Lemuel Smith Denied New Trial in 'Pipe' Case

"EMBARRASSED AND HUMILIATED," says Luther M. Adams, left, in $75,000 suit charging false arrest he has filed Circuit Court against two police officers. His attorney, Archie D. Williams, is at right. Mr. Adams charges policemen held him "for continuous questioning for 20 hours," then released him.

Dr. Allen to open offices at 1810 Pennsylvania Ave.

Next week Dr. Willard W. Allen, former president of the Southern Life Insurance Co., will open offices at 1810 Pennsylvania Ave., former location of the Alpha Shoe Store.

Dr. Allen will operate a real estate business and conduct public relations work for the Southern Life Insurance Co.

The veteran insurance executive who has headed Southern Life since 1925, resigned as its president last week.

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DR. ALLEN, his wife, and their two daughters sold their controlling interest in Southern Life to the Winston Realty Corp on April 2 for a reported $85,000.

Owen Wilson and his brother, Harry O. Wilson, Jr., who head the Winston Realty Corp. are also the vice president and president of the Mutual Benefit Society.

Mr. Harry O. Wilson, Jr. told the AFRO that Southern Life will remain a separate company at its present location, 1841 Pennsylvania Ave. and will not be merged with the Mutual Benefit Society.

He also announced that Dr. Allen will continue to do public relations work for the Southern Life, and for other activities of the Winston Realty Corp.

DR. ALLEN tol dthe AFRO that he is happy that :ll the veteran Southern Life employees, some of whom have been with the firm 30 or more years, will continue to work with the new Southern Life.

Mr. Wilson stated that officers of the new Southern Life firm are Dr. W. Leroy Berry, president; Owen Wilson, vice president and treasurer; Linwood G. Koger, Jr., general counsel.

Joseph A. Bush, presently secretary of the company will remain as secretary and Mrs. Ida Moore, present assistant secretary.

Shockley dies at 10

Leonard Melvin Shockley, 17, is scheduled to die in the electric chair tonight (Friday) at 10 o'clock.

Last week, Governor J. Millard Tawes refused Shockley's plea for commutation of the death sentence.

He was convicted of the first degree murder of Mrs. Sarah Hearne of Box Iron on Jan. 16, 1958, and if the execution goes tiff as scheduled he will be the youngest person ever executed in Maryland.

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HIS BROTHER, Harold, 22, was also convicted in the same crime and sentenced to life imprisonment.

The younger brother admitted to cutting Mrs. Hearne's throat.

He 'lived it up' but then the roof fell in

Convicted of robbing three banks, James F. Whitfield, 33, 900 block Pennsylvania Ave., who said he "lived good, ate good and slept good," with the $5,285 he allegedly stole, was sentenced to ten years Tuesday.

Sgt. Lester Stein of Northeastern Police District told Judge Joseph Allen he picked the defendant up for an investigation concerning a receipt book reported missing from a used car lot in the 900 block E. Fayette St.

He said the manager of the lot identified Whitfield, but whitfield denied all knowledge of the missing book.

"He told me, 'You don't want me for larceny of the receipt book, you want me for those bank hold-ups,'" the sergeant testified.

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"WHEN asked him what he did with the money, he told me he "lived good, ate good, slept good,' went to New York and stayed any place he wanted to," he told the jurist.

According to police reports introduced into court testimony, the defendant told police his first robbery was last Nov. 21 when he entered the Clifton Savings Bank in the 1100 block N. Gay St. and escaped with $615.

He told police he wore a pair of women's white knit gloves and held a 59 cent Dick Tracy pistol he bought in a five and ten cent store.

He was charged with armed robbery for this offense and received the greater sentence for it. He received two five year sentences to run consecutively for two other robberies.

They were:

Fidelity Baltimore at Baltimore and Carey, Dec. 3, and allegedly escaped with $1,886.

And Provident Savings Bank, 500 block N. Gay on March 1, when he allegedly escaped with $2,784.

Whitfield never denied any of the statements attributed to him by police and never claimed the amount of money he took was overestimated.

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IN HIS statements, he also said he had watched the banks he planned to rob from seven to 30 days.

"Why did it take you so long to case' the banks?" Judge Allen asked.

"I wasn't what you call 'casing' them. I passed them while I was out looking for work."

"Then why did you watch them so long?"

"I wanted to see how I could rip in without hurting anybody and without getting myself hurt," the defendant answered.

Before imposing sentence, Judge Allen said, "Anyone who uses a gun in the commission of a crime cannot expect any sympathy from me.

"However, I am inclined to believe your story. Technically it can be called an armed robbery, . . . but I will not consider that a fact of the case," Judge Allen added.

Assistant State's attorney James F. Murphy said the defendant bought a car with some of the money.

The car, Mr. Murphy told the court, had been recovered and some of the money had also been recovered from the defendant and his girl friend.

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THE DEFENDING attorney, William Greenfield, said his client had "some possibility, . . . to be rehabilitated," in his plea to the court for clemency.

He said he had been convicted of two cases of armed robbery and received 16 years served in the Virginia Penitentiary.

Whitfield was paroled in 1951, Mr. Greenfield said, and later lost his job.

When he lost his job, he promptly told his Parole Board and had to complete his sentence when the Parole Board could not find him a job, his lawyer said.

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THE DEFENDANT told the court before sentencing that he was out of a job at the time of the robberies.

He did not take the witness stand to testify in his own defense.

THE RIGHT CALL has not come yet for Mrs. Mildred Smith who has waited patiently for word from a witness who might save her son from long prison terms.

Mother had waited at LA. 3-5740

Mother convinced of his innonce, had sought witnesses

"I haven't heard anything about the decision . . . I'll have to wait until I hear from the lawyers before saying anything."

This was the comment that came on Monday from a mother who has been keeping a lonely vigil by the telephone waiting for a phone call that might free her son from imprisonment.

Seventeen-year-old Lemuel Smith, 1400 block W. Mosher St., is the youth whom his mother, Mrs. Mildred Smith, has been trying to save.

In February Mrs. Smith ran a number of advertisements in the AFRO seeking a witness who might clear her son who had been convicted in a robbery case.

On Saturday the Supreme Bench heard a plea for a new trial for Smith but it turned down the request.

She listed her telephone number, LA. 3-5740, and told of her faith in her son's statement that he was innocent.

The youth, who continually protested his innocence, filed motion for the new trial through his attorneys, Milton Allen and Edwin Gehring, attacking the credibility of one of the State's witnesses after he was convicted by a jury.

He was accused of pipe-beating a clerk in a Walbrook Ave. clothes cleaner shop in the course of a robbery on July 30, 1958.

AT THE time of the trial, testimony revealed the woman's assailant held a knife to her throat and bound her.

When arrested, police said, Lemuel wore a blood-stained shirt, but the youth explained he accidentally struck his elbow on another youth's nose while they were playing basketball in a court at Douglass High School the same day of the alleged offense.

His lawyers contend that this is a case of mistaken identity.

Mrs. Mildred Smith, Lemuel's distressed mother, advertised in the AFRO in February asking that anyone who who had possibly seen her son at the time of the offense to please step forward and help prove his innocence.

"Please help me help my son," she pleaded and ran her telephone number, LA. 3-5740, **in the ad.**

At that time, she told the AFRO: "I'm still waiting and praying that somebody will come forward with something to help my son."

According to the attorneys, they obtained new evidence as a result of the ad to prove the innocence of the youth. This was to be presented if the new trial had been granted.

Dismissed Crownsville head nurse asks reinstatement

By MAX JOHNSON

CROWNSVILLE, Md. — "I have never seen a hospital in my life where there was as little control of the nurses over the patients as there was here.

"This service had gone to the point where I had lost complete confidence in it."

Dr. Charles S. Ward, superintendent of Crownsville State Hospital, was speaking here Tuesday, explaining why he had placed inefficiency charges against Mrs. B. Marie Gillor, the hospital's former director of nurses.

The occasion was a merit system hearing on the charges before Russell S. Davis, State commissioner of personnel.

FOLLOWING an all - day hearing, Mr. Davis said he would study the transcript of testimony and announce his decision some days later.

Mrs. Gillor, director of nurses at Crownsville from June, 1956, until relieved of her duties the past January, is seeking reinstatement.

She and Irving B. Grandberg, her attorney, contend that the charges are unfounded, unfair and based solely on the point of Dr. Ward's apparent personal dislike of Mrs. Gillor.

In defense of this, Dr. Ward had this to say at one point during the hearing:

"I am not comfortable with Mrs. Gillor having her job. I did three things.

"I offered her an assistant's (director of nurses) job. I offered to help her find a job elsewhere. I offered that if she would quit her job, I would keep these complaints in my own personal files."

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GEORGE WILLIAM MASON, director of nursing, Department of Mental Hygiene, was the only other witness produced against Mrs. Gillor by Sherman Prescott, Jr., deputy attorney general, who presented the case for the state.

"Mrs. Gillor lacks the initiative," Mr. Mason stated, "to carry out a nursing program.

"Many times I have tripped (toured) the wards and found patients not clothed properly when going to meals.

"She would come behind the criticism and try to do something about it. It would be more in keeping with the high standards of nursing not to have had these things happen."

The charges, all general in nature and admittedly so by Dr. Ward, related to an alleged series of inefficient incidents in the handling of patients and the hospital's nursing staff by Mrs. Gillor.

A previous rumor that the charges would include her especial kindness toward the patients failed to materialize.

In presenting a defense for Mrs. Gillor, Mr. Grandberg called a number of nurses, attendants and others of the hospital staff, all of whom expressed faith in her leadership and their personal wishes for her reinstatement.

Postal clerk tries again to win divorce on desertion

Harrison M. Tucker, postal clerk, made his second bid for freedom from Mrs. Gloria C. Tucker by filing another petition for divorce last week.

He charged that Mrs. Tucker deserted him on July 15, 1956, despite his having been a kind, affectionate husband, whose conduct was above reproach.

Mrs. Tucker immediately filed an answer to the petition in which she denied that she deserted her husband and asked the court to dismiss the case.

The Tuckers were married on Sept. 25, 1924 and are parents of an 18-year-old son.

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MR. TUCKER filed a petition for divorce in August, 1956.

At that time he said that though he had performed his marital duties to the best of his ability, Mrs. Tucker quarrel, cursed and berated him in the presence of their son to the extent that the marriage was intolerable.

He said that she refused and neglected to perform her marital duties, leaving all of the household chores, including the cooking and cleaning, for him to do.

He and his son had left their home at 2827 Baker St. when he filed this petition. He said that the boy, then 15, had elected to leave with him.

She filed an answer categorically denying his charges and asked for alimony and counsel fees.

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MR. TUCKER told the court that he couldn't pay alimony because they had debts amounting to approximately $11,573, with monthly installments of about $422.15 which he had to pay.

He added that she was capable of earning as much or more than he, and that in addition she was renting out the second floor of their home.

The court ordered him to provide $7 per week for her for eight weeks, as well as $75 for her attorney.

Before the eight weeks had passed, Mrs. Tucker filed a cross bill, charging that Mr. Tucker had deserted her, and asked for permanent alimony.

There the suit rested until the renewed action last week.

Baltimore students make plans for youth march

"We want so many people there until we jam the rafters of the church.

"We've gone all out for this march, and we're expecting big things."

Speaking was Tony Adona, vice chairman of the Baltimore Youth Committee for the Youth March for Integrated Schools.

The freshman University of Maryland Law School student added.

"We are making an appeal to every interested youth in the city to attend the rally."

He was speaking of the rally scheduled for Friday, April 10, at 3:30 p.m. at the Mt. Lebanon Church, 2320 Reisterstown Road.

The purpose of this rally is to prepare for the scheduled April 18 Youth March for Integrated Schools in Washington, D.C.

WITH MR. ADONA was Jack Farrington, chairman of the committee, and a senior at Morgan.

He reported that the committee will get enough busses to transport all the people who would like to participate in the Washington march at no cost to them.

He said that any donations they wish to give will be gladly accepted.

The committee is composed of students from Hopkins, Morgan, Maryland, and various Maryland high schools.

To address the local students on Friday, the sponsors have obtained Philip Camponeschi, executive secretary of the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission, and Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell, attorney.

Also attending the rally will be Dr. Clarence Long, a Hopkins professor.

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ON SATURDAY, April 11, the committee has planned to send sound trucks out to the various sections to inform people of the march.

Sunday, April 12, the committee has arranged to send student leaders to address the various churches in the city.

The committee also plans to launch a final rally to inform the public of the progress made.

The leaders of the committee said the purpose of the March is to show the nation the disapproval of racial segregation in the schools and to show their desire to bring this situation to an end.

The national march will be held in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

A student delegation will be selected to petition the President.

AT LAST year's demonstration in Washington, 12,000 persons took part with such dignitaries as Mrs. Daisy Bates, Mrs. Ralph Bunche, the Rev. Martin Luther King, A. Philip Randolph, Jackie Robinson, and Roy Wilkins.

This year, many of the same dignitaries are expected to appear.

Three hurt in crash with truck

Three men were injured early Sunday morning when a fruit truck and an automobile collided at Monroe St., and Riggs Ave.

The injured were Timothy Cook, 21, of New York City who suffered injuries of the back and arms; James Roane, 22, 1902 Riggs Ave., who was treated for a chest and shoulder injury; and Clarence Jackson, 34, 520 Parrish St., who suffered a shoulder and hip injury.

Two others who were riding with the injured men were examined at Provident Hospital and released. They were: Herbert Randall, 22, 520 Parrish St., and James Cook, 26, of 1524 Baker St.

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THE FIVE MEN were riding in an automobile driven by Floyd M. Clayborne of 446 W. 164th St., New York. Mr. Clayborne was not injured.

The second vehicle, a tractor-trailer truck which overturned in the 8:30 a.m. accident was driven by William B. Bartell, 28, of Creswell, N.C.

Police charged Mr. Clayborne with failure to give the right-of-way at a stop sign.

Registration records bill intent given

"I thought that public knowledge of these figures was definitely bad, because they could be used for selfish purposes.

"And they tended to give some people a false sense of superiority as to actual voting power."

State Senator J. Alvin Jones, Fourth District, offered this explanation for his introduction of a successful bill, which will prohibit making public Baltimore Supervisors of Elections records of the race or color of registered citizens.

This Senate Bill No. 352 was introduced by Senator Jones on February 25, and went through to final General Assembly passage on April 3.

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AS ORIGINALLY introduced, the bill would have stopped the keeping of records of registered citizens on the basis of race or religion.

The bill was amended by the Senate's Judicial Proceedings Committee to allow the Supervisors of Elections to maintain records by race, but to prohibit giving this information to any source, other than a city or state department for official use.

Senator Jones explained his "false sense of superiority as to actual voting power" phrase, by stating that the number of persons registered in his area gives little indication of the number who really vote.

Jones gives intent of People's Court bill

"I introduced the bill because I think the system is unfair. . . . There is only one other state in the United States where they have this system, and that is Missouri.

"And this was not a ripper bill, because it doesn't affect the men now in office."

State Senator J. Alvin Jones, Fourth District, Baltimore, gave this explanation Monday of the intent behind his successful General Assembly bill, which will revise the system of election of People's Court judges.

These judges are now appointed by the governor, and then must run in a city-wide election against their record.

The new law, set up in Senator Jones' Senate Bill No. 587 and passed Saturday, does not change this system for the present judges in office.

It does provide, however, that any person is eligible to run for a People's Court post, following the expiration or vacancy of any judge's term in office when the law becomes effective.

This proposes a State Constitutional Amendment, and must be approved by voters in the 1960 election.

New term's petit jurors

The following persons were selected to serve on the petit jury for the term beginning April 6:

Mrs. Daisy Reid, 914 N Appleton St.; Mrs. Clorine V. Smith, 237 N. Monastery Ave.; Stephen Griffith, 4555 Shamrock Ave.;

Joseph J. Single, 1211 Church St.; Mrs. Laura E. Howard, 2110 Baker St.; Mrs. Esther P. Lansdowne, 2612 Hollins Ferry Rd.;

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MRS. JOSEPHINE S. WILLIAMS, 4240 Evans Chapel Rd.; Frank W. Phillips, 2047 N. Bentalou St.; Emmett L. Lewis, 2028 N. Pulaski St.;

Joseph L. Griggs, 1507 E. 36th St.; Linwood E. Dabney Sr., 2935 Hudson St.; Mrs. Clara Johnson, 1102 N. Fulton Ave.;

Mrs. Marie E. Antonie, 576 Random Rd.; Mrs. Nora A. Mance, 2840 Bookert Dr.; Mrs. Elsie C. Wesley, 2136 Druid Hill Ave.;

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MRS. PEARL E. SHEARIN, 2320 Longwood St.; Ralph H. Stanton, 2400 Barclay St.; Joseph Harden, 2434 Francis St.;

James M. Parsons, 1406 John St.; Mrs. Mabel E. Johnson, 2617 Madison Ave.; Mrs. Jeanne P. Davis, 2227 N. Longwood St.;

Mrs. Beatrice M. Hooper, 1803 W. Mosher St.; Mrs. Nettie J. Hickerson, 1729 N. Appleton St.;

Edward F. Miller, 708 Stamford Rd.; Mrs. Mary L. Walker, 2030 N. Fulton Ave.; Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, 3106 Fait Ave.; Allen Cooper, 938 N. Gilmor St.

Man charged with homicide

Theodore Linwood Horsey Jr., of the 900 block N. Caroline St., was arraigned in Central Police Court Tuesday afternoon on a homicide charge.

The husky 28-year-old laborer was charged with causing the death of Walter Spaddie, 27, of the 1500 block Presser Cr., and was ordered held without bail pending a further hearing.

Northeastern District Police said they found Spaddie bleeding from a chest wound at Madison and Spring Sts., on Friday. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The exact cause of death was not known until the following day when the medical examiner announced that Spaddie had died from a knife wound.

Police said they had been looking for Horsey for two days when he walked into the station house with his lawyer and surrendered last Sunday morning.

Needs blood

Mrs. Rosetta Keith of 703 Roundview Rd. is in University Hospital where she is awaiting a heart operation. Doctors hope to perform it on Tuesday but 16 pints of blood is needed.

Anyone desiring to contribute blood — of any type — should pay a visit to the hospital blood bank. It is open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. On Saturdays it is open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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Blind Fund needs $260 by April 15

With just one week to go, Mrs. Anna Mae Hunter, president of the Anna Mae Hunter Blind Association, Inc., announced Wednesday that $260.13 is needed too make the April 15 $1,000 payment.

Mrs. Hunter, founder of the 1321 Eutaw Place home for blind people stated that a total of $739.87 has been received on the second $1,000 portion of the $4,500 down payment.

The first $1,000 payment was made through contributions, Mrs. Hunter said, and the public is urged to aid so that the $260.13 may be obtained.

All contributions may be sent to 1321 Eutaw Place or P.O. Box 1184, Baltimore 3, Md.

Cash gifts and contributors include Mrs. Daivs, 40th St., $500; the Rev. V. R. Williams, First Baptist Church, $32.13; The Modern Maidens, $35; April Shower Club, Mrs. Jackson, president, $28 West Side Social Club, Mrs. Davis, president, $94.72; Mrs. Irene Dobbs, $52.

CEMETERY AREA IS STRANGLER'S FAVORITE SPOT
(Story in Column 1)

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Dad In River

Missing Father Of 5 Found Dead In Harbor

STRICKEN with grief upon learning that the body of her son-in-law William (Bill) Miles had been found floating in the harbor, Mrs. Mary Sturdivant is shown after she collapsed at the City Morgue Wednesday afternoon. She is assisted by William Brooks, a co-worker of Mr. Miles.

EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT FROM CUB REPORTER

'Yes, I fainted'

(Ed. Note — The following story was written by an AFRO staff member who attended her first execution last Friday night. The youth who entered the gas chamber was Leonard Shockley, convicted of the murder of an Eastern Shore storekeeper. He was the youngest person ever to be executed in Maryland. The views on capital punishment are those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the editors.)

By SHELIA SHEILDS

Yes, I fainted.

I fainted when they brought youthful Leonard Shockley into the gas chamber at Maryland Penitentiary.

Few could bear to see a boy so young die that way—and I'm not ashamed to say—I fainted.

To get to the Death House Friday night, the group of witnesses, including policemen, prison officials and newsmen, were led past a huge barrier of bars into a large room by Warden Vernon Peperscak.

At the corner of the room was a steel door leading to a narrow, spiral staircase.

This steep, iron stairway led down, down, down, and came out in the prison yard.

The little procession made its way across the prison yard—about a block's walk—and into the new hospital building—the death house.

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ON THE ground floor of the death house, the group waited while upstairs, a minister said the last prayers with 18-year-old Leonard, and executors prepared the chamber.

Warden Peperscak warned for the last time that there would be no smoking upstairs. Pre-instructions were that no person would be admitted to the prison unless they were cold sober. No cameras were permitted.

A few minutes before 10 p.m., prison guards led the group up a boxed-stairway and into a chairless room.

There was only one exit and the wall facing the door was intersected by three sides of the hexagonal gas chamber.

The group stood behind a rail that stretched across the room, leaving a small margin between them and the chamber. I was in front.

We watched through the three windows of our side—behind the chair in the chamber.

Leonard couldn't see us unless he turned around.

Shifting from one wobbly knee to the other, I watched with the rest of the group.

Soon the youth appeared at the door—clad only in shorts—the rest of his thin, but not scrawny, body was bare.

He took one look at the blue

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'Strangler' strikes in area of cemetery

An all out effort to capture the "Dawn Strangler" is centered around the Greenmount Cemetery area.

That is the general area in which police believe the sex crazed strangler has murdered three women and has assaulted three others.

As a result of his attacks on unescorted women, the killer has brought terror into an area bounded on the west by Greenmount Ave.; on the east by Ensor St.; on the south by Preston St., and on the north by North Ave.

Dates of the three murders and the three assaults show that with the exception of February, the "Dawn Strangler" has struck once each month.

HIS FIRST VICTIM was an elderly blonde woman who was found strangled near her home in the 900 block E. Preston St., on Dec. 4.

The victim, 60-year-old Mrs. Lottie R. Kight had been dragged into an areaway and assaulted before her death.

Five days later a second woman was murdered under similar circumstances. She was found in the rear of the 1300 block E. Eager St.

From their investigation Northeastern District police determined that the second victim Miss Mae Hall had been raped and strangled while enroute to her home in the 1200 block of E. Chase St.

Like Mrs. Kight, the clothing of the 40-year-old Miss Hall, who was dressed in trousers, had been torn from her body and there were marks about her neck.

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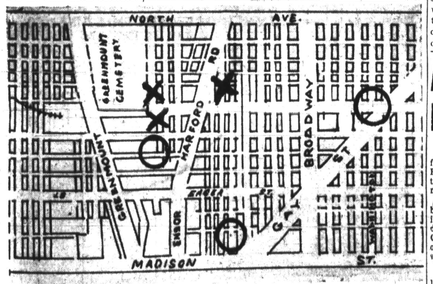
SEVENTEEN DAYS later, a 30-year-old woman was grabbed from behind and thrown to the ground in the 1400 block of Ensor St.

Like the attacks on Mrs. Kight and Miss Hall, the incident ended in a struggle.



THE 'DAWN STRANGLER' has operated in this area since December, often striking in vicinity of cemetery. O's mark spots where female victims were slain and X's scenes of attacks on other women. Police haven't been able to come up with a good clue to deranged killer's identity.

Girl missing in killer's sector

Mrs. Viola Roberts, 33, 918 E. Biddle St., said Wednesday she was fearful her 14-year-old daughter, June, may have become a victim of the "Dawn Strangler."

Mrs. Roberts said her daughter, has been missing two weeks. The mother said she sent her to a store at Biddle and Ensor and the child never returned.

Reporter is first to tell bad news

Last seen on March 22 after he left Leadenhall Church

By HERL MANGRUM

"Oh no. Oh no. No Lord it can't be so. Are you sure. Are you sure?"

Mrs. Ormeeda Miles of 5908 Belle Grove Rd., Patapsco Park, repeated those words Wednesday afternoon and then she cried.

Mr. Miles

From an AFRO reporter she had been told for the first time her missing husband, William (Bill) Miles, had been found dead in Baltimore Harbor.

The body of the 39-year-old father of five who was reported missing more than three weeks ago, floated to the surface off Pier 7 at the foot of E. Falls Ave., shortly after 9 a.m. Wednesday.

The body of the once robust World War II veteran was first spotted in the water by a crewman aboard a tug boat.

Within 20 minutes the shriveled remains, with parts of its face and fingers missing was hauled aboard the Police Boat William S. Broening.

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EASTERN DISTRICT Police were able to identify Mr. Miles from personal papers found in his wallet. According to police, there was no indication of foul play.

Among the papers found on the body was a publication from Leadenhall Baptist Church, dated March 22, the date on which Mr. Miles disappeared.

The dead man had been the object of a state wide search.

He was reported missing the day after he was seen entering his church at Leadenhall and Hamburg Sts.

At the time, Mrs. Miles told the AFRO that her husband had attended morning services and later in the day had given the keys to his car to a relative.

He was scheduled to attend afternoon church services, and it was thought that he would spend part of the day helping out in the church kitchen.

At the time of his disappearance, Mr. Miles had less than two dollars in his wallet, according to his wife.

The family expressed immediate concern over his disappearance and said he had never been known to wander away from home.

Friends of the deceased had described him as a "good church worker" (he was an usher at Leadenhall) and as one who was well thought of on his job at a local food supply firm.

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THE FAMILY was not aware

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$50 for News Tips

There is a total of $50 available each week for news tips and news photos. If you have a tip or a newsworthy photo, call AFRO — City Desk, MU. 5-6015 and say "I've got a news tip." Bring photo to City Desk. If no answer, call LA. 3-3024 or ELgin 5-2847.

$5 for Lucky Pic

If your head is circled in the lucky picture which appears in this and every edition, you can collect $5 cash simply by calling at the AFRO City Desk before the next edition is out. Look for the lucky picture, you may be a winner!

NEW VOTE FIGURES

57% of the 4th District is colored

Revised figures released by the Supervisors of Elections office on Thursday show that 104,453 colored persons are registered in Baltimore and eligible to vote in the May 5th General Election.

The largest registration in any district is in the Fourth Councilmanic where total colored registered is now 57 percent of the total.

Actually, 31,301 colored and 22,020 white voters are now registered in this Fourth District.

This is an increase of 3,200 colored registered since last September 22nd.

Last year, the Fifth District registered 29,275 colored voters.

This year, the Fifth District registration has declined to 28,704.

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RESULTS of the colored registration in the other Districts are as follows:

First District lost 300 colored registered voters.

Second District gained 600;

Third District gained 1,800;

Sixth District gained 3,024 registrants.

With 8,300 more colored than white voters registered in the Fourth District, voters should

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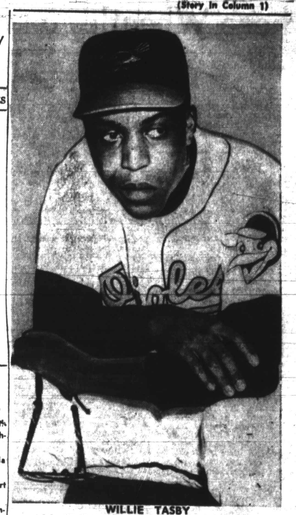
WEATHER

Sunny and 'warm as toast

Friday's weather picture shows up "warm as toast" with plenty of sunshine and temperatures near 80. Saturday will continue warm. Sunday will also be warm.



WILLIE TASBY
He helped Orioles get first win.

Charlie Tilghman asks divorce of wife of 21 years

Sphinx Club owner Charlie Tilghman filed a suit for divorce from Mrs. Madeline Hudgins Tilghman, bookkeeper at the AFRO-AMERICAN, this week.

The Tilghmans, married in 1938, are parents of 14 and 16-year-old sons.

Mr. Tilghman, who heads the club located at 2107 Pennsylvania Ave., says that he and Mrs. Tilghman voluntarily separated Dec. 1, 1948.

The petition, filed in Circuit Court No. 2, by Robert Waitz, attorney, does not mention custody of the children.

Tomorrow they march

Tomorrow they march again and among the expected 20,000 will be 25 buses of young people from Baltimore.

These buses will leave from Sharp-Street Memorial Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., and other central points at 11 a.m.

Further information may be had by calling LA. 3-5205 or LA. 3-8508.

This will be the second Youth March for Integrated Schools to demonstrate in the Nation's Capital.

Unlike last year when they were snubbed by the White House marchers have been promised an audience with Eisenhower or one of his assistants.

The 20,000 young people, sprinkled with adults, who will march on April 18, will be double the number who participated a year ago.

Both white and colored

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Birds must get better

BULLETIN

A four-run rally, in the eighth inning, started by Willie Tasby, and highlighted by Billy Gardenhire's triple, erased a 5-3 deficit and gave the Orioles their first win of the season Thursday afternoon.

Victims were the Yankees, who had their crack reliever, Bob Grim, shelled for four hits. Tasby, who got the Birds off to a fine start in the first inning with a first-inning homer, ended the game with a double in the eighth, after which Gardenhire was called in to pinch hit and Gardenhire promptly popped up the decision.

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

"Well," philosophized Coach Al Vincent, "I suppose you can say things will get better for us before they get worse."

Vincent is a coach for the Baltimore Orioles, and he was acting as stand-in spokesman for Manager Paul Richards prior to Wednesday night's six straight loss to the New York Yankees.

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THE BIRDS who were champions of the Grapefruit League in Florida during the spring

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Jackie Robinson to speak Sunday

Jackie Robinson, ex-baseball star, steps up to the plate again on behalf of civil rights Sunday at 3 p.m. in Sharp Street Memorial Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts.

Robinson, first of his race to be accepted into major league baseball, is being brought to Baltimore by the Jackie Robinson Youth Council of the Baltimore NAACP Chapter.

Now a businessman, a vice president in charge of personnel for the Chock Full O'Nuts company, Robinson is one of the 10 names in the sports and entertainment fields who has devoted considerable efforts to the cause of a more democratic country.

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THE EX-DODGER star, always a man to speak his opinion, is a popular speaker because people see him as a man who has practiced the things which he calls on them to stand up for.

Special music for the program will be provided by the Carver Vocational Chorus under Mrs. Lucille Marcus and the student band of Harvey Johnson Junior High School.

Billy Maxwell, president of the youth council, says there will be no admission for the program and that the church doors will open at 2 p.m. in order that early arrivals may take seats.

Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the Baltimore NAACP said approximately $2,000 worth of new life memberships will be presented to the purchasers during the program.

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THE NAACP is currently in its annual spring renewal membership campaign. Membership begin as low as $2 and range up to $500 for life membership.

The Rev. Jentry McDonald is membership chairman and Dr. W. H. Watts is life membership chairman.

The NAACP office at Dolphin and McCulloh Sts. is open daily from 9 to 5:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 to 1 p.m. Membership meetings are held Tuesday nights, 7:30 until 9 p.m.

JACKIE ROBINSON

Mother in sad outburst at bier of tot who killed self

PHILADELPHIA

Pointing to the casket of her five-year-old only child, Mrs. Phyllis Williams, 20, cried out to her mother, "Mother, take my baby out of there."

This heartbroken outburst brought a wave of fresh weeping among the mourners Monday night at the funeral of Quincy Williams, 5, who died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds.

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THE TRAGEDY occurred last Thursday shortly after the youngster left his mother sitting on the front steps and went into the house at 1832 N. Marston St. for a glass of water.

Then a shot rang out. Rushing into the house, Mrs. Williams found the child lying on the kitchen floor in a pool of blood. The revolver was beside him.

His father, John Williams, 21, had been asleep in the house at the time. It was his revolver and had been put away in a closet.

Taken to Woman's Medical College Hospital, the child died a half hour later of the chest wound.

The funeral services Monday night at the Perry Funeral Home was crowded with 125 mourners of all ages, primarily children.

The handsome youngster was dressed in a tan checkered suit, white shirt and a tan brown bow tie. Three white carnations lay across his chest.

A spray of white carnations from the family lay atop the casket. At its head was a heart-shaped spray of rich red carnations.

This bore the inscription, "From the neighbors of Marston, Montgomery, Etting, 28th and Berks Sts. — Your playmates."

After viewing the body for the last time, the grief-stricken mother was led away, but she turned and pleaded: "I want to see my baby again. Oh no, oh, Quincy!"