Servicemen

Marine Sergeant Nathaniel Batey, of Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, was promoted to his present rank while serving with the First Marine Division in Vietnam.

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Air Force Sergeant Melvin L. Parham, son of Ralph Parham, W. North Ave., Baltimore, has arrived for duty at Robin AFB, Ga.

Sergeant Parham an lectrician, is assigned to the 5th Mobile Communications Group, a unit of the Air Force Communications Service which provides global communications and air traffic control for the USAF. He previously served at Pleiku AB, Vietnam.

A graduate of Forest Park High School, he attended Baltimore Community College.

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U.S. Air Force Airman First Class Timothy H. Ehron, son of Mrs. Sarah E. Sherald of Garrison Blvd., Baltimore, is on duty at Nha Trang AB, Vietnam.

Airman Ehron, a security policeman, is assigned to the 327th Combat Support Group, a unit of the Pacific Air Forces, headquarters for air operations in Southeast Asia, the Far East and Pacific area. He previously served at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

The airman is a 1969 graduate of Northwestern High School.

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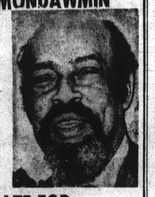

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Summer Youth Program closes on successful note

By DR. SIDNEY KOBRE
Community College of Baltimore

Walk Tall
Talk Tall
Stand Tall

Those were the three themes stressed at the annual award event and th Summer Yout Sports Probanquet of the National gram, sponsored by the Community College of Baltimore.

It was the end of the interesting and beneficial six-weeks session, held on the campus of the college at 2901 Lobecty Heights Ave.

More than 290 boys and girls, ronging from junior high and high schools, participated in the varied activites.

The stude ts partcipated in swimming, touch football, basketball or softball Others learned about tennis played badminton and learned to dance.

From 9 to 9:45 a.m., Monday through Friday, they were taught the fundomentals and skills of the various sports. Then, during the next hour, they applied what they hal leared, engaging in competitive games under a CCB's professional drection. Seventeen structors, assisted by ne studests, cooched.

Lectures were the gven by health officials on physical fitness, drugs, smoking.

College life and goals were described. Employ- ponted out. A hot lunch, prepared by the Food Ad- CCB, was server to the participants each day.

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This wos the thrd year for the program. Presdent Harry Bard of CCB, ntated the local program wth funds he obtaned from local ndvduals and

The first year the progrom enabled 100 boys and girls to partcipate; last in year, the federal government began to fund the activities, and continued this year agan. Nearly 300 enrolled n June.

Manuel Q. Goldstien, Director of Institutional Research of CCB, was able to negotiate a grant for $27,000.

On a national scale, the program was financed by the President's Committee on Physical Fitness, administered through the National Collegiate Athletic Association, in Kansas City.

In explaining the program, President Bard said: "Our goals are broader than the development of sports skills, the strong motivation of students. We seek to create an interest in future college attendance through the new guidance components we introduced this year.

"These young people become acquainted with college life during the summer, and we overcome misunderstandings and fears regarding college study."

At the annual awards day event held in the Field House, under the supervision of Dr. Steve Hokuf, chairman of the Department of Physical Education, and Elliott Oppenheim, coach, certificates were given to each of the summer program participants.

Indentification cards, showing that the boys and girls had participated, were distributed. Trophies were awarded for one year of perfect attendance and for those who had enrolled for three years, since the program began.

The entire group then moved to the cafeteria of CCB where the luncheon-banquet was held and door prizes given. Introduced by Mrs. Ella Williams, head of the girls' program, Daniel Clark, of the City Department of Recreation, made a stirring speech which reached most of the young people in the audience.

He pointed out that while the participants had spent the summer improving their skills and becoming better players, the important idea they should have learned was the great need for good sportsmanship, loyalty to their group, responsibility and self-discipline.

"By this time you must realize what a mixed-up world we are living in," he declared. "If America is to go forward, if we are to make a success of American life, the responsibility rests on your heads."

Servicemen in the news

Navy Fireman Ronald G. Whitmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Whitmore of Gwynn Oak Ave., and husband of the former Miss Susan L. Mahrenholz of Oak Drive, all of Baltimore, is serving aboard the guided missile frigate USS Harry E. Yarnell on its annual, five-month good will tour around South America.

Navy Airman Apprentice Lawrence E. Delbridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred H. Delbridge of Wentworth Ave., Baltimore, completed the recruit phase of training at the Naval Air Reserve Training Unit in Memphis.

He will attend one of the Navy's Class "A" schools to learn the skills of a specialized field. Upon completion of the active duty commitment, he will train one weekend a month at a Naval Air Reserve squadron near his home.

Airman First Class Geoffrey L. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Williams of Edmondson Ave., Baltimore, has graduated at Keesler AFB, Miss., from the U.S. Air Force radio repairman course.

The airman, who was trained to operate and repair emergency radio equipment, is being assigned to Tinker AFB Okla., for duty with the Air Force Communications Service which provides global communications and air traffic control for the USAF.

Airman Williams is a 1969 graduate of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

Technical Sergeant Robert L. Harris, son of Mrs. Anna M. Harris, 4132 Alameda, Baltimore, Md., has arrived for duty at Langley AFB, Va.

Sergeant Harris, a security police technician, is assigned to the 4500th Security Police Squadron, a unit of the Tactical Air Command which provides combat units for air support of U.S. ground forces. He previously served at Tokyo, Japan.

13-year-old crowned Turtle Derby Champ

Thirteen-year-old Henry Campbell, 7 North Milton Ave., became the Bureau of Recreation's 1970 Turtle Derby Champ. Henry and his turtle "Doc" were presented a floral garland by Miss Virginia S. Baker, Supervisor of Children's Activities for the Bureau of Recreation.

Other winners — Midget Race: 2. David Wagner, 107 N. Potomac, "Speedy;" 3. Robert Bahr, 323 S. Bouldin, "Speed."

Mini Race: 1. Paula Trotta, 139 S. Eaton, "Clipper;" 2. Adele Speca, 136 S. East, "Pee Wee;" 3. David Plowman, 718 N. Montford, "Speedy Gonzales."

Rocket Race: 1. Stephen Kalbe, 109 N. Potomac, "Myrtle;" 2. Michall Stochowski, 607 S. Kenwood, "Anne Marie;" 3. Paul Speca, 136 N. East, "Snoopy."

Jumbo Race: 1. Lisa Dembeck, 137 N. Kenwood, "Anne Marie;" 2. Sandra Clemens, 118 N. Potomac, "Sandy;" 3. Robert King, 1813 Eastern, "Flash."

Covered Wagon Race: 1. Mello Caltabiano, 1811 Eastern, "Speeder Man;" 2. Kenneth Hawey, 3428 Mondawmin, "Jason;" 3. Kenny Siemasko, 819 S. Grundy, "Oscar."

Largest Trutle Entered: Frankie and Denny Rittersholer, 729 Hywood, "Jackie Gleason."

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RESIDENTS AID FREE LUNCH GIVER (SEE BACK PAGE)

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Bus Driver Murder To High Court

Only a few blacks in 10 agencies

The Maryland State Commission on Human Relations revealed Tuesday afternoon in a report entitled "Black Employment in Maryland State Agencies," that there are some 30 state agencies with white employees only.

Those agencies are —

State Board of Dental Examiners; Commission on Physical Fitness, State Board of Veterinary Examiners, Maryland Board of Pharmacy, State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Board of Examiners of Optometry.

Also, State Board of Chiropratic Examiners of Psychologists, State Aviation Administration, State Civil Defense, the State Fire Prevention and Fire Marshall's Office, Traffic Safety Comission, State Coordinating Commissions on Problems of the Aging.

Also, Maryland Veteran's Commission, Board of Natural Resources, the State Athletic Commission, State Bank Commissioner, Commissioner of Small Loans, Maryland State Board of Censors, Maryland Racing Commission, State Board of Electrical Examiners and Supervisors, State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing.

Also, Maryland Architectural Registration Board, State Board of Public Accountancy, Ocean City Convention Commission, St. Mary's City Commission, Apple Commission, Maryland State Fair, State Tobacco Authority and the Maryland Agricultural Commission.

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Other large state agencies with a chronic shortage of black employees are:

The State Roads Commission, Department of Correction, Maryland State Police, Department of Employment Security, Department of Motor Vehicles, and the Department of Forests and Parks.

Also included are, the Maryland Port Authority;

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KILLED — Mrs. Judy Frances Wilkins, prominent Baltimore school teacher, died Saturday from injuries sustained in Thursday morning accident in Henderson, N.C. She was on faculty of Forest Park High.

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Fire victims' mother dies week later

The mother of the two children who died in the fire at 1534 N. Carey St., last week, Mrs. Carleatha Diggs died yesterday morning at North Charles Hospital of what hospital authorities described as "complications of chest condition."

Mrs. Diggs discovered the fire in her two story home early last Tuesday morning and attempted to evacuate her four children. The oldest daughter, Valerie Long, 13, was treated at Md. General Hospital for hysteria.

Sonya Lowery, 4, was treated at Provident Hospital for injuries suffered when the mother dropped two children, leaped from her from the second floor window to safety.

After dropping the four-year-old, Mrs. Diggs, unable to reach the other two children leaped from

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RADIATING BEAUTY is Mrs. Ann Ray, 1800 block Chase, one of the AFROs clean blocks. Under leadership of captain, 16-year-old Carolyn Winder and advisor, Mrs. Lois Miller, block is turned into beauty spot, has already won an honor flag in this summer's 36th annual campaign which ends August 30. For more about the AFRO Clean Block drive and the 1800 Chapel, see news stories in this issue.

Lawyer says life term due to race

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

The case of "a 13-year-old little black boy in prison for the balance of his natural life for the murder of a white bus driver" in 1968 has been sent to the highest court in the land for consideration.

On Tuesday Lawyer Leonard A. Briscoe filed before the U.S. Supreme Court the case of Ronnie Adams, a youngster who at the age of 13 was sent to the Penitentiary under a life sentence for murder.

The child is now at the Hagerstown Maryland Correctional Institution for Males, a prison for young adults. Mr. Briscoe is serving as attorney under the youngster's oath as a pauper.

The charge of murder in the first degree involves the gun death of a bus driver on June 1, 1968 at the corner of Fremont Ave. and Fayette St.

The incident precipitated a transit strike and the use since then of "exact change" bus fares.

On Tuesday Mr. Briscoe waged the long battle to free the child from his sentence because he be-

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ACCIDENT IN MOROCCO

Girl found, family now satisfied no foul play

"We've talked with the girl who was riding with him. We're satisfied it was an accident, not foul play."

Mrs. Bernice Plummer of Portsmouth, Va., was talking to the AFRO late yesterday about the latest development in the death of her son, Howarad Z. Plummer Jr.

The 22-year-old youngster, a June graduate of the University of Denver, died in an auto accident in Tangier, Morocco last week.

He is the son of the Rt. Rev. Howard Z. Plummer Sr., bishop of the worldwide Church of God and Saints of Christ, with headquarters in Belleville, Va., near Portsmouth.

The youngster was on a three-month vacation trip in Europe, a birthday and graduation gift from his parents.

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First reports supplied the family seemed to point to foul play particularly since it was difficult to get authorities to give the family a full report.

In addition, his personal effects were missing and he had head and body injuries, according to a family friend who viewed the remains.

The Plummers took their appeal for help directly to the White House which advised them this week the State Department would conduct a full investigation and notify the family promptly.

Meantime, the girl companion riding with young Plummer is enroute to the Plumer home. She is Miss Valerie Richardson of Quebec, Canada, a graduate student at the University of Montreal.

She escaped uninjured when the car Plummer was driving turned over three times.

Funeral services for Plummer will be held Saturday noon in Belleville. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked friends to to contribute to a scholarship in his name — B. M. Moss.

Judge Watts releases 3 juveniles

Judge Robert B. Watts sitting in Criminal Court Part 8 on Wednesday released the first three juveniles, ages 16 and 17 years, to the authority of Juvenile authorities.

They will either be sent home in custody of parents or transferred to detention centers or sections for juveniles only.

During hearings before him Judge Watts was informed that none of the three teenagers had been accorded a priliminary hearing following their arrest and incarceration to await trial in July.

The suspects had been separately charged by police with robbery, assault or unauthorized use of a car.

Judge Watts stated, "It is unfair to hold a suspect without a preliminary hearing or an indictment by the grand jury.

"There are two things that should be done within a day or two — not sometime later.

A person should have a

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Monkeys are named; 2 win $50 prizes

It's all decided. The infant Diana monkeys living at the Druid Hill Park Children's Zoo are no longer nameless.

You can now call them BamBam and Bonnie.

Rolanda Jenkins, 13, 2811 Violet, wins $25 for naming the male monkey BamBam.

Richard Thomas, 9, 567 Pressman, wins $25 for naming the female monkey Bonnie.

Pictures of the winners and the newly named monkeys will appear in next week's AFRO.

Over 500 young people, 16 years and under, entered the AFRO's name-the-monkey contest which began July 17 and closed Aug. 4.

The AFRO Zoo reporter said the winning names, BamBam and Bonnie were selected because they sounded original and showed individuality.

YOUNG AFRO READERS GAVE THEM NAMES
NOW YOU can call them who won the $50 prizes in Bamham and Bonnie. Accompanying story tells contest.

Chuckle

Just one day left to register to vote in the September 15, 1970 Primary Election. August 17 is the deadline. Refister at Supervisors of Elections Fayette and Gay Sts. today (Friday) or Monday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. both days.

The persons hardest to convince they're retirement age are children at bedtime.

97 BLACK CANDIDATES

Who is running in what district in the Primary

For the first time in history, 97 black candidates are seeking public office in the September 15 Primary Election.

To help AFRO readers identify them and to help AFRO readers know what districts they are running in and to determine who can vote for them, the AFRO, this week, begins publication of this list.

DEMOCRATS — William E. Roberts

CONGRESS
FOURTH (4) CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

NINTH WARD (all)
TENTH WARD (all)
ELEVENTH WARD (all)
TWELFTH WARD (all
THIRTEENTH WARD (all
FOURTEENTH WARD (all
SEVENTEENTH WARD (all
EIGHEENTH WARD (all
TWENTY-SIXTH WARD (Precincts 25 to 45 inclusive
TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD (Precincts 1 to 85 inclusive

REPUBLICANS — Ernest D. Young.

SEVENTH (7) CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

FIFTEENTH WARD (all)
SIXTEENTH WARD (all)
NINETEENTH WARD (all)
TWENTIETH WARD (all)
TWENTY-FIFTH ARD (Precincts 1 and 2)
TWENTY-FIFTH WARD (Precincts 4 and 21)
TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD (Precincts 86 to 106 inclusive)
TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD (all)

DEMOCRATS — Walter T. Dixon, Parren J. Mitchell

REPUBLICANS — Earl Koger

CITY-WIDE
STATE'S ATTORNEY
DEMOCRATS — Milton B. Allen
SHERIFF
DEMOCRATS — Bertram I. Dorr

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Paul Chester would head Marriage Bureau if elected clerk of Court of Common Peas

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Why is Paul L. Chester, a high school chemistry teacher (who by the way has a law degree) running for election to the post of Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas?

Most citizens know the Court of Common Pleas as the court which grants all marriage licenses and tradesmen's permits.

The question can best be answered first by saying that in the past 50 years, more than 1,000 persons have been hired in the Court of Common Pleas. Not one of them has been a black citizen.

The court is supported by taxpayers' money and designed by law to serve all citizens.

Black citizens go to the lily-white Court of Common Pleas by the hundreds every day, plankk down their money, put it into white hands, but never see a black face.

To obtain a marriage license, beverage, cigarette, sales service, store, shop or business permit, black citizen must face this insult.

Each day witnesses more and more business coming from black citizens of Baltimore. Black citizens come from all over the East Coast to obtain marriage licenses.

The top post of clerk to head the Court of Common Pleas is now open and vacant.

The veteran clerk who held the job for over 30 years, Frank C. Robey, died the first of this year.

Deputy Clerk Joseph C. Dersch, named by the Supreme Bench to fill in, is trying to become elected to the job which carries a yearly salary of $17,000.

Mr. Dersch recently objected to the new state law which has taken off marriage license applications any racial designation.

Although the AFRO called his attention to the fact there are no black employees under him, no black employees have been added.

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Facing only the above facts therefore, it can be stated that Paul Chester is running because Baltimore's black citizens need him in the post as clerk of the Court of Common Pleas.

Here it must be mentioned that although all the other courts have "token" (one or two or more black employees) none of them has a black clerk.

The other courts are Circuit Courts No. 1 and No. 2; Criminal Court; Baltimore City Court, Superior Court and Orphans Court.

All courts are supplied, usually with employees favored in some manner by their respective political factions. In other words, jobs in the courts usually come as "political plums."

An AFRO survey last year revealed that there are absolutely no written requirements of educational, training nor age qualifications.

As Mr. Robey said at the time of the survey, "Touch them and they're warm, they're in and stay until they die or want to retire. We're stuck with them since they come in by politics."

In many of the courts a walking tour will reveal elderly empoyees sitting at their desks year after year obviously "doing nothing" and actually dozing on the job.

AFRO reporters, in past months, have observed them holding extensive per-

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BEST QUALIFIED of all candidates for the post of clerk of the Court of Common Pleas is Paul L. Chester, high school chemistry teacher, who is up for election to head the lily-white office. Staunch supporter is his daughter, Miss [illegible] Chester, shown with him here, who is a junior high school math teacher.