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Youth Held In Bathtub Death

NATIONAL CHAMPION OLYMPIC WINNER Keith Leon Brown, 13, is shown with his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Brown, wearing some of his scores of medals and beaming over his 33 trophies.

A 19-year-old youth is held in City Jail in the bathtub murder of a 22-year-old visiting New York City matron found in the bathtub of a N. Carey St. second floor apartment Wednesday night.

Police state Willie Lee Davis, 600 block Wicklow Rd. is charged in the death of Mrs. Bernetha Benton in an apartment in the 600 block N. Carey St.

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She was pronounced dead at the scene at about 11:30 p.m. She arrived sometime this week from New York on a visit to a sister who had given birth to a child.

Det. Alfonso Mariano of the Homicide Squad told AFRO Thursday morning the young woman was beaten and later strangled.

The investigating officer reveals Mrs. Benton was struck on the head with a hammer, was cut several times in the back and face and was punctured in the middle of the stomach.

A hammer used in the brutal murder was found on the floor of the bathroom, police said.

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Mrs. Dorothy Jacobs, sister of the victim, told police she came back from church to find her sister missing from the house.

Police quote her as saying she looked for Mrs. Benton all over the place and was later told by neighbors they saw Mrs. Benton sitting on the apartment steps.

Thinking her sister had gone out and would return. Mrs. Jacbs who was about to retire for the day was visiting the bathroom when she came upon the limp body of the sister face down in the bathtub.

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At AFRO press time funeral arrangement for Mrs. Benton have not been completed.

Legal Aid Sues Unions, Contractors

Thousands of black workers would have job opportunities opened to them if a U.S. District Court suit is decided in favor of 10 plaintiffs represented by Legal Aid attorneys.

The suit alleges "pervasive discriminatory employment practices" by six leading Baltimore City contractors and six building trade unions, which handle the major contracts in the Baltimore area.

It asks the court for a preliminary injunction which would require the building and construction trade unions to admit qualified blacks to their apprenticeship programs this fall on a one-to-one ratio of blacks to whites.

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Legal Aid attorneys in the case are: Charles H. Dorsey, Kenneth L. Johnson, Alan S. Davis, Conrad W. Varner, Lawrence B.

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13-year-old is U. S. champion

By FLETCHER ROBERTS

Ruxton Ave., Baltimore has the No. 1 U.S. 220-yard dash record holder in his age group.

Young Brown came in first in the Aug. 10-13 United States Youth Games in Detroit, Mich. with his winning time for the distance chalked at 23.6 seconds.

Ralph Durant, coach-director of the Carroll Park Recreation Center, told the AFRO the Ballimore team of 62 youngsters competes in track and field, basketball and bowling each year.

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He revealed Keith has won more than 100 awards and pointed to the fact that the young star is one of 600 Maryland youngsters. on teams from inner city areas.

Only 20 of them are white youths, he stated.

The neighborhood track teams are organized "to keep the kids off the street." He stated, "You can't run track and take dope or snatch pocketbooks".

When the AFRO talked with Keith at his home his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Brown, disclosed her son's coach has been "big brother" to him. She praised Mr. Durant's tireless efforts to develop Keith's abilities and give encouragement.

Keith competes as member of the Edward L. Waters Memorial Track Team under Mr. Durant, a team without sponsorship except for that of parents and individuals he praises as "most valuable."

Keith's outstanding athletic and scholastic records have earned him a full high school scholarship at McDonough. He is now a 9th grader at Calverton Junior High, a 'B student', he says and one who likes physical education best of all.

For two years he has played football in the Champ League under Operation Champ and each year has won a championship team trophy and another as Most Valuable Player.

More on secret cemetery

Del. Troy Brailey has received a letter from Col. Robert Lally head of Safety and Correctional Services saying that digging up of the inmates graves at Jessups has been referred to Dr. Neil Soloman, head of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Larry McDaniel, Corrections Dept. press officer says a report will soon come revealing names and how inmates buried there died so that the public may know the full story to solve a mystery he says is no longer a mystery.

NOT HUGGING OR MUGGING but imitating each other are star entertainer, Sammy Davis Jr., and President Nixon seen by millions on TV this week during a rock festival for young voters at Miami's Marine Stadium. —(UPI)

Judge warns Liddie another arrest means go to jail, no bail

By SCOTT PONEMONE

Claiming a John E. (Liddie) Jones, free to walk the streets, would endanger the lives of two narcotics detectives, Assistant States Attorney Jerry Glass, Thursday asked Central District Court Judge Joseph Finnerty to place Liddie in jail on no bail.

Judge Finnerty refused to change Mr. Jones' bail, presently $16,000 for two assault charges, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest charges stemming from an alleged incident Aug. 9 during a Civic Center boxing match.

However, the Judge did give Mr. Jones a stern warning, "I will not hesitate not one second... if you are charged with any violation, I will revoke your bail and have you picked up on a bench warrant and placed on absolutely no bail."

The State did not request a change of bail on the other three defendants from the Aug. 9 arrests: Andrew Strickland, $7,500 bail; Miss Brenda Pinkett, $4,000; and Charles Marks, $3,000.

States Attorney Glass named Det. Ronald Sallow and Det. Joseph Collins (both white, about 25), who appeared in court in civilian clothes, as the officers whose lives are said to be in danger.

Liddie's attorney, Gerald Kroop, told Mr. Glass, if he wanted to get into the background of the case, the defendant would be willing to waive his rights before an attorney and District Court Judge William Murphy's son, who he claimed could testify to Det. Collins having hit Mr. Jones with brass knuckles.

Mr. Kroop explained to

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Beauty describes Spoon's dope business in court, names his N.Y. top man

James Joseph Witherspoon, III, wealthy, 35-year-old owner of the Red Lantern Bar at W. Baltimore St. and Franklintown Rd., was convicted in Federal court last Friday of possession with intent to distribute 250 grams of heroin, worth $40,000 street level.

The jury brought in the conviction after less than 30 minutes deliberation.

Highlighting the testmony heard by the jury was that of Witherspoon's beauteous accomplice who spilled information on his dope activities and gave the name and address of his New York source.

Sentencing of "Spoon," the nickname by which he is widely known, all over the East Coast, is pending a pre-sentencing report.

Meanwhile, Witherspoon was released on $20,000 bail He and his attorney, James R. White, motioned Wednesday for a new trial.

Witherspoon and his convicted accomplice, Miss Helen Marquez, 25, of New York, were arrested by federal narcotics agents last Feb. 28, at Friendship International Airport in Baltimore.

The couple was arrested after they deplaned at Friendship from a flight arriving from New York City.

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During the two-day trial, testimony was heard from Miss Marquez, who was sentenced to five years for her role, and Miss Juanetta Burton, an undercover informer.

Miss Marquez told Judge C. Stanley Blair and the jury that "Spoon" paid $8 000 to Hector "Chino" Lopez in New York, for the 250 grams of heroin.

She also testified that she had previously aided Witherspoon in making a nar-

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JOE JENNINGS, owner of popular North and Druid Hill carryout is shown with holdup victims, Mrs. Pearson and Miss Marjorie Johnson, alone at the time of the 3 p.m. robbery.

Joe's carryout hit by thieves

Two men, armed, staged at 3 p.m. broad daylight robbery at Joe's Carry-Out in the 2300 block Druid Hill Ave., Tuesday, fleeing on foot with $146 according to Mrs. Mary Pearson, an employee.

Mrs. Pearson and Miss Marjorie Johnson, a second employee told the AFRO they were told by their assailants to remain on the floor during the robbery.

One robber, Mrs. Pearson claims, leaped across the counter snatching money she had placed in her work apron, while the other remained at the door standing guard.

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During the holdup, Mrs. Pearson adds, the robber who had come behind the counter to empty the cash register paused long enough to answer the telephone. She informed that the robber told caller the

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Weather-stormy, hot, humid

Hot and humid weather will continue into this weekend with Friday's forecast warm and humid and chance of evening thundershowers. High temperatures will be in the 90's. Skies will be partly cloudy Friday and Saturday.

Symbolism strong in GOP delegates

By MOSES J. NEWSON

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — The 60 black delegates among the 1,348 to the Republican National Convention, where the advance script was closely followed by all, never entertained any serious expectations of effecting any major changes in party positions for 1972.

But they sought by various means to leave the impression with party officials, the convention and general public that a victory in November by President Nixon and Vice President Agnew should mean new levels of involvement by blacks.

Without yielding any positions of voting or executing power such as that displayed by black Democrats at their convention, much of the effort put forth here by non-white Republicans, including delegates, fell into the symbolic category.

On Monday, a caucus of the delegates heard Julie Nixon Eisenhower tell them her father has been doing the best he can for black people, and the caucus then voted to support former assistant Secretary of Labor, Arthur Fletcher, as successor to Sen. Robert Dole as national GOP chairman.

With the convention rules committee still locked in a conservative-liberal battle to determine who controls the 1976 convention, chances for Fletcher's supporters to come close to victory seemed distant. Dole is expected to step down because his own re-election will come up in 1974.

Sen. Edward W. Brooke of Mass., the only black

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Teenager missing 7 days

Missing since Friday, Aug. 18 is 16-year-old Sheila Newkirk. She was last seen leaving her home at 2520 E. Redwood St. in a multi-colored blouse, light purple pants and suede shoes.

Her mother, Mrs. Daisy Byrd, stated, "Sheila left home around 4 p.m. to visit her father. A neighbor saw her going down the street. We haven't seen her since then."

Miss Newkirk attends Woodburn Junior High and has three brothers and a sister.

If anyone has information on Miss Newkirk's whereabouts, please contact Mrs. Daisy Byrd at 327-8014 or the Police Department, Missing Persons.

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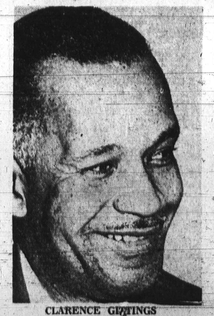
DR. REBECCA CARROLL, assistant superintendent in charge of Elementary Education, continues in the post formerly held by Clarence Gittings before he went to Yale for further study.

Mr. Gittings in new school post

Clarence J. Gittings, former Superintendent of Elementary Education in the City Schools, has been appointed to a newly created post as a result of Dr. Patterson's plans to decentralize public education.



CLARENCE GITTINGS

Mr. Gittings is now assistant superintendent in charge of the Division of Educational Programs, and has responsibility for development of all special programs.

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Included within these programs are the Model Cities Program, the 'KAPS' program, summer school, Project Dawn, the COPE program, cultural enrichment program and the coordination of all ESEA Title One programs.

Since his return from Yale University, where he studied urban school systems and policies, Mr. Gittings has been on special assignment for the superintendent pending reassignment.

The new assignment is described by Mr. Gittings as a "lateral move."

"I was an assistant superintendent, I will remain an assistant superintendent under the new bureau of education," he stated.