All Day Trial Ends With Guilty Verdict

Moslems accused of cop beating

After an all-day jury trial in Criminal Court Wednesday, two Moslems, charged with assault with intent to murder a police officer, were found guilty of common assault. Sentencing for the pair was postponed.

The defendants were:

Leon Smothers, 32, 1200 block Holbrook Ave.;

Leslie Watson, 31, 2000 block Harlem Ave.

Smothers and Watson were arrested earlier in the summer with four other defendants in connection with an incident in a restaurant at Fayette and Pine Sts., where Mr. Smothers is the proprietor.

At the trial for the other defendants on July 13, Police officer Charles Rout of Southwestern District testified he was beaten when he entered the restaurant April 26 to investigate a complaint that a man was there posing as a New York City policeman and molesting people.

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THE OTHER DEFENDANTS, found guilty of assault and sentenced to five years, were:

Howard Parker, 24, 600 block Vine St.;

Charles L. Lee, 20, 600 block Vine St.;

Killis Robinson, 17, 500 block Brune St.;

Paul Osborne Jr., alias "Youngblood," 21 (no address was listed for Mr. Osborne.)

Messrs. Smothers and Watson elected a jury trial, so their cases were postponed rather than tried with the others.

At the Wednesday trial before Judge Joseph R. Byrnes, who sat with a jury, Officer Rout testified that he was struck from behind and kicked in the fracas.

He said there were 13-15 persons in the place when he entered and many of them participated in the attack against him, including the two defendants.

Mr. Smothers, who testified in his own defense, took the witness stand to say he was in the back room during the affray.

"When the fight started, I ducked down behind the counter and went into a back room," Mr. Smothers testified.

He said he cut his arm as he rushed into the room and the wound was not received in the course of a battle with anyone.

He was arrested at Mercy Hospital where he went for treatment after the disturbance was over.

According to the defendant's information to police, a man who identifies himself as "The Prince of Life" started the incident.

Both of the defendants and other witnesses said he (the "Prince of Life") entered the shop before the officer arrived and began molesting patrons.

Officer Rout, in his report, said the "Prince of Life," was in the shop when he arrived but, somehow, was not arrested.

Mr. Watson did not testify.

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THE DEFENDANTS were represented by attorneys Archie D. Williams and Arthur G. Murphy.

Assistant State's attorney Russel White was the prosecutor.

Mr. Williams, in his summation for the jury, said, "We have laws to protect people in this country. . . . You don't go into a business place and expect to be parted down.

"Officer Rout brought on this trouble himself. It was only necessary for him to go in and say (to the persons causing a disturbance), 'come with me.'

"He is in a place with 15 people — that could be an explosive situation.

"Handled a different way, there would have been no difficulty," he added.

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MR. MURPHY TOLD the jury it was practically impossible for a person, in the confusion of an attack, to remember just who could have passed a blow at him.

He contended that there was no evidence to prove that either one of the defendants was the guilty party.

Mr. Murphy also pointed out that the mysterious "Prince of Life," who reportedly started the trouble, "miraculously got away and has never been apprehended."

The assistant State's attorney, Mr. White, said to the jury that Officer Rout's attempts to make an arrest in spite of the attack was courageous.

He agreed with the defending attorneys to dismiss the more serious counts of the indictments charging assault with intent to murder and assaulting a police officer.

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PRESENT FOR THE trial was a group of young men identified with the same religious group as the defendants.

Called "The Fruit of Islam," the young men were dressed in dark suits, white shirts and dark red ties.

They sat erect throughout the trial and listened carefully to the testimony.

With them was their leader, Isaiah Karriem, minister of the Baltimore Islamic Temple, in the 1000 block Pennsylvania Ave.

After the trial, Mr. Karriem called attention to words of Mr. White before the jury. The Moslem leader said his group has one of the lowest crime rates.

He was referring to the prosecutor's statement in which he said, "Who are these people (Moslems)? . . . They are a menance to society."

Post Office makes 12 supervisory promotions

"I have tried, since I've been here, to be considerate of all minority groups, to make just promotions regardless of race, religion, national origin or political affiliation.

William F. Laukaitis, Baltimore postmaster, spoke these words to William R. Perry Jr., 31, 2308 Harlem Ave., Thursday.

The occasion was promotion ceremonies for 12 post office employees.

Mr. Perry was promoted from desk clerk to foreman of mails in the delivery section at the main post office.

AN EMPLOYEE there for ten years, he has been acting supervisor for several months.

Of his new position, he said: "It's a good opportunity and I know I'm going to like it."

He is married to the former Miss Charlotte Marshall. They have two children, Marsha, 15, and William Jr., four months.

Another promotion made was that of Lewis A. Stevenson, 38, 3429 Piedmont Ave., from chauffeur to dispatcher with the motor vehicle service.

An employee there for 12 years, he had been acting dispatcher for four years.

Mr. Stevenson is married to the former Miss Audrey Roy. They have two children, Lewis Jr., 11, and Gisele, 3.

Other promotions made were:

William T. Tyler, tour superintendent, incoming or outgoing mails; Edmond L. Franks, carrier station superintendent, Govans Station; John J. Crum, carrier station superintendent, Carroll Station; Joseph V. Trovato, general foreman of mails, Main Office; Benjamin D. Pollack, assistant carrier station superintendent, Carroll Sta.; Edward A. Lasewski, assistant carrier station superintendent, Hamilton Sta.

Thomas C. Wiskiewicz Jr., carrier station superintendent, Mt. Washington Sta.; Dominic Ciotola, chief of engineer, Motor Vehicle Service; William G. Mildebrand, assistant carrier station superintendent, Hampden Sta.; Joseph Gerlovich, automotive foreman, Motor Vehicle Service.

Luncheon set

The Maryland Commission for the Prevention and Treatment of Juvenile Delinquency announced today that plans have been completed for the luncheon meeting to be held on October 13 at 12 in the Alcazar as part of the two-day Governor's Conference on Children and Youth.

Presiding will be J. Hardold Grady, mayor of Baltimore City. The speaker will be Ephraim Roos Gomberg, executive director of the White House Conference for Children. Mr. Gomberg's topic will be "New Developments and Changing Values — Their Effect on Children."

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Wine flows at grave of 'King Dick'

Dick Stevens was said to be the king of 10,000 gypsies, but less than 400 subjects witnessed grave side rites for the 72 year-old monarch at Western Cemetery Thursday morning.

Those that did arrive in 35 cars (mostly Cadillacs and Buicks) saturated "King Dick's" silver casket with wine and hard liquor and tossed coins into his open grave.

The rites were witnessed by more than 500 spectators who stood behind an iron fence around the cemetery at Edmondson Ave., near Mulberry St.

The graveside rites followed services at Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Church.

WITH THE death of "King Dick" on Monday, some 10,000 gypsies were left without a ruler. There is speculation that a new king will not be named.

"King Dick," who migrated to the United States from Brazil with his father, mother and eight brothers, ruled his clan for almost 30 years from a coppersmith shop in Cherry Hill.

He retired 15 years ago after selling his Cherry Hill property and moved into the city. The "King" was residing in the 400 block Eutaw St., when he died. More than 200 of his subjects live in Baltimore.

Burial services convened Thursday with a brass band playing, "Rock of Ages," only a few tears were shed over the grave.

While the rites were in progress, one of the king's subjects walked to the grave of another clan member and collapsed moaning in tears.

Her crying over the headstone of a grave marked, "Harry Johnson, died March 1958" went unnoticed until funeral attendants were ready to lower "King Dick's" casket into the ground.

The young woman was then pulled, pushed and partially dragged from the scene by an elderly woman.

Most of the spectators watched the proceedings in silence. Some cracked jokes.

MR. A. FRO, the man with the big money to give away is still making the rounds on Wednesdays and Saturdays looking for people to answer simple questions and win the cash. You have to have an AFRO Lucky Sticker on your window or door to attract Mr. A. Fro.

A SUCCESSFUL TRY was made by this fireman as he (left) climbs a ladder at the back of the burning house at 542 Robert St. to rescue two small children from deadly flames, and (right) as he comes from the burning inferno triumphantly with one of the small children in his arms. The other had been taken ahead. Neither was seriously injured. Rescued from the house were Cecilia and Angela Amos, ages four and five. Firemen said the infants were found huddled behind a closed bathroom door which probably saved their lives.

Save two children in home

The heroic action of an alert, quick thinking laundry delivery man, saved two small children from a burning three story rowhouse Wednesday morning.

Robert N. Daniels, 35, 1531 Mountmor Ct., saw the flames in the house at 542 Robert St. and called firemen.

Rescued were: Angela Amos, 5, and Cecelia Amos, 4. They were treated at Provident Hospital for mild smoke inhalation and released.

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RECONSTRUCTING the incident, Mr. Daniels said.

"I had just turned the corner at Division and Robert, and I saw these flames in the living room of the house.

"I heard someone say there were children in the house so I first sounded the alarm and then came back to see if the children were really there.

"I went to a neighbor's house to find out, and the lady who answered the door told me that if I wasn't a fireman or a policeman it was none of my business and to get away from there and mind my business.

"If she had been a man, I would have 'squared' her one right in her mouth," he said angrily.

"I then went back to the house and kicked the door in in an effort to get the kids out, but by that time the firemen had come."

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BATTALION CHIEF Anthony Sim said the children had locked themselves in the second - floor bathroom in an effort to escape the flames.

Because the fire had reached its peak at the front of the house, firemen were able to enter from the rear.

The children were carried out a back bathroom window.

The father of the children, Luther Percy Amos, a 45-year-old evangelist, told the AFRO he had left the children alone briefly to go to a nearby store.

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"I HAD JUST gone out of the door when someone yelled that my house was on fire," said Mr. Amos.

"I ran back and they told me the girls had been taken next door."

Mrs. Lillian Amos, the children's mother, told the AFRO she was at work. She arrived at the hospital while the children were in the treatment room.

Their six other children were in school, Mr. Amos said. They are:

Other Amos children are: Sylvia, 12, who attends Gilmor Elementary School No. 107; Luther, 11, Mary, 10, Naomi, 9, Donald, 8, and Esther, 7, all of whom attend William Alexander Elementary No. 112.

Firemen could give no immediate cause of the fire. However, Mr. Amos said a pot of potatoes was on the stove when he left for the store.

The flames were restricted to the first floor, but smoke damaged upper sections of the house.

ROBERT N. DANIELS
Alertness brought firemen

SUGARMON KICK-OFF SPEAKER

150 churches back NAACP drive opening here tonite

Tonight, (Friday, Sept. 25) marks the opening of the NAACP 1959 membership and vote registration campaign.

The kick - off meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. at the Union Baptist Church, Druid Hill Ave., near Dolphin St., when a call will be issued for 15,000 additional members.

Under the direction of the Rev. Jentry McDonald, membership chairman, the Rev. John L. Tiller, Baltimore branch director, and the membership committee, more than 150 of the city's churches will take part in the campaign.

ACCORDING TO Cortez W. Puryear, executive secretary of the NAACP, the churches, the ministers and the members of the various congregations throughout the city are the "backbone" of the membership drive as well as of the register - to - vote drive.

The kick-off meeting tonight will have as guest speaker, Russell B. Sugarmon, attorney and candidate for office in the recent Memphis municipal election.

A militant leader in race relations, Mr. Sugarmon is an NAACP member, a member of the Tennessee Voting Registration League and is active in the Memphis non - partisan registration.

In August, Mr. Sugarmon ran for the post of Commissioner of Public Works in Memphis, first colored candidate for a city office in 25 years. Mr. Sugarmon will tell how the campaign turned into a racial battle.

Also on the kick-off meeting program is Clarence Mitchell, director of the Washington Bureau of the NAACP, who will speak on Civil Rights Legislation in Congress.

SPEARHEADING the campaign are Mrs. Dorothea B. Merchant, director of the national office, the Rev. Mr. Tiller, and Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, NAACP president.

The campaign extends from Oct. 1 through Nov. 3, and all new members are urged to fill out membership blanks.

On Oct. 4, the NAACP Life Membership Buffet will be held at the Me-De-So Club with Puryear, NAACP executive secretary, and Dr. Lillie M. Kaplan as guests. Dr. William H. Watts is chairman of the Life Membership Drive.

All organizations, churches, and persons willing to make "Investment in Freedom" may pay as little as $50 a year for the $500 life membership. According to Dr. Watts, the nation - wide life membership goal is 25,000 members.

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Captain, Helen Brooks; Maud Jones and Zion Ave. Ave.

Captain, Marie Turner; Edith Chenoweth; Doris Davis, Lucille Johnson, Pearl Lee, Minnie Lewis, Bertha Mae Bethea, Wilhelmina Wright.

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Captain, Phoebe Martin; Ruby Dorsey, William Barnhill, Clarence Hewes, John Sewell, Sarah Scriggs, Hilda Johnson, Major Shaw, Doris Cash.

BETHEL AME

Captain, Florence Snowden; Henry Mars, Lillian Amos, the children's mother, told the AFRO she was at work. She arrived at the hospital while the children were in the treatment room.

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Baptist ministers give support to NAACP drive

At the opening meeting of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity Fall Session, members present voted to give support to the 1959 NAACP Membership Campaign which opens here Oct. 1 with a goal of 15,000 members.

The unanimous decision came after the group, meeting at Bruce Baptist Church Monday, was addressed by Cortez Puryear, NAACP Executive Secretary and Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, NAACP president.

Mr. Puryear who is beginning his first year as executive secretary, noted that the Baptist Ministers Conference represents one of the greatest organized bodies of leaders today.

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MEMBERS of the conference expressed belief that the NAACP membership goal will be reached and stated that Mr. Puryear will do an outstanding job as executive secretary here.

During the meeting, members told of their experiences during the summer both at the National Baptist Convention and The Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention.

The Baptist Ministers Conference with a membership of more than 100 pastors, has as president the Rev. W. H. Thompson. The Rev. W. W. Payne is secretary. The Rev. E. W. Williams is treasurer.

Baltimore busses going from yellow to green

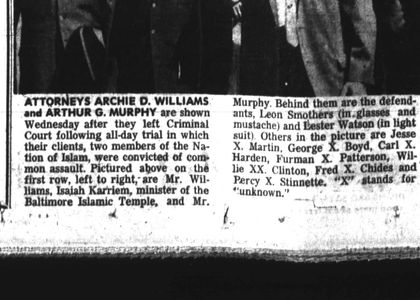
Baltimore's transportation system is going from pale yellow to pastel green. That's right, all the city's busses are getting a new look.

"The pastel green is a popular color," a Baltimore Transit Company spokesman said this week.

To date, 122 of the city's 709 busses have the new color.

From 10 to 12 busses are painted each week. The painting, which began in June, will continue until the job is finished.

The transit company public relations office reported Tuesday that the new color has evoked "favorable comments" from the public.



ATTORNEYS ARCHIE D. WILLIAMS and ARTHUR G. MURPHY are shown Wednesday after they left Criminal Court following all-day trial in which their clients, two members of the Nation of Islam, were convicted of common assault. Pictured above on the first row, left to right, are Mr. Williams, Isaiah Karriem, minister of the Baltimore Islamic Temple, and Mr. Murphy. Behind them are the defendants, Leon Smothers (in glasses and mustache) and Lester Watson (in light suit). Others in the picture are Jesse X. Martin, George X. Boyd, Carl X. Harden, Furman X. Patterson, Willie XX. Clinton, Fred X. Chides and Percy X. Stinnette. "X" stands for "unknown."

Claims he gave a $100 bill; thought it was a dollar

Clyde Long, 36, 2800 block Rayner Ave. reported to Western District Police that he gave the ticket lady at a Pennsylvania Ave. movie a $100 bill instead of a dollar Tuesday night.

He said after recognizing his mistake several hours later he went back to the movie, but the lady denied being given a $100 bill.

After a thorough check by police, the money still was not found, it was reported.

Mr. Long said the money belonged to the Pratt St. seed company where he works.

Busy street scene of two auto wrecks

The intersection of Druid Hill Ave., and Laurens St. could have been renamed "night-mare alley" last Friday for the busy intersection was the scene of two accidents.

At 9:25 a.m., cars driven by Richard A. Johnson, 70, 1904 Walbrook Ave., and Leon S. Kamintez, 49, 4111 Penhurst Ave., smashed into each other at the intersection.

Neither man was injured so police charged both with reckless driving.

At 9:45 p.m., James Peterkin Jr., 31, 1315 Whatcoat St., and Nathaniel Tyrone, 30, 1515 Mountmor Ct., repeated the performance at the same location.

They also escaped injury and were permitted to go on their way, but not before police had charged Mr. Peterkin with failure to give the right - of - way at a stop sign and driving without a license.

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Otis Regrets But Gets 18 Years

'I didn't intend to kill her'

TOWSON, Md. — "I didn't intend to kill her. There was no reason to, but when she came at me with the screwdriver I got panicky.

"I don't remember anything else after that. I blacked out."

Otis J. Stokes of the 200 block Middle River Rd., spoke these regrets on Thursday when he went on trial in Baltimore County Circuit Court for the murder of his 21-year-old bride of nine months.

The 21 year - old house painter was convicted of murder in the second degree in connection with the death of Mrs. Barbara Jean Stokes, and was sentenced to 18 years in the Maryland Penitentiary.

Judges John B. Gontrum and James J. Lindsay deliberated 22 minutes before returning a guilty verdict.

State's Attorney Frank H. Newell III had asked the court to find Stokes guilty of murder in the first degree.

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THE SLAYING occurred last May 3 outside the home of **Mrs. Hilliard Monroe, a friend of the Stokes family.**

Testimony was given that his wife had gone to the doctor's home in the 2600 block Windsor Rd., with Cpl. Armond Elliott of the county police department, and his brother Gordon Elliot to paint the inspector's house.

The court was told that Stokes used Cpl. Elliot's .38 caliber service revolver to pump six bullets into his wife's body following an argument in the officer's car.

Dr. Paul F. Guerin, assistant medical examiner for Baltimore City testified that the deceased was shot in the right shoulder, the chest, and buttocks.

The doctor said there were so many holes in the woman's body and that he "could not ascertain how many were wounds from a single bullet."

Dr. Guerin said the case was "so grievous" that he found it difficult to trace the entrance and exit of each bullet.

Defense counsel Douglas Bottom contended that out of fright, Stokes grabbed Cpl. Elliott's revolver from under the front seat after his wife accused him of having an affair with a women identified as "Bell" and became enraged with a screw driver, and nail file or a letter opener, neither of which was ever found.

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THE FIRST WITNESS Cpl. Elliott testified that Stokes and his wife, his brother and Patrolman Walter Myers had been to the Towson Police station in connection with a lottery case.

The Corporal said that he had known the defendant for about eight years, and answered "yes" when asked if Stokes and his wife "had done undercover work in your lottery investigations."

In his testimony the officer stated that when he heard shots and ran to his car Stokes said, "I told that . . . I was going to kill her".

Cpl. Elliott added that as he snapped handcuffs on Stokes the defendant kept saying, "get

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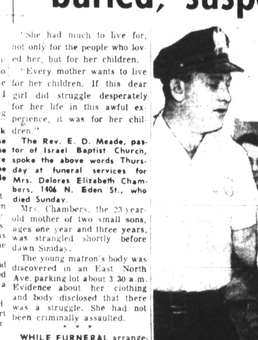
Strangler's victim buried; suspect held



"She had much to live for, not only for the people who loved her, but for her children.

"Every mother wants to live for her children. If this dear girl did struggle desperately for her life in this awful experience, it was for her children."

The Rev. E. D. Meade, pastor of Israel Baptist Church, spoke the above words Thursday at funeral services for Mrs. Delores Elizabeth Chambers, 1406 N. Eden St., who died Sunday.

Mrs. Chambers, the 23 year-old mother of two small sons, ages one year and three years, was strangled shortly before dawn Sunday.

The young matron's body was discovered in an East North Ave. parking lot about 3:30 a.m. Evidence about her clothing and body disclosed that there was a struggle. She had not been criminally assaulted.

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WHILE FUNERAL arrangements were being made for Mrs. Chambers, police were charging Harold Hounshell of the 3500 block E. Oliver St. with her death.

At his arraignment before judge Albert Sherbert Saturday in Central health court Wednesday afternoon, Hounshell, through his attorney Michael F. Freedman entered a plea of not guilty.

The 22-year-old defendant, a worker at Bethlehem Steel, was charged with assault by choking and causing the death of Mrs. Chambers.

Hounshell was held without bail pending a further hearing at Central.

A break in the case came around noon Wednesday following an all-out investigation by officers in the Northeastern District and a group of homicide detectives from Central headquarters.

Hounshell, according to police was arrested at his home at 5:12 a.m. Tuesday.

Approximately an hour before the accused was charged, a priest was seen entering the cell block, at Northeastern.

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IN COURT, HOUNSHELL, who was accompanied by two patrolmen, appeared calm and held his head at an angle to hear the proceedings.

The slim young man with close cropped hair wore a striped tan shirt, green city league trousers, brown shoes, and sported a thin mustache.

At the hearing his attorney asked police "not to question my client any further.

"I have given him (Houn shell) instructions not to answer any further questions."

Turning to a group of reporters who had assembled around the bench, Mr. Freedman declared, "You are witnesses to what I have said. I might have to call you all."

There was no indication of whether the suspect had known the dead woman.

Police also said that he had allegedly tried to jump out of a window at Central Police Station.

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THE LATE Mrs. Chambers was separated from her husband, David Chambers, who was present at the one-hour long funeral services on Thursday and accompanied the deceased woman's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Mosby, and her father, William Mosby.

Mr. Chambers wept audibly throughout the services which

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Jobs blamed in divorce of Mayos

Blaming their respective jobs for the break up of their marriage, Mrs. Aretha Jennings Mayo, city schoolteacher, and the Rev. William T. Mayo were divorced, here, recently.

The Rev. Mr. Mayo is the pastor of the Timothy Baptist Church. He and Mrs. Mayo were married by the late Rev. Simon Williamson on Oct. 3, 1954, and, according to the wife, ended the union 18 months later.

The 34-year- old Mrs. Mayo said that they agreed to separate in April of 1956. Asked why, she added:

"Our respective jobs demanded much of our time. He was quite anxious to organize a new church, and my job made demands on me which resulted in difficulties.

"I left and went to my mother's house."

She added that they had not lived together since and that there is no reasonable hope of reconciliation.

She will resume her maiden name, Aretha Sarah Jennings.

Witness for Mrs. Mayo was her sister, Mrs. Mattie Jennings Lewis of 720 N. Monroe St., medical clerk at Sinai Hospital.

She also said that the couple's jobs were the cause of misunderstandings.

Mrs. Mayo gave the address of her 38 year - old husband as 1720 Gwynns Falls Parkway, and her address at 1020 N. Bond St.

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MRS. MARY JONES of 1829

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A SUSPECT in the death of Mrs. Delores Chambers, the young mother who was found strangled on a North Ave., parking lot Sunday, Harold Hounshell in chains and handcuffs is removed from Central headquarters to city jail to await a hearing. The 22-year-old custodial worker is being held without bail.

WEATHER

Chilly weather coming

Maryland Academy of Science authorities say that the eclipse of the sun this morning (Friday) has nothing to do with the weather.

So — this city will continue to experience bright blue autumn weather, sunny, a bit chilly with a high in the low 70's Friday.

Saturday will be cloudy, rainy and cooler with a high about 70. Sunday is forecast as chilly. Monday will remain cool.

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ILA men on strike

"This is an official strike, as of four o'clock this afternoon under orders from William V. Bradley, our international president."

"The strike wasn't expected to come off because of the 15 - day extension of the contract. So, the men are not prepared for it."

George E. Barry, secretary-treasurer, Local 858 of the International Longshoremen's Association, was speaking here Thursday evening, explaining the sudden walkout of dock workers in the port of Baltimore.

This latest strike of almost 3,500 longshoremen in the Baltimore area joins with the approximately 24,000 out on strike at the Sparrows Point Plant of the Bethlehem Steel Co. plants to raise the local total of strikers to the neighboring total of 28,000.

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IN ADDITION, the 80-day old steel strike has idled thousands of other workers here in related industries through the furloughs.

Mr. Barry said that some 2,300 colored longshoremen in Locals 858, 1429 and 953 are affected by the new strike.

"The majority of our men are not prepared for a strike," Mr. Barry told the AFRO, "because the port of Baltimore has been 30 per cent under normal this year."

He said a normal work week for the men would be three and a half days, and this year men have been averaging two days per week.

A work-day is eight hours, and minimum wages $2.80 an hour.

The International Longshoremen's Association has no strike fund, Mr. Barry revealed, to care for the members and their families during a strike.

The last longshoremen's strike been of any consequence was in 1956, he said, and that lasted about a week.

Mr. Barry gave this account of events leading up to the strike order:

"As of yesterday (Wednesday) at four o'clock, word came down from New York that there would be a 15-day extension of

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Rev. Coleman new Pa. Ave. pastor

The Rev. Clinton R. Coleman, pastor of Evans AME Zion Church, Fayetteville, N.C., has been appointed pastor of the Pa. Ave. AME Zion Church, to succeed the Rev. G. M. Edwards who died last month.

The Rev. Mr. Coleman is the nephew of Bishop Daniel C. Pope, AME Zion bishop in Africa. His appointment was announced by Bishop Raymond C. Jones, presiding bishop of this area.

The new Pa. Ave. pastor is 55 years old, a graduate of Livingstone College, and is married and has four children. He is scheduled to visit and preach his first sermon here on Sunday morning, Oct. 5. He will not take up his duties until later in the year.

Triplets' parents: 'A boy for him, a girl for me, and one for the road.'

MR. AND MRS. EARL WATKINS
Now they must go shopping for three

They expected 1, got 3, now wish it had been 4

All's well in the Watkins' household now that they've overcome the excitement of having triplets.

The proud father, Earl Watkins, a 25-year-old Union Memorial Hospital employee, reports that his wife, Alverta, 19, and their triplets, Kevin, Karen, and Karleen are doing well.

Mrs. Watkins surprised her husband Friday when she presented him with triplets at Provident Hospital. They weighed 4 lbs., 1 oz.; 3 lbs., 15 oz.; and 3 lbs., 11 oz.

His reply after he was told of the happy event was:

"I just couldn't believe it. I thought they were kidding me when they told me I had triplets."

But now that he knows they were not kidding, he wishes it had been four.

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MRS. WATKINS is resting well at their home, 2929 Druid Ave and the triplets are still confined to incubators in Provident.

Hospital officials said they will probably be there for another week.

Those immortal words spoke by Mrs. Watkins when giving an explanation for having triplets, are the talk of the town.

She said:

"He (her husband) wanted a boy, and I wanted a girl, so we compromised, had both and one for the road."

The Watkinses, have a bedroom, living room, kitchen and bath in the second floor apartment at the Duvall Ave. address where they now live.

At present, they plan to remain there until the new babies grow to need more space. They had only purchased clothes for one baby, now have to go shopping for the two extra they didn't expect.

Mrs. Watkins is the former Alverta Christmas, a 1958 graduate of Douglass High. Her husband attended Carver High before their marriage, June 21, 1958.

Both said they did not know of any multiple births in their families.

White Sox hitters go berserk

AL SMITH
Eyes the big money

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

CHICAGO — The White Sox, known all season long as the "pitty - pat" hitters, flexed their muscles and clobbered the Los Angeles Dodgers 11-0 in the opening of the 1959 World Series.

A topcoated throng of 48,013, getting its first taste of classic baseball in 40 years, rocked Comiskey Park with its screams as the Sox belted five L. A. pitchers for 11 hits six for extra bases.

The 11-0 score marked the largest shut-out margin recorded in series history. From the beginning of the heavily overcast day it was a track one for the National League.

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THE SOX LOST no time getting out in front. A walk to Fox, singles by Landis and Kluszewski, and a long fly to right center by Lollar netted two runs in the first.

A fine running catch by Larker, in fact, prevented Lollar's drive from producing more damage.

Then came the third, an inning L. A. partisans may never forget. It was an inning in which free hitting, loose fielding and mental lapses on the part of the Dodgers combined to break the game wide open.

It all started with Fox's double to the right corner with one out, single by Landis, sacrifice by Kluszewski which put the lighted seats to chase Lanier home and send Craig, the Dodgers' starting pitcher, to the shower.

With the score now 5-0 in favor of Chicago, manager Walt Alston brought in Chick Churn to relieve. His start was a discouraging one as Snider

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Lacy picks Bums in 6

By SAM LACY
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CHICAGO — The 1959 World Series which got under way here Tuesday, was the beginning of another conquest for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

This writer, on the limb as usual and feeding fodder to his Army of second guessers, picks the National League Champions to whip the American League's Chicago White Sox in six games.

Underdog or not, Los Angeles appears to be the best World Champion. It is a dedicated club with a momentum that isn't likely to be denied. These past 10 days, in which the NL Pennant was won and lost by three teams and then won finally by the Dodgers, presented a picture of a ball club with an irresistible drive.

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THE AFRO disagrees with the view that this was a "cheap" pennant in the NL. Because it was won with fewer than 90 victories. Instead, it should be looked upon as a hard - won title, acquired in a league that was more evenly matched than it has been since the war years when everyone was using 4-F material.

Frankly, this correspondent

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TV GRID LINEUPS

Saturday

CALIFORNIA at TEXAS

Sunday

DETROIT LIONS

No.	Player	Hgt.	Wgt.	Position
35	John H. Johnson	6-1	217	Fullback
45	Dan Lewis	6-3	200	Def. halfback
	GREEN BAY			
6	Tim Brown	6-0	195	Off. halfback
45	Emlen Tunnell	6-1	200	Safety
81	A. D. Williams	6-3	204	Off. end
87	Nate Borden	6-2	218	Def. end

Sunday

Notre Dame at Purdue (tape) WMAL, Ch. 7, 12:45 p.m.
Redskins at Pittsburgh, WTOP, Channel 9, 2 p.m.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS

No. Colored Players

PITTSBURGH STEELERS

43	Tom Barnett	6-3	209	Def. halfback
65	John Nisby	6-1	244	Off. guard
71	Joe Lewis	6-4	266	Off. tackle
85	Don Bishop	6-1	200	Def. halfback
87	Jack McClairen	6-3	213	Off. end

Players on winning World Series team may get $15,000 cut

A record payoff for players in the 1959 World Series has already been assured, Arthur (Red) Patterson, press relations director of the Dodgers, telephoned the Dunlaiger Park dugout in the seventh inning of Thursday's opening game.

Every seat in the 92,000 capacity Los Angeles Coliseum has been sold for all games to be played there, Patterson reported.

Under such circumstances the winning share for this playoff may go as high as $15,000. Losers may pick up as much as $11,200.

The previous high for winners was $11,147.80, paid the then New York Giants in 1954. Top losers shares amounted to $6,924.34, to the 1954 Dodgers.