ON THE SCENE — Driving past the 1300 block of Pennsylvania Ave., at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, AFRO photographer Henry Phillips thought he heard shooting. Stopping to investigate, he took this picture of a young man being removed from the doorway of a pool room. Police later identified the youth as Thurmon Brown of the 1700 block Presstman St. He is reported in good condition at Maryland General Hospital.

Font case still hanging; Mitchell 'not satisfied'

"I am not completely satisfied with the Army's disposition of this case. (They state) that Lt. Font has been negligent in the performance of his duties.

"Ironically, it is because he has performed his duties too well that the Army is releasing Lt. Font from service."

These were the remarks of Rep. Parren Mitchell (D, 7th, Md.) about the latest development in the case of the young lieutenant who brought to Maryland's freshman congressman complaints about unhealthy barracks conditions at Ft. Meade, Md.

Lt. Louis P. Font, 24, a West Point honor graduate and conscientious objector, asked Cong. Mitchell's help in bringing about an investigation at Ft. Meade.

The result was that Font wound up with charges against him leading to possible jail sentences of up to 25 years.

Now the Army wants to let him go.

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According to Maj. Saunders of the First Army Headquarters Information Office, Lt. Font was advised by Ft. Meade commanding officer Col. Alexander that he was about to be "eliminated" from the Army, but had the option of resigning if he chose.

Maj. Saunders told the AFRO Font had refused to resign, but instead requested a discharge. The paperwork for the case, said Saunders, has been forwarded to the Department of the Army, who have not yet made a decision on the case.

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The Army insists the "elimination" is not connected in any way with either the charges against Lt. Font that seem to have grown out of his report of barracks conditions or the charges of war crimes Font brought against several Ft. Meade officers. Saunders reports that it is based entirely on Font's "substandard" work at Ft. Meade.

But, he added, that Font "will not get a dishonorable discharge," though the exact type of discharge he will get, if any, is still undetermined.

Even if Font is discharged, said Congressman Mitchell, "I promise to continue my interest in Ft. Meade, and in the treatment, wherever he may be, of the ordinary United States G.I.

"The military must not be above criticism; theoretically, it is subject to the control of civilians."

If discharged, Lt. Font told the AFRO he plans to stay in this area until next autumn, when he will return to school. At this point he is waiting for his future to be revealed by the Department of the Army.

WEATHER NOTE

Winter not over; snow due

The coming weekend has in it the third Sunday in Lent. From that day, March 14, there are only seven days left until the official arrival of Spring, on March 22, and just 28 days until Easter, April 11.

However, according to weather conjecture in the Hagerstown Almanac (which has been fairly accurate since 1797), the weather within the next few days will be anything except springlike.

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Cold, snow and icy rain are forecast for Monday and Tuesday, March 15 and 16. Although the following two days will be fair, the Almanac predicts that next week will witness more severe winter weather.

In fact, March is due to bow out "like a lion," after the lovely lady Spring makes her advent on a miserable, unsettled, cold day.

The moon goes into the last Quarter March 19. The day's length will be 11 hours and 50 minutes Sunday with sunrise at 6:15 a.m. and setting at 6:05 p.m. March 17, St. Patrick's Day.

The official beginning of the Planting Season is slated to be fair but cool.

Bathtub murders unsolved

Homicide detectives investigating the two recent bathtub murders said Thursday "diligent" effort has failed to turn up any suspects thus far.

In the first, Mrs. Cynthia Sims, an attractive Linworth Ave. apartment resident, was drowned in her bathtub on Feb. 9 as her assailant held her head under water while choking her to death.

The second, an unrelated incident on Feb. 25, found 27-year old Everett L. Fowlkes, a Charles St. restaurant employee, shot through the head and nude in his bloody bathtub in an apartment in the 2100 block Bolton St.

One of the facts investigating officers have established is that both victims of the tragedies were well enough acquainted with the killers to allow them to enter their respective apartments.

Police records show neither of the two homes was broken into and without forced entry, it is presumed the murderer was admitted willingly by both Mrs. Sims and Mr. Fowlkes.

However, a checkout of relatives, friends and acquaintences of both parties has resulted in release of all.

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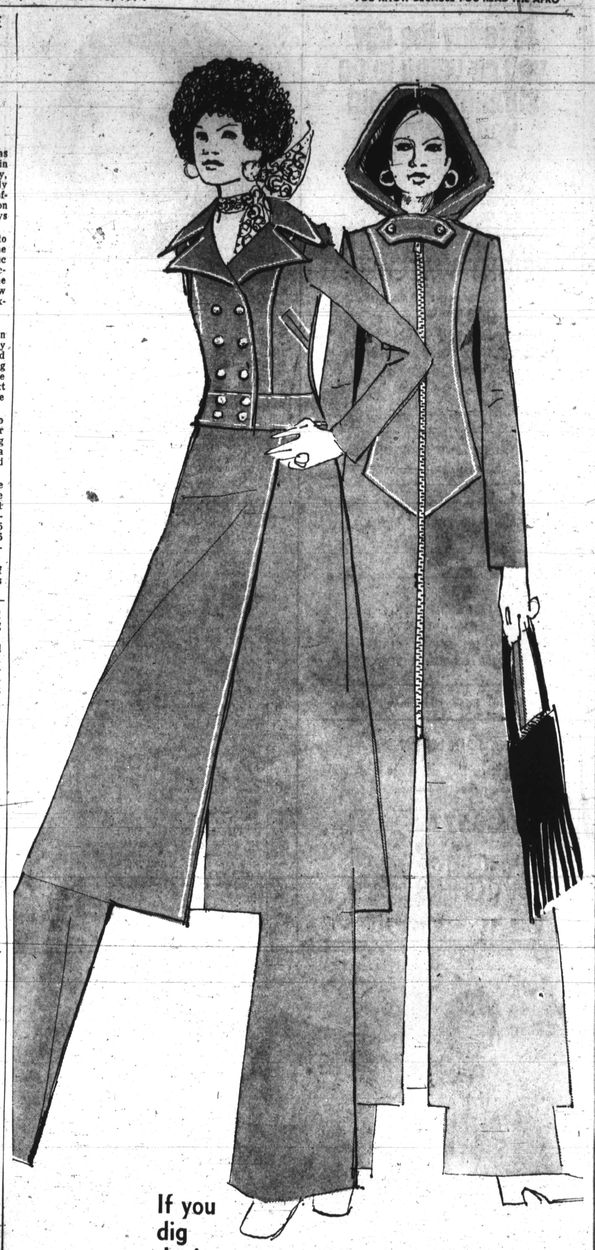

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dig denim in workman blues: suit, $55, and coat-cum-pants $50

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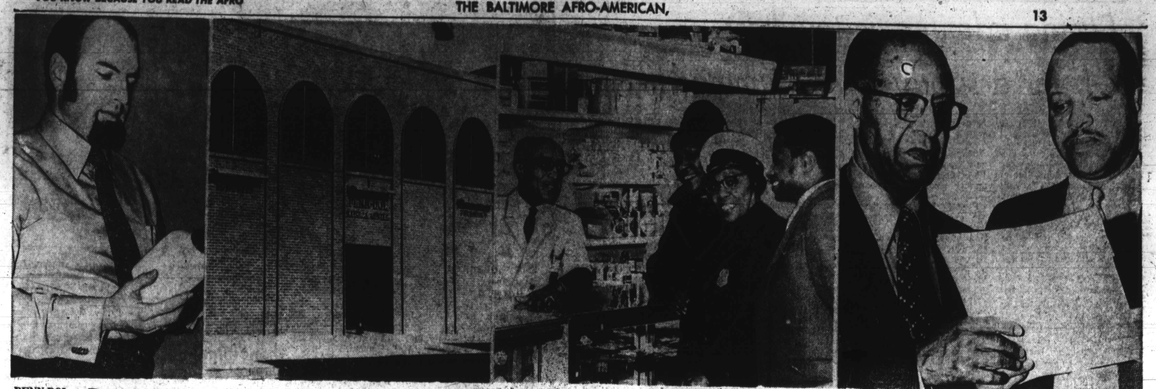

PENN-DOL — The new Penn-Dol Medical Center officially opened Wednesday, one of the first projects of the Upton Planning Committee to redevelop the Upton area, which is bounded by Biddle on the south, Bloom on the north, Fremont on the west, and McCulloh on the east, with a corner extending to Bloom and Fremont. First panel — Dr. Donald Shumer, the pharmacist who financed the center and will operate a pharmacy in the building. Second panel — the building itself, located at the corner of Pennsylvania and Dolphin. Third panel, left to right, Glenford Chesley, co-owner of the sundries section of the drug store; Mrs. Lena Boone, chairman of the Upton Planning Committee; Mrs. Elvina Harris, chairman of relocation; Steven Millburn, chairman of the Planning Committee's Development Guide. Fourth panel — Dr. Bernard N. Christmas and son, Dr. Bernard H. Christmas, stand in their new office in the medical center. The two dentists have been practicing in the Upton area for a total of 65 years.

Rev. Daniel W. Ball dies suddenly at 72

The Rev. Daniel Webster Ball, pastor of New Mount Zion Baptist Church, 817 N. Mount St., since 1935, died unexpectedly Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital.

According to Thomas C. Harrington, church clerk, the 72-year-old beloved minister unknowingly had pneumonia but did not feel ill until about noon Wednesday when he went into the hospital.

He had officiated at all services last Sunday including evening communion and visitation of the sick Monday. His wife, Mrs. Grace Ball said he never appeared ill in any way.

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Funeral services will be held Monday noon at the church which the Rev. Mr. Ball built from the ground up in 1949. The body will lie in state there beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday until time for last rites.

The Rev. Carl Washington of Trinity Baptist Church will deliver the eulogy with the Revs. Anthony Hodges officiating. Mr. Harrington will read the obituary. Also on the program will be Carlton B. Peterson, Official Board chairman.

Burial will be in Arbutus Memorial Park.

The Rev. Mr. Ball was born Dec. 26, 1889 the son of the late Mrs. Annie and Isaiah Ball of Westmoreland County, Va. Following early education in Virginia, he attended Baltimore's Jones and Williams Theological Seminary.

In addition to his wife, surviving are a daughter, three sisters, two brothers and other relatives.

MARCH 15

A complete facsimile edition of the Book of Kells, the illuminated medieval manuscript of the Gospels in the collection of Dublin's Trinity College, will be exhibited in the main hall on the first floor of the central Enoch Pratt Free Library, March 15 through 31.

LT. ROBERT W. MATTHEWS IV — Son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Matthews, III of Baltimore, recently graduated from the Army Airborne Course and Infantry Officers Basic Course at Ft. Benning, Ga. He is currently assigned to Fort Campbell, Ky. as a Training Officer. Lt. Matthews graduated from Morgan State College in 1970.

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New medical center to serve Upton area

The Upton area has a new medical facility, already partially open, and soon to operate at full strength.

The Penn-Doll Medical Center, at the corner of Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St., formally opened its doors Wednesday with a press conference.

The center fills a need in the community that has existed since this past January when Provident Hospital moved to its new Liberty Heights location, there have been only two doctors and two dentists in the area since then.

The two dentists, Dr. Bernard N. Christmas and his son, Dr. Bernard H. Christmas, are still there, soon to be relocated in the Penn-Dol center. The center will also include four doctors, to start, and hopefully more later.

One of the doctors, Dr. Stanley Madison, in addition to his practice at the center, hopes to set up and operate an emergency evening clinic, to be open until 11 p.m. and eventually on Sundays as well.

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The center also hopes to provide specialists, such as a pediatrician, a gynecologist, and a dermatologist, and others, to make the center, in the words of its builder, "a comprehensive medical center," which would "provide complete medical services for the community."

The speaker of these words, and the man whose financial backing and support made the center happen, is Dr. Donald Shumer, owner of the Penn-Dol pharmacy, which has now moved from its original location across the intersection into the new medical center. Dr. Shumer will continue to operate his pharmacy in the new building, although an important change has been made.

The sundries section of the old pharmacy has now become a cooperative store, also in the new building, owned jointly by several of the old Penn-Dol's employees. It is now a private enterprise located next to the drugstore in the center.

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The corner on which the earlier drugstore was located will eventually house a new school, Furman L. Templeton Elementary School No. 125.

The medical center is one of the first projects of the Upton Planning Committee, which has devised a comprehensive plan for the redevelopment of the Upton area, including guidlines for the types of buildings that may be built, requirements for such things as off-the-street parking, and plans for new schools and medical facilities.

Mrs. Lena Boone, chairman of the Upton Planning Committee, visualizes of these plans will help make Upton "a decent place to live."

The plans will also set aside the area near the medical center as a "service area" with facilities for meeting "the basic human needs."

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No estimate was made of the number of persons the Penn-Dol Medical Center will serve, but it is expected that most of the area residents will use it.

The Upton area has a population of about 15,000. An estimated 60 percent of the patients are Medicaid recipients.

In addition to the doctors, dentists, and pharmacy, the center will provide laboratory facilities, run by William Wilson, the proposed emergency clinic, run by Dr. Madison, and other facilities not yet staffed.

Also present at the press conference, which was held in the office of Dr. William M. Garner, were Mrs. Elvina Harris, chairman of Relocation, and Steven Millburn, chairman of the Upton Planning Committee's Development Guide.

Dr. Shumer, the center's "angel," spoke briefly of why he chooses to stay and work in the Upton area. "This is where I can practice my profession with the greatest personal reward," he said, "being able to help the community.

"Why am I here? I enjoy it. My talents are needed here more than anywhere else."

Eddie Tucker completes one term, begins second

Edward Lee (Eddie) Tucker, former manager of the Lexington West Night Club in the 700 block W. Lexington St., is back in town after serving five years of an eight-year narcotics violation sentence at Lewisburg, Pa. Federal Penitentiary.

The 43-year old Baltimorean, who resides in the 2200 block Cold Spring Lane, arrived here on March 2, and was processed at the Penitentiary.

He is now lodged at the maximum security prison to begin serving a 5-year term imposed in 1966 for narcotics violations at the club as a "peddler" in 1965.

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Testimony at the December, 1965 Criminal Court trial before Judge Dulaney Foster said Narcotics Squad detectives found a $20,000 cache of dope on the premises of the club which was at that time licensed in the name of Tucker's wife.

In convicting the manager, Judge Foster overruled arguments of Milton B. Allen and George L. Russell Jr., then serving as defense attorneys, who contended the search and seizure and arrest were illegal.

While free under $25,000 bail awaiting sentence, Tucker "jumped bail" and was captured in Atlanta, Ga. in February, 1966.

He had been scheduled to appear in New York on Jan. 31, 1966 for sentencing in the Federal District Court on narcotics violations in that state.

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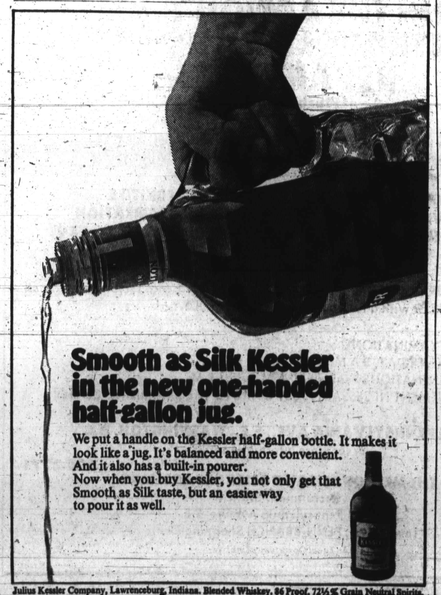
MARCH 18

The Baltimore Chapter of the Federal Government Accountants Association holds monthly dinner meeting at 6:15 p.m. For information and reservation, call 944-5000, Extension 2912.



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