In our Churches

By PAM WIDGEON

Are you planning on having vacation bible school, a church anniversary or is there someone in your church that deserves recognition? Send the information to the church column so others may know about it.

Readers are also invited to send copies of their church programs to this column which will print news items free of charge.

The senior missionary society of the First Mount Concord Baptist Church, 2624 Harlem Ave., will observe its 14th anniversary on Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

The Rev. Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Gillis Memorial C. C. Church, will be the guest speaker. Mrs. L. Malary is president; the Rev. Lorenzo Malary is pastor.

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Calvary Baptist Church, 3911 Garrison Blvd., day nursery school will be accepting registration of preschool children for its fall semester program. Transportation is available. The program will include activities and play, breakfast, lunch and snacks.

For more information call 367-0477, 664-2094 or 664-2111. Mrs. Melva A. Posey is director. The Rev. Lorenzo Graves is pastor.

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Members and friends of Wayland Baptist Church will worship at First Corinthian Baptist Church, 3512 Powhatan Ave. on Sunday, August 9, 4 p.m. The Rev. John Mason is pastor.

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St. Marks Institutional Baptist Church will present Mrs. Catherine Smith in a recital on Sunday, 12:45 to 1:30 p.m.

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9:00 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR
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7:30 P.M.—MUSICAL PROGRAM by the WISE SINGERS
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8:30 A.M.—Early Worship Service Sermon by the Pastor and Holy Communion
10:00 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR Theme: "RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL." HOLY COMMUNION.
WE WELCOME YOU
MRS. CLASSIE G. HOYLE Administrative Assistant
REV. OLIN P. MOYD, Minister

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
YOUTH USHERS' DAY
8:00 A.M.—EARLY MORNING WORSHIP SERMON BY REV. ROBERT L. HARRELL
9:15 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30 A.M.—OPEN HEART SERVICE
11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP SERMON BY REV. ROBERT L. HARRELL
5:00 P.M.—B.T.U.—ADULT DEPT.

Rev. Ward G. Yerby Pastor

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
850 HARLEM AVE. cor. Fremont & Dolphin
9:30 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30 A.M.—Devotional Service
11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR
Music by The Choir
Every Friday 8 P.M.—Prayer Service
Every 1st Sunday Holy Communion 3:30 P.M.
REV. LEWIS CAMPBELL, Pastor
Motto: "My steps may be short, but I am headed in the right direction."

Services held for drowning victim

Funeral services for Lacey Coleman Jr., 24, 2627 Robb St. were held Wednesday at Locke Funeral Home. Burial was at Carver Memorial Park.

Mr. Coleman drowned Saturday evening at Clifton Park while swimming with his two children and a friend.

His mother, Mrs. Helena Coleman, said her son was an "excellent swimmer."

He attended Resurrection Baptist Church and had been employed at the Bethlehem Steel Shipyard.

Other survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Roberta Coleman; his father, Lacey Coleman Sr.; two children, Yetta and Lacy, 3rd a brother, Alphonso Coleman and a sister, Miss Cassandra Coleman.

Joseph Allen buried Russell pays tribute

"He was a good friend of mine. I knew him as a lawyer. I practiced before him when he was judge, and I succeeded him as city solicitor.

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"He was one of the best legal minds the state has produced. The city will miss him greatly, and I also will feel his loss."

George L. Russell Jr., head of Baltimore's Law Department, was speaking Thursday to the AFRO, paying tribute to Joseph Allen, chairman of the Airport Board, a few hours before his funeral services.

Mr. Allen, 75, a former Supreme Bench judge and later city solicitor under the Theodore R. McKeldin regime prior to the Airport post, died Tuesday at Sinai Hospital. He had been a patient there for more than a week.

City Hall observers knew him as the architect of many programs for the welfare of the black community.

Mayor Thomas J. d'Alesandro 3rd, who appointed him last year to the Airport chairmanship, paid this tribute to Mr. Allen:

"Judge Allen was one of the state and city's most distinguished public servants.

"He was outstanding not only because of his legal and administrative talents, but because he possessed a strong dedication to the principles of social justice and equality.

"This was particularly evident in recent years when as city solicitor he provide the ladership in implementing thos eporgrams which aimed at helping all our people to participate fully in the life of Baltimore.

"He waslalways in the fronefront of the fight to make his city and his state a place for all peo e to live in peace and harmony."

Daniels Johnson dies on family picnic m4

Funeral services for Daniel Johnson, 54, 1635 Ruxton Ave. were held (Thursday) at the Amos United Methodist Church.

Mr. Ames had a cerebral hemorahage Sunday while at a family picnic near Frederick, Md. He was rushed to the Frederick Memorial Hospital where he died several hours later.

"He loved his children and he was with them he had the attack," said one of his daughters, Mrs. Beverly Bohton, a teacher at Lombard Junior High School.

Mr. Johnson, a custodian at Carver Vocational School for the past two years, was noted as a faithful and longtime member of Ames where he served on the usher board.

He also belonged to his neighborhood's Community Club.

Other survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Grace Johnson; two other daughters, Mrs. Bonnie Green and Miss Linda Johnson; a son, Herbert Johnson; and six grandchildren, Carmen and Frank Boston and Mark, Lenora, Karen and Craig Johnson.

Burial was in Arbutus Memorial Park.

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10:30 A.M. — Family Eucharist and Church School

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Minister
JOHN MINOR DAY
Associate Minister
JAMES S. HAMMOND
Minister of Music

AUGUST 2, 1970
"A WORD ABOUT GOD'S HAND AND OURS"
Mr. Bascom, Preaching

MUSIC
8:30 A.M.
"LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"—Ryder
11:00 A.M.
"HOW LOVELY ARE THE MESSENGERS"—Mendelssohn
9:30 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
10:00 A.M.—BIBLE SCHOOL, Classes for ALL Ages
11:15 A.M.—WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00 P.M.—EVENING WORSHIP
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The Rev. Father Crayton Dudley, Assistant
The Rev. Father David Croll, Associate
The Rev. Father John F. Hird
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
NEW SUMMER HOURS
7:00 A.M.—Holy Eucharist
10:00 A.M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon

Doering reappointed to CCB board

By DR. SIDNEY KOBRE
Community College of Baltimore

Louis Doering, who got his college education the hard way, mostly at night, has been reappointed as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Community College of Baltimore. Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 5d, made the appointment and at City Hall this week swore in Mr. Doering for a six-year term.

A native and current resident of South Baltimore, Mr. Doering was graduated from the Baltimore City College, and while working for Procter and Gamble, local soap manufacturers, studied in the evening classes at the Johns Hopkins University to upgrade himself. Finally, he received his law degree at the University of Baltimore — at night. Mr. Doering even attended the adult educational classes at Southern High School in the evening.

Because of this additional education and his ability, Mr. Doering became a Safety Engineer at the local soap company 13 years ago. He has been with the same company for more than 40 years.

In an interview with this AFRO correspondent, the mayor said that he was gratified to make the Doering appointment, as he has shown a strong interest in the affairs of the college.

"We are glad to have Mr. Doering on the trustee board, as he can well represent East and South and Southwest Baltimore, where the residents are especially concerned with the Inner Harbor Campus now being planned and which will go on the ballot in November."

Speaking in behalf of President Harry Bard, on vacation, and for the college staff, Dr. William V. Lockwood, vice president of the Harbor Campus, said that "Mr. Doering has proved an outstanding board member, and the entire college is indeed fortunate to have a person of this high calibre and commitment on its governing body. Mr. Doering has served effectively as a member of the Harbor Campus Building Committee of the Board of Trustees. He has also served as liaison with other college boards of trustees, attending a number of out-of-state conferences in behalf of CCB."

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Attending the swearing-in ceremony at City Hall, Mr. Manuel Q. Goldstein, Director of CCB Institution Research, said that the college family was more than happy at the reappointment of Mr. Doering.

The trustee told the AFRO-American that the reappointment gave him a deep sense of satisfaction. "Being on the Board of Trustees will give me a tremendous opportunity to help people of South and East Baltimore. These sections should have more high school grads and adults attending the CCB day and evening programs at the Liberty Campus and the off-campus center programs given in the local high school facilities."

Mr. Doering was originally appointed in 1968 to the CCB Board of Trustees when it was first organized as a separate body, distinct from the city Board of School Commissioners.

He serves along with President John H. Moxley, 3d, Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Moss, Mr. James Dorsey, Mr. Charles Tildon, Mr. Samuel Nocella, Mrs. Maurice Freedlander, and Dr. Bard, who is secretary.

Monthly meetings are held at the college, and trustees attend committee meetings in between the regular meetings.

MOMENTS MUSICAL

Northeast Society plans concert series

By ADAH K. JENKINS

Flashlights of the local press photographers illuminated the luncheon meeting of the Northeast Baltimore Symphony Society held last Monday at a suburban hostelry.

With graciously efficient Mrs. Roger Williams presiding, formal reports were dispensed with in favor of frank discussion of the oncoming concert series in the Murphy Auditorium at Morgan State College.

A number of challenging suggestions were offered aimed at increasing the attendance at concerts by the community as well as the student body of the college.

There was a consensus of interest in appearance of black soloists in the Northeast Symphony series. At the second concert in February, Henry Lewis, black conductor of the New Jersey Symphony, will direct the Baltimore Symphony.

The financial program of the Society for 1970-71 series necessitates the current subscription campaign, headed by Mrs. Maurice Adam, with Mrs. Alice Parran in charge of commercial donations.

At a previous meeting of the Society Board, the Student Council of Morgan State College, pledged $1000 to the concert fund.

PAUL WILLIAMS, 27, apparently took his own life Saturday night, at the home of a friend, in the 2500 block Mosher St. Mr. Williams was married and had two children. He lived in the 700 block Edgewood St. Funeral was Thursday.

The Baltimore Symphony management has agreed to two sharing plans which the Northeast Society is offering organizations in the sale of tickets.

Fifty or more tickets will be provided to the organization at one-half price to be paid when the tickets are received. Additional tickets will be furnished as long as they last at this price.

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The second plan is a consignment agreement: 30 per cent to the organization if up to 64 tickets are sold; 40 per cent for 65 to 99 tickets; 50 per cent if 100 or more tickets are sold. All sales to be reported one week before the concert for which tickets are sold.

Ticket prices: first concert — $3.75; second concert: $5; third concert — $3.75.

Concert dates: WEd., Oct. 7, with Commissiona conducting and Allan Steinberg, pianist. Tues., Feb. 2, Henry Lewis conducting, with Malcolm Frager, pianist and Tues., Apr. 13, Comissiona conducting (coffee hour).

For further information call Mrs. M. Adams, manager, 2406 Overland Ave., 254-1491 or Mrs. Roger Williams, pres., 4905 The Alameda; 323-5661 or 323-2269, Ext. 73.

Congratulations were extended Mrs. Tromas Waxter Sr., retiring president of the Northeast Symphony Society, for her successful two terms.

Present officers are: Mrs. Roger Williams, pres., Carlton Ford Jr., 1st vice pres.; Mrs. Alice Parran, 2nd vice; Mrs. Talmadge Hill, sec'y; Howard Murphy, treas.; Mrs. Shirley Weisand, chrmn. publicity; Mrs. Maurice Adams, chrmn. subscription campaign.

In addition to the officers present at tre luncheon were: Dr. Clarence Tucon, head of the Music Education Dept. at Morgan; Mrs. Waxter, Frank Ratka, manager of the Baltimore Symphony; Charles Winter, director of concert development; Dr. and Mrs. G. James Fleming; Mrs. Ruth White, L. Suggs, head of Morgan Student Union; Charles L. Flynn, Louis Wells; Misses Gwendolyn Goines and Patsy Hemphill (Student Council at Morgan) and your reviewer.

CALENDAR: Friday, July 31 at 11 a.m. in North Hall, on the second floor of Peabody Conservatory, a demonstration by elementary school children from the summer piano class: Miss Joyce Sutherland, conduting. No charge.

Sunday, at 5 p.m. in Druid Hill Park, in the Mansion House lawn area, Baltimore Park Band, conducted by Charles E. Gwynn Sr.

Friday, July 31; Aug. 1 and 2 at Harford Theatre, Bel Air, opera (in English) "The Merry Wives of Windsor," conducted by Saul Lilienstein, sponsored by the Harford Theatre Assoc. Box office: 734-4312 or 879-9444.

ON THE EASTSIDE:

Mrs. Mary V. Dickens is a good neighbor

By CHARLOTTE W. MASON and MARIE SMALLWOOD

Our neighbor of the week is prominent Eastside leader, Mrs. Mary V. Dickens, wife of Arthur A. Dickens, merchant seaman.

She is a native of Rocky Mount, N.C., but has lived in Baltimore for 18 years.

She attended Nashville High School. She is a member of St. Francis Church. Father Cerbhum is priest.

Mrs. Dickens likes the color blue, goes for fried chicken, likes the song, "I Fly Away", and the 23rd Psalm.

Other members of her family are Virginia, Theodore, Eris, Arthur, Ianthla, Boris, Reggie, Frederico, Aloysius, and granddaughter Denna.

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Our neighbor is a group organizer for Cluster No. 3 Camp Fire.

She is also Co-Chairman in District 2 Intown Camp Fire Groups, member of Council B Modle Cities, co-chairman of Recreation and Advisory Board of Operation Champ.

Also, she is Director of Madison Square Improvement Association, member of the Council of Community School No. 16, member of the Advisory Committee, C.C.C.C. at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and serves on the police Community Relation Committee. She works as a crossing guard at School No. 149.

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Happily going on their merry way, members of the "livewire" Royal Moonbeams Saving and Charity Club are making a 16-day trip to Los Angeles.

Making the trip are: Mesdames Viola Jones, Dorthea Bond, Albera Barrett, Ida M. Petty, Ruth Boulware, Dorothy Boulware, Bertha Teel, Bertha Wells, Helen Thilgham, Marie Robinson, Elsie Knight, Paulette Frozier, and Madames Vera Thilgham and Vanessa Jones.

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Marshall W. Jones and wife Gloria are parents of a daughter born July 17 at Sinai Hospital. They've named her Marshell Delores. She weighed in at 6 lbs. ounces. Congratulation to them at 1735 Harford Avenue.

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Eastern Terrace Community Council, Inc. Model Cities Area B, Mrs. Anna Gibson, secretary, is in from a vacation in Ottawa, Canada and Syracuse, N.Y.

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Since we're still stick in Lutheran Hospital (Room 106C and doing nicely), our guest columnist is Mrs. Marie Smallwood, well known community worker in Model Cities Area B on our Eastside.

While visiting Tuesday night, Mrs. Mary Dickens, and Mrs. Smallwood met Mrs. S. Yoder, R.N, Staff Nurse here at Lutheran.

Cuff note: Mrs. Mason's roommate is Mrs. Dorothy Blockston who is also a neighbor in Morgan Park.

In room 214 is Mrs. Alve Davis former classmate.

In room 103, is Mr. Linwood Jones.

In Johns Hopkins Hospital is Mrs. Jessie Veal, (Marburg Room 403).

Remember Pamela Owens in your prayers who was hit by an automobile Saturday. Pamela is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Owens. She attends St. Francis and is in the 5th grade. She lives at 1616 N. Caroline.

Marriage licenses

HOLLIFIELD, SMITH — James E., 33, 5011 Oaklyn, Chauffeur, Carolyn, 38, 4031 Belwood.
COLLINS, WOODROW — Estill, 22, 218 N. Luzerne, Clerk, Deborah, 19, 221 N. Luzerne
GAINES, LEWIS — William, 18; 1943 Penrose, Laborer, Mary, Jean, 19, 1335 Mt. More
TERRY, STINNETTE — David, 18, 1908 N. Castle, Construction Worker, Leabita, 1914 N. Castle.
FAISON, DARGAN — Paul, 21, 1518 Baker, Laborer, Renee, 1159 N. Mount.
BROWN, ASH — Wilmer, 48, 600 E. Patapsco, Self-employed, Ruth, 29, 600 E. Patapsco.
WEBBER, MORRISON — Raymond, 54, Flint, Michigan, Laborer, Elsie, 49, Flint, Michigan.
LINCOLN, SINGLEY — James, 21, 1128 Gorsuch, Plumber, La Marrien, 22, 1721 Poplar Grove.
TATE, DORSEY — James, 18, 1534 W. Lexington, Clerk, Carolyn, 17, 845 W. Lexington.
MINTON, BREEDEN — William, 23, 1620 Light, Machine Operator, Cleavie, 35, 1538 Clarkson.
SMITH, COX — Charles, 20, 935 Washington, Construction Worker, Olivia, 35, 911 Bonaparte.
PERRY, MEYERS — James W., Jr., 25, 4723 Chatford, Sign Painter, Amelia L., 28, 4119 Ardley.

Deaths of week

Maurice Hall, 1111 N. Dallas
Eunice Cole, 1301 N. Central
Lucilla Frye, 1050 E. Pratt
Andrew J. Williams, 1634 N. Broadway
John Boyd, 331 N. Gilmor
Preston E. Billinger, 1032 N. Fulton
Joseph Warner, Richmond, Va.
William Emerson Jackson, 3307 Elgin
William Johnson, 3003 Poplar
Christine Lambert, 2931 W. North
Roland Y. Hayes, 1338 Druid Hill
Goldie Beckett, 1826 N. Mount
Charles Armstead, 817 N. Lakewood
Thomas J. Burton, 1624 Gorsuch
Richard Garner, Kecaughton, Va.
Mabel D. Booker, 4908 St. Georges
George Barno, 1436 N. Fulton
William James Morgan, 1335 Eutaw
John Sidney Woodson, 953 Wilmont Ct.
Mary Richards, 1505 Baker
Kimberly Thomas, Owing, Md.
Harriet Smith, Dunkirk, Md.
William A. Foote, 3040 Seamon
Bessie Shaw, 1636 W. Lexington
Charles S. Johnson Jr., 2797 Columbus
Walter Manuel, Pokomoke, Md.
Robert Holmes, 1832 Lorman
Evelyn Smith, 1535 Leslie
Edwina Ellen Robinson, 3308 W. Forest Pk.
William Smith, 711 Baker St.
Lacey Coleman Sr., 2627 Robb
Baby Boy Pollack, 2315 Watters
Helen Bost, 1123 Whatcoat
Beatrice Banton, 2437 Madison
Ann Latney, 2242 Linden
Herbert Alston, 931 Argyle
Lela Gates, 2905 Ellicott Driveway
Clarence Fuller, 2701 Roslyn
Christine Langley, City Hospital
Duron Morgan, 1110 Thomsen
Walter Smith, 1017 N. Fulton
Mary Anderson, 3004 Oakley
Lottie A. Cooks, 121 Welcome Alley
Eugene Newby, 1700 N. Milton
Cora Davis, 2802 Ulman
Charles Edward Carroll, 91 Charles
Ernest Holt, 540 W. Mulberry
Baby Boy Green, 6031 Gwynn Oak
Tee Walker, 1870 1st
Charles R. Ford, 1647 N. Monroe
Mabel Haynes, 1832 Druid Hill
La-Rue Forrester, 667 S. Avondale
Millard Tucker, 3412 Duvall
Margaret Murdock, 1604 N. Dallas

Poly students' cases may overturn 'Probation Before Verdict' rule

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

The five Polytechnic institute students arrested on Feb. 18 for trespass have two more weeks to wait for a ruling from Superior Court which may make history.

Expected to set a precedent is Judge Solomon Liss who may overturn a state law involving the Municipal Court disposition called "Probation Before Verdict."

Maryland is the only state in the nation which clings to the decision which deprives the defendant of the right to refuse the verdict or appeal to a higher court.

It also takes away the constitutional right of a citizen to have a jury hear his case.

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Judge Liss said Wednesday, "I see no reason for Municipal Court to have this power. I think it's bad. There's no question about it.

"A person should have the right to consent to "Probation Before Verdict" or not to consent. He should have the right of trial by jury through the privilege of appeal.

"In summary, it leaves the defendant deprived of the right to have guilt or innocence foreclosed before a higher court."

The jurist said he will hand down a ruling within two weeks.

He added he saw no reason "to run to the Federal Court" when the state is prepared to assume responsibility for sustaining or changing its own laws.

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During the proceedings Judge Liss handed down a firm decision on one portion of the students' complaints that concerns the filing of their appeal.

Through their attorney Peter S. Smith, the defendants had objected to the refusal of Municipal Court Edward S. Starkloff to allow them to file an appeal of the "Probation Before Verdict" ruling.

Judge Liss ordered the clerk to file the appeal stating that a public official entrusted with a duty such as appeal filing has no right to refuse to carry out his duty.

"So the appeal must be filed," the jurist stated.

The cases of the five students came before Municipal Court last March after more than 80 teenagers were charged with illegally invading the Poly cafeteria to air their grievances.

Judge A. Jerome Diener found some of them not guilty and left the five students with a "Probation Before Verdict" decision.

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Defense attorney Smith said the verdict was entered without the consent of the teenagers and therefore violates their constitutional right to have the record clear on whether they are guilty or not guilty.

Mr. Smith also questioned, "Does Probation Before Verdict" represent the absence of guilt when the defendant has to report to a probation officer for an indefinite period of time as if being punished?"

He also stated, "Probation Before Verdict" thus places limitations on the liberty of the defendant."

Mr. Smith has filed a writ of habeas corpus in Baltimore City Court which asks that the court make a ruling to release the restraints "Probation Before Verdict" places upon the defendants.

He told the court, "The verdict results in enormous consequences, is sometimes equal to punishment and tantamount to guilt. The petitioners should have the restrictions lifted."

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The state, represented by Assistant Attorney General Alfred J. O'Ferrall contended that under the present law, twice sustained by the state Court of Appeals, the "Probation Before Verdict" decision of the Municipal Court is "entirely legal."

He also stated that under the present law, the Municipal Court cannot be deprived of the right to hand down the ruling.

The teenaged students and their parents or guardians listed as petitioners are: John M. Jeffries by Mrs. Doris C. Jeffries, 3600 block Calloway Ave.; Charles Bond by Mrs Elizabeth Sanders, 1800 block Walbrook Ave.; Harry L. Harden Jr., by Mrs. Helen Harden, 1300 block N. Bentalou St.; Thessolina Leach by Artic Leach, 1400 block N. Decker St. and Sterling Scott Robinson by Walter Robinson, 800 block Radnor St.

Work plan grads to hear TJD

Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd will be guest speaker at commencement exercises 7 p.m (Friday) for Work Incentive Program graduates at Mt. Zion Methodist Church, Liberty Heights and Wabash Aves.

A spokesman for the program said there will be approximately 150 graduates, mostly women entering the clerical field.

The program, established here in 1968, is federally funded by the U.S. Department of Labor, and administered by the local Department of Employmens Security.

Job placement programs are conducted for welfare recipients. The program's headquarters are 1727 N. Charles St.

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By the way...

by Joe Black

"Be honest with everyone... especially yourself." That's a little saying I heard a long time ago. It's not very eloquent or clever, but I like it. It sums up in a phrase, the essence of a series of Greyhound Community Service ads entitled: BY THE WAY, by Joe Black.

The ads are placed in black newspapers. Adaptations of them are heard over black-oriented radio stations. They are written in an effort to shake people out of their complacency about subjects of great concern to the black community. In these ads, I say what I believe ...not necessarily what I think you want to hear.

So, when you hear my voice on the air, or read my words in the paper, remember that they are not merely to inform or impose my views upon you... but simply to make you think about things in a way you may not have thought about them before.

I am not a preacher or a teacher. I'm citizen Joe Black, fortunate enough to be able to talk to thousands of people and hopefully influence them to re-examine solutions to black problems in a new and constructive light. I still feel strongly that the things that unite people of good will are much more important than the things that divide them.

BY THE WAY, by Joe Black, is just one small voice asking humbly for a little more sanity, a little more honesty, and a lot more thinking through of what we are doing and the methods we are using to realistically solve the problems of our black community.

Joe Black
Vice President
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Blount answers Pressman on poverty program charge

Clarence W. Blount, chairman of the Community Action Commission and principal of Dunbar Community High School, has answered Comptroller Hyman A. Pressman's charge that he used the anti-poverty agency as "a political machine."

Mr. Blount, candidate for the State Senate from Baltimore's 5th District, said the affair in question Sunday with more than 250 persons in attendance was a social occasion sponsored by the East-West Advisory Council to honor his services to the community.

"I did not organize this meeting nor did I particeate in any of the planning of it," Mr. Blount explained. "I was a guest of honor.

"Residents of the East and West Baltimore inner city created and ran the affair. The anti-poverty program was in no way involved. I invite Mr. Pressman to look at the records in the Community Action Agency's fiscal office.

Mr. Blount, in a prepared statement, continued with these further comments:

"The only political overtones to this occasion was the presence of certain other candidates in the coming elections, and the attendance of political figures at such affairs is expected during any election year.

"As to Mr. Pressman's charge that the 'purpose of the anti-poverty program is to fight poverty not to build a political machine,' I am in complete agreement.

"I would not willingly participate in any activity that would steer the CAA from its primary objective.

"However, let Mr. Pressman, and others of his political persuasion, take not that the war on poverty has helped to make people more aware politically.

"They will never again be easily convinced that their interest will be furthered by any who would repress their freedom to support the candidates of their choice.

"I do not intend to engage in any further diatribe on this matter. I must state, however, that if Mr. Pressman were sincerely inerested in the truth of Sunday's party, he would have checked with me before unleashing this attack."

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