New Committee seeks 100,000 Registered Voters

ZONING FIGHT

Home for Blind may stay open

A home for the blind operated by Miss Anna Mae Hunter at 2115 Allendale Rd., was granted permission by the Zoning Board Tuesday to remain in its present location.

The favorable ruling was given over the objection of residents of the community who complained to the Board a week ago that the three-story 11-room building which is home for six blind persons including Miss Hunter, was a commercial venture and should be located in a commercial area.

In its decision the board told the owner that she would have to install a fire escape.

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THE HOME was opened in September of 1956 with funds contributed by churches, community groups and concerts given by Miss Hunter.

Two of the occupants in the home are partially blind, and the others are totally blind. They range in age from 44 to 73.

At the hearing attended by 16 protestants, Miss Hunter told the Zoning Board that she opened the home because:

"From experience I know that people do not want to be both ered with a blind person in their home."

Polio V-Days Set March 1 to April 15

Polio V-Days will be observed from March 1 to April 15, Dr. J. Edmund Bradley, chairman of the Committee on Poliomyelitis Vaccination, has announced.

During this time many Baltimore hospitals will give polio shots to all persons under 40, as part of a campaign by Maryland physicians to fight polio.

While free vaccine will be available for expectant mothers and persons up to 20, other persons will be charged $1 per shot. This will be a volunteer program.

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HOSPITALS that have announced their schedules for dispensing the Salk vaccine in their clinics are:

Mercy, 335 St. Paul Pl., Mondays 1-3 p.m.

Johns Hopkins, 601 N. Broadway, Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-9 p.m.

Sinai, Monument and Rutland Ave., Fridays 7-9 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon

Lutheran, 730 Ashburton St., Wednesdays, 9-11 a.m. and 7-9 p.m.; Fridays, 2 to 3 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

South Baltimore General, 1215 Light St. Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Schedules for Franklin Square, City and Provident Hospitals are not available as yet, but the vaccine will be available at all hospitals.

Persons above 20 and women who are not expectant can obtain vaccine shots from their private physicians.

The Medical and Chirugical Faculty of Maryland has urged private physicians not to charge more than $3 an injection. They can charge as little as $1 per shot, which would cover only the cost of the vaccine and certain administrative expenses.

BRADDISH AVE. PROTESTANTS — On hand to voice their opposition to Ordinance 963 which would have permitted construction of a gas station at Braddish Ave., and Gwynns Falls Pkwy., this audience which included representatives from 44 civic groups applauded in the City Council chambers Monday night when the Zoning Committee voted unanimously not to rezone the area into a first commercial district.

Stirred by property zone fight

Stirred by the tremendous fight necessary to prevent the rezoning of the Braddish Avenue residential neighborhood as a commercial zone, a new committee was formed this week to register more voters.

A total of 74,000 colored voters have registered already, but the committee wants to raise this number to 100,000.

Members of the committee said that they had been upset also by the failure of the City Council to enact an Ordinance, putting themselves on record as urging hotels to open their doors to all citizens.

Unwillingness of the State Legislature to pass Civil Rights legislation has also disturbed them.

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USING U.S. Census tracts and present registration figures, the committee plans to chart the number of persons who are registered in each ward, block and assign two canvassers working out of block headquarters.

The committee includes the following:

Mrs. Emma Michaels, Mrs. Hattie Hillen, Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Hawkins, Troy Brailey;

Also, Leo Hillen, the Rev. J. L. Tilley, chairman; the Rev. Lillian M. Thompson, Dr. Charles Watts, Bowen Jackson and Linwood Koger, Jr.

The committee at its meeting Wednesday, voted to add to its members representatives from all the churches, neighborhood clubs, fraternities, sororities and civic organizations.

Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the NAACP, says that the new committee will have the enthusiastic support of the Baltimore branch.

Dr. Tilley, 2101 Whittier Avenue, said his committee welcomes the cooperation of all churches and organizations and the time for campaign will be announced as soon as their plans have been projected.

Baltimore doctor's paper published in medical journal

Thirty-three (33) cases of spontaneous rupture of the stomach have been medically reported, according to Captain Marcus W. Moore, Sr. of Baltimore.

His paper appears in Volume No. 8, Medical Journal.

Dr. Moore is stationed at U.S. Air Force Hospital, Travis Air Force Base, California.

Of the 33 patients, Dr. Moore reports, 7 infants have survived when medically treated.

Although rupture of the stomach in infants is rare, prompt treatment can be lifesaving.

Dr. Moore classified the ailment as chemical peritonitis.

9 Police killings in Balto. area in 9 months

APRIL 19, 1956 — Robert McLain, 14-year-old Dunbar High School student of 404 E. Chase St., shot while running away from a stolen car at Madison and Fallsway by Officer Donald E. Mitchell of the Central District. Magistrate Meyer Cardin exonerated the policeman.

JUNE 25, 1956—Harry Boyd Jr., 27, 1417 N. Broadway, shot in the back by Northeastern Patrolman Charles Fennell, who arrived on scene after a street fight. Magistrate Meyer Cardin ruled the officer acted in line of duty and the killing was justified.

JULY 7, 1956—Robert O. Harper, 34, 1614 Barclay St., shot in leg and bled to death following shooting by Southwestern Patrolman Walter Mina Jr., who told superiors he was breaking up a disorderly crowd. Officer Mina was exonerated of the killing by Magistrate Meyer Cardin, who ruled he acted in line of duty.

AUGUST 15, 1956 — Frank J. Williams, 24, was shot and killed by Sgt. Albert Heck as a suspect in two holdups and the non-fatal shooting of a tailor shop proprietor. Sgt. Heck was exonerated of the killing in Central Police Court by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1956—Donald Jackson, 23, 971 Ellicott Dr., shot in the arm and chest by Southeastern Patrolman Benjamin Leddin. Ledden said he shot the man "in defense of my life." In the unit block Gilmor St. Patrolman Ledden was exonerated of the slaying by Magistrate Cardin.

OCTOBER 15, 1956 — Benjamin Brown, 14-year-old patient at Rosewood Training School, shot and killed by Northwest Patrolman Marshall V. Brewer with rifle he "didn't know was loaded." Magistrate Meyer Cardin dismissed the shooting charge after State's Attorney John Weiss said the State could not make out a homicide or manslaughter case against the officer who said the shooting was an accident.

NOVEMBER 7, 1956—James H. Duggan Jr., 28, white city sanitary department worker, killed by a policeman answering cries for help. Central District Patrolman Joseph Bosse was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

NOVEMBER 24, 1956 — Clarence Wilkerson, 39, 1304 Harlem Ave., shot and killed by a Baltimore County Policeman while getting out of a car as ordered. Officer Louis DeManns was charged with homicide by State's Attorney Frank Hewell On Monday, Dec. 10, a Baltimore County jury failed to indict officer DeManns. He was returned to the force with no official punishment.

JANUARY 21, 1957 — James Kenneth Robbins, 17, 1800 block Jackson St., was shot and killed after a robbery assault. Southern District Patrolman Melvin Kearns said as he fired a warning shot, he slipped on the ice. A bullet struck the youth in the back of the head. Patrolman Kearns was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin who declared that the shooting had occurred in the line of duty and was accidental.

Braddish Ave. citizens win gas station zoning fight

"There's no point in going into detail.

"We have considered the ordinance carefully and we have been subjected to pressure from charming people.

"I think we are prepared at this time to move for an unfavorable report.

That was the manner in which Councilman Leon A. Rubenstein (Dem. Fifth Dist.) advised residents of the Braddish Ave. — Gwynns Falls Pkwy. area Monday night that they had won their fight to prevent the construction of a gas station.

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REPRESENTATIVES from 44 improvement associations attended the zoning committee hearing to protest Ordinance No. 963 which would have permitted the construction of the station at the intersection of Braddish Ave., and Gywnns Falls.

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IN OPENING her talk before the committee, Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell, spokesman for the protestants labeled the proposal "a slum - making ordinance."

Originally, former football star Claude (Buddy) Young, now an executive with the Baltimore Colts, had intended to own and operate the proposed gas station.

After learning of the resentment against the proposed move, Mr. Young withdrew his plans.

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"TODAY WE HAVE secured the support of 44 improvement associations who are against taking this residential lot and rezoning it into first commercial," Mrs. Mitchell said at the meeting.

"Since the last hearing, Mr. Young has withdrawn his efforts to open at that location.

"He has also sent a letter to Mrs. Emma Michaels (a community leader) saying that he did not authorize a letter to be sent out asking for support."

Mrs. Mitchell's talk was interrupted by Mr. Rubenstein as she was about to introduce each of the 44 representatives.

The unanimous rejection by the 15- member committee was greeted with applause and hand shakes by the 65 persons who crowded into the council chambers.

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AT THE conclusion of the hearing, boutonnieres were pinned on the coat lapels of the committee members.

Three attempts in all were made by the protestants to prevent rezoning of an area where homes are valued upwards from $10,000.

At an earlier hearing, a professional appraiser and realtor testified that the size and location of the property in question made it a bad banking risk and that the best use of the lot would be by rezoning it to first commercial.

Boutonnieres were pinned on the coat lapels of the Council men by Mrs. Hattie Hillen and Mrs. Emma Michael.

Mrs. Hillen and Mrs. Michael were instrumental in organizing the fight against the ordinance.

No word yet on Harry Hunt burial

Relatives here have not yet received word as to when the remains of Harry J. Hunt will arrive in this country for burial.

Mr. Hunt, one time Baltimore teacher, died at his home in Somerset, England, last month. He was an instructor of drama at Oxford University.

Rev. C. E. Browne condition "good"

The Rev. C. Edward Browne, pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, Caroline and Preston Sts., is confined to Brady section of Johns Hopkins Hospital.

A presstime, his condition was reported "good" by Hopkins officials.

The Rev. Mr. Browne, who lives at 1311 N. Caroline St., has been pastor of Memorial Baptist for 42 years. He has been ill for the past three weeks.

LAW NEEDED:

'Spent half of my life in prison'

"How old were you when you committed your first burglary and got two years?"

"That was a long time ago."

"During the last 28 years have you ever tried to figure out how much time you've spent in prison?"

"About half my life."

This conversation took place in Criminal Court Tuesday between Judge R. Ralph Wareham and a 43-year-old former convict found guilty along with an accomplice of a Feb. 2 yoking.

James McGrin Jackson, 1300 block Stockton St., who received his first prison term in 1928, was given a five-year term by Judge Wareham for his part in the robbery of Charles Rosemond, 1529 Argyle Ave.

James Dorsey Jr., 32, 1500 block Linden Ave., the co-defendant, received two years in the penitentiary.

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JOSEPH KOUTZ, prosecutor, cited records showing that Mr. Jackson has received prison terms totaling more than 24 years since his first arrest. Mr. Dorsey's extensive record shows 18 years in prison terms, the assistant State's attorney said.

In commenting on the number of prior convictions both men had, Judge Warnken said "this is an excellent illustration" of the need for a habitual offender law in Maryland, subjecting repeaters to long prison terms or life.

Mr. Rosemond said three men accosted him in the 1500 block Argyle Ave. and took his wrist watch.

Mr. Dorsey admitted taking the man's watch, recovered by police from his girlfriend.

Mr. Jackson, who said he had been drinking with the prosecuting witness, denied participating in the robbery.

However, Officer Jack Cook of Northwestern District testified that Mr. Jackson was identified at the scene by the prosecuting witness.

Carver Hi coach reported 'serious'

Charlie Robinson, wrestling coach at Carver Vocational Technical High School, was reported in a "serious condition" at Provident Hospital at 1 p.m. today (Friday).

Mr. Robinson has been a patient at the hospital since he was injured in an automobile accident on Feb. 19.

After being admitted to the hospital, the coach was placed in an oxygen tent and at first his condition was reported as "good."

Miss Ruth Gibson retires; 32 years in Probation Dept.

Miss Ruth E. Gibson, 917 E. Arlington Ave., supervisor of the Probation Department of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore, retired officially Thursday, Feb. 28, after 32 years' service.

Miss Gibson, who was employed by the Probation Department in 1925, as a probation worker, received a citation from the Supreme Bench which noted that she was a "zestful employee who worked with unremitting zeal."

The occasion was marked by a ceremony attended by her staff and other courthouse officials. Chief Judge Emory Niles and Judges James K. Cullen and Reuben Oppenheimer were among those present.

NAACP, others to appear for hearing on Cole's rights bills

GROUNDBREAKING

Mayor calls project new hope for all

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Representatives of the NAACP are expected to appear before the Senate Committee on Judiciary Proceedings when the Committee holds hearings on Sen. Harry A. Cole's Civil Rights bills in the Senate Chamber of the General Assembly Tuesday at 3:30.

Other civil rights groups will also be represented and testify before the Committee to give strength to the six bills and a resolution aimed at fighting discrimination on a broad scale.

The proposals, if passed, would strike down discrimination in employment, amusement and recreation, housing and mortgage lending, and hotels in Baltimore and in any public accommodations within 100 yards of a state highway.

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THE CIVIL RIGHTS omnibus would further empower the Governor to appoint a five-member commission to investigate in all of these areas any alleged discrimination, including the Maryland race tracks.

The commission would have subpoena and punitive authority.

It is not known what groups, if any, will be present at the hearing to voice opposition to the passage of the bills.

It is known, however, that there are elements opposing the bills, but to date, they have not been able to gain representation on the Senate floor.

The Senate Committee on Judicial Proceedings is headed by Sen. Frederick C. Malkus Jr., Democrat of Dorchester County. Sen. Cole (R. 4th Dist.) is also on the Committee.

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BREAKING THE ground were Mayor D'Alesandro, Oliver C. Winston, director of the Renewal and Housing Agency, Walter L. Seif, of the housing authority, and Walter Sondheim Jr., chairman of the agency.

Before the ground-breaking, Mayor D'Alesandro told the chilly crowd:

"We are on the threshold today of a new era of hope for all the citizens of the city — not just the limited number of families that can be served by a single, public housing project."

Mr. Ash said that the new Lexington Terrace Homes, when completed, will be combined with the Edgar Allen Poe Homes under one management. The Poe Homes are 16 years old and face the site of the Terrace Homes on Fremont Ave.

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PLATFORM GUESTS at the ceremony included the Rev. Nathaniel H. Wicks, pastor of the Morning Star Baptist Church, who gave the INVOCATION; Mrs. Lena K. Lee, a commissioner of the agency;

Also, Henry N. West, principal of School 116 and 116-A; Whisby Brown, pupil representative of the Schools 116 and 116-A; and Councilman Walter T. Dixon.

Mrs. Lee, principal of School 136, said that she had "seen the spirits of the children of the Biddle St. area lifted by the building of a playground, so I know that the building of a new home will have tremendous power in building new hopes for these children of the Lexington area."

APEX BEAUTY AND HAIR STYLE SHOW

A special beauty and hair styling show will be held at the New Albert Auditorium on Monday, March 4 from 1 to 6 p.m., under the auspices of the Apex Beauty Co.

Latest fashions for women will also be displayed.

UL and Frontiers oppose use of Druid Park for Civic Center

The Baltimore branch of the National Urban League, and the local unit of the Frontiers of America have both taken an official stand against the use of Druid Hill Park for the construction of the proposed Civic Center.

Opposition of the two groups was made known Thursday by Dr. Furman Templeton, executive secretary of the League, and member of the Frontiers Club.

Mr. Templeton said the Urban League took a position against the use of Druid Hill Park a couple of years ago, and recently re - affirmed that position with a resolution to the Park Board.

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HE STATED further that he successfully urged the Frontiers men to "affirm a motion opposing the use of Druid Hill Park, and send a letter to the Park Board expressing their position" in their meeting Tuesday afternoon.

He said that he expected the Frontiersmen to express a preference of an alternative site as the Urban League would do.

The Urban League chief said he would urge his group to express a preference for the use of either the Market Place at Eallsway and Baltimore Sts., or the Inner Harbor at Pratt and Light Sts.

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DR. TEMPLETON said he opposes the use of the Druid Hill Park site for the following reasons:

1. It is a residential area;

2. Transit accommodations are bad, because they are so few in that area;

3. The increase in traffic in that area would increase the traffic problems that are already acute there;

4. There should be no decrease in any of the park facilities in Baltimore since they are already so few; and

5. We ought to use every means to re - vitalize the downtown area.

The deadline for filing considerations with the Civic Center Commission for the site of the center is March 14.

Court gives mother of 11 her freedom

Charges that her husband and father of her 11 children has deserted her won a divorce for Mrs. Eleanora Johnson of 629 W. Lexington St., this week.

Mrs. Johnson testified that Charles E. Johnson moved out while she was at work five years ago and has been gone ever since.

The couple was married on May 18, 1931. Two of the children are now married and three are adults. The mother was given custody of the six remaining children the youngest of whom is eight years old.

GOODNESS and philanthropy begin with work and never stop working.
—Mary Baker Eddy

Veteran hotel man dies one month after wife

"My father told me that he was not feeling well when I returned home from work last Friday evening.

"He died later that same night. It was sudden and we were not expecting anything like that.

"Our mother died just one month ago, and on the same date, January 22."

That was how Miss Pearl Ward told the AFRO about the death of her father, Richard Thomas Ward, 69, of 2114 McCulloh St.

Funeral services for the veteran head waiter, were held at the Morning Star Baptist Church, Hampton, Va. on Sunday. The Rev. J. W. Brown, pastor, officiated.

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MR. WARD was a native of Hampton, Va., and attended the public schools and Hampton Institute. He was a graduate of the trade school and completed the course in tailoring. He worked as a head waiter and dining room captain in hotels and resorts until his retirement two years ago.

He was a member of the Hampton Alumni Association and the Masons.

Mr. Ward was married 44 years ago to the former Miss Pearl Miles, also a native of Hampton, Va. She died on January 22. Her mother was for many years a matron at Hampton.

Surviving are eight children: Thomas, Pearl, Robert, Samuel, Anthony, Dorothy, Hollis and Albert, All live in Baltimore.

Also, a sister, Mrs. Susie Brown of Philadelphia, and two brothers, Jacob and Eugene Ward, both of Hampton.

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Baltimore Afro-American

PRAYER FOR TODAY
O God, our Father, let us not be content to wait and see what will happen, but give us the determination to make the right things happen.

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Mills Brother's Killer Must Die

(Story in Column 5)

'We Think He Fell..'

MRS. REVA TAYLOR 1037 Somerset St. — MRS. MARY S. EVANS 2904 Fairmount St. — MRS. ALVA HARRIS 1427 E. Preston St.

FACES . . . FACES

These interesting faces were seen by the AFRO camera at the 13th annual Blue Ribbon tea at Dunbar High School. Women of the Eastside Community Committee reported $2,005.13 to be used to send children to summer camp. Over 1,300 were in attendance, William C. Taylor, is coordinator of the Committee. Mrs. Ruth Crawford was chairman of the tea. Mrs. Birtsall Ross is chairman of the city-wide committee. See story and other photos, page 16.

MRS. MARGARET HARDY 1038 Somerset St. — MRS. BEATRICE DIGGS 1707 E. Preston St. — MRS. ELNORA VESSELLS 1809 N. Appleton St.

COURT RULES:

Mills death sentence is confirmed

"We feel 100 per cent certain that the governor will commute the death sentence."

There was confidence in the voice of Michael F. Freedman, attorney, as he spoke on Thursday afternoon of his client, Kelly Briley, and the death sentence that hangs over him.

On Wednesday, the Court of Appeals sitting in Annapolis, turned down a request for a reversal of the death sentence imposed on Briley by Judge Joseph L. Carter for the Jan. 21, 1956, slaying of Jessie Mills.

In its brief opinion the Court of Appeals found that the evidence introduced at Briley's trial had been sufficient to sustain a first degree murder finding and ruled that as this was the only issue raised in the appeal the lower court decision would stand.

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DESPITE THE ruling of the Appeals Court, Mr. Freedman still maintained his confidence as he laid plans on Thursday to appeal directly to the Governor to use his power of executive clemency and commute the death sentence to life imprisonment.

"My client has a clean record," Mr. Freedman said, "and I honestly do not believe that he should die."

"Since he has been in jail he has been one of the nicest clients I have had," Mr. Freedman added. "He reads the Bible and prays and has confidence that the good Lord will stick by him."

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THE SLAYING for which Mr. Briley was convicted took place early on the morning of Jan. 21, 1956, just as a dance held at the Odd Fellows Hall, McCulloh and Lanvale Sts., was breaking up.

Testimony at the trial indicted that Briley had been involved in an argument with several other men because his (Briley) had been dancing with the wife of one of the men.

Briley reportedly left and went a short distance to his McCulloh St. home, across the street from the dance hall.

When Briley returned, it was

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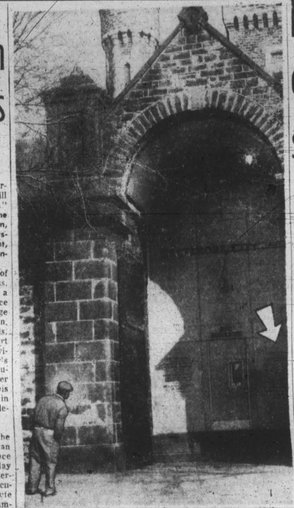

'WHAT GIVES?'—A passerby stops to gape at the jim crow sign on the front door of the Baltimore City Jail at 801 Buren St. For what he saw, see below

Jim Crow at door of City Jail

'No one is more anxious for the signs to come down than I am . . . I am embarrassed by them . . .'

(See Editorial Page)

The tall, grey-haired man who made this statement was Charles B. Price, warden of the Baltimore City Jail, address 801 Buren St., at the intersection of E. Eager St.

He was referring to the three-foot high sign on the front door which advises all that there is racial segregation in the City Jail.

The sign reads: "Visiting Hours, Court Prisoners, White, Male — 1 to 1:30 p.m., 2 to 2:30 p.m.; Female — 2 to 2:30 p.m.

"Colored, Male — 1:30 to 2

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NO VISITS OR PACKAGES RECEIVED ON SATURDAYS OR SUNDAYS.
THIS GIVES — Here is what the passerby saw. Proof that jim crow begins at the door of the Baltimore City Jail.

Find rigger dying in ship's hold

"We think he fell.

"Nobody is sure of what happened.

"He had been missing for an hour when they found him in the hold of a ship that was in dry dock."

Those were the comments Thursday of friends and relatives of a 47-year-old Navy veteran who was found dying aboard a cargo ship in Fairfield, Tuesday morning.

MR. ALLEN

The unconscious body of Joseph Allen of 2409 Mosher St., was discovered by a group of men who were working the 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shift.

Taken to University Hospital in an ambulance, Mr. Allen died two hours later without regaining consciousness.

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT police said the World War II veteran died from fractured ribs and spine sustained in a fall aboard the American Inventor around 1:30 or 2 a.m.

The distance from the top of the hatch to the first deck is approximately 18 feet.

ACCORDING TO William in which Mr. Allen's body was in which Mr. Allen's body was found was not scheduled to be worked on.

"It was dark around that part of the ship. It's hard to figure out what happened.

"I helped put him in the ambulance," Mr. Powe stated. Mr. Allen had been employed

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Ricky granted stay of execution

Richard Larry (Ricky) Hunt, 26, Baltimore truck driver, will not die in the electric chair in March as previously scheduled, it was announced today (Friday).

Prosecuting attorney, Warren Wilentz, who was speaking from his Perth Amboy, N.J.

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Baltimore depressing for denizens with 'long hoab bits'

By STEVE DUNCAN

Baltimore City has become an increasingly more depressing place to live for denizens with a "long jones."

But to dealers in illicit drugs Unless you are familiar with the jargon of the narcotics traversers the term "long jones" has very little meaning.

A "jones" is a person with a "habit" of addiction and a "long jones" indicates a big habit.

Once described as a den for dope users, Baltimore now is as clean as a hound's tooth, thereby causing this state of depression for "potheads" (addicts) and "pushers" (peddlers) alike.

BALTIMOREANS with a craving for "horse" (heroin) or "dynamite pot" (strong marihuana) now must make beelines to other cities if they want the stuff.

This new apprehension among "junkies" is caused by Baltimore's crack narcotics unit whose members do everything but tuck "potheads" in bed at night.

"This is the cleanest I've seen this town," declared Lt. Joseph Cerroll, who headed the narcotics unit since March, 1951.

To prove this the lieutenant points to statistics showing only nine dope cases for the first two months of this year as opposed to ACCRA, Ghana — The new nation of Ghana was ushered into existence here March 6 at the stroke of midnight amidst thundering shouts and talking native drums that announced its birth.

At the hour of 12, the British Union Jack was replaced by the flag of Ghana — of red, gold and green with a black star — as fire works exploded against a black sky.

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SOME 50,000 Ghanans took part in the celebration which got under way at Accra's Polo Grounds filled with thundering roars of "freedom! freedom!"

Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah, educated in the United States and England, told the huge crowd: "We are slaves no more. Move about with your chest out."

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VICE PRESIDENT Richard Nixon presented Ghana with a 2,000 - volume technical library valued at between $15,000 and $20,000 at the Independence Day celebration at the Government State House.

Mr. Nixon gave the library, offered as a symbol of America's desire to assist the new West African nation. Mr. Nixon presented Nkrumah with an etched glass vase depicting the four freedoms.

PRIOR TO this the vice President and Mrs. Nixon were greeted

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GHANA REPORT:

50,000 hail new nation

'Slur' conviction upheld by jurist

"I think the magistrate's decision was a fair one."

Thus spoke Judge John T. Tucker in Criminal Court Tuesday in upholding the station house conviction of a shipping clerk found guilty of disorderly conduct after allegedly hurling a racial slur at a colored officer.

Tom Revis, 39, 700 block Reservoir St., was originally fined $50 and costs by Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr. in Northwestern Police Court on Feb. 4.

The defendant then appealed the conviction and it was this appeal that was heard Tuesday.

OFFICER FRANK MYERS of the Northwestern District testified that on Feb. 2 while attempting to untangle traffic at North Ave. and Bolton St., Mr. Revis refused to heed his orders.

The officer's quoted the defendant as saying, "No n— tells me what to do." He said the man left the scene but returned a few minutes later demanding "what is your badge number, boy?"

According to Officer Myers, when Mr. Revis began using loud and abusive language he arrested him for disorderly conduct.

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MR. REVIS, a native of North Carolina, denied creating a disorder or using the racial epithet.

"I very seldom use a curse word," the defendant said, "and never around an officer."

The defendant's wife, Mrs. Revis, also denied that her husband acted disorderly.

"Did he call him (the officer) a n—r?" asked James Price, assistant State's attorney.

"No, sir, he didn't," replied Mrs. Revis. "I teach my children to respect colored people."

"I think it's very likely that that word was used," said Judge Tucker. "I have heard the disorder took place after a crowd of people were attracted to the scene of the arrest.

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'Stop un-Godly acts,' Miss. mother pleads

BULLETIN

JACKSON, Miss.—Mrs. Beatrice Young, who testified in Washington before the Senate Sub-committee on Constitutional Rights, was summoned this week to appear before the Hinds County grand jury.

Medgar Evers, NAACP field representative, also was called before the grand jury. It is understood they were called in connection with the jury investigation of police brutality at the city jail.

WASHINGTON

"Gentlemen, I beg of you to do something to stop these ungodly acts."

A mother from Jackson, Miss., pleaded with members of Congress to take action against repetition of beatings of colored citizens in the South

—such as the one she said she suffered at the hands of a white deputy.

The beating, Mrs. Beatrice Young stated, resulted in the loss of her unborn child.

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MRS. YOUNG told this to the Senate Subcommittee on Consti-

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DHS vice principal quits post; takes $1,200 cut

Felix Barre, a vice - principal at Douglass High School, has been reassigned on his own request to a post as counselor at the Booker T. Washington Junior High School at a reported drop of approximately $1,200 in salary a year.

This was one of the changes approved on Thursday afternoon by the Board of School Commissioners.

In his new post Mr. Barre will receive $6,727 a year.

Mr. Barre declined to make any comment on the reason for the change in positions.

TO REPLACE Mr. Barre, James A. Spencer, presently vice - principal in charge of Junior High School Annex No. 133, has been moved to the Douglass vice - principalship with no change in salary.

William Lockwood, now a special assistant at Dunbar, will take over the vice principalship at No. 133A, with a salary of $7,917.

William E. Spencer, counselor at Douglass, will become acting special assistant at Dunbar at a salary of $7,100.

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Minister's marriage reveals his divorce four days earlier

The marriage on March 2 of the Rev. Daniel Ridout, 51-year-old Methodist minister, to his 22-year-old secretary, Miss Frances Jefferson, revealed for the first time his divorce four days earlier.

A marriage license issued in Baltimore bore the notation "divorced."

Records in Wicomico County Circuit Court in Salisbury, Md., show that Mrs. Beatrice Conway Ridout, 50, was awarded a divorce from the Rev. Mr. Ridout on February 26, 1957, on the grounds of constructive desertion.

She was his second wife. His first wife, Mrs. Caddie Ridout, died in 1950. There are two grown children of the first marriage, Daniel Ridout Jr., an Easton, Md. teacher; and Mrs. Vivian Ross, a Middletown, Del. teacher. There are also four grandchildren.

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IN HER PETITION for divorce filed November 16, 1956, the second Mrs. Ridout said she and the minister were married in May, 1951 by Bishop A. P. Shaw at John Wesley Church

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FLASH

Mrs. Juanita E. Heggie, Emmanuel Christian Community Church worker, was given three months in jail and a $500 fine this morning (Friday) in Criminal Court with the sentence suspended on payment of the fine. See earlier story page 32.