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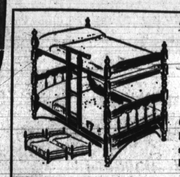

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MOTHER, SON SHOT; NEIGHBOR HELD

Pressman seeks insurance action

Hyman A. Pressman, city comptroller, who has been waging a campaign against unfair practices in the auto insurance industry, said Thursday the Federal Government should rescind its policy of leaving insurance company regulations up to the states.

Tight government restrictions, he said, would establish uniform codes to protect the public against discriminatory practices such as has been charged against some companies in Maryland.

Until such controls are established, Mr. Pressman again declared that the states themselves must take more positive action in setting up safeguard.

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HE NOTED, in this respect, that Ohio has just ordered an Illinois insurance firm in Cleveland to stop selling insurance by postal zone.

The order was issued by Jean C. Hiestand, deputy state insurance director, who said at the time:

"This lends itself to possible prejudice. We are not accusing the company of being discriminatory, but this is a tool that could be used for discriminatory purposes and we are not going to permit it."

This action was prompted by a memorandum to the company's Cleveland employees, giving them authority to make insurance effective in some postal zones but not in others.

Mr. Pressman, who has requested an appearance before the U.S. Senate's subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly to protest against some unfair insur-

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Paid students show but school is gone

Thursday night a week ago was the last class for students in the Market Training Institute, which met in an office in the Trailways Bus Building, although some of them knew it at the time.

On Monday when students returned for classes, they found the office locked.

The six to eight-week course which the students were attending was offered at a cost of $200, and many had paid the full fee in advance.

"It's lucky I had paid only $100 of the fee," a 28-year-old woman who had been taking a course on business machines, told the AFRO.

"When we went for classes on Tuesday, the door was locked and some of the others thought maybe it was closed for spring vacation, but they hadn't told us about it," she said.

"So we looked through the letter slot and all the machines were gone," she added.

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A CHECK with the phone company revealed

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Interracial Comm. asks probe of state schools

Maryland's Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations announced its dissatisfaction Wednesday with some areas of the state's public school system and took action to determine whether there is compliance with the national law.

Dr. Francis Keppel, U.S. Commissioner of Education, was asked in a telegram for an appointment the coming week for clarification.

"Urgent questions of what constitutes compliance determining eligibility for federal funds have arisen in Maryland," the commission wired Dr. Keppel, in requesting the meeting.

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PARREN J. MITCHELL, the commission's executive secretary, said the agency's Education Committee, headed by Mrs. Caroline B. Ramsey, was particularly concerned with:

1. Whether the school desegregation picture in some areas of Maryland was in compliance with the

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Discrimination seen on Cambridge waterfront

Maryland's Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations filed a complaint Wednesday with the National Labor Relations Board, charging racial discriminatory practices by a Cambridge union.

The charges are against Local 1911 of the National Longshoremen's Association.

Parren J. Mitchell, Interracial Commission executive secretary, said an investigation has disclosed colored men have been "systematically excluded" from membership in the union.

The commission asked that the NLRB (1) take appropriate action to insure integration of the union and (2) to determine whether a valid union contract exists at the Cambridge port.

The union, Mr. Mitchell stated, has 28 members.

FRANK W. MITCHELL, 15, of Springfield, Ill., seen on the Capitol steps after Republicans appointed him the first House page of his race. He plans to become a pharmacist.

LAWRENCE BRADFORD, 16, of New York City, talks with Sens. Jacob Javits (R. N.Y.) and Everett Dirksen (R., Ill.) after Javits named him the first colored Senate page in history.

Congress gets first two pages

In civil rights breakthroughs, it was a week that the "conservative" Republicans put the "liberal" Democrats to shame.

They outclassed the Democrats, 2-0, in what could be called the "page boy game."

It all began Tuesday with the unexpected but happily greeted announcement that 16-year-old Lawrence Wallace Bradford Jr. had been appointed the first of his race to become a page boy in the Senate.

It registered a Republican score. The page boy's sponsor was a Republican, Senator Jacob Javits of New York.

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DEMOCRATS, although keen on not being outdone, had little time to get in on the game.

Hours after Bradford's appointment, there was another equally unexpected but happily greeted announcement. It said that 15-year-old Frank Mitchell had been appointed the first of his race to become a page boy in the House of Representatives.

This was the clincher, for Mitchell's sponsor was also a Republican, Rep. Paul Findley of Illinois.

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SIGNIFICANTLY both appointments came near the date (Thursday, April 14) marking the 100th anniversa-

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'It was awful . .'

MRS. ALBERTA BREWER

Project is scene of shooting

By WILBUR PINDER

"It was awful just awful She was shooting at my son. I thought she'd killed my baby.

Mrs. Alberta Brewer was was seated in a wheel chair on the second floor at Provident Hospital as she talked with the AFRO Wednesday night.

As tears rolled down her cheeks onto the plain white hospital gown she wore, a smile crossed her face when she looked up and in a soft gentle voice said:

"But I don't hate her. God knows I don't hate her. There is something driving her over which she has no control.

"I feel sorry for her, very, very sorry for her.

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ONE FLOOR below Mrs. Brewster's son, Charles, slept in a deep, sedative - induced rest.

A tube extended from his throat where only hours before hospital doctors had performed a tracheotomy to save his life.

The events which led to Mrs. Brewer and her 17 - year-old son being hospitalized began Wednesday afternoon.

"I had just returned home from the laundry when I saw her standing in the doorway. She called me but I ignored her. I didn't want any trouble," Mrs. Brewer related.

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THE WOMAN standing in the doorway of the house

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$1,500 for students in new contest

Hey, Students!

Now that your Favorite Teachers are basking in the glories of incomparable Nassau, the search is on for the "Student of the Year."

Tuesday, April 20 is the official starting date.

The exciting contest is open to all students in Maryland's accredited high schools from grades nine through 12.

Winners will be the four boys or girls who receive the most votes in the contest. Top winner will be crowned "Student of the Year."

In addition to four top prizes there will also be 14 consolation cash prizes.

The big ones are:

First place — $500
Second place — $300
Third place — $200
Fourth place — $100

Consolation prizes are:

Fifth and sixth places $50 each plus $25 each to the

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King told to rest

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (UPI) — The Rev. Martin Luther King, Nobel Peace Prize winner and stalwart of the civil rights movement, was forced to cancel a two-day Lenten speaking engagement beginning here Wednesday on doctor's orders.

Dr. King was scheduled to speak at noon Lenten services at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, but was ordered to take "a complete rest" by his doctor.

The Rev. O. Walter Wagner, executive director of the Metropolitan Church Federation of St. Louis said the Rev. C. Tindell Vivian of Atlanta, Ga., would represent King.

Dr. Wagner said he talked with King's Atlanta office and was told "that he was in Miami taking a rest, and that he hoped to be back into the struggle after Easter."

The Rev. Mr. Vivian is director of affiliates for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and is also a member of the executive committee of the National Council of Community Churches.

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Judge Scores Police On Raids

By LEROY HARMON

Baltimore police tactics during the massive Veney Brothers hunt early this year were sharply criticized on Wednesday by Federal Court Judge Roszel C. Thomsen.

But Judge Thomsen refused to grant a NAACP request for injunctive relief against such warrantless raids because "the court believes that the police will make an honest effort to observe their constitutional responsibilities."

He declared that most of the raids made by heavily armed policemen were not based on sufficient probable cause to believe Earl and Sam Veney would be on the premises.

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GETTING to the crime that triggered the massive hunt, Judge Thomsen stated:

"The police must remember that although the killing of a police officer in the course of his duty is a most serious crime, which shocks the whole community, it is not an excuse for violating anyone's constitutional right."

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TO SATISFY his belief that police henceforth will follow "reasonable" cause in making arrest searches, Judge Thomsen kept the case open on his docket.

In his 22-page opinion the district court jurist explained that he did not want to make a ruling that would hamper police in carrying out their responsibilities to all the city's citizens.

Judge Thomsen took note of the fact that in Baltimore the relationship between the colored community and the police has deteriorated.

He ruled that no discrimination appeared to be involved in the fact that most of the more than 300 raids were conducted in colored homes because the suspects are colored and would have been more likely to hide in the community.

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NAACP lawyers said Thursday that they would not comment until they had time to study the opinion.

The civil action, "unique" and historic in its request to curb and enjoin police raids without search warrants, was filed by the NAACP in February after a number of citizens said their homes had been entered by heavily armed police.

Specifically, the petition was filed on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Lankford, 2707 Parkwood Ave., the Rev. Mrs. Elizabeth Thompkins and her husband Claude Thompkins, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Summers and Arthur Rayner, all of 2416 Eutaw Pl.

The NAACP, in addition, stated that the suit was also on behalf of persons who have been or may be subjected to warrantless raids.

NAACP lawyers representing the plaintiffs were, James M. Nabrit 3rd., and Melvin Zarr, of the National NAACP Legal Defense Fund; and Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell, Tucker R. Dearing and

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Lt. Johnson, '63 Morgan graduate, dies in Kentucky sports car crash

"It was a pretty nasty turn . . . he missed it, ran off the road . . . he had a broken neck and was dead when they got him to the hospital . . ."

Henry Johnson, 2429 W. Mosher St., was telling the AFRO how his son died early Thursday near Fort Campbell, Ky.

The soft is 1st Lt. Vernon Johnson, 23, a 1963 graduate of Morgan State College where he distingulshed himself as a student, football player and ROTC Commander.

He was killed instantly when his new English sports car—a black Triumph convertible—left the road 16 miles from his post. He was a member of Co. C, 326 Medical Batallion.

"He talked to us on the weekend and said he would be home for my birthday on April 30," the father said.

"He'd planned to go to the Penn Relays and told us to get his ticket for the Morgan graduation boat ride. Then this morning the telegram came and later they called us. . . ."

The body is sheduled to arrive in Baltimore today (Friday). Arrangements are being handled by the Arlington Phillips Funeral Home.

Lt. Johnson was described by a bereaved Morgan State classmate as the kind of student "everybody liked. He was a fine person."

He was cadet colonel of the 1962 ROTC Brigade which earned the AFRO trophy that year. He was also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

After graduation, he served 13 months in Korea, having returned to the states and his new assignment just this past October.

In addition to his father, who is an engineer at Dunbar High School, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jeanette Johnson, teacher at School 140; and two sisters, Mrs. Bernice Baird and Mrs. Frances Miles, all of Baltimore.

Dockers back charges on port jobs

While top officials of the International Longshoremen's Association were busy in New York denying charges against the union in the port of Baltimore, William Halle, international vice president with offices in Baltimore, agreed that complaints of discrimination and prejudice levelled by Troy Brailey, head of the American Labor Council, are factual.

Mr. Brailey's charges that Local 1355 has no colored members and Local 953, a checkers' local, has repeatedly refused to admit colored applicants to membership. In addition, he said, there are no colored checkers employed

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