Morgan conference opens April 18 for new look at Black Experience

"A New Look At The Black Experience" is the theme of the second annual conference on philosophy and contemporary problems which convenes here on the Morgan State College campus, April 18-21.

The four-day gathering, according to Dr. Richard I. McKinney, chairman of the college's department of philosophy and coordinator of the conference, will feature panel discussions and speeches by several well known national figures from the fields of religion, literature, education, medicine and human rights.

Registration begins April 19 at 9 a.m. in the lobby of the Murphy Fine Arts Center, followed by the opening session of the conference at 10 a.m. in Murphy Auditorium.

The concept of the conference is to have Morgan students exposed to the philosophical background of the Black protest movement and to give a clear objective.

The keynote speaker for the opening session April 19 will be noted psychiatrist Dr. Alvin Poussaint of the Harvard Medical School who will talk on "Psychiatry and the Black Client."

At the 1 p.m. Wednesday afternoon session, Dr. Joyce Cook of the Howard University philosophy department will speak on "Values: White-Human-Black."

Immediately after the 1:00 p.m. session in the Little Theater there will be a panel discussion on "The Meaning of the Black Experience" with Dr. Poussiant, Dr. Cook, Dr. Marc Morehland, noted author and philosopher who was formerly a professor at Morgan State College, and Robert Chee Mooke, a member of the philosophy faculty at Morgan State, serving as panelists.

Chee Mooke, considered one of the bright young minds in the profession today, is a graduate of Howard University's School of Philosophy. His Master's thesis, "Black Power A Philosophical Interpretation," is regarded as a distinctive contribution to the field.

The first major highlight of the four-day gathering on "A New Look at the Black Experience" will be the Wednesday night (April 19) address by Imamu Amiri Baraka (Le Roi Jones), the noted Black poet and playwright who now directs Spirit House, a Black cultural center in Newark. Baraka's address will be at 8:00 p.m. in Murphy Auditorium. He will speak on "The Black Artist and the Black Experience."

Five Thursday sessions (April 20) dealing with the Black experience will get underway with an opening 10 a.m. presentation in Murphy Auditorium by Dr. C. L. R. James of the Federal City College faculty on "The Blacks Have Always Been in the Land —." An internationally known lecturer and writer, James, at various times, has been associated with such leaders as Jomo Kenyatta, George Padmore and Kwame Nkrumah.

Dr. Basil Matthews, professor and coordinator of the Black Perspective Series at the Howard University School of Social Work, will talk 11 a.m. Thursday on "Integrating the Black Experience: A Theory of Black Identity," followed by a 1:15 p.m. presentation in the Little Theater on "Nothingness and Authenticity" by Dr. Jesse McDade, chairman of the department of Afro-American Studies at Brown University.

A panel idscussion with Dr. McDade, James, Matthews, James D. Carr, assistant commissioner of the City of Baltimore's health service; and Professor Robert Williams, a lecturer in religion at Vassar College, serving as the panelists will convene at 2:15 p.m. in the Little Theater.

Dr. Samuel DeWitt Proctor, considered as the foremost leader in the Black community, will climax Thursday's sessions when he addresses the 8:00 p.m. meeting in Murphy Auditorium. The educator, author, statesman and humanitarian who has been president of two predominantly Black colleges and is now holder of the Martin Luther King Memorial Chair at Rutgers University, will speak on "The Bases for Genuine Community in America."

The final day of the conference, April 21, includes a symposium on the "Black Experience: Voices from Abroad" sponsored by the division of humanities and coordinated by the College's department of modern languages.

The internationally known literary critic, author and educator J. Saunders Redding will address the annual Humanities Division Banquet at 6 p.m. at the Sheraton-Baltimore Inn.

Now the holder of the chair of the Ernest I. White Professor of American Studies and Humane Letters at Cornell University, Redding, a Phi Beta Kappa Brown University graduate and the author of To Make A Poet Black and They Came In Chains, will speak "On Humanism, the Humanities and Human Beings."

"Black Women in White," a revival of one of the most popular plays in Morgan theatre history, will be presented on the eve of the opening of the conference, Tuesday, April 18, at 8:00 p.m.

Written by Arthur C. Lamb of the Morgan speech and drama faculty, the play is about Black Power and women's rights, which combine in a drama of moving force and timeliness.

A special African Art exhibit, which opens in the Morgan Gallery on April 16, will run in conjunction with the conference on philosophy and contemporary problems. The show, which continues through April 30, will feature an exhibit of the "Tribal Arts of West Africa."

YMCA Jr. Leaders' Course

The Western YMCA will offer a junior leaders course to high school youth when its new facility on South Rolling Road in Catonsville opens on May 8.

The course is designed for boys and girls with an interest in athletics. They will be instructed in the proper teaching methods for vaulting equipment and other competitive games.

The emphasis at the new YMCA will be on family participation. Programs will include swimming, tennis, camping, karate and a wide variety of instructional classes for all ages.

In addition, the Y will again conduct its day camp Camp Holloflek during the summer in Patapsco State Park. The camp is for youth in the first grade through age 13, and registrations are now being accepted. For further information, call the Western Y at 747-9622.

HONORABLE MENTION — Charles Franzke, president of Hochschild Kohn is shown with artist Corenelius Griffin who won $100 on an Honorable mention award in the store's Maryland Art Today show. First Prize of $2,500 went to John Blair Mitchell; Second Prize of $1,000 to Herman Maril, while Gladys Goldstein was awarded Third Prize of $750. Other Honorable Mention Aawrds went to Joan Erbe and Jacob Glushakow.

DICK'S MARKET
IS NOW OPEN
ANNUALS—PERRENIALS
PLANT NOW! TREES AND SHRUBS
OVER 5700 TO PICK FROM
Flowering Trees & Shrubs — Plants — Peat Moss—Top Soil — Mulch — Fertilizers — Star Roses — Grass Seed — Cocoa Chips — Cow Manure — Fruits — Vegetables
OPEN 7 DAYS—8 A.M.-8 P.M.
9505 LIBERTY ROAD
RANDALLSTOWN—Next to Holy Family

Four new names for NAACP baby contest

Four new names have been added this week to the list of contestants who have entered the NAACP's annual "Human Dolls on Parade" contest.

They are : Jason Randolph Hammond, 18 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Spencer Hammond, 2328 Calverton Heights Ave. He is being sponsored by Mrs. Dora Caldwall and Douglass Community Church.

Also, Caren Green, 8 months, daughter of Mrs. Betty Green, 1722 E. 31st. St. ,sponsored by Mrs. Elizah Costin Kimberly Dotson, 5 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuand Dotson, 2220 Mt. Holly St., sponsored by Mrs. Gloria Ragsdale, and Karen Falls, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Falls, 1705 N. Bentalou St., sponsored by Mrs. Beatrice Jackson.

This now brings the total number of babies who have entered to 10.

The contest aims to raise money for the local branch Mrs. Enolia P. McMillian is president. Mrs. Elizabeth Costin is chairman of the project.

Winning babies will receive either a loving cup or government bond. Sponsors reporting $1,000 or more will win an expense-paid trip as an alternate delegate to the national convention to be held this year in Detroit, Mich.

Also, any youth council which reports $500 or more will be able to send a youth delegate to the convention.

Last year the drive raised $7,058 which was used to send eight delegates to the convention. The balance went into the Freedom Fund reserve and the positive Action Program.

Parents and organizations wishing to enter children may contact the NAACP, 523-503 or Mrs. Costin, 327-5457.

APRIL 15

The Quota Club of Baltimore will hold a Texas Style Bar-B-Q for the benefit of the Baltimore League for Crippled Children and Adults from 1 to 6 p.m., Sunday, April 16 at the Teamsters Hall, 6000 Erdman Ave.

Proceeds of this event will be donated by the Quota Club to the League's Bruce Fund.

Metros back Russell at campaign site

City Solicitor George L. Russell Jr. who is running for the Seventh Congressional seat held by Rep. Parren J. Mitchell, opened his second campaign headquarters this week at Wilson's Restaurant, North and Pennsylvania Aves.

The Metro Democrats Inc. endorsed Mr. Russell by a unanimous vote of 11-0 on March 30. Last night's celebration was Metro's first public display of support for Russell.

Among local politicians present were: City Councilwoman Victorine Q. Adams (D. 4th), Councilman Robert Douglass (D, 2nd) and Councilman Clarence "Du" Burns (D.2nd). Also present was Henry G. Parks, a businessman and former Metro chairman.

Mr. Russell's campaign manager, Samuel T. Daniels, served as master of ceremonies.

Officers of Metro are: Lloyal Randolph, chairman of Executive Board; Isaiah Larkin, president; Mrs. Earla McKennon and Mrs. Sylvia Joseph, vice presidents; Mrs. Ethel Rich, executive secretary, and George L. Jude, treasurer.

Others present included Morgan College Head Coach, Earl Banks, a candidate for the Democratic Convention in the May 16 Primary.

A campaign worker said no politicians on the state level were present because the legislature was still in session."

CARROLL'S INSURANCE AGENCY
Auto Insurance Specialist
WE INSURE EVERYBODY
MONTHLY RATES AVAILABLE
CREDIT TO ALL
Carroll Smith Broker
LIABILITY - COLLISION
FIRE - THEFT
See Us Before You Renew Your Present Insurance
COMPANIES REPRESENTED THROUGH THE MARYLAND INSURANCE PLAN:
State Farm • Aetna Life & Casualty
Allstate • Liberty Mutual
Nationwide • Gov't Employees Ins. Co. • Travelers • Keystone
Md. Casualty
2—LOCATIONS—2
3823 Liberty Heights Ave.
664-6000 or 366-1277
3529 Edmondson Ave.
945-2033

ARLANS
DISCOUNT DEPARTMENT STORES ... JUST SAY "CHARGE IT"!
BUCK-A-RAMA
STILL GOING STRONG!
MISSES' FLARED PANTS $2
Popular style with button fly front; flared legs. Cotton twill in many patterns. Sizes 10 to 18.
STEREO LP'S & TAPE SPECIALS
YOUR CHOICE $2 EACH
STEREO LP'S: Roger Williams, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, The Rascals, John Mayall, Johnny Cash, Ray Charles, The Who, Diana Ross & the Supremes, Buck Owens
8-TRACK TAPES: The Vogues, Tony Mottola, Midnight String Quartet, Bing Crosby, Henry Mancini, Louis Armstrong, Nelson Riddle, Lebo, 101 Strings
AND MANY MORE
MEN'S KNIT & SPORT SHIRT BONANZA
YOUR CHOICE $1 EACH
Fashion knits in assorted stripes. All cotton. Mock turtlenecks. Sizes: S, M, L, XL.
Handsome cotton sport shirts in assorted plaids and solids. Long pointy collars, permanent collar stays. Full cut. In sizes S, M, L, XL.
SAVE 50% PANTY HOSE
3 FOR $1 PER BOX
AFTER SALE ... 3 for $2 per box.
New multifilament nylon for smooth fit, long wear, great comfort, in beige, cinnamon, taupe, brown. One size fits all average figures.
SHADE TREES
2 FOR $5
Your choice of excellent 2-pack Silver Maples, Lombardy Poplars and Weeping Willows. 4-ft. to 5-ft. high.
SPECIAL PURCHASE MEN'S TRICOT UNDERWEAR $1
High fashion, colorful nylon tricot boxer shorts, T-shirts, athletic shirts. Hand washable. Assorted colors. S, M, L, XL.
SPECIAL PURCHASE BATH TOWELS
2 FOR $1
59¢ EACH
Solid or stripes in great looking colors. Cotton terry.
ASSORTED GLASS TUMBLERS
YOUR CHOICE 8 FOR $1
Choose from 12-oz. water... Avocado or Gold or 6-oz. juice...Avocado.
AVOCADO OR GOLD ICED TEA.....6 for $1.00
PLASTIC HOUSEWARES IN DECORATOR COLORS
YOUR CHOICE 2 FOR $1
• HANDI-CADDI CARRY ALLS
• 18-QT. MULTI-PURPOSE UTILITY TUBS
• 1-LB. BALL OF SISAL TWINE
THROW COVERS
60"X72"-in. $2 FITS MOST CHAIRS
90"X72"-in. $4 FITS MOST LGE. CHAIRS
108"X72"-in. $5 FITS MOST SOFAS
126"X72"-in. $6 FITS EXTRA LGE. DIVAN
Washable cotton barkcloth...heavyweight for extra wear. Decorator colors; coordinated fringes.
JUVENILE BOY'S FLARED JEANS $1
AFTER SALE.....$1.28
Choose from combed cotton or polyester/cotton blends. Great-looking assortment of styles in solids and fancies. Sizes: 3 to 7.
TEFLON COOKWARE $1 EACH
Your choice of 10" Teflon Skillet or 1½-Qt. Teflon Saucepan.
LOOK WHAT $1 WILL BUY
DACRON MARQUISETTE CURTAIN PANELS
White Dacron polyester, 41-in. wide; 63-in. or 81-in. long, washable. $1.00
ACRYLIC BED PILLOWS
Soft, yet resilient. Cotton covers plumply filled with non-allergenic acrylic. 20X26-in. $1.00
THROW PILLOWS
Many styles in most wanted fabrics. Assorted colors. $1.00.
FOAM PILLOW BUNS
Package of three; allergy free, odorless. Round or square $1.00
FOAM MATTRESS TOPPERS
Twin or full size $1.00
SAVE 28% 6-FT. ALUMINUM STEP LADDER $10
AFTER SALE $13.99
Heavy Duty construction for added safety. 3-inch steps, riveted steps. U.L. Listed.
WE HONOR master charge THE INTERBANK CARD
CHARGE IT!
BALTIMORE
DRUID PARK DRIVE
BETWEEN REISTERTOWN RD. & LIBERTY HGTS. AVE.
(AT THE SITE OF OLD CARLIN'S PARK)
OPEN MONDAY THRU SA DAY 10 A.M. to 9:30 P.M.
• Everything First Quality! • Money Back Guarantee! • Free Parking! • We Reserve the Right to Limit Quantities!
BANKAMERICARD

Westcott 'Chirps', Turns Federal Narco Informant

The U.S. government has on file in Federal Court here statements the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs have from James T. Westcott, 34, exposing facts on one of the largest dope operations in this section of the country.

The Federal court statements say "songs Westcott has sung" have led to the narco squad's surveillance and arrest of well-known night club owner, James Joseph Witherspoon III, 35, 1700 block Millwood Rd., proprietor of the Red Lantern Bar at W. Baltimore St. and Franklintown Rd.

"Joe", the nickname by which he is widely known, was nabbed by Federal narcotics agents at Friendship Airport, Feb. 28.

* * *

The government has charged him with possession with intent to distribute 250 grams of heroin on Feb. 28.

This amount of heroin would sell at street level for $21,176.48.

Also charged along with "Spoon" is Miss Helen Marquez, 25, of New York.

The Federal narcotics agents claim Westcott pointed out the place, they watched as automobiles licensed to known dope peddlers parked in the vicinity.

* * *

Federal agents also report that Westcott told the government this past Feb. 11 that he himself had purchased dope from "Spoon" in the past.

* * *

Special Agent Wayne A. Ambrose Jr., states in the government affidavit that Westcott disclosed that "Spoon" went periodically to New York and brought back large quantities of heroin.

The government affidavit also quotes Westcott as saying Witherspoon "copped narcotics" from a man named "Ching" in New York.

Court records reveal Witherspoon was then placed under intensive surveillance by federal narcotics agents.

* * *

He was arrested Feb. 28 as he deplaned around 2 p.m. from a flight arriving from New York City at Friendship Inter-

(Continued on Page A-3)

WOMEN'S POLITICAL CAUCUS LISTS ENDORSEMENTS

PAGE C-29

Baltimore Afro-American

BODY IN DRUID LAKE FOUNTAIN REMAINS A MYSTERY 3 YEARS

PAGE B-16

80th Year, No. 72
Copyright 1972 by the AFRO-AMERICAN CO., for all material previously printed in the current National Edition
BALTIMORE, MD., APRIL 22, 1972 44 PAGES LATE CITY EDITION 20 CENTS

Couple Dead In Murder-Suicide

Dr. Julian backs Mitchell in 7th Dem. reelection bid

Congressman Parren J. Mitchell picked up strong, new Fourth District support this week when Dr. Emerson R. Julian, top district vote getter in last year's City Council contest, came out for his reelection.

In taking Congressman Mitchell over City Solicitor George L. Russell, whom he supported for mayor, the outspoken and independent-minded Councilman Julian also split with the position taken by Metro Democrats, the political organization led by businessmen William Adams and Henry Parks, of which Julian is a member.

Dr. Julian told the AFRO, "In times like these we need someone who will stand up and speak and fight for the people's interests.

"I feel Mitchell has been

(Continued on Page A-3)

TOGETHER — Congressman Parren J. Mitchell and City Councilman Emerson R. Julian plan for May 16 Primary Elections.

NO WORD YET

$800 cash reward unclaimed

Not one person has come up with any valid clue whatsoever to claim the $800 reward offered for the return of the 3-year-old child who mysteriously disappeared about 8 p.m. April 1 at Mondawmin Shopping Center.

The reward still waiting is $500 from the child's relatives and $300 from the 30-Flat Inc. Club. Charles Dixon, bondsman, , president.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the likable, pleasant child, Solomon Gomile Rose III, can notify the AFRO, 728-8200, City Desk or the police, MU 5-1600, Ext. 231, Mitchel Perzeny, or Wayne A. Wyckoff, MU 5-1600, Ext. 216 or if no answer at night, Ext. 211.

Investigating officers still feel the child is alive and unharm.

The mother and grandmother of the child have issued a plea for mercy and understanding of their grief and beg for the little boy's return.

They and the police state, "No questions will be asked. No trouble will come if you deliver the child to safety either to the AFRO Office or to the police."

The AFRO's investigation and that of the police have so far discounted the rumor that the child was found in a refrigerator in a Mondawmin department store.

Investigation Thursday

(Continued on Page A-2)

SOLOMON G. ROSE 3RD
missing since April 1

Nuns hit with pupil mistreatment

At the monthly meeting of the Archdiocesan Council of Black Catholics, it was decided that the term "inhumane and racist treatment" meted out to black children in Catholic schools in the city in general and to black children at St. Mary's, Govans, and St. Matthew's schools in particular.

It was charged that many of the nuns and indeed many of the white lay teachers discriminate in treatment of black children.

Specific instances were cited to substantiate this charge.

Among the instances was the use of the public address system of St. Mary's, Govans, to defame and libel parents of a particular black child of the school;

(Continued on Page A-3)

Husband slays wife, kills self

Mrs. Saundra Horne, 24, 3200 block Westmont Ave., died at 8:21 p.m. Wednesday as the result of bullet wounds suffered at the hands of her husband last Tuesday night. She was shot in the center of the forehead and the left side of the head.

The husband, Arnold Horne, 24, 3900 block Wabash Ave., their former home, killed himself moments afterwards by placing the same gun to his head.

Dr. Ronald N. Kornblum, the medical examiner who performed the autopsy, determined the cause of the husband's death as the result of a contact bullet to the head. Dr. Kornblum declared Mr. Horne's death a suicide. Horne worked for a bath tub manufacturing firm.

Police reports show Mr. Horne ran from the wife's home on Westmont Ave. where he had just shot his wife in the dining room and then fired a gun at close range to his own head in an alley at the rear of the house.

* * *

Thus tragedy ended an apparently happy marriage of nearly seven years, a romance that began when the Hornes were students at Douglass High School. The couple had three children, ages seven, five and two years.

Funeral services will be held Saturday for the husband. Mr. Horne, at 10 a.m. at the Phillips Funeral Home, 1727 Monroe St. He will be buried in Arbutus

(Continued on Page A-2)

MRS. SAUNDRA HORNE
dies in tragic shooting at age of 24 years.

Black drivers may enter 500-mile race

The NAACP has announced that a new breakthrough is coming in the field of car racing.

A recent release states that Vanguard Racing, Inc. has been formed to develop black drivers to participate in the major sport of auto racing.

The immediate goal is to put a black driver in the 33-car Indianapolis 500 starting lineup.

Other goals include training black mechanics, crew members, and technicians.

Selected to be the first driver is Benny Scott, a black professor of psychology at Long Beach State College.

To get experience that will lead to Indianapolis in '73, Scott will drive a McLaren formula car in the Sports Car Club of America's Continental road racing circuit this year.

Founder and head of Vanguard Racing, Inc. is John Mahler, a white driver.

On the board are Brig Owens, defensive halfback for the Washington Redskins; R. Sargeant Shriver, former Peace Corps director; Paul Jackson, a Washington contractor; and Richard Deutsch, board chairman and treasurer of Harbor Oil Corporation.

LOOK AROUND YOU

BLACK CATHOLICS POINT FINGER AT CATHOLIC HOSPITALS

By SCOTT PONEMONE

'Look Around You" this week focused its attention on one of the frustrations facing black Catholics in Baltimore: the city's Catholic Hospitals and their relation with black patrons and black employees.

Baltimore Community Relations Commission on Wednesday released a study that confirms the contentions of the Black Clergy Caucus and the Black Catholic Lay Caucus, two groups that complained to the Commission about the hospitals 16 months ago.

The study involved the employment practices of Bon Secours, Mercy, Saint Agnes, Seton and Good Samaritan hospitals.

The report read: "The level of minority involvement, particularly of blacks in the Roman Catholic Hospitals is almost exactly what it was in 1965, moderate as to degree, and almost non-existent as to meaningful level."

The most dramatic misapportionment of black employees falls in the professional and administrative levels.

As to doctors, the report said, "At the most, there are 20 black physicians enjoying privileges at the active or associate staff level.

"Although there are three black residents at one of the hospitals, there is not one black interne at any of the Catholic Hospitals.

* * *

"There are only 27 (out of 237) minority persons employed at the officials and managers level. There are only 20 (of 830) minority professionals (accountants, dietitians, librarians, social workers, registered nurses, teachers); there are only nine black registered nurses.

"During the period between 1965 and 1971, when white employment increased by 47 per cent (from 1,759 to 2,588), minority employment increased by only 10 per cent (from 1,053 to 1,163).

"Whites hold over 88 per cent of officials and managers positions, over 97 per cent of professional positions, over 65 per cent of the technical positions, over 91 per cent of office and clerical positions and over 91 per cent of skilled craftsmen positions..."

* * *

The report shows below the skilled craftsman level black workers hold better percentages:

Over 52 per cent semi-skilled, over 26 per cent unskilled (only a total of 15 people here), and over 65 per cent of service workers (attendants, nurses aides, orderlies, cleaners, cooks, janitors, porters).

"The fact remains," stated the report, "that a great majority of minority persons still find themselves in the service and semi-skilled categories of employment."

* * *

Mrs. Goldie Baker of the Lay Caucus told the AFRO, "Black people have no chance for promotion and less chance for employment, but my main complaint is their (Catholic hospitals') attitude towards the black community."

She said, "Black people are actually turned off by the hospitals. Those hospitals have treated blacks (patrons) with such a nasty attitude that black people will not go there."

The Lay Caucus' director, Leo Burroughs Sr., told the AFRO the caucus was formed two years ago 'to advance programs and protest rampant injustices in the Church."

He say Catholic schools, which have their own discrimination problems, 'are mostly refuges for people escaping integration."

The problems derive, he

(Continued on Page A-3)

INSIDE

• THE SHIRLEY PARKER girl in the lake fountain mystery Page B-16
• SCHOONFIELD says he has no problems—Page B-10
• AWARDS BANQUET a success Page B-16
• JUDGE candidate says he is "first cla... Page B-16
• MURPHY-CARTER teams seek record vote Page B-16
• LOVE FEAST gives pastor ... Page B-16

GOVERNMENT REPORT

Schoonfield's jail rated low in many security areas

EDITOR'S NOTE: Last week, the AFRO printed the first half of Federal Prison Inspector Wirth's recommendations after inspecting the City Jail in January.

In the second half, printed here, Mr. Wirth discloses "very weak" storage system of keys, run-away maintenance needs, no plan to manage dangerous types, dangerous prisoner-holding areas in the Courts, and the lack of treatment programs.

SECURITY

The maintenance supervisor is charged with the responsibility of storage of all master keys and stock. The storage of these vital keys is very weak. The storage area is a small room in the rear of the shop building. The entrance door to the key storage area is a very light frame building construction with expanded metal cover. The door could be breached with an axe, hatchet, or with the welding equipment stored in the immediate area. The key storage box is a very light wood structure providing little or no security.

The active issue keyboard is in the Deputy Warden's office for storage of security keys which are not for general issue. The back plate of the cabinet has been removed and a two-way mirror has been installed for observation into the inmate visiting section. The mirror could easily be broken from the inmate side, giving access to the key storage box.

Key rings are tagged by post number, however the rings checked failed to indicate the number of keys on each ring for inventory purposes.

Locking mechanisms in several cellblocks have been partially destroyed rendering them less than useful. In one instance it was noted that a heavy metal part from the master locking mechanism was laying on a bed in the cellblock.

* * *

Since key control and lock repairs are such an important function within a facility the size of the City Jail, they cannot be left to infrequent checks by a supervisor or an occasional overhaul. A qualified locksmith should be employed to carry out these duties. Article 11 should be expanded to cover in detail the issue system, key handling, key inventory, and records system.

CANNOT KEEP UP WITH REPAIRS

Minor maintenance and repairs have not kept pace with the continuous destruction within the jail. Walls in the living quarters have been broken which in some cases permits access to the plumbing corridors and other vacant areas behind the walls, as well as gives access to storage space for contraband or hideout areas for inmates.

The rods which control the opening and closing of the windows have been damaged to the degree that they are probably useless. Other minor and preventive maintenance throughout the jail appeared to be delinquent. Heating elements need to have the filters cleaned or replaced, painting required, etc.

It appears unrealistic to believe that the present staff in the mechanical service section could possibly keep abreast of the required work.

Tool control plans apparently do not exist. Tools are not marked and inventories are not detailed. A good tool control plan is vital.

Tool control serves in several ways. It will: prevent the use of tools in escape attempts; provide a tool in good repair for the job at hand; improve the general appearance of the shops; and through proper care and inventory, reduce the overall cost of tools.

PLAN FOR TOOL CONTROL

All tools can be classified under two general headings—hazardous and common. One group (a) includes such tools as hacksaw blades, files, knives, pipe wrenches, ladders, welding torches, pipe cutters, etc. The class B group includes those of a less hazardous nature such as shovels, hammers, etc.

Shadow boards are considered the best method for storing either tools that are adaptable to the shadow board. Only one tool should be kept on each shadow and the shadow must be identical to the tool in size and shape.

Hacksaw blades and files should not be kept in the work area. They should be drawn as needed from the control center or other safe storage.

The tools in all shops or work locations should be marked with an identification symbol. This symbol

(Continued on Page A-8)

HIRAM L. SCHOONFIELD
City Jail Warden