League to assist citizens who want to buy property

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced the Baltimore Urban League is authorized to provide homeownership counseling to pospective buyers who cannot qualify for FHA mortgage insurance programs because of their credit history.

Allen T. Clapp, Director of the Baltimore Area Office of HUD presented Travis W. Vauls, Urban League executive director, with a contract permitting the League to offer financial counseling and other assistance to low and moderate income families to fulfill application requirements for FHA mortgage insurance.

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The Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which established Sections 235 and 237 financial assistance programs recognized that many low income families were not ready for homeownership responsibilities.

However, with competent counseling, many families can become satisfactory mortgagors and as homeowners, will be better able to contribute to their community.

If homeownership counseling achieves its objectives HUD will have fewer acquisitions and losses and mortgage servicing problems will be eased.

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Trained members of the Urban League staff will provide individual and group counseling in money management, housing selection and purchase procedures, property maintenance, consumer education and home management.

Post-occupancy counseling is to be provided as well.

The agency will coordinate its services with the city's Homeownership Development Program, The Baltimore Urban Coalition and The Model Cities Housing Development Corporation as well as other city agencies.

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The Urban League is specifically authorized to render services in Baltimore. Referrals will be made to the League by real estate brokers, lending institutions and the HUD office.

The direct assistance provided to persons seeking housing will complement the variety of community service programs that the League now offers.

The Urban League is the only agency in the greater Baltimore Area to receive the HUD certification.

High schools back on shifts?

With no word on the status of the school budget for the next fiscal year rumors are circulating that high schools in the city will return to double shifts in September.

The Board of School Commissioners went through a grueling session last summer to insure plans that all secondary schools would be operating on a full-day schedule.

However, parents from Northern High rather than have their 10th graders bussed to mostly black Lake Clifton for one year demanded shifts be continued at Northern.

Parents now being uncertain about the status of the schools with the budget cuts still unresolved are expected to begin sending students to schools where they expect the least damage will be done to the educational program.

This would almost insure overcrowding at many schools as Northern on the outskirts of the city.

CCB faculty members awarded silver anniversary trophies

By DR. SIDNEY KOBRE

Silver trophies were awarded on the Silver Anniversary of the Community College of Baltimore to five faculty members who taught for 25 years and to two others who contributed to the foundation of the college.

made the presentation at the college dinner held at the Emerald Gardens last week-end. Members of the administration, faculty, students, alumni and their wives attended the event.

Dean Leona S. Morris, of Student Personnel, received one of the trophies which were in the form of silver bookmarks carrying the signature, "CCB" and the name of the award-receiver.

Dean Morris taught sociology at the Veterans' Institute, when Baltimore Junior College was established in 1947 as part of that institution. She became a part-time and then later full-time instructor at the new BJC.

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Establishing the courses in electronics a quarter-century ago, Prof. Edward J. Arnold also received an award.

He became chairman of the electronics division of the engineering technology department when it was established in the 1950's. He has taught a number of readers of the AFRO-AMERICAN.

Prof. W. Donald Rankin who taught basic science at BJC and later became chairman of the Department of Science, also was presented a silver bookmark.

One of those who helped build the reputation of the Veterans' Institute and the new junior college by his expert teaching was Prof. Paul P. Miller, who taught algebra at first.

Prof. Miller became chairman of the mathematics department when it was founded, and continued in that capacity when the young college moved to the old Park School buildings, Liberty Heights and Druid Park Drive in 1959.

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Baltimore Junior College launched the first junior college radio station in Maryland in 1951, when it was established by Col. Clarence J. DeHaven.

It is still operating as WBJC-FM, with a 50-mile signal now.

radio, and then, when television came in, this subject was added to the department.

Many young readers of the AFRO-AMERICAN are enrolled in these broadcast media courses now.

An award was given also to Dr. Wilmer V. Bell, the first assistant principal and then assistant dean, who served under a number of BJC heads during the

In making the award, Dr. Bard said that Dr. Bell and others had laid the sound foundations for the building of the college. Dr. Bell is an official of the Baltimore public school system.

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For his work as secretary of the Public Junior College Committee and director of its publicity between 1939 and 1947, when the junior college finally was opened, Dr. Sidney Kobre was given a silver trophy.

Dr. Bard pointed out that this committee was instrumental in arousing public interest in the value of the public two-year institution when Baltimore had none, and no junior community college was operating in Essex, Catonsville, Dundalk in Baltimore County, nor was the Anne Arundel Community college started.

Dr. Kobre had been an experienced newspaper managing editor and was serving as professor of journalism and public relations at Florida State University when he was asked by Dr. Bard to return to Baltimore to head the journalism-public relations courses at BJC and became director of the News Bureau in 1964.

The audience was treated to a selection from the play "Plaza Suite" in which Prof. Joel Glasser, of the English Department, and Barbara Barth, drama student, took the leading parts.

The play was directed by Prof. Forest D. Gossage, of the Speech, Drama, Radio-TV Department. Mrs. Christine B. Hall, of Urban Affairs, made the arrangements for the event. Afterwards, the audience danced to the music of a 7-piece band.

—Policemen

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but they also compose, arrange and choreograph their own routines. Being a close family group, they spend many hours practicing.

Last February, Officer Ed Helm's daughter Florence, who attends St. Mark School with the "Twins Plus Him" asked her father and Officer Smith to listen to the group sing.

After the officers viewed a performance by this group, they realized that these children had talent and a sincere desire to perform professionally.

The officers knew that the odds against any local group making it immediately were extremely remote.

Due to the time, effort and personal financing put forth by these officers, their dream has become a reality.

An audition has been arranged for the "Twins Plus Him" with Ed Leffer, Mr. Leffer is manager of the Osmonds Brothers who was most impressed with this group and took their tape back to California.

He then called Officer Helm and asked him and Officer Smith to escort the children to California at the end of the school year.

Arrangements have been made for them to sign a contract with a major recording studio and to get the necessary professional training and exposure while they are on the West Coast.

The "Twins plus Him" are the daughter of Mrs. Senora Epps they have one other sister Senoria, 6. Some of the songs that they have written are Stop or I'm Tell Mama," "Baby Blue I Love You," "Why" and "We Are a Couple, a Pair."

Judge orders $17,500 to be paid in back wages

U.S. District Judge Roszel C. Thomsen has ordered Charles L. and Margaret McDaniel, doing business as Blue Bell Restaurant, 2607 Bel Air Road, Fallston, Md., to comply with the minimum wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

The judgment, obtained by U.S. Secretary of Labor J. D. Hodgson, orders the defendants to reimburse 69 employees a total of $17,500 in back wages.

It is also requires that there be future compliance with the act, which includes payment of the proper minimum wage, overtime compensation after 40 hours in a workweek and the keepment records.

Legal action followed an investigation by the Baltimore area office of the department's Wage-Hour Division, at 1022 Federal Bldg., 31 Hopkins Plaza, Charles Center.

The defendants are subject to the federal labor law because their employees regularly handle goods that have been received from outside the state of Maryland.

Man, 24, found shot in his room

Homicide detectives are looking for a gunman who fatally shot a 24-year-old Southwest Baltimore young man in the right eye in his home at about 9:35 p.m. Tuesday.

Police reports state Thomas Robinson, 1830 Block N. Rosedale St., was found slumped in a chair against the wall in his room with bullet wounds of the right eye.

Police state the victim was pronounced dead on arrival at the Lutheran Hospital.

Firms to hire jobless

The Skills Development Organization, a consortium of four Baltimore construction firms, will hire and train eight disadvantaged jobless workers under the JOBS program, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Regional Manpower Administrator J. Terrell Whitsitt said the department has approved a $28,520 contract with Skills Development Organization.

The members of the consortium are C and H Mechanical Co., Green Construction Co., Simons Construction Co. and William F. Wilke, Inc.

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The 18-month contract calls for hiring and training of five pipefitters and three form builders.

The new workers go on their respective company payrolls earning hourly rates of $2.75 and upon completion of 39 weeks of intensive on-the-job training will earn $3.25 an hour.

The JOBS (Job Opportunities in the Business Sector) program is a joint effort of the Labor Department and the National Alliance of Businessmen to hire and train disadvantaged jobless workers for permanent employment.

Federal funds are used to help offset the extraordinary costs to the employer in on-the-job training and other intensive supportive services such as job coaching and minor medical care.

The Skills Development Organization contract was developed with the assistance of the Baltimore NAB office at 1100 North Eutaw St.

—Julian says

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what is needed a new general.

"The position of general (The warden) is the key to the trouble at City Jail.

"This is where replacement should be made initially.

"Then, in close cooperation with the new general (warden) subsequent replacements could be made in the lower echelon.

Any other way of attacking the problem I am afraid is in reality just skirting the issue and not facing it squarely.

Once again I say Warden Schoonfield should be fired.

"Any new personnel appointed other than Schoonfield will be subordinate to him and subject to his orders.

I don't feel their presence will be noted by any changes in conditions at the Jail for the better.

"As a matter of fact, it is just possible if he should desire that he would be able to make that new personnel look bad.

The report by the special jail committee has been highly criticical of Warden Schoonfield first.

"When you put two captains in there, what you are doing is giving the people the traditional 'window-dressing.'"

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—Humphrey

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by the Maryland Nurses Committee for Humphrey, an organization of nurses who, according to it's Chairman, Mrs. Marcia Raffel, is supporting Sen. Humphrey's bid for the Democratic presidential nomination "because of his strong stand on health legislation." Sen. Humphrey is a pharmacist by profession.

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Mrs. Humphrey, outfitted in white boots and a bright pink dress, told the AFRO, "I have been campaigning for my husband for the past 20 years. I really love it.

"He is tired. I am tired. But we enjoy it. We miss each other. But we get to spend some little time together," she continued.

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Commenting on the presidential candidacy of Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm (D.N.Y.) Mrs. Humprey said, "Shirley Chisholm is a brilliant woman. I admire her greatly. She has made a lot of inroads.

"I won't have time to campaign in all areas of the city today because I am rushing off to another city this evening. My husband is coming for two or three days however."

—Orchard

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prised to lern Mr. Embry thought the PAC wanted only middle income homeownership and no rentals if possible on lots 1 and 2.

He said he will now wait for the PAC to give him final instructions on the housingn desired but he also explained only certain variations in house financing can be arranged easily.

The 90 units on lots 1 and 2, said the Commissioner, cannot be divided into 45 rental and 45 homeownership because 45 units is too small a project for developers to care about.

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He proposed having about 65 units middle income homeownership and the rest made part of lot 3 project of 182 middle income rentals.

He also mentioned the possibility of 70 middle income rentals and 20 low income rentals, by a special federal subsidy arrangement.

If homeownership was wanted, he said, the PAC can choose between individual ownership of condominium ownership.

A condominium, he said, is a company formed by all the owners to take out a single mortgage on the whole project, to pay utilities with a single bill and to provide a maintenance service.

Attendance at the meeting was rather small. About half of those at the meeting are employees of the city, particularly Model Cities.

—Firemen

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giving the top paid fire fighter a $10,990 salary. Mr. Hechrotte said this does not compare well with the 5 per cent raise Baltimore County fire fighters got and top paid fire fighter salary of $11,500.

He said he is asking fire fighters to stop reporting on duty one half hour early as is customary so members no longer work 3,000 extra man hours a year for nothing.

What also botherel Mr. Hechrotte is the city's refusal to have a larger share of the interest from fire fighters' pension pay for a better pay raise.

He also is annoyed at the city rejecting a request to pay fire fighters at the full rate of any position they fill on an acting basis. Currently those acting above rank are paid an extra $1 a day.

Mr. Hechrotte added he is disappointed the Mayor recently delayed approval of an aspect agreed to in the current contract.

This is contained in City Council Ordinance 113, to have those firemen permanently disabled while acting in a higher rank be given the pension set for the higher rank.

The ordinance also would give wives of firemen killed while acting out of rank be given the higher pension.

—Students

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will appoint all committee chairmen, place issues on referendum, serve on the Faculty Council, chair the student Executive Council, and control $5,000 for student activities.

Mr. Ramsey will also serve on the Faculty Council and share many responsibilities with President Gordy.

—Rapport

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wide range of opinion on while completing a degree program at Morgan State College.

Captain and Mrs. Parker (Carveretta) have two children. Lisa, 7, is a student at School No. 144 and Herbert Jr., 2 is the baby of the family.

Captain Parker is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Omega Chapter.

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The appointment of Captain Parker and another black captain, Lawrence D. Logan, ties in directly critical report of the Baltimore Jail issued Tuesday by a special mayoral commission to study penal conditions.

Ninety percent of the inmates are black persons.

Both Captain Parker and Captain Logan scored in the top six positions on a competitive examination taken last week by eighteen men.

Captain Parker's reaction to his promotion was, "I don't expect a miracle. But I do think it will help bring about better rapport between inmates and officers. There has been a lack of communication and I hope to ease some of the tensions."

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Revealing was his statement on the number of black officers compared to other penal institutions. "We have 75 percent black officers. We can identify with the inmates. We can feel what they feel. We have largely been through the same things they have. But at any institution you will have problems."

Both captains are expected to be shift commanders at different hours of the day under the direct administration of a deputy warden.

Captain Logan is married and has been with penal system 11 years.

—Civil Rights

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Travis Vauls of the Baltimore Urban League told the committee about the league's effort to increase black enrollment in union apprenticeship programs.

But Mr. Vauls noted only about 30 per cent of the city's construction force is unionized. Mr. Glenn's plan is important, therefore, because it would deal the remaining 70 per cent of non-union contractors.

Mr. Glenn said and Mr. Vauls said their object was more getting black workers into construction fields and into journeymen ranks.

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The committee also heard from trade union officials, black workers, construction contractors, representatives from federal agencies and Congressmen Pagren J. Mitchell and Paul S. Sarbanes.

The Maryland Committee members include: James H. Harvey, chairman; Daniel I. Nitzberg, vice chairman; Mrs. Marjorie Smith, secretary; Goodrich D. Brame Jr.; Dr. Calvin W. Burnett; Dr. King V. Cheek; Mrs. Jacqueline Fassett; Barry Greenstein; and Thomas Guidera Jr.

Also Judge Joseph Howard, George B. Laurent, AFRO President, John H. Murphy III, the Rev. Wendell Phillips, Mrs. Margaret Pollard, William Thompson, Judge Robert Watts, Eugene King, Mrs. Mary Woods, the Rev. Wafford Smith; Arthur Wells.

Other members are Mrs. Lane K. Beck, Mrs. Bert Booth, the Rev. Chal Charles Monk, the Rev. David MacPherson, R. Taylor McLean and Dr. Chester Wickware.

—Publisher

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Park Heights Ave. Holiday Inn. Miss Carolyn White is captain of the reading and dressing group's affair at 12 noon Saturday.

Mr. Prettyman is chairman and founding director of the Minority Book Publishers Institute, a trustee of Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y.

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Reviewers Club members are Mesdames Carolyn White, chairman; Cynthia Askew, treasurer; Verica Pope, Ruth Hunt, Joan Powell, Mary Green, corresponding secretary; Norma Scott, recording secretary; Phyllis Bracey, Pannette Thomas, Mathelia Roberts, Helene Hicks, Sylvia Fleming Barbara Davis.

—Absentee ballot

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permanently ill or disabled

students in a school outside their registration jurisdiction

member of the Armed Forces or overseas civilian employee of the US.

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overseas civilian employees of the US

members of specified organizations, serving overseas with the Armed Forces

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WHERE TO GET ABSENTEE BALLOT? — You can get the absentee ballots from the main offices of the Board of Supervisors of Elections, People's Court Building on Fayette and Gay Sts., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

—Mitchell

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