WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

TERMED DYNAMOS of the drive to assure Provident Hospital of a new building are the ladies at center: Mrs. Ethel Rich, executive secretary of Woman Power, and Mrs. Victorine Adams, president. Far left is Samuel Culotta and right, J. Arnett Frisby, chairman of the board of Provident Hospital.

YOUTHFUL AND CHARMING guests at Woman's Power's luncheon included, left to right: Misses Millie Freeman, Joan Slaughter of Washington and Dolores Jones, also of Washington.

Woman Power hears need for new Provident Hospital

Morton Macht, Provident Hospital trustee and chairman of the Mayor's Committee to Study the Needs of Provident Hospital urged an "action now" program for hope to see a new Provident Hospital become a reality.

Speaking before an audience of 350 persons attending the 4th Annual Woman Power Leadership Conference held at the Belvedere Hotel, Mr. Macht outlined the following couse:

(1) Press for a special session of the Legislature to consider the Provident Hospital Bill; (2) see that the Provident Hospital Bond Issue is on the ballot; (3) impress all citizens with the importance of the bill; (4) get all voters to vote for the bill.

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MR. MACHT said if the bill misses the 1962 action of the Legislature there may be a delay of two or three years in getting a bill approved.

He also expressed a fear that if no positive action is taken, Provident may be in danger of losing its licence and shut down.

Mr. Macht was principal speaker at the luncheon meeting which the Woman Power organization had set to call the public's attention to the need for $1 million in donations from individual citizens.

The proposed 88 million, 300 - bed hospital will be financed by $2,400,000 from the state; $2,400,000 from the city of Baltimore; $800,000 from the Federal Government.

The balance, outside of the $1 million from contributions, will have to come from bonds floated by the state of Maryland. This is the bill which the Legislature will have to approve.

Woman Power has a program in progress which aks its 1,000 members to pledge $120 each, to be paid by Oct. 31, 1962 in $10 monthly payments.

Other speakers on the luncheon program asked each citizen to make personal sacrifices to donate to Provident Hospital.

Dr. Delores Hunt, originator of the group's membership plan of giving to the fund, urged citizens to prove we are old enough to assume responsibility."

Dr. G. James Fleming, director of the Morgan State College Institute of Political Science, gave the summary address and suggested that each voter "press your politicians for action."

He also proposed that the state's 150 physicians "demonstrate you want a hospital by contributing at least $1,000 each, a total of $150,000.

Dr. H. Garland Chissell president of the Medical staff of Provident Hospital and board member set the tone for the meeting.

He said while the need for the hospital has increased, services for basic medical care have also increased as have expenses.

Dr. Chissell congratulated Woman Power for getting "Provident Hospital's friends" together to learn how they can help.

Prayer was by Miss Pauline Blanchard who asked for success for the project.

Judge Robert B. Watts termed Woman Power's members as a "group of active women" doing a fine job and introduced Judge Shirley Jones of the Baltimore Supreme Bench who also spoke.

Judge Jones pointed out that aid to Provident Hospital is the duty of every citizen. She encouraged all citizens to "get out and vote for it."

Dr. Robert L. Jackson, past president of the surgical staff of Provident noted that citizens were "getting tired of old clothing" and said: "We want a new hospital. We can get it by going to work — everybody."

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ALTHOUGH Mrs. Irma Dixon, member of the House of Delegates said she had fallen down 20 steps at her home, she was able to speak and said:

"The only way we can pay the dedicated men who have carried Provident Hospital on through the years is to put our shoulders to the wheel and work."

Samuel Daniels represented the Frontiers of America and the Masonic Fraternity said: "Woman Power is pointing the way to the new Provident Hospital. We must help."

John Berry, retired insurance executive and community leader, emphasized that the task of building a new Provident "transcends all party lines."

Judge Jerome Robinson of the Northern Police Court and former delegate from the Fourth District, co-author of the new hospital bill, said: "This is a high purpose, a milestone in Maryland history where citizens are banding together to get a much-needed hospital."

Dr. Bernard Harris, Jr., representing the Monumental Medical Society, stated that his organization stands ready to assist Woman Power in raising funds.

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J. ARNETT FRISBY, member of the Provident board of trustees, told how they have been "trying to hold together a totally adequate institution" and encouraged citizens to help build the new one.

Dr. Clarence Long, chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Maryland, said the mobilization of women for power is important in obtaining "what you want" and congratulated the Woman Power organization for pioneering the task of getting funds for Provident.

Dr. Emerson Walden, president of the Maryland Medical Association, listed Provident as a "high priority" community need, urged persons present to become more dissatisfied with the tidbits of 1st class citizenship, elect more City Councilmen, more state legislators and more U. S. Congressmen."

Samuel Culotta, representing former Gov. Theodore McKeldin said: "I predict Provident Hospital will get a lot of help from a lot of people because we are all one people."

David Sherman pledged aid while Bernard Ember, member of the House of Delegates said he would call on each representative to give aid.

Benjamin King, accountant, announced that he will help Woman Power with budgeting, reports, auditing the funds collected.

Mrs. Susie Strother of WEBB said she will aid with broadcasts over radio.

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THE FASHION show was sponsored by The Charm Center with Mrs. Victorine Adams as announcer.

Mrs. Adams is Woman Power executive director. Mrs. Ethel Rich, executive secretary, gave the opening talk.

Presiding was Mrs. Glenford Mussenden. Mrs. Rivers Chambers served as timekeeper. Workshops were held at each table.

Among other guests were Mrs. David Sherman, Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Olga Chambers, Mrs. Verna Gosnell, Mrs. Bernard Harris, Sr., Dr. John Braxton, Jr., Mrs. Dorothy Curlin, Hagerstown, Md.; Mrs. Walter Dixon, Dr. Walter Davidson, president of the Maryland Dental Society.

CHATTER BOX — The savings and charity club met on Monday evening with the president, Mrs. Lula Bell Taylor, of 919 Payson St.

The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Josephine Stanley of 818 McCulloh St.

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BLUE ORCHID — Mrs. Louise Brooks of 38 Lincoln Avenue, Catonsville, Md., entertained the club, recently.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Mary Brown 2414 Woodbrook Avenue.

AT HEAD TABLE when Woman Power held kick off for the fund raising drive for Provident Hospital Sunday, were, left to right, Dr. Clarence Long, Mrs. Lydia Mussenden, who presided, Mrs. Olga Chambers and Dr. R. Garland Chissell of Provident staff.

SPECIAL INTEREST group at Woman Power luncheon included, left to right: Mesdames Mae Parrott, Mae Williams, Elizabeth Stewart, Gwendolyn Scott, Eliza Robinson and Anita Wheatley, members of the Baltimore Chapter of Girl Friends, whose Christmas Cotillion will benefit Woman Power's hospital fund.

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Clubs

ECLIPSE — The pinochle club met in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Diggs, 3903 Duval St., Wednesday.

Prizes at cards went to Mesdames Louise Harris, first; Estelle McKenney, second; and Anna Willis, third.

Mrs. Esther Thomas heads the group.

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SEAMONETTES — On Thursday evening, club members met in the home of Mrs. Teresa Walker, 2717 Seamon Avenue.

Plans were made for a supper party on Dec. 2, in the home of the president, Mrs. Delores Deaver, 2723 Seamon Avenue.

Bingo followed the business meeting.

Mrs. Carolyn Bailey of 2725 Seamon Avenue will be hostess to the club at the next session.

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ORGANIZATION — Mrs. Ernestine Lewis had her first opportunity to play hostess to The Organization since becoming a member. On Saturday, she entertained at her beautiful White Chapel Road home. Ernestine was a most charming hostess and went all out to see that each person received special attention.

It really seemed more like a party than a club meeting for the guests donned some of their prettiest finery for the occasion to say nothing of the hostess' exquisite black and white lounge togs.

In the club room members and other invited guests had an opportunity to relive summer club activities which had been filmed. Some time was spent playing bonanza and other games.

At an appointed hour all were ushered into the dining room for dinner by candlelight.

Plans were made for a round of holiday activities for the approaching holiday season.

Special guests for the meeting included Mesdames Frances Martin, Bernice Clarke, and Rubye Taylor.

Members of the club group present were Mesdames Marion Ampney, Mary Bacote, Mae Gorman, Veronica Greene, Henrietta Jones, Jeanette Johnson, Aurelia Lonesome, Alphia William and Lillian T. Wilson.

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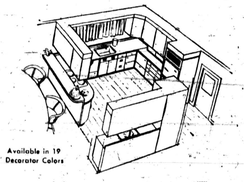

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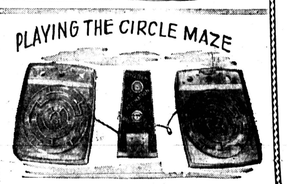

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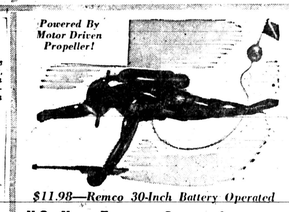

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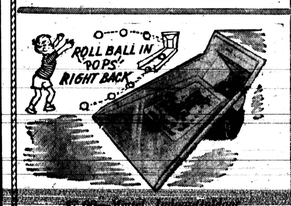

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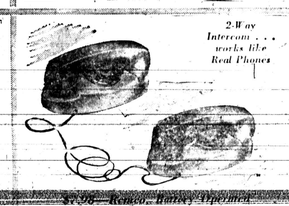

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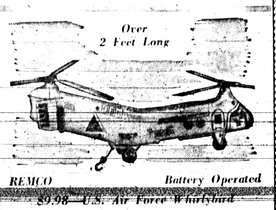

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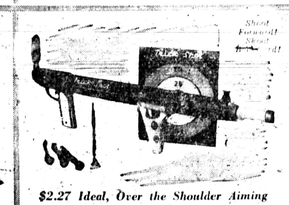

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