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State tells local school boards to speed up desegregation

The State Board of Education called on local boards to step up school desegregation "at the earliest possible date with the view of implementing the law of the land."

In a policy statement to reaffirm its 1954 stand on school desegregation in accordance with the Supreme Court decision, the Board placed the responsibility in the hands of the local board.

"Take all reasonable steps to assure that no child be required to resort to hearings and court action to insure his constitutional rights;

"To provide that all future educational programs be made in the expectation of and in the furtherance of desegregated schools."

The State board also advises local units to re-survey its progress or lack of it in desegregation of schools, to bring its policies and procedures of desegregation in line with the state policy, where needed.

Local boards also are called on to confer with bi - racial groups in revising desegregation policies and procedures, to guarantee that the rights of pupils will not be blocked by arbitrary or underhanded methods.

It also asks that transportation and transfers be made available without regard to race, and that "educational programs and facilities be the sole determining factors in the enrollment of pupils."

The statement further declared it is the intention of the State Board "to accept its responsibility to act in a general over - all supervisory nature to insure that standard equitable practices are followed throughout the State."

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THE STATEMENT said the board is pleased with the relatively trouble - free desegregation of schools in the state.

It noted that although desegretaion has not moved rapidly in some communities, a wholesome attitude progress.

has developed over this period and will make complete integration possible in a similar climate.

While all 24 districts have adopted a policy of full compliance, only three have totally desegregated their schools. In 14 others on the Eastern Shore and in Southern Maryland, little or no desegregation has taken place.

The policy statement was hammered out following several closed door sessions of the board members. The meetings followed a statement by president Jerome Frampton Jr., last December, suggesting a review of the stae school desegregation

NCO club loses license 30 days

"We can't overlook it. It's just impossible for us to overlook it.

"We simply cannot overlook the presence of minors."

This spoke Thomas F. McNulty Jr., chairman of the Liquor Board Thursday, when that agency suspended for 30 days the liquor license of the 229th NCO Club of the Maryland National Guard.

The licensees, M. Sgts. Oscar S. Harley, Charles R. Owens and William F. Durant were charged with:

1. Allowing alcoholic beverages to be consumed on premises open to the pub'' between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

2. With failure to operate the club in a manner to a void disturbing the peace.

3. Violation of Rule No. 6 which states: "No license holder shall permit any person to consume any alcoholic beverages on the premises, other than those which the license permits to be sold thereon."

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LAST DECEMBER, eight members and guests at the armory were fined from $10 to $50 and costs for possession of alcoholic beverages, disorderly conduct, possession of a deadly weapon and drunkenness.

The three licensees were fined $25 and costs each and were given probation before a verdict.

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WESTERN DISTRICT Sergeant Kenneth Hornberger told the Board he observed from 30 to 40 persons sitting around the NCO Club bar consuming alcohol after 2 a.m.

Sergeant Hornberger said he talked with Capt. Jesse Peaker who informed him that the upstairs drill hall had been rented to a group identified as the "Nightlifers" for a breakfast.

Sergeant Hornberger said he arrested two minors, one of whom had liquor in his possession, when they became "very nasty and a sergeant who "became loud and nasty" while carrying a .22 caliber revolver.

The officer said he was told that the bar had been closed for the night.

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COLONEL AUGUST T. SEIDENZAHL who conducted an investigation for the Maryland Natonal Guard attributed the disturbance to "an inexperienced promotor and an inexperienced caterer.

Col. Seidenzahl said the men responsible for the affair had obtained no license, paid no tax and that the caterer couldn't handle the food for the crowd.

The Colonel told the Commissioners, the NCO Club is in no way connected with this at all. A Major Stubbs signed a contract and agreed that all activities should cease at 2 a.m.

"The caterer lacked equipment and experience, and was late getting the meal out for people who had paid $3.75.

One Board member called attention to an ad for the affair which stated:, "Something to do after 2."

The Board was told that a partition separating the drill area from the NCO Club be put up to prevent future party goers from entering the club.

The NCO Club was represented by Charles P. Howard Jr. attorney.

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THE BOARD also passed out suspensions to four other clubs.

The Hiway Tavern and Restaurant at 156 N. East St. was given a 10-day suspension; Angelo's, 1313 E. Pratt St., 12 days; Pal's Bar, 1601 Aisquith St., 10 days; and Paul's Tavern, 720 S. Charles St., 1 day.

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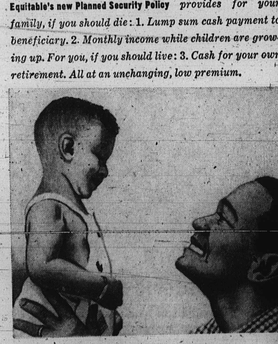

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"EMBARRASSING" — That's how James Doles explained his feelings when police shoved him against wall and searched him for no reason, Tuesday.

Cops do it again, man charges

By GEORGE W. COLLINS

The police were at it again this week, the AFRO learned.

In a recent series, the AFRO reported that police reserve most of their illegal search and seizure, manhandling, invasion of privacy and brutality for colored citizens.

Latest victim, according to a complaint and eyewitness reports, is James Doles, 32-year-old father of five children.

Mr. Doles of the 1200 block N. Bond St., charges he was manhandled, cursed searched and virtually undressed in public view by police on Tuesday without cause.

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HE WAS collared, Mr. Doles said, while the Racket Squad, armed with a search and seizure warrant, was looking for a suspected bookmaker.

The warrant, the AFRO found, was issued for the arrest of a 62-year-old, five-feet, sevendinch, white man.

Mr. Doles is five feet, 11 inches tall. He is neither 62 years old nor white.

He is a used car re-conditioner, employed at an auto firm in the 3800 block W. Belvedere Ave., where he has worked for two and a half years.

This is his story:

"I went to the restaurant to get my lunch as I always do.

"After getting my order, I went to the bar side of the building. While there, one of the plainclothesmen grabbed me and snatched me outside.

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"HE WOULDN'T tell me why. When I asked why he was arresting me, he said:

"'Do you want to see how fast you can get knocked on your . . . . ?'

"They made me stand in front of the restaurant in view of everybody with my hands up while they searched me, making insulting remarks in the process.

"They yanked my shirt out of my pants and generally roughed me up. They refused to tell me why.

"They only said they had a warrant when one of the other fellows asked them what was it all about."

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WHEN THEY pulled out the warrant, Mr Doles reported, the officers found they had the wrong man.

An eyewitness said Mr. Doles was standing next to the man the policemen were searching for.

He was later arested, but searched inside the building, instead of in the street, the AFRO was told.

When they found he was the the wanted man, Mr. Doles quoted one of the policemen as saying:

"You can go now. You aren't mad with us, are you?"

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AMONG other comments from spectators were:

"It was a disgrace the way they treated him," a businessman said.

"Something should be done to stop that kind of thing. I think it's a shame," a salesman volunteered.

"I hope he takes it downtown," and "These cops have a lot of nerve," were other reactions.

ALL ATTEMPTS to get the police rule of the incident were met with the same answer: "See my superior."

The road finally led to the office of Chief Inspector George Murphy who was not available for comment.

Further Expressway hereings after Feb. 9

Further public hearing on the proposed route through the city of the controverial east - west - Expressway will not be scheduled until some time after Feb. 9.

A spokesman in the city's Department of Public Works said Thursday written complaints and suggestons concerning the proposed route should reach his department by that deadline date.

Then, time would be required for study of the complaints and proposals, prior to scheduling another public meeting.

And angry crowd of East and West Baltimore residents gathered in the Eastern High School auditorium Tuesday evening at a public meeting on the proposed expressway route to voice a wide range of objections.

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AMONG THE agency and business representatives present also objecting the business representatives present also objecting the proposed route was Henry G. Park, representing the Baltimore Urban League.

The objections ranged from housewives' complaints who did not want their properties taken, to agency interest complaining the expressway would run too close to public housing projects, and to downtown business interests who recommended various changes.

Many of the city councilmen, including Philip H. Goodman, City Council president, have voiced strong opposition to the proposed route.

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Says mate's ex-wife figured in separation

Charging that James Ivy Jackson ran into his ex-wife and came home and called off his marriage to her, Mrs. Shirley Jackson of 2724 Tivoly Avenue divorced him, this week.

She also had her maiden name, Shirley Albright, restored.

Mrs. Jackson said that she and Mr. Jackson were married on August 28, 1954, and that they had been married three months when the former Mrs. Jackson came upon the scene.

She said that Mr. Jackson told her that they couldn't make a go of their marriage and that they should separate. She said that she agreed.

The wife was represented by Milton Allen, attorney.

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LORENZO DUNGEE of 1209 W. Mosher St. obtained a divorce from Mrs. Vernz Louise Dungee on grounds of desertion.

The couple, according to the husband's testimony, agreed upon a trial separation, during which, said the husband, Mrs. Dungee called and said that she had decided to not come back to him.

Mrs. Dungee's address was given as 361 Windsor Mill Rd.

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MRS. IDA MAE ENGLISH of 2238 Cecil Avenue blamed the Army and a tour of overseas duty as the down fall of her marriage.

She told the court that after John English came from overseas nothing she did satisfied him.

He finally left her and is now in Atlanta, Ga., she said. She was given a divorce.

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HAROLD L. BAKER won the custody of their three children when he divorced Mrs. Jacqueline L. Baker, this week.

The couple was married in 1951 and separated in 1958.

The husband said that Mrs. Baker left him, taking the children with her.

Later, he said, she brought the children back, telling him that she could not support them and asking that he take over.

Passengers shaken up in two cabs

Three persons were injured Monday when two taxicabs collided at Monroe and Presbury Sts.

Admitted to Lutheran Hospital for emergency treatmen were Thomas Ross, 58, of 1015 Payson St.; Miss Mary Cannon, 30, of 2902 Windsor Ave.; and James Hines, 34, of 1806 W. North Ave.

Miss Cannon and Mr. Hines were passengers in a cab driven by Harrison G. Rock, 40, of 1701 Westwood St.

Mr. Rock was charged with reckless driving and with failure to obey a stop sign.

Mr. Ross was riding with Alfred J. Oliver, 41, of 614 Lennox St.

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IN ANOTHER traffic mishap at Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St. Tuesday, Donald Crook, 5, of 1127 Pennsylvania Ave. was struck by an automobile when he reportedly stepped from between two parked cars.

The boy was admitted to Provident Hospital with a head injury.

The driver was identified as Ernest Matthews, 39, of 803 Somerset St.

Howard NAACP seeks backing

The program committee of the Howard County branch NAACP recently sponsored a very successful musical program at First Baptist Church, Guilford. Mrs. Marie Curry was chairman.

On the program were the Starlight Male Gospel Chorus from Mt. Winans, Full Gospel Tabernacle Church Singers and others.

Guest speaker was Morris Woodson, principal of Guilford Elementary School.

Remus Dorsey extended an invitation for adult memberships, and Mrs. Leola Dorsey asked for youth membership.

John W. Holland, branch president, has asked NAACP members and friends to write to their county representatives asking their support of a public accommodations law.

CHILD TRAINING PROJECT SLATED

A fourth series of lectures and seminars on "The Emotional Development of the Pre-school Child and its Deviations" will be offered by the Children's Guild, Inc., Training Project, Feb. 10 through June 9.

All lectures are scheduled for Saturday mornings, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For enrollment and further information, call FO. 7-6161.

Muncipal Court judges file Monday

Judge Robert B. Watts, and seven other of the new Municipal Court judges whose terms expire at the end of this year, are scheduled to file at 4:15 p.m. Monday at the Supervisors of Elections office for reelection.

The others are Judges Mary Arabian, Howard L. Aaron, Aaron A. Baer, William L. K. Barrett, A. Jerome Diener, Joseph G. Finnerty and Albert H. Blum.

They are to be accompanied to the Supervisors of Election office by their sponsoring representatives of the Baltimore Bar Association, and representatives from groups for the re-election of sitting judges.

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Young Man On The Move

By Max Johnson

"Just keep moving ahead; never look back, but just keep moving ahead.

"The horizons are unlimited."

This is the success credo of George L. Russell Jr., popular attorney and political figure — a young man on the move up.

ALWAYS ON the move, George Russell pauses to take a last minute telephone call before leaving his office for court.

Mr. Russell, just 32 years old, has managed to chalk up a wide range of notable achievements, professionally and civic-wise, which attest to his credo of moving ahead.

Let's look at some of them.

A 1950 graduate of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania and the University of Maryland Law School in 1954, he got right to the business of building himself a successful career.

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HE WAS cited with a certificate of achievement in 1956 from the U.S. Army Headquarters, Adjutant General's office, while serving with the army.

In 1958, he was the recipient of an achievement award from the Baltimore Alumni Chapter, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, for distinctive service in the fields of business, law and politics.

Then came a couple of "firsts" to his credit.

He was the first magistrate - at-large of his race here, under the old police court system, to sit in police courts throughout the city.

He became the first of his race to be named deputy director of the 1960 bicentennial census for Baltimore, and had the supervision of some 700 employees of both races.

All the while, Mr. Russell, a staunch Republican and close friend of former Governor Theodore R. McKeldin, was busy building a highly successful law practice.

He had been admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals and the federal courts.

And in December of last year, he was admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court, under sponsorship of Curtis P. Mitchell, prominent Washington attorney.

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HE IS general counselor for the Parks Sausage Company, and regional counselor for the grand lodge of the Elks.

Also, he is a member of the board of directors of the Fairmount Finance Corp. in Prince Georges County, only small loan company owned by colored in Maryland.

Mr. Russell's civic activities are just as wide and varied.

He is a member of the Baltimore Guardsmen, the Elks' Pride of Baltimore Lodge, the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the YMCA, the NAACP, and St. Francis Roman Catholic Church.

Also, he holds membership in the Monumental and American Bar associations, and the Bar Association of Baltimore.

Last June, he was appointed to the Baltimore City Jail Board by Mayor J. Harold Grady, giving this board for the first time two colored members.

David T. Mason, Employment Security Dept. official, was previously named to this board and still serves.

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MR. RUSSELL has been complimented by the Court of Appeals for his "ability, diligence and candor."

A native Baltimorean, he was a protege of the late Dr. Willard W. Allen, former grand master of Maryland Masons and head of the old Southern Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Russell was a vice president of this company, before it was sold.

He is the executor of Dr. Allen's personal estate.

Since 1959, he has been married to the former Miss Marian Ann White, a government employee.

Here, then, is a look at the personable, young Mr. Russell, popular attorney and civic-minded citizen.

His continuing string of notable achievements mark him, without doubt, as — a young man on the move up.

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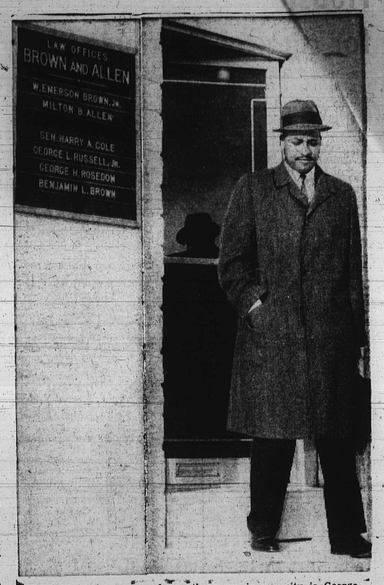

TYPICAL OF young people on the move in our city is George Russell, attorney, seen here leaving his Monument St. office. You'll be reading about more people on the move in future editions of the AFRO.

Fighting The Exodus

By George Collins

Tucked away on the ninth floor of No. 10 Light St. is a unique organization.

It's non - denominational, non-political, non - racial, non - sectarian. In fact, as far as special designations go, it's just about non-everything.

Yet its functions are so vital to the life of the city that supporters have crossed all the above mentioned boundaries to assure its success.

Three years ago, government, business, and community leaders became concerned with the devastating effects that strange, 20th Century malady—transition — had on the city.

They had either seen or heard "shifting population," "changing neighborhoods," "flight to suburbia," or just plain "running," now a part of the cities across America.

That this must be halted, all agreed.

But how?

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AS A start, in 1959 the Greater Baltimore Committee, made up of citizens concerned with the economic and cultural future of the city, got busy.

Under their sponsorship, a new approach to the problem was born — Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.

According to its executive director, Edward L. Holmgren, Baltimore Neighborhoods mean different things to different people.

"While some look upon it as an organization dedicated to keeping colored people out of a given neighborhood, others see it as an agency working to bring them in."

Both views are wrong, the 38-year-old native Chicagoan, with 14 years experience in integrated housing, said.

"The sole purpose of BNI," he said, "is to prevent the creation of 'all-colored' communities in any part of the city and provide equal housing for all people, regardless of race."

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THE JOB OF checking the exodus to the suburbs, and of assuring equal housing opportunities for all the people is no simple task, Mr. Holmgren is the first to admit.

But with equal firmness he said it can, and must, be done because the "city's future is at stake."

Further, he pointed out, if the housing problem is solved, solutions to the equal employment and education dilemma would be forthcoming.

How is BNI attacking this ambitious venture?

"By joining hands with business, religious, community and neighborhood groups in breaking down fears, suspicions, and ignorance which triggers panic when a non-white family moves into a so-called 'white' neighborhood," the former Chicago Urban League executive said.

Biggest threat to neighborhood stability is the "notion that a neighborhood must be either all - colored or all - white," the agency head said.

In Baltimore, as elsewhere in the nation, most people can not understand that a third alternative — integrated neighborhoods — is possible and even desirable, Mr. Holmgren said.

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THERE ARE many factors which contribute to white homeowners pushing the panic button and fleeing to the "white noose of the suburbs," according to BNI:

"Historically, American neighborhoods grow on two basis — all-colored or all-white, and housing is the only commodity in our economy that has a race tag," it stated.

Among others are:

1. The practice which identifies neighborhoods by race.

2. Policies of mortgage lending institutions which "dry up" the normal availability of mortgage funds.

3. Arbitrary restrictions as to where colored families may or may not live. This forces a piling up in the few "open" neighborhoods.

4. Lack of proper enforcement of existing zoning and building codes, and

5. Reduction in standards of local schools.

Having identified the causes of the hysteria which precedes the flight and introduces blight in established neighborhoods, what cures does BNI propose?

"The future of Baltimore as a growing and prosperous community is at stake. The modern American city can no longer afford to support the continued operation of the two-market system in housing.

"To eliminate the practice and thinking which generates and supports it, is our major goal," is how the agency describes its purpose.

Before planning any strategy, Mr. Holmgren said, these facts had to be faced:

"At the heart of the problem is the need of the colored community for living space. In the past such expansion has usually meant the wholesale displacement of white families.

"This produced somewhat of a quick, three - legged transition of the affected neighborhood — all - white, integrated, and all-colored.

"Either way it's segregation," the director said.

BNI wants to increase housing opportunities instead of colored families forming "new ghettos" in a few communities.

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TO ACCOMPLISH this, Neighborhoods has drawn up a program of several dimensions. Essentially, it consists of educating the public to the advantages of integrated living and demonstrating that it can be done.

Currently the agency is spearheading a pilot program in stabilizing neighborhoods in six "changing" areas of the city.

Among them are Ashburton, Lauraville, Windsor Hills, Kenilworth, Fairmount and Allendale - Lyndhurst in the Edmondson Village section.

Heart of the effort is the organization's "Sale - Rent" program, where a volunteer committee gathers information on available homes for sale and apartments for rent.

These properties are advertised without racial designations and without cost to the homeowner and cooperating real estate agent.

Only value is emphasized, the director points out.

These homes and apartments are listed in the master file of the organization's Mathieson Building and are available to interested homeseekers regardless of race.

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A FURTHER service is provided by a guide, who represents the agency, and shows potential buyers around the neighborhood, explaining its particular characteristics.

"Convenience, public services, and **unnecessary indebtedness are some of the best arguments against fleeing from the city," according to Mr. Holmgren.**

"Transportation facilities, churches, schools, shopping, and the cultural life of the city are more easily accessible to the city dweller than those in the suburban areas.

"Another important factor, particularly for the middle-aged families, is the increased financial burden imposed.

"Because they have passed their peak earning power, and advanced age, they must obtain short-term mortgages which are more expensive.

"Economics enters the picture again when it is considered that many of the new housing developments cost far more than established homes, yet are inferior in quality," Mr. Holmgren added.

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IRONICALLY, BNI reports, the Federal Housing Administration has proven to be the biggest boon to segregated housing.

"It has made millions of dollars available to finance new developments which enabled white middle-income groups to purchase homes in the suburbs.

"On the other hand the agency has done nothing about halting developers from barring colored homemakers from these developments," the official declared.

And too, despite outlawing of restrictive covenants, they are still in use, Mr. Holmgren said, but exist in the form of gentlemen's agreements.

This comes about when white homeowners informally agree to sell only to certain racial groups.

The general belief that changing neighborhoods automatically become depressed, colored homeowners don't maintain property and other suspicions and fears, are constantly **ing is another phase of the agency's campaign, the agency head said.**

rumors surrounding integrated hous- being exploded as nothing more than myth, it was said.

The three - member organization —the director, assistant director, Miss Sally Folly, and secretary, Mrs. Marian Sanders — declares that integrated housing is inevitable.

Don't Panic

TO PREPARE the city and suburbs for its coming, BNI offers seven suggestions:

1. Do not panic just because a colored family moves in. There are few neighborhoods in the city or county which will not be integrated in the near future.

2. Squelch harmful rumors with facts.

3. Make the "newcomer" in your neighborhood feel welcome. Remember, you were new once, too.

4. Set an example for the "newcomer" and all your neighbors by keeping your home neat and attractive.

5. Join your neighborhood improvement association and work together to make your section stable, attractive, and friendly. If there is no association, help form one.

6. Insist on strict enforcement of housing, zoning and sanitation laws.

7. Remember above all else, running away solves nothing. It's expensive — both for you and for Baltimore.

Membership

BNI IS supported by three foundations and the Greater Baltimore Committee and has a 1962 budget of $33,000.

It has two classes of memberships —general and associate. Annual membership fees are $100 and $5, the former for organizations and agencies and the latter for individuals interested in the activities of the organization.

Among its membership are:

Citizens Housing and Planning Association, Greater Baltimore Committee, Real Estate Board of Greater Baltimore, Baltimore Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations, Baltimore Urban League, Association of Commerce, and neighborhood, building, labor and civic organizations.

Hey, Let's Twist

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

If you must learn to dance by the time the prom date is set or before the Spring dances come off, you can get a good head start tripping the light fantastic with the Baltimore City Bureau of Recreation now.

Enrollment in the Feb.—May term starts on Feb. 1 at School 60, Gwynns Falls Parkway and Dukeland St.

Courses offered include dancing of all types, twist, ballroom, tango, whatever you feel you need to make your dream of a good dancer come true.

Dance classes are open to adults only from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. each Tuesday, according to Mrs. Tina Parker, director.

The Recreation Department has offered these classes each Tuesday for the past four years.

Perhaps not enough people know about it, an this may account for the small number of students.

However, if large numbers wish to enroll, there will be no problem. An adequate number of instructors will be on hand.

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THE RECREATION Program is open from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. each day at School 60.

At 2:30 on Monday is the children's tap class, Miss Anne Santam, instructor. Ballet classes come on Friday with Mrs. Barbara Blackwell, instructor.

Teenagers enjoy dance classes on Mondays and Wednesdays in the evening. On Friday night is the Teen Dance Party. Parsley Graham is physical fitness instructor for the tumblers, weight - lifting, other exercises and skills.

The Recreation Jamboree, like the one held on Wednesday night, gives fun for all, a chance to display skills. Harold Jennifer is recreation supervisor. Volunteer worker and public relations director is Weldon Lee, who will serve as a Latin dance instructor beginning the February term.

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AN EXECUTIVE order from President Kennedy would go a long way in arresting this practice, the director feels, and he urges all interested citizens to bring pressure in making this offer a reality.

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ADULT BALLROOM Dance class every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. offers excellent training such as the above couples are enjoying for only $3.50, 10 weekly lessons. Shown left to right are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Seay, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Parrish, Mrs. Eunice Lee and Leslie Stokes. Other dances taught include folk and square dancing, ballet, tap, popular steps of all types.

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