# Morgan's festival will attract 1,000

Morgan State College's 11th Annual Fine Arts Festival will open on Wednesday, May 1 with a lecture-demonstration at 10 a.m. by Dalis Schnert, exponent of the dance.

The Arena Players will present Robert Anderson's "Tea and Sympathy" on Thursday, May 2 at 8:15 p.m.; the Paul Roberts Choir of Philadelphia will give a concert on Friday, 2 at 10 a.m.; and Festival activities will close with a presentation by the United States Naval Academy Band on Friday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m.

More than 1,400 secondary school musicians from the State of Maryland will attend the two presentations on Friday, May 3.

The eighth annual Sing-Play held as part of the Festival will be an experience in listening for the young musicians who will be guests of the institution.

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THE FIRST annual Morgan State College invitational art exhibit will open on April 29 in the Art Club Lounge which is located in the annex.

The exhibit, on display until May 15, will include the works of Bennard Perlman, William Wallar, Donald Risley and many other painters and sculptors.

All presentations will be held in Hurt Gymnasium and the committee extends an open invitation to the public. All events are free-of-charge.

The 1957 committee includes: B. Hayes Strider, chairman, M. Theresa Brown, Doris Carter, Carol B. Diggs, Werner. J. Fries, Raymond Kirschner, B. Georgetta Merritt, Effietee M. Payne, Dorothy B. Phelps, Beatrice Ross, Albert Sanfamo, Waters E. Turpin and Doris Wooten.

# County has 4th officer, wants more

The latest colored officer appointed to the County Police Department has been assigned to the Dundalk District.

He is Officer Stanley Payne, 24, 107 Calhoun Ct., Turner Station. The patrolman became the fourth colored officer on the county force when he was appointed on March 15.

The young officer received his assignment after completing seven weeks of intensive police training.

He replaces Officer Armond Elliott, recently promoted to corporal and transferred to the Catonsville District.

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MEANWHILE, Chief Gilbert L. Doyle has said the county force is in critical need of applicants for police recruits.

Applicants must be between 21 and 35 years old, at least 5 feet 7 inches and weigh 140 pounds. They are also required to be registered county voters.

The county police headquarters is located in Towson, Md.

PARTICIPANTS in the public meeting of the executive committee of Chi Delta Mu Fraternity on Monday evening at Sharp Street Methodist Church. The 44-year-old fraternity composed of physicians, dentists and pharmacists, acted three persons for public service, Governor McKeldin, Dr. Mordecai Johnson, president of Howard University, and Dr. Matthew Hadley, McKeesport, Pa., physician. In photo at left, Dr. Johnson chats with Dr. Huntington Williams, commissioner of health of Baltimore, who brought greetings; and Dr. O. W. Holmes, president emeritus of Morgan, the main speaker. In right photo, Dr. Roscoe C. Brown of Washington, who introduced Dr. Johnson; Dr. Perry F. Prather, director of the State Health Department who brought greetings; and Dr. Ralph Young, who presented Judge Everett Lane, who represented Governor McKeldin, who is visiting in Liberia.

president of the Iota Chapter, Dr. Eugene D. Byrd presided.

# Chi Delta Mu's romp through top fun fest

Three days of business and social sessions in no way slowed up the capacity for fun when members of Chi Delta Mu, professional fraternity of dentists, physicians and pharmacists, met here, this week.

From the cocktail party on Sunday night, when guests began to arrive, to the swank dinner dance in Charles Street's Famous Ballroom on Tuesday evening, the brothers and their guests, enjoyed a top-drawer social bill.

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SOME 50 GUESTS were on hand for a warm, chatty, food-and-drink filled evening, Sunday, when Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Alleyne opened their Auchentoroly Terrace home for the cocktail party.

And after the public meeting on Monday evening (which incidentally, is being rated as the most interesting of such affairs staged here in many a moon) those chic Chi Wives displayed their special brand of hostessing at a reception in the Blue Room of the York Hotel.

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THE CATERED dinner was served at individual host tables, which were kept filled through the evening with drinks.

Rivers Chambers' incomparable orchestra provided the music for dancing.

The hosts included:

Drs. and Mesdames E. Walter Shervington (he is president of the Baltimore chapter of Chi Delta Mu) Gilbert Banfield, Thomas Harris, William Watts, George Adams.

Drs. and Mesdames Clarence Reynolds, Richard Hunt, Bruce Allayne, Hugh P. Hughes, William Ross, Carroll Lee.

Drs. and Mesdames Enoch Dickerson, James Hawkins, Albert Smith, Marcus Williams, Nelson Williams, Ralph Young, McDonald Bando, George Lee, Bernard First, Clinton Bernard N. Christmas.

Drs. and Mesdames Charles Watts, Charles Woodland, Edward McDaniels, T. W. Anderson; and Drs. Isaac Young and Benjamin Kimbers;

Drs. and Mesdames George P. Brown, Eugene Brown, Joseph C. Hagan, A. T. Nelson, James B. Hawkins.

Dr. Hiwkins was general chairman for the conclave.

Their guests included:

Drs. and Mesdames Percival Smith, F. Douglas Shepard, Horace Smith, Herbert Trader;

Mesdames Emmie Gilkes, Lena Gickerson, Martha Eisenman, Amelia Bynum, Mabel Hagan, Mildred Jones, Ethel Lawrence, Mamie Lawrence, Ethel Lawrence;

Mesdames Dorothy Mills, Virginia Owings, Lillian Parrott, Phyllis Shamwell;

Misses Ida Fleming, Mae Gamble, A. Dolores Woods, Priscilla Blackwell, Gertrude Bell, Ruth Bell, Dorothy Morris, Catherine Pinder, Ruth Shamwell, Alice Wright; Dr. Regina Goff;

Messrs. and Mesdames Wallace Blackwell, C. Herbert Bass, James Bullock, Edward Baker, Sylvester Cooper, Clifford Gross, Robert Gordon;

Messrs. and Mesdames Charles Cephas, Clifford Cephas, Jerome Cephas, Lawrence Carroll, Roland Williams, Athanas Warrington, Sol Williams, Aaron Wright, William Willis;

Messrs. and Mesdames Edward Williams, Leo Williams, Vernon Williams, Joseph Williams, Lee Wyatt, Vadell Wright, E. Lloyd Davis, Thomas Bailey, Robert Bass, Fred Dolgoiew;

Messrs. and Mesdames H. Clarke Davis, Aaron Ellis, Boyd Edmonds, Lawrence Edmonds, Edward Fisher, Jerome Fisher, Irving Fisher, William Jarrell, Alvin Jones, Robert Fisher;

Messrs. and Mesdames Joseph Fulton, Vernon Greene, John Grimes Jr., Theodore Gilmer, Lewis Gilmer, Clarence Gilmer, Roland Gilmer, Roland Green, William Gardner, Clinton Gardner;

Messrs. and Mesdames Howard Harris, Talbert Hill, Miles Hardem, Roland Hanson, William Hunter, Edward H. Hill, Earl Hagan, J. Dewitt Howard, John Hampton;

Messrs. and Mesdames John Hampton, Lee Hampton, Lawrence Hurt, Walter Jackson, Samuel Jackson, Clarence Jackson, Melvin Jackson, Wilbert Jones, Frank Jones;

Messrs. and Mesdames Harvey Joyce, Wendell Kendrick, Charles Lee, Jerome Lewis, Carroll B. Lee, James Lomax Sr., Lomax Jr., Lomax Lomax;

Messrs. and Mesdames Bernard Murphy, James Mimms, Nathaniel McDaniels, Edgar Mason, William Matthews, Thomas McPherson, Edward Murray;

Messrs. and Mesdames Earl Nash, Frank Nesbitt, Leroy Payne, Elmer Patterson, Walter Patterson, Theodore Perkins, William Parrott, Frank Phillips;

Messrs. and Mesdames Herbert Rice, Clayton Spriggins, William Russell, Thomas Randolph, George Reardon, Jerome Scott, Horace Schell, R. David Scott, Wendell Scott;

Messrs. and Mesdames Hubert Speckman, Paul Scott, Warren Slatter, Kroll Taylor, Garland Taylor, Glenn Taylor, Rufus Tunnell, Charles Thompson, Earl Vanover;

Drs. and Mesdames Lennie Greene, Raymond Greene, Ernest Gaskins, Robert Gaskins, Charles Davidson, Walter Gordon, Arthur West, Charles Watts, Emerson Waldron;

Drs. and Mesdames Fred West II, of Washington, Orris Walker, Marco Williams, John Campbell, James Brown, Carl Gaskins, Clarence Carter, Bernard M. Christmas, Gordon;

Drs. and Mesdames Bernard N. Christmas, C. C. Cockrum, H. L. Berkeley, Lewis Butler, McDonald Bando, Albert Bunnell, Charles Bailey, Benjamin Bailey, Charles Sanford, John H. Wesley, Hill;

Drs. and Mesdames Chapman Harmon, Louis Harmon, J. B. Hagins, Richard W. Hunt, Bernard Harris Jr., Thomas Harris, Allen Harris, Louis Johnson, Cornet Jones;

Drs. and Mesdames Benjamin Kimbers, Benjamin Kimbers Jr., Lawrence Lee, Joseph Lee, George Lee, Harper Lee, Louis Lenzey, Ed ward McDaniels, Harold Mazeritz;

Drs. and Mesdames Paul Parker, Thomas A. Pitts, George C. Page, Franklin Phillips, Martin J. Rudroy, Clarence Reynolds Jr.;

Dr. Reginald Watkins, Dr. James Davidson, Kirt Spencer, Dr. Joseph P. Carter, Thomas Carter, Dr. Hunt Jr., Dr. John Hagan, Dr. Noel Johnson, Henry P. Johnson, Charles Lawrence, Warren Parker C. Dunnie Parker, Charles Parker, Dr. Hollis Posey.

Dr. William A. Ross Jr., Everett G. Ross, William Ross, George Mussell Jr., Harold Scott, Baltimore Simpson.

# Bunny Money winner hired

Prize winner Benjamin Randall came by the AFRO City Desk to pick up his Bunny Money check but he was in a hurry because he was headed for his first job since being graduated from Morgan State College last February.

Mr. Randall, who lives at 4525 St. Georges Ave., is a member of St. Peter Claver, Fremont and Pennsylvania Aves., and the church will receive a check for $5, also.

Back to the job, the young man has the rank of 2nd lieutenant and was enroute to Ft. Belvoir, Va., where he has been assigned.

Here are other winning numbers.

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If you have a Blue Bunny Money Coupon with any of the above numbers on it, bring the coupon to the AFRO office at 628 N. Eutaw St., before 5 p.m. on Friday, April 26 and get your cash award.

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# 'Join the cause .. mend their souls'

"You have done an excellent job in mending men's bodies ... I trust you will join the cause to mend their souls ... so our next generation will have no jim crow in its souls."

Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, as guest speaker, offered this suggestion to members of the Chi Delta Mu Fraternity on Monday evening.

The occasion was a public meeting of this organization's grand conclave in Sharp Street Memorial Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts.

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BALTIMORE'S IOTA Chapter was host to the grand conclave, held Sunday through Wednesday. A total of 65 delegates representing 10 states, attended.

The Chi Delta Mu Fraternity's membership is composed of physicians, dentists and pharmacists. It was organized at Howard University in 1913.

The public meeting on Monday evening was also an occasion for presentation of the fraternity's annual awards for outstanding public service.

Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin, president of Howard University, and Dr. Matthew Hadley, fraternity member of McKeesport, Pa., were recipients of citations.

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SLUM CLEARANCE DRIVE

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (ANP).—A 20,000 home program, part of a major African housing and slum clearance plan, got under way here last week in native townships southwest of this city.

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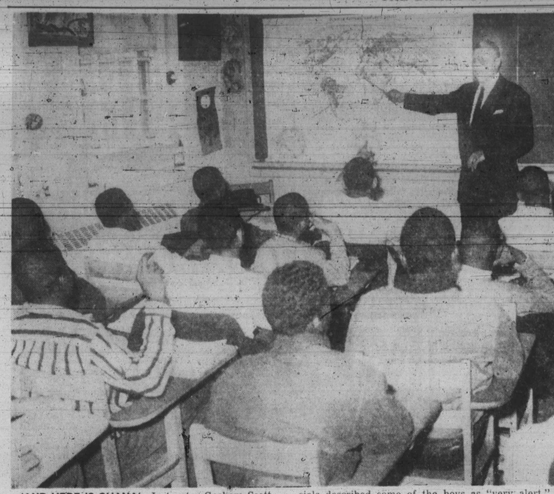

'AND HERE IS GHANA'—Instructor Gocham Scott points out the new African nation of Ghana, to the most advanced class in Boys' Village. School officials described some of the boys as "very alert," but many of them are behind in their classes due to overcrowding.

# Classroom study is important must for schoolage students at Boys' Village

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of two articles on the State's training school for boys).

By S. F. YETTE

There are no walls around Boys' Village, a state institution for wayward boys at Cheltenham, Md.

And inside the Village, 331 boys wrestle with the problems that have early made them unsuitable for society living.

In ancient Hanson Cottage, 60 boys are spending their first four weeks in orentation—an attempt by the school to discover how they can best return the boys as citizens to society.

The first four weeks in the 84-year-old structure is designed also to give the boys a chance to adjust themselves to the school—a chance to see as well as be seen.

Among the things they see are the rickety surroundings that are characteristic of the old orientation cottage, a carryover from the days when the institution was called Cheltenham and had the reputation of a 'hell-hole.'

They see, also, six modern cottages that stretch out several hundred yards east of them, a part of the new institution, well on the way to becoming a modern first class school.

To the rear of them they see a big gymnasium — aged, but durable—where they may, in time, play basketball, for example, and really get to know the gang better.

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BUT, FOR THE most part, the boys of the Village see other things during their first month at the correction home.

Once or twice in a week, they are asked to take written examinations to indicate their aptitudes, reading and writing tests, and mastery tests to show their proficiency in the three r's.

Among those who see the boys are heads of various departments of the school who appear before the boys to tell them what services each boy can expect from the department, and what the departments can expect from each boy.

The complete examination of the boys included a psychological examination for all except those coming from Baltimore City who have already been examined before entering the Village.

If a boy is found to be prepsychotic (mentally deranged), he is sent to the Rosewood State Training School or the Crownsville State Hospital.

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THE AGES of the boys at the Village range normally from nine to 14, but rare instances have stretched the range to include a seven-year-old admitted for a short stay recently.

The top age range often reaches the 16-year-old group.

Cottages where the boys have completed their orientation are busy often before daybreak, for many of the boys have farm or dairy details that take them out into the fields before the return to breakfast and classes.

The program consists of academic and vocational classes in which the boys are given a chance to prepare for work when they return home.

Academically, most of the boys fall into the third grade category after testing and examination of school records.

The school program, however, provides for classes from the first through the 12th grade.

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THE ACADEMIC staff is headed by Claude Waters and consists of 13 teachers, including three remedial reading teachers.

All of them are certified by the State Department of Education.

Because of the level of achievement of the boys committed, most of the teachers are those with elementary school experience.

The classes are kept to about 15 in an effort to give each boy more individual attention and in a school program that lasts throughout the 12 months of the year, but which relaxes some of the academic pressure during the summer months.

Every boy (14 and under) goes to school all day (8-11:30 and 1-4:30).

A boy must take academic classes until he is 15. At 15 he is required to take half a day of academic training and half a day in vocational studies. At 16 a boy is not required to go to any classes, but he is allowed to attend the vocational classes of his choice.

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THE VOCATIONAL program consists of 16 vocational trades and 21 vocational instructors.

"Our belief, in this vocational program is that we don't intend to turn out any craftsmen in any particular trade, they are in," said Robert W. Sauls Jr., Assistant to Superintendent Lawrence J. Veney.

There are three reasons for the type of vocational program at the school, he said:

1. We don't have the boys here long enough. (The average stay has been 10-11 months. But due to over-population, the average has been cut to 9-10 months.)

The effect of this, Mr. Sauls said, is that the boys are returned to society before they are ready to go back.

But despite this fact, he said, since the reduction of the stay period in 1956, the percentage of boys who stay in society has increased.

2. What we want to do is to expose the boys to various interests so that they will continue, to study when they go home.

3. We have not, and do not have the facilities for a good vocational program. The shops are spread all over the campus. We were not able to hire a vocational supervisor until this year (February).

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THE VOCATIONAL program consists of shoe repairing, tailoring, laundering, auto mechanics, carpentry, electricity, janitorial services, farming, grounds keeping, cooking, hospital attending, dairying, poultry raising, housekeeping and plumbing.

While most of the vocational classes are taught on the job, shoe repairing, tailoring, laundering, dry cleaning, and auto mechanics are taught in classes much like the academic classes.

In addition to the vocational program and the academic classes, the school recently added a teacher of music, arts and crafts.

But with all of these offerings, once in a while, a boy heads for home beyond the wall that is not there.

The wall, the school officials say, is made by the way the staff there is able to make the boys actually feel at home.

"The parents they find in our cottages are often the best parents some of the boys ever have," Superintendent Veney said.

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IN THE cottage homes, each of the boys has his own detail. The detail roster is made out by the husband-and-wife team who serve as parents for the 25 boys assigned to the new cottages.

Each boy has a regular job to perform, and a large detail roster is made up. The cottage board shows him just what he should be doing all during the day.

"But during the play periods, they all play together. Either all of them are outside or they are all inside—playing together," James F. Bell, who along with his wife, serves as parents of Rennie Cottage.

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TYPICAL OF the cottage parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bell are high school graduates and express a "real love for children."

The average stay of each boy at the Village is now less than a year, but only 20-25 percent of them return after they are sent home.

Mr. Sauls explained that most of those who return to the Village are those who have "no father at home, a mother struggling, and physical and economical home conditions poor."

Others return, he said, because of child labor laws which prohibit boys from working until they are 18, giving most of the boys leaving the Village a two-year "lag" period.

At the Village, Mr. Sauls said, the boys are urged to learn to work, and should be allowed to work when they leave the correction school.

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TO HELP MANY of the boys further prepare for the readjustment to work and society living, a forestry camp program is administered by the State Department of Welfare.

In the forestry work program, the boys are to work and live much as they would in normal society—with no restrictions as to the hours they keep and the usual other restrictions they meet at the Village.

But, Superintendent Veney explained, "only the boys extremely well adjusted can participate in the program. No fire bug, for example, would be sent there.

"They take a cross section of the better boys," Mr. Veney said, and added that the forestry program is integrated.

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ON THE possible integration of the boys' correction schools across the state, Mr. Veney said "the needs of the children should be given predominant consideration.

"When you think of pushing them all over the state because of race, there should be another reason for their grouping—maybe on age or a similar reason —but not race.

"We function under law, but that (segregation) is not the way we would want to do it," Mr. Veney said.

# Democratic Viewpoint

By ROBERT B. WATTS

Early this week, Senator John Grason Turnbull became the second major Democrat in the last couple of weeks to comment on the weakness in our party and in a very real measure, to criticize it.

Millard E. Tawes, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in '58—has twice stated his views on what is wrong with the party.

On Tuesday of this week, Senator Turnbull opened up in criticism of the party.

"Both criticisms were constructive of course, for both men are staunch members of the party. This, to me, is a healthy sign. We need this self analysis and criticism. We have been a smug party, winning campaign after campaign.

THIS LED to the inevitable leadership by a few men who were in the saddle—leadership because of the lethargy other members of the party. This old guard leadership has built control that few would dare contest for leadership.

George P. Mahoney did, and in his first campaign, had an entire machine piled against him. Little by little this leadership lost ground, but in the process Republican candidates were winning elections.

Now it seems we are beginning to admit our weakness and with men like Millard Tawes, we are turning to the job of doing something about it. We Democrats should welcome this self criticism as a sign of strength which it is hoped will lead to the rejuvenation of our part so that it can assume its right place of leadership.

Senator Turnbull stated this week that "the party needs a continuing transfusion of new blood, new thought, and new approaches." I agree one hundred per cent with the State Senator, and he stressed these points myself. The questionnaire sent out by Millard Tawes will also indicate these needs.

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The "transfusion of new blood" should be in the form of young men, said the Senator. This to me is the prime need of our party.

In this column several months ago I called for young leadership and several democrats who considered themselves not young demanded, took me to task in the mistaken belief that I meant kick out the old boys.

What Senator Turnbull said, and what I meant, is that we need to bring young men in to level echelons of the party and not as has been done in the past—leave them out while the spoils and reins are held by a few greedy men.

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YOUNGER MEN HAVE the courage and daring to seek legislation that is new and forward looking. They, better than the elders, can understand the need for legislation designed to protect the rights of minority members of our state.

I say that the prime need is the recruitment of younger men because the need for new ideas and new approaches will inevitably flow from this transfusion.

Our party will have new life and new vigor. We will have the dynamic types of progressive leadership that stirs the imagination of the people and gives them the idea that its our party that means to enhance the general welfare of our state.

This is what gets votes and not as the old guard has been doing for years, depending on gerrymanders.

The day of smoke filled rooms and its leadership is on the way out. People according to Mr. Tawes' survey are looking for sound issues and good leadership, which means healthy leadership which is progressive and looks to the future.

We are the party of leadership and have been. We have been, let the old guard lead us down the road to defeat, while within, the party splinters and the seeds of the failure to recruit and hold young men.

The public wants our leadership which is demonstrated by the fact that even while the Republicans are running away with elections, the registration is still about 2 to 1 Democrat.

What we need to do is to derive and earn that leadership. With men like Millard Tawes and Senator John Grason Turnbull, we are on our way to doing just that.

Special services will be held at Olivet Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. W. L. Evans, pastor, preaching the sermon. The church is situated at Riggs Ave., and Woodyear St.

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THE ST. Luke Order will hold its annual Easter program at 3 p.m. and immediately afterwards, friends of Olivet will worship at Mt. Olive Hall at 1223 Myrtle Ave., with the Lowery Brandy Savings Club.

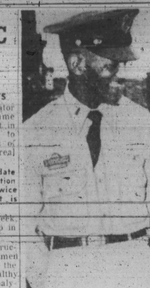
The Unknown Worker Church will hold a special service Sunday. The Rev. E. M. Grant is pastor and the Rev. Mr. Norton will be in charge.

The Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church will worship with the Community Baptist Church, Palatrice Park, Md., on May 12. The Rev. Luke G. Reynolds is pastor.

The Westminster Chorus rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday 11 a.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Annual Women's Day Services will be observed at Evergreen AME Church, Sunday, April 28, at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The Rev. C. H. Mark is pastor. Mrs. Dorothy Mack, general chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Brown, assistant chairman and Mrs. Bertha Raskerville, secretary.



REV. JULIUS CARROLL

# Md. CAP stays lily white by evasion

(See Editorial on Page 4)

"For six months, from June to December, 1956, they gave me the run-around.

"Up until this minute, I have received no satisfaction from the Maryland CAP. Neither have I received any squadron assignment in the state of Maryland.

"Because of the various excuses they have given me and while awaiting their action upon my request, my membership expired Dec. 21, 1956."

The Rev. Julius Carroll who is associate pastor of Sharp Street Methodist Church and a licensed pilot, revealed in this report how the CAP continues a policy of non-integration in Maryland by what he call evasion and passing the buck.

The Rev. Mr. Carroll has been flying for five years and has 1500 hours to his credit.

His private plane is at Harbor Field.

He earned his wings in July, 1952 at the Tuskegee, Ala. Air Force Base where he was attached to the Tuskegee Squadron of the Alabama Civil Air Patrol.

HOWEVER, the Rev. Mr. Carroll moved to Baltimore in June, 1956 to assist his brother, the Rev. Edward Carroll at the Sharp Street Church.

He discovered the routine transaction which takes place in transferring CAP membership. The Rev. Mr. Carroll said:

"I requested a transfer in June.

"I addressed the request to the Maryland Wing at CAP Headquarters at Friendship International Air Port.

"The normal procedure is that the Maryland Wing would then request that my 201 file be sent to them from Tuskegee Squadron No. 2 of the Alabama Wing.

"The request would be honored through the Alabama Wing Headquarters.

"After the Maryland Wing gained possession of the 201, the next step would have been to assign me to a squadron here," the Rev. Mr. Carroll said.

However," he continued "even after several trips to the Maryland Wing headquarters at Friendship Airport, I got nothing but evasion and promises."

In June the Rev. Mr. Carroll's request was addressed to Major Inks who was at the time the Air Force liaison officer for Maryland.

"And on another occasion I visited the CAP headquarters and found a new liaison officer there. He was Major Frederick R. Beal who had just arrived in September of the Rev. Mr. Carroll continued.

"Major Beal explained to me that he was new on the job and that he had no knowledge of my request for transfer. He said he would get on it as soon as possible. I could give him a few days.

"On Dec. 3, 1956, I called the office and it was told me that my request would receive immediate attention.

"In addition, at my request, the Airframe Owners and Pilots Association wrote to the commanding general of the CAP at Bolling Field in Washington and asked for official attention in the matter.

"In the meantime, I did not send a renewal fee to the Alabama CAP at Tuskegee because I had moved out of its jurisdiction, Mr. Carroll said.

The Rev. Mr. Carroll also stated that plans were moving at the Sharp Street Community House to set up a CAP cadet Squadron as part of the recreation program for the young people.

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HE ALSO stated that the CAP practice of not allowing colored children to join would be a handicap to the Community Center program.

"I would refuse to activate a segregated unit in my community program," the Rev. Mr. Carroll said.

Early Wednesday morning Col. J. H. Griffith, at CAP national headquarters, Bolling Air Field, advised the Rev. Mr. Carroll to write to the Alabama Wing and request that his 201 file be sent to the Maryland Wing Headquarters. Col. Griffith also said that he would personally communicate with Col. Fonda, of the Maryland Wing and urge him to take "favorable action" on the request for membership.

CAP units are located at Air Force base encampments in all 48 states.

Baltimore CAP units are at Port and Harbor Field. There are 270 cadets on roll, all white.

Three ninth grade students at Houston Junior High school No. 181, have applied for training and were told that CAP does not accept colored cadets.

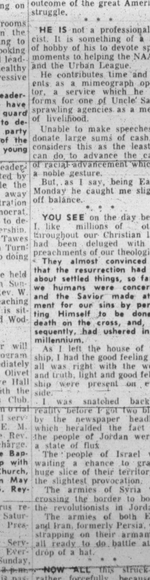
The students who made application were:

Ralph Watson, 604 N. Pulaski St., Van Webb, 2427 Division St., and Victor Cole, 1301 Madison Ave.

# Migrant workers hearing planned

The Interstate Commerce Commission has announced a public hearing to be held in connection with certain proposed regulations governing the interstate transportation of migrant farm workers by motor vehicle.

The oral hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, at 9:30 a.m., in the office of the commission, 12th St. and Constitution Ave., Washington, D. C.



# Thinking Out Loud

By RALPH MATTHEWS

Easter Monday was probably the worst possible day my enthusiastic visitor could have selected to come in the office to discuss with me the ramifications of the race problem.

It seemed that he had been reading some of my 'tripe and felt that we were somehow kindred spirits.

I am afraid that before he left he was in a writer of doubt because I did not share his optimism over the ultimate outcome of the great American struggle.

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HE IS not a professional racist. It is something of a sort of hobby of his to devote spare moments to helping the NAACP and the Urban League.

He contributes time and talents as a mimeograph operator, a service which he performs for one of Uncle Sam's sprawling agencies as a means of livelihood.

Unable to make speeches or donate large sums of cash, he considers this as the least he can do to advance the cause of racial advancement which is a noble gesture.

But, as I say, being Easter Monday he caught me slightly off balance.

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YOU SEE on the day before I like millions of others throughout our Christian land, had been deluged with the preachments of our theologians.

They almost convinced me that the resurrection had just about settled things, so far as we humans were concerned, and the Savior made atonement for our sins by permitting Himself to be done to death on the cross, and, consequently, had ushered in the millennium.

As I left the house of worship, I had the good feeling that all was right with the world, and truth, light and good fellowship were present on every side.

I was snatched back to reality before I got home when by the newspaper headlines which heralded the fact that the people of Jordan were in a state of flux.

The people of Israel were waiting a chance to grab a huge slice of their territory, on the slightest provocation.

The armies of Syria were crossing the border to bolster the revolutionists in Jordan.

The armies of both Egypt and Iran, formerly Persia, were strapping on their armaments ready to do battle at the drop of a hat.

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NOW ALL this struck me rather forcefully, because I was aware that this was Easter, 1957.

These were the same people who were creating havoc and bloodshed throughout the world when Christ came down to restore order and peace.

That was 20 and a half centuries ago.

In spite of all His suffering, all His preaching and all His urging to love one another and do good to those who spitefully use you, these people are just mad at each other today as they were then.

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SO YOU can see why I was not in a receptive mood when my good friend called bubbling with hope predicting that in a year or two all racial animosities would pass away and the Americans of all creeds and colors live in a state of eternal bliss.

My friend, I believe, has a lot more faith in human nature than I have.

Some day I hope that the scientists will determine if there just isn't something in the constitutional makeup of human beings which churns up antipathies over which they have no control, if they happen to be born with different colors, different shaped heads and different grades of hair, etc.

If this could be determided, once and for all, we could decide just how far we can go in bringing people of various nations, races and cultures together and not dissipate our time and efforts trying to accomplish the impossible.

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OF COURSE, it has been proved that people of various groups can learn to like or at least tolerate each other on an individual basis.

However, their approachment is always undercoated with a feeling of mutual suspicion and distrust. But the hope of mass acceptance is almost a human impossibility.

It takes but the slightest ruffling of the apparent peace and calm of the average community to send the various races off on tangents of racial cleavage.

This accounts for the riots which swept many northern cities during World War II.

It is the basis of all mob violence in the South. It certainly explains how a rabble-rouser like Hitler could stir up a whole nation against the Jewish community with whom the Germans had lived side by side for generations.

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OF COURSE to the Israelites this was no new experience as they had been exposed to pogroms all over the world.

It should be recalled that they had dwelt in the land of Goshen for nearly 200 years in apparent peace and tranquility.

They were looked upon with honor and respect before the Egyptians, under Seti I, decided to give them the business which resulted in their oppression and exodus.

To the modern world, the atrocities of Hitler were shocking—and beyond belief. The civilized peoples of the earth could not see how a whole nation could be converted into such beastliness that could see thousands of Jews thrown into concentration camps and burned in the furnaces at Buchenwald so that the modern Germany would have nothing but pure Aryan stock.

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BUT HISTORY, stripped of the mythology of the scriptures, informs us that the real reason for the exodus from Egypt was not caused by the fact that Pharoah tried to make the Israelites make bricks without straw.

King Amenophis, obsessed with a desire to see the Gods, had decided to make Egypt the land of all the "unclean" and those of non-Egyptian stock.

So, like Hitler in his abortive effort to purify Germany, he rounded up 80,000 Hebrews and threw them into the stone quarries east of the Nile.

It was then that the Israelites decided to clear out and head for the Promised Land.

Now here is another strange historic parallel. In spite of all propaganda to the contrary, the Promised Land was not just sitting there waiting for the displaced Israelites to march in and settle down.

First they had to chase the Canaanites, out just like the refugees from Hitler oppression had to put millions of Arabs to root before they could establish the present State of Israel.

It is this confiscation of real estate which is causing much of the unrest and sabre rattling in the Middle East today.

I point all this out for two reason. First, I want to show that races and nationalities as a group do not give a tinker's dam about what happens to those not of their kind when the chips are down.

Second, because anybody who thinks that everybody in America is eventually going to love everybody else and in a year or so everything is going to be peace and light has another think coming.

The colored people in America are going to get only that which they are big enough to take through the intelligent use of the courts and the ballot and whatever other means are at their disposal.

This calls for eternal vigilence and constant pressures.

Where the races are concerned, nobody gives anybody anything out of the goodness of his hearts.