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Kids See And Do Fantastic Evil

'Mother Put Needle In Arm, Got Happy'

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Crimes youngsters commit against society are treated as delicate matters in Juvenile Court.

But, regardless of race, "the little devils" as they are fondly termed in jest, are often in reality neither innocent nor delicate.

To quote a Juvenile Court judge, "You wouldn't believe some of the tricks they pull out of their "little bag of dirty deeds unless you heard it with your own ears from the little fellows themselves."

Shaking his head in wonder, he pointed out all don't come from poverty, bad environment and "broken homes."

Some youngsters, admitting everything from perverted practices to arson and near - murder, are from well - to - do homes, fine parents and appear to be little cherubs on the outside.

Nevertheless, most Juvenile Court judges feel, "If we had better parents we'd have better children. Regardless of what a child does, in some measure we can hold parents responsible," one told the AFRO.

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NOTEWORTHY is the case heard by Judge John O'Grady Tuesday involving an interracial gang of six little boys whose parents "had no idea what they were doing."

Ages 9 to 11, they ran amuck this past summer, planned their escapades from their hide-out and sleeping place on top of a church in the Franklintown Rd. - Edmondson Ave. junction area instead of home at nights.

Here's a list of their known deeds:

(1) Robbery of four homes on Lombard, Franklintown and Pratt Sts.

(2) Robbery of a Frederick Ave. home on two occasions.

In the latter case, they entered the home the first time by the front door and kept the key.

The second time, one entered a second floor window, went down and let the others in.

In this house where parents had left younger children in charge of a 13 - year - old baby sitter, here's what the six little "cherubs accomplished:

1. Swung the baby around by its arms until it was limp.
2. Burned the baby with cigarets.
3. Persuaded one boy to indulge in a perverted act.
4. Scattered five pounds of sugar all over the house.

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AS A result Juvenile Court authorities sent two of them to Boys' Village for an indefinite period.

One of them, the youngest, age 9, was placed on probation, with his father as the probation officer, to watch him around the clock, see that he attends school regularly and "keep him away from that gang since he's been traveling with the wrong crowd."

The others, including the 11 - year - old red - headed leader of the bunch, are still at large, yet to be brought in by police officers.

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IN A separate case, two little girls, ages six and eight, daughters of a convicted dope - addict mother and a man they called their "stepfather," appeared in court Tuesday to tell a most unbelievable but apparently true story.

For many months, they had become used to the effects of their mother's addiction. They lived in the 2500 block N. Calvert St.

Mother was "groggy" in the day and taking pills, was cross most of the time, they told Judge O'Grady. Some times she beat them terribly, the 8 - year - old stated.

At night, they peeped from their bedroom in the kitchen and and saw their mother, "stepfather" and an interracial group of men friends, indulging in the habits.

Their mother, they told the court, "Put a needle in her arm. Her arm became red and she became happy."

Two weeks ago the mother left home, leaving the children in care of a baby sitter. She never returnd.

The Department of Public Welfare placed them in a foster home.

In court Tuesday they were instructed to let police know if they ever see their mother anywhere so they can bring her in for "a talk."

A 14 - YEAR - OLD School 90 pupil, absent 131 days and present 49 days last year, visited shopping centers to cart away accessories such as make-up, earrings, bracelets and sweaters when she should have been in class.

"I just don't like school," she said.

Her mother was asked to keep her in school, see that she does homework every night and never let her go anywhere without adult company, especially on shopping tours.

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DISLIKE OF school was attributed to "teachers making fun of me" by a 14 - year - old Garrison High School 9th grader when he

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MAHONEY PUSHES THRU HIS 'CASTLE' THEME

All Cherry Hill anti-incinerator

Following developments Monday night, the complete Cherry Hill community is presenting a united front against a new city incinerator in the area.

At a meeting of the Cherry Hill Coordinating Council, the council's former support of a new incinerator in Cherry Hill was withdrawn by majority vote.

The council originally had given its approval to a site farther removed from the residential area than the site presently selected by the city.

Original plans for the incinerator had it separated from the residential area by the Patapsco River.

At a June meeting of Interested Citizens for Equality (INCITE), City Budget Director Charles L. Benton made known the new proposal to locate the incinerator below Round Rd., a residential street in Cherry Hill.

INCITE, a group of Cherry Hill residents headed by William H. Murphy Jr., at that time took up the fight against the new location.

The coordinating council, which did not meet during the summer, discussed the new location Monday night and also came out against it.

The motion approved by the council, with Mrs. Sarah J. Bundy presiding, noted that "original plans

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Mrs. Kearse gets divorce, alimony

Judge Shirley B. Jones signed a decree Tuesday divorcing Mrs. Alice Marjorie Kearse from Dr. Logan Kearse, pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church.

In settlement, Dr. Kearse agreed to his wife's having the custody of their two children, ages 17 and 15.

He also agreed to pay Mrs. Kearse a total of $80 a week through the Probation Department. A sum of $30, $15 a week for each of the children, is to be paid until the children reach the age of 21 years.

The balance of $30 is alimony for Mrs. Kearse to be paid each week until she remarries or until either she or Dr. Kearse is deceased, according to the decree.

Mrs. Kearse, who resides at 3515 Holmes Ave., filed for the divorce March 1 on grounds of abandonment in December, 1961.

According to the petition, Dr. and Mrs. Kearse were married Dec. 22, 1946 in Stamford, Conn. the hometown of Mrs. Kearse. Dr. Kearse resides at 3321 Sequoia Ave with his mother.

REV. I. LOGAN KEARSE

LBJ VISITS US — President Lyndon B. Johnson came to the Woodlawn Social Security Administration Wednesday, with a major speech on proposed increases in social security benefits. He is flanked here at left by Robert M. Ball, SS commissioner, and Congressman Carlton R. Sickles. (AFRO Photo by Phillips.)

Racial fears still his major issue

By MAX JOHNSON

The forces of George P. Mahoney took firm command of the Democratic State Convention here Thursday, and pushed through his "castle" campaign theme against open housing in the party's adopted platform.

They accomplished this by voting down an amendment, offered by a majority of the Prince Georges County delegation.

It would have taken the Mahoney "castle" theme out of the platform.

The amendment was killed by a 137-46 vote.

Five of Baltimore's six legislative district delegations voted as units to keep in castle theme.

These were the 1st District, the 2nd which had colored delegates, the 3rd, the 5th which had at least one colored delegate and the 6th District.

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P. J. ALEXANDER, a 4th District delegate, requested and got an open poll of his delegation, after its vote was announced on roll call against the amendment.

On the delegation poll, the vote was 5-3 to keep the theme and kill the amendment.

Recorded as against taking the Mahoney theme out of the platform were Mrs. Helen Kennedy, 1922 Division St. a colored delegate; Harry Brooks, 5116 Arbutus Ave.; Luther M. Butler, 1024 W. 38th St.; Mrs. Ella Lane, 1920 Druid Hill Ave., a colored delegate, and Richard Goodman, 2255 Reisterstown Rd.

Voting for the amendment were Mrs. Fannie Bailey, 709 W. Lanvale St.; Mrs. Myrtle Brown, 1735 Appleton St., and Mr. Alexander, 2728 Parkwood Ave.

The latter three are associated with the 4th District Democratic Organization.

Cleveland Harris, well known former civil rights worker, was a member of the 5th District delegation which voted as a unit to keep the Mahoney theme in the platform.

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THE PROPOSED amendment to the platform was the lone hitch of note in the proceedings.

The platform, a lengthy document, contained a plank on human relations which said the party was committed to ending all

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Dean sticks to his 'rabbit brain' view

A state senator, who was assailed this week for deregatory remarks he made about the colored race, said Tuesday the remarks were not intended "for public consumption."

Sen. Robert P. Dean (D., Queen Anne's) was quoted by a daily newspaper as saying colored people "have the brains of rabbits. They're all Congolese to me. They're right from the jungle."

The senator is chairman of an eight-member Legislative Council subcommittee studying welfare costs.

He sad some of the committee members already had left the meeting Friday when he made the remarks, and "It wasn't a public meeting in the first place.

"We were just trying to finalize our report."

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HE TOLD the AFRO, "we had gotten frustrated.

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Welfare recipients end training course

A group of 15 young women will participate in exercises Friday night at City Hospitals marking completion of their work training course.

They will become the fifth group to be trained as patient-aides under a work-experience program funded by the Office of Economic Opportunity.

What is unique about the group is the fact that all are welfare clients who have expressed the desire to be self-supporting.

After completion of the training courses the students are steered into employment at various institutions.

All past trainees have been placed on jobs. Of the present group, four will return to City Hospitals to take advanced training as surgical aides. Four

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Only non-violence can win, says King

CHICAGO (UPI) — Dr. Martin Luther King said Tuesday the Civil Rights Movement can continue to gain ground only if it remains non-violent and sticks to such peaceful weapons as marches and boycotts.

Civil Rights leaders urging violence in self-defense are steering a dangerous course which could stop the civil rights movement in its tracks, King wrote in the current issue of Ebony Magazine.

"A social change in America must be nonviolent," said King, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

"It is extremely dangerous to organize a movement around self-defense. The line and aggressive or retaliatory and aggressive or retaliatory violence is a fine line indeed.

"When violence is tolerated even as a means of self-defense, there is grave danger that in the fervor of emotion the main fight will be lost over the question of self-defense," he said.

"If one is in search of a better job, it does not help to burn down the factory," he said.

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KING SAID his experience has shown that marches must continue over a period of 30

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Carmichael to talk at Morgan

SNCC leader Stokely Carmichael, chief "Black Power" spokesman, will get a chance to answer Dr. Martin D. Jenkins' sharp attack on the "Black Power" strategy at Morgan State College, Oct. 26.

Dr. Jenkins, Morgan president, bitterly assailed "Black Power" at a convocation last week.

Tuesday's issue of the college paper, the Spokesman, announced that Carmichael will face a panel made up of area college students then answer questions from the floor in Murphy Auditorium, Oct. 26 at 8 p.m.

The Spokesman also carried a signed editorial declaring "Dr. Jenkins Sounds A Sour Note." Its theme was that Dr. Jenkins over-stated the question when he "placed only one connotation to Black Power."

Carmichael's appearance is being sponsored Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at Morgan.

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LBJ shuns Mahoney

By MAX JOHNSON

President Lyndon B. Johnson came to Baltimore Wednesday with a party building speech, but the extent to which he may have helped Maryland Democrats better face the Nov. 8 general election remains problematical.

The occasion was the 15th annual honor awards ceremony at the Woodlawn Social Security Administration.

The Democrats' gubernatorial candidate, George P. Mahoney, was not present to greet Mr. Johnson, nor were any of his close representatives.

The President did not mention the state's coming campaign nor its candidates, but the political tinge was there, nonetheless.

It came in the Johnson buildup, far different than a

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Bishop did wrong trying to break up a dog fight

Trying to break up a dog fight, even if one pup is yours, is dangerous business, according to Bishop Joseph J. Green, 229 S. Greene St., pastor of the Church of God in the same block.

The Rev. Mr. Green learned the lesson Thursday morning shortly after 8 p.m. while hanging clothes for his wife in the back yard.

When he reached in to separate Butch, his 4-year old All-American dog from a new dog who moved into the neighborhood Wednesday, the pastor sustained two bites on his right hand, one finger bitten clear through. Treated at University Hospital, he was released after a rabies injection and medication.

The cergyman told the AFRO: "Instead of my taking a stick, I did wrong and went down in between them with my hand. My dog didn't know it was me. They nearly ruined me."

2 GOP'ers score firsts

By MOSES J. NEWSON

Republicans in Maryland and Baltimore have set precedents by electing colored party leaders to the office of treasurer.

Archie M. Jones, manager of the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company's Baltimore branch and a candidate for the state senate from the Fourth District, is the new GOP state treasurer.

He was named at the close of the state convention in Annapolis Friday.

Other state officers Joseph M. Dukert of Baltimore, chairman; Don Kendall of Montgomery County, vice chairman; Mrs. Ab Hermann of Montgomery County, vice chairman, and Mrs. Jean P. Brauer of Prince Georges County, secretary.

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MARSHALL W. JONES JR., operator of the funeral home that bears his name and minority member of the elections board, was elected treasurer of the city GOP the night before the state convention.

Other officers of the city GOP are David Blum, a member of the zoning board and a lawyer, chairman; David Shay, 2nd district, vice chairman; Mrs. Sadalia Small, 5th district, vice chairman; Archie Jones, secretary, and Harry Oglesby, 6th district, sgt-at-arms.

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