in the Md. House of Correction and 18 months on probation for striking his wife.

"If you haven't caused her to have a miscarriage, she'll become a mother again," Magistrate Koger said as he suspended a $25 fine for disturbing the peace.

Condition of boy hit by automobile reported improving

The condition of 5-year-old Bernard Tyler, 1000 block W. Lanvale St. was reported as improving, Thursday, by officials at Provident Hospital.

He was struck by a car about 8 p.m. Wednesday as he ran from behind two parked cars in the 1100 block of W. Lanvale St. Taken to Provident Hospital, he was treatef for multiple cuts and a cerebral concussion.

Driver of the automobile, Luther Halley Cook, 53, 1700 block Ellamont St., a gas station attendant, has been charged with reckless driving. A hearing has been set for August 27 in Traffic Court.

'Buffalo Bill' Garrett wins his freedom

"Have you ever been to Columbus (Ohio), Mr. Garrett?"

"I was waiting tables there."

"You were waiting tables in the penitentiary there, weren't you?"

"Yes, sir."

J. Robert Brown, assistant State's attorney, evoked these answers out of Mr. Garrett, 1400 block E. Fayette St., after the 76-year-old man denied on the witness stand Monday that he had a record of convictions.

Mr. Garrett, whose long gray hair and whiskers are reminiscent of Buffalo Bill, was on trial for assault to murder a former roomer, 39-year-old Arthur Gist, on June 13.

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JUDGE MICHAEL MANLEY found the elderly man not guilty, but before dismissing the charge the jurist said:

"Well, if he had told the truth about his record, it would have been easier for him."

Mr. Gist, who gave an address in the 1500 block E. Fairmount St., testified that when he entered the house on the day of the alleged assault, Mr. Garrett began discussing money matters.

"I told him he couldn't eat the apple and have it too," Mr. Gist said. "All of a sudden he hit me with a walking stick, threw lye or bleach on me and then he stabbed me with a bread knife."

Mr. Garrett, with the aid of a cane, walked feebly to the witness stand to deny the charges in a halting voice. He contended that Mr. Gist, who was living at his house rent free, cut himself after kicking in a door.

"Now, where any lye or bleach came from I don't know." Mr. Garrett said, after relating the man had been drinking.

When Mr. Garrett denied having a prison record, the prosecuting attorney produced the Ohio record showing he served a term for assault.

When Mr. Brown asked the defendant why he tried, after his record, Mr. Garrett said, "Well, that's up to you to find out."

"Well, we found out," Mr. Brown replied.

PO clerk's wife gets custody of 4 children

William Hitchcock, postal clerk, of 2246 W. Fayette St. divorced Mrs. Verlen Hitchcock on grounds of desertion.

"My wife just picked up her clothes and moved. She said she was tired of living with me," he testified.

He and Mrs. Hitchcock, married in 1940 and separated in 1950, are parents of four children.

She was given custody of the children and he ordered to pay her $120 per month for their support. He must also pay her attorney's fee of $100.

Weather
Friday, rather cloudy, warm and humid. Scattered thunder showers likely. Saturday, continued warm and humid. Possible showers in afternoon. Sunday, warm and clearing.

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Prayer For Today

"Eternal Father: Open Thy bountiful hands to all those who suffer need and persecution; give them in abundance the things necessary for life, and humble the cruel men who oppress their weaker brothers in the Southland."

'Eat In The Kitchen!'

S. Baltimore Mortician Jailed On Tax Charge

'I had no $ left,' Rice tells court

"Oh, I do not think that this man is an evil man. It's just an unfortunate case where he has a civic duty to the United States."

Federal Judge W. Calvin Chesnut was referring to an East Baltimore undertaker who pleaded guilty before him Thursday, of income tax evasion.

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CHARLES A. RICE, 51, 600 block Barre St., received a six-month sentence and was fined $2,500 for failure to file returns on his income for the years 1953 and 1954.

John R. Hargrove, assistant U.S. Attorney, said Mr. Rice owed the government $2,306 on an adjusted gross income of $8,015 for the two-year period.

A two-count government information filed on April 9, alleged that the undertaker earned $11,494 in 1953 and $14,036 the following year.

Mr. Rice told the court that after business expenses, "I did not have any money left over."

According to Mr. Hargrove, Mr. Rice said he did not file income tax returns from the years 1949 to 1954. The prosecutor said the defendant's reason for not filing was because he did not know how much money he made.

"Overall," said Mr. Hargrove, "his records were very poorly kept."

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AN INTERNAL revenue agent told Judge Chesnut he learned of Mr. Rice's delinquencies when his office made a survey of Baltimore undertakers.

Mr. Rice is a former employee of the Elroy Wilson Funeral Home and in 1949 opened his own business.

SOLDIERS HELD:

Blueprint for death

WASHINGTON

"He stated that they planned to rob Freeman. LaValle said

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they didn't believe he would say anything because he was 'a queer.'"

Such was the testimony of Det. Sgt. Edwin C. Coppage of the homicide squad at the inquest, this week, in the pistol-slaying of Robert L. Freeman, 52, 1000 block Fourth St., NW, a Southern Railway chef.

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A CORONER'S JURY held two blond 19-year-old soldiers for grand jury action in the killing, and a third soldier, 18, was bound over as an accessory before the fact.

Held responsible in the Saturday night murder were Privates Richard S. LaValle and Lloyd E. Watkins, both members of an anti-aircraft unit at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

Pvt. Michael R. Peterson, a barracks mate of the accused,

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Followers from 30 states mourn drowned minister

WASHINGTON

"Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friend, John 15: 13.

Elder William H. Morgan, local evangelist who drowned July 26 while trying to save the life of a deacon in his church, was thus eulogized Tuesday.

The tribute was paid by Elder Joseph Morris of Pittsburgh, Pa., a fellow evangelist and brother-in-law of the minister who was pastor of Washington Tabernacle of the Church of God and Saints of Christ, 1607 11th St., NW.

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ELDER MORRIS was one of seven ministers who spoke at the three hours service conducted by uniformed members of the sect at Lincoln Congress Temple, 11th and R Sts., NW.

A combined chorus of formally dressed men in brown frock tail coats and three-cornered caps, with women members wearing brown skirts, blue sashes and red skull-like caps, chanted melodies throughout the services.

Burial followed in a drizzling rain at Woodlawn Cemetery as members of the local congregation wept openly over the golden-hued casket inclosing the body of their dead leader.

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"I FIRST saw him when he baptized me 15 years ago in the river, and I last saw him when he went down doing the work of the Lord," one member declared.

The pastor was drowned on a Saturday afternoon as he prepared to conduct baptismal services for his small congregation on the south bank of the Anacostia River near the South Capitol St. Bridge.

Deacon George Wade, 24, of Rockville went ahead of the Elder probing the shallow water with a stick to find a safe place. Suddenly the young churchman slipped into deep

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'Can't someone help?' ask friends of mother who left 8 small children

"All of her talk is about the children. She doesn't want anything for herself, just for the children."

Mrs. Elder Hill, 1836 May Ct., stood in the second floor hallway at 1017 Bethune Rd.

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Tuesday afternoon and spoke in a low voice.

She spoke softly because in a nearby bedroom Mrs. Rachel Hollis was slowly coming back to reality after the shock of her daughter's death.

The daughter, Mrs. Lorraine Woodfolk, 29-year-old mother of 8 children, died suddenly of a brain hemorrhage. She was estranged from her husband.

MRS. WOODFOLK wasn't a rich woman or even well off, and when she died there wasn't much to leave to the children. A simply furnished house in the Cherry Hill project, a few memories, and a grandmother who wanted to take care of them.

At the funeral on Monday, Mrs. Hollis fainted and remained unconscious for several hours.

"She still doesn't know that she went to the funeral," said Mrs. Hill, "and she feels very badly out it."

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WITH THE mother gone, and the grandmother under a physician's care, the children are be-

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HAPPY WORKING MEN—When the officials of the Bethlehem Steel Co. affixed their signatures to the new pact with the Steelworkers Union, these were two of the men who went back to work at the Sparrows Point. The smiles belong to Jasper Quick, 824 Peach Orchard Lane, and William A. Timmons, 1747 E. Federal St.

'I Knew It Was Wrong'

"I made faces, and held my tears back because I knew it was the wrong thing for my father to be doing to me."

This damaging statement read in Criminal Court Tuesday was part of the evidence which convicted Hercules Williams, 400 block Claymount Ave., of committing immoral acts upon his four daughters, ages, 10, 11, 13 and 15.

A stern-faced jurist, Judge Joseph L. Carter, in passing sentence, said:

"This case, in my opinion, calls for a severe sentence because it was a severe crime. Williams, I'm sorry that you've come to this point in your life.

"It so much worse when it involves your own daughters. You're 39; I'm going to take 20 years away from you."

Thus, Judge Carter imposed 5-year prison terms in each of the four cases and ordered them served consecutively.

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SGT. VIOLET WHYTE, Northwestern District, the lone State witness in the case, testified that on July 19 the four girls gave statements to police charging their father with committing immoral acts upon them over a period of months.

Mr. Williams was subsequently arrested, Mrs. Whyte said, and he gave a statement admitting guilt.

The policewoman related that when Mr. Williams was confronted by his daughters at the district station and read the statements given by them he "dropped his head and sort of apologized to his girls."

Judge Carter admitted the five statements into evidence over the vigorous objection of the court-appointed defense attorney, Hugh J. Monagnan.

THE GIRLS, who testified as defense witnesses, repudiated the police statements and told the court they made up the story because Mr. Williams would not allow them to visit their grandmother.

"Do I understand you to say that everything you told Sgt. Whyte is untrue?" Joseph Koutz, assistant State's attor-

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Just ask for "Miss Marion"

Druid reopens laundry section

"We are accepting laundry and dry cleaning."

E. Gaines Lansey, president of the Druid Laundry, Druid Hill Ave. and Wilson St., made this statement this week formally ending a brief shut down of the laundry section of the 58-year-old institution, for financial reorganization.

The laundry department was closed for a two - week period ending Monday.

9 players in TV grid clash tonite

CHICAGO — No fewer than nine colored players will be seen in action in the telecast of the College All-Star football game tonight (Friday), from Soldier's Field.

The Cleveland Browns, who as champions of the National Football League will oppose the selected collegians, have six colored athletes in their probable lineup. The All-Stars indicate that they will use three.

Aside from their four veterans—Len Ford and Horace Gillom, guard Harold Bradley and fullback Maurice Bassett — the Browns will use two rookies. These are Ernie Lindo and Fred Robinson.

Lindo is a halfback from College of the Pacific, and Robinson is a guard who starred last year at the University of Washington.

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ON THE ALL-STAR side will be Lenny Moore, Eddie Vincent and Larry Ross.

Moore, a halfback, was one of the outstanding ball carriers in the East last year while playing at Penn State.

Vincent performed in yeoman fashion at University of Iowa, and Ross was a one-man show at Denver University. He is an end.

Moore is the property of the Baltimore Colts, Vincent was drafted by the Chicago Bears and Ross belongs to the Browns.

Rev. Bouey, mate of AFRO mom, dies

RICHMOND

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Please Don't Call Me 'Mack'

"I have long resented the familiar 'Get in Mack' which taxicab drivers greet me.

"Can you advise me how the cab companies instruct their drivers to address fares? I do not call them (cab drivers) 'Mack' or 'George.' How do the cab companies ask the public to address cabbies?"

This letter from a reader this week sent AFRO reporters out on a city-wide survey to find out just how the various cab companies instruct their drivers to address passengers; and also how the passengers themselves prefer to be addressed.

What they discovered can be summed up in a few words.

The companies don't advise their drivers to call the passengers "Mack." The passengers don't like to be called "Mack." and everybody knows that there are some drivers who go right on calling their passengers "Mack."

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THE VARIOUS techniques used by passengers in dealing with such a driver ran all the way from the lady who would reward him with a great big nickle tip, to the rider who would take her complaint to the cab company.

The taxicab officials presented a united front in supporting the view that drivers should always be courteous. As William Warder, superintendent of the Yellow Cab Co., said:

"Our drivers are instructed in a class here which takes

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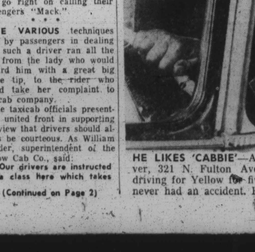

HE LIKES 'CABBIE'—Alfred J. Oliver, 321 N. Fulton Ave., has been driving for Yellow for five years, has never had an accident. He says most passengers call him "driver" or "cabbie." For what other drivers and passengers say about salutations, see accompanying story.

No meals for visitors at City Hall

"In our restaurants in other parts of the country we serve colored people but here in Baltimore the public sentiment is against it.

"If there was a law on the books which said restaurants should serve all, we'd go along with it. We'd be happy to stop all this trouble . . .

These were highlights of the comments made by John J. Russell, vice president and general manager of the Bickford Restaurants on Thursday.

Mr. Russell was asked to comment on the refusal of the Bickford Restaurant at 3 N. Holliday St., to serve a mixed group of Nashville, Tenn., city councilmen on Tuesday.

In the group which was refused service was Z. Alexander Looby, Nashville city councilman and well-known Republican leader, and a member of the NAACP's national legal committee.

He reported that an employee of the restaurant told them, "We will serve you, but you will have to eat in the kitchen."

The restaurant in question is across the street from the City Hall where the visitors were guests of Baltimore's Mayor D'Alesandro.

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WITH MR. LOOBY at the time of the refusal, were Councilman Robert E. Lillard and Patrolman Clay Dowdy of Nashville, and two white Nashville councilmen, Wesley Dixon and Walter Morgan. **All left the restaurant without being served.**

After the restaurant incident, Mr. Looby did not rejoin the 40-man caravan for a tour of the city's redevelopment and slum housing projects, but went on to Washington, where he rejoined the group.

Nashville's Mayor Benjamin West, another member of the party, told the AFRO in Washington that the refusal upset Mr. Looby and upset me too."

NEWS OF THE treatment of the Nashville visitors was front page news in the Nashville Tennessean on Wednesday.

Mayor West and members of his municipal staff were on a three-city tour to observe the functioning of municipal government.

"We were treated with much courtesy in both Philadelphia and Washington," Mr. Looby commented later.

He said that his efforts to aprise Baltimore's Mayor D'Alesandro of the treatment proved futile.

Mr. Looby did not attend the Mayor's luncheon for the visitors in a downtown hotel later on Tuesday, although the two other colored members of the delegation did.

On Wednesday, the group toured Washington and on Wednesday evening returned to Nashville.

HERE IS THE full conversation with Mr. Russell, general manager of the Bickford Restaurants:

Q—We understand that a group of city councilmen and other officials who were here as guests of the city of Baltimore, on Tuesday, entered your Holliday St. restaurant and that the colored members were stopped by an employee and told they would have to eat in the kitchen. Has this matter come to your attention, sir?

A—I didn't hear anything about it, but I believe it could happen. It does happen. You see we're victims of the community standing and that kind of thing.

We don't take sides because we employ a great number of colored people, and we are in business, and all right ourselves as business.

But you see, your condition here in Baltimore just simply —we can't go against the public sentiment. We're victims of circumstances in a case like that. It has come up once in a while.

Q—Have you ever allowed

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LOCAL DEMS: For strong rights plank

Nine Baltimore City Democrats wired Millard E. Tawes, that any presentation they made to voters in the campaign next November, would be ineffective unless the Chicago convention adopts a strong civil rights platform.

A copy of the telegram was also sent to T. Barton Harring-

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ton, chairman of the delegation. The telegram read:

"Maryland Republicans will have three colored delegates at their San Francisco convention.

"Maryand Democrats have no colored delegates, only two alternates.

"Although this request comes late, we urge that Robert Watts and Truly Hatchett, now alternates, be advanced to delegates' status at the first opportunity.

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"THE PRESENTATION of the Democratic Party's program to the colored voters of Maryland will be ineffective unless the Maryland delegation at Chicago advocates a strong civil rights platform including support of the Supreme Court's decision in the public school cases."

The wire was signed by: Harris Sr. U. Theodore Hayes, Jay C McHae Jr. Carl Murphy, Joseph W. Robert B. Watts and Creston L. Woingust Sr.

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