Millions for minority businesses; seminar set

General Services Administration has committed $35 million in procurement for contracts with minority entrepreneurs under provisions of Section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, Administrator Robert L. Kunzig said today.

"We're prepared to commit considerably more when this is used up" he promised in announcing a seminar specifically designed to call to the attention of minority businessmen the opportunities available for doing business with the Government.

Kunzig, as chairman of President Nixon's Interagency Task Force on Procurement for Minority Businesses, said that a "Baltimore Federal Procurement Seminar for Minority Business."

It will be held in the auditorium of the Social Security Administration Headquarters Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Woodlawn, Maryland, on Tuesday, July 21.

The seminar, an all-day affair, will begin at 9 a.m. and continue through 8 p.m. in the evening.

It is one of the many efforts in President Nixon's program to assist in the development and growth of minority business.

Representatives from the buying offices of all Federal agencies will individually assist and counsel all minority businessmen interested in increasing their involvement in the multibillion dollar procurement program of the U.S. Government.

"Assistance to minority business

GSA has 11 Business Service Centers across the country where especially trained staff members work with minority oriented community organizations to identify black, Spanish-American, Puerto Rican, Mexican-American, American Indian, and other can supply a needed item or service to the U.S. Government.

"These people make daily personal visits to these firms to offer whatever assistance necessary to enable them to compete for this business, said Kunzig, who directs the multibillion dollar business management arm of the Federal Government.

He stressed that the Washington GSA Business Service Center is located at Seventh and D Streets, SW, Room 1050, Regional Office Building, Washington, D.C., and minority businessmen should contact William F. Donlin Jr., Regional Director of Business Affairs personally or call him at Area Code 202, 963-4147 for immediate assistance.

Additional contracts now being negotiated — some in the Baltimore area — will involve minority businesses manufacturing storage cabinets, janitorial supplies, products made of polyethylene, and fibreboard boxes.

Other items in various stages of development include wooden furniture, electronic and electrical products, sheet metal, fabrication, aerosol products, molded rubber goods, machine shop items and textiles.

FOR ALCOHOLICS:

$125,000 is grant to Provident

Provident Hospital has received a $125,000 grant, to provide out-patient services and counselors for alcoholics in the Community Action Agency target area population.

This grant-in-aid, made to CAA by the Office of Economic Opportunity, will be administered by the Provident Hospital Complex.

It will supplement services now rendered under a $72,000 grant recently received and administered by the Provident Comprehensive Neighborhood Health Center.

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"One very important objective of the new program is the establishment of a resident facility designed for the treatment and rehabilitation of the alcoholic." Charles G. Teldon, associate director said.

Negotiations are presently underway for the acquisition of a home which will house a 10-bed quarter-way house and 15-bed half-way house.

The resident facility will accept for admission those homeless acutely intoxicated individuals who have been examined at Provident and found not sick enough to require inpatient hospital treatmet but who are too sick to be turned away without shelter and supervision.

Conversely, the Provident Complex will admit, for appropriate treatment, any referral to the resident facility who may require inpatient medical treatment.

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Homeless alcoholics who need maximum use of treatment and counseling services to help them to attain sobriety will be permitted to stay in the residence until they are prepared to live independently in the community.

Henry J. Whyte, Provident's Executive Director, said that he considered this an excellent opportunity to expand the hospital's services in the field of alcoholism.

With the assistance of an experienced vocational rehabilitation counselor, a coordinator will have overall charge of the program.

He will coordinate the social services and manpower training needs of the residents of the facility and supervise the outreach and community education activities of the alcoholism counselors.

Mr. Tildon remarked that emphasis will be placed on counseling and that both trained counselors and recovered alcoholics will be used to provide extensive guidance services.

Provident is uniquely suited to be the delegate agency in charge of the Program.

The hospital's detoxification unit, the first of its kind in the city, is a ready source of referrals to the resident facility.

Prince George's has 10 black candidates

history. Prince George's County has a group of 10 black citizens who have filed for public local and state offices in the Sept. 15 Democratic primary.

Four years ago, Arthur A. King broke the ice by filing and winning a delegate seat in Maryland's General Assembly at Annapolis. Mr. King has filed for reelection.

Newcomers running with him in his sub-district 2 for

For the first time in its the House are Mrs. Gloria Colbert, Robert Williams and Joseph Woodrick.

Bidding for House seats in sub-district 3 are Miss Theresa Banks and Nat Exum.

There is an allotment of seven House seats in sub-district 2, and six in sub-district 3.

On the local side, three of the race's citizens are running for county commissioner posts. There are five such seats.

The candidates are Floyd Wilson, Perry Smith and James Cousins.

In addition, there is a black candidate for judge of Orphans Court. He is Lester James.

Down in Anne Arundel County, Dr. Aris T. Allen, who won a Republican seat in the House of Delegates four years ago, has filed for reelection.

Dr. Allen, one of nine [illegible] House, held the post of minority ship.

Other than Mr. King and Dr. Allen, the black House members were from Baltimore City, as was the two black senators during the outgoing Assembly. — MAX JOHNSON

Youths hurl rocks, trash into highway

NEW BEDFORD, Mass (UPI) — A group of black youths heaved stones and boards onto U.S. Highway 6 in the West End Wednesday night. Police said one car was reported damaged and one person injured.

Observers said boards and dirt had been thrown into the busy street in the predominantly black neighborhood. Alphonse Pickel, a fireman, was taken to St. Luke's Hospital and treated for minor injuries.

A white passenger in a car that drove through the area said "we were the first car coming along. The boards were being thrown out in the street . . . I've never seen anything like that before."

Police said one car was set afire and rocks and bottles were thrown at a bus from Rhode Island diving through the area.

Officers in riot gear routed traffic around the area to try to prevent further incidents.

The incidents, which began around 10 p.m. EDT took place on Kempton Sreet or U.S. 6, a one-way street running east through this fishing port of 100,000

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About Our Town
By DARRYL BROOKS

I trust that everyone enjoyed his July 4 holiday weekend.

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Many went to the beaches, or took long rides with the kids, and many went on a picnic.

Unfortunately, as is always the case, the weekend was marred with thirteen deaths resulting from drowning and traffic accidents.

Eight persons drowned in Maryland's waterways and five died on the streets in accidents.

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Well, enough of the bad statistics and in spite of the loss of lives I hoped you enjoyed your July 4 weekend.

The Baltimore Orioles celebrated July 4 by hosting a fireworks display at Memorial Stadium sponsored by the Northeast Baltimore Association.

Unfortunately, for the Orioles, they lost the game which preceded the fireworks display by giving up five runs to the Tigers in the top of the ninth inning.

The final score was 5 to 5.

On the brighter side, the Orioles sandwiched that loss to the Bengals with two brilliant shut-out jobs by Mike Cuellar and Jim Palmer.

Cuellar's masterpiece was a four hitter, and Palmer's was even better as he limited the Bengals to three hits.

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Music lovers, heads up. I'd like to inform you of a concert this Sunday.

It will be held on picnic grove number ten in Druid Hill Park. Featured will be the Baltimore Municipal Band; so be there.

Remember the time and place — Sunday, July 12 at 5 p.m. at picnic grove number ten in Druid Hill Park.

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Northwestern Senior High School will host the Jesse Owens (remember him) track and field meet this coming Friday, July 17.

Entries closed today, so everyone who thinks that he or she is a track star can keep on thinking so, at least until the next track meet.

In any case, because the information was received too late and you weren't able to enter in time you can put the blame on me.

Since you can't enter now why not go on out to Northwestern and watch them run.

Maybe you can speculate as to how you would've beaten every man on the field if that situation at the AFRO had gotten the information sooner.

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Once again the city-wide finals are about to be held in something or the other. This time it is the second annual Frisbee contest sponsored by, you guessed it, the Bureau of Recreation.

This year, the finals will be held at the Dewes Playfield Tunbridge Road and Ivanhoe Avenue on July 16 at 2 p.m.

Boys and girls will compete together in two age groups, 11 and under and 12 to 15 years.

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Integration works; students tell committee
WASHINGTON (UPI). — Representatives from the Greenville, S.C. school district Wednesday testified before a Senate Committee that integration can work.
A biracial group of 14 high school students, graduates and teachers sought to rebut testimony by others that desegregation has hurt the quality of education.
The group was led by James Hill, a graduate now attending the University of South Carolina.
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The group wanted to appear before an ad hoc subcommittee formed by Sen. James O. Eastland, D-Miss., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, but it disbanded before the group got a chance.
Witnesses had testifide before Eastland's committee that desegregation disrupted school work and damaged the quality of education.
Hill's group, gave an entirely different picture to the Senate Select Committee on Equal Education Opportunity. They said Greenville's record is a mixed one, with extremes of success and of continued racial "polarization" in the schools.
The group said blacks entering some formerly all-white Greenville schools took little interest in athletics or other activities on the new campuses, and at others they plunged right in.
The difference apparently hinged on whether administrators, teachers and both white and black students were determined to make the experience a success, the group said during a free-wheeling discussion before the committee headed by Sen. Walter F. Mondale, D-Minn.
"Integration in Greenville will work if there is willingness among students, parents and teachers," one student said.
The discussion included such topics as black studies, student government elections and athletic events.

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