Elmer T. Hawkins last rites in hometown

WORTON, MD. — Prince Hall Masons from all over the jurisdiction gathered here Tuesday afternoon to attend last rites for Elmer T. Hawkins, 68.

Mr. Hawkins died Jan. 18 after a long illness. He was second highest official under Grand Master Samuel T. Daniels of Baltimore.

Family and friends filled the Kent County High School auditorium here for the last rites. The Rev. Gary L. Meekins pastor of his church, James United Methodist in Chestertown officiated.

His breadth as an educator and dedication as a community leader are best exemplified by the numerous professional, civic, religious and fraternal organizations in which he participated.

He served as president of the Kent Education Association, American Teachers Association and the Maryland Education Association. From 1948 until his retirement he was a delegate to the National Education Association's annual conventions and served continuously as NEA Director from the State of Maryland. Mr. Hawkins took the leadership in the merger of the Maryland Education Association into the Md. State Teachers Association.

Following the merger of these two organizations, he was a member of the Executive Committee of the Maryland State Teachers Association and served on many other committees within the organization. He was a member and served in important capacites in the following educational organizations: American Assoc. of School Administrators, Department of Elementary School Principals, Association for the Study of Curriculum Development, National Association of Secondary School Principals and American Council of Teachers of Social Studies. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Morgan State College.

Civic organizations to which he belonged include Urban League, NAACP, American Red Cross, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts of American, Chestertown Bi-Racial Committee, Frontiers of America and the Mayor's Committee.

Mr. Hawkins' religious activities include membership in James United Methodish Church; Vice-President of the Delaware Conference Board of Lay Activities of the Methodist Church; Lay Delegate to the Jurisdictional Conference of 1954, 1964; a Reserve Delegate to the General Conference in Jurisdiction Court; Associate Lay Leader of the Dover District of the Methodist Church and, by appointment of the bishop, Coordinator of Men's Work for the Baltimore Area.

In fraternal and social circles he held membership in many organizations. His fraternal memberships and activities include Past Master of Thomas H. Kiah Lodge, F. and A. Masons, Deputy Grand Master, F. and A. Masons of Maryland and Jurisdiction Chairman of Trustees of the Grand Lodge F. and A. Masons of Maryland and Jurihdiction; Order of the Eastern Star; Niram Consistory 32nd Degree and an Honorary 3rd Degree Mason; Mystic Order of the Shrine: Bay City Lodge 1490, BPOE of W. In addition, he was an active member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and organizer of the Elmer T. Hawkins Masonic Lodge, Stuttgart, Germany.

He was the recipient of the Human Relations Award presented by the Center of Human Relations, in 1971. He was an ex offico delegate to the legislative body of the NEA Department of School Nurses. The Elmer T. Hawkins Membership Award was established in his honor by the NEA Department of School Nurses, Executive Committee, January 12, 1973.

Mr. Hawkins was married to the former Marjorie A. Forte, a Public Health Nurse and a community leader in her own right. He is survived by his wife; a sister, Mrs. Ruth B. Nichols and a brother, Clarence E., of Baltimore; nieces, nephews and cousins.

EDUCATOR, FRATERNAL LEADER DIES—Photos taken in Chestertown, Md., on Tuesday afternoon at funeral services for Elmer T. Hawkins, 68-year-old civic leader, educator and deputy grand master of Maryland's Prince Hall Masons. Upper panel in photos by AFRO Staff photographer L. Henry Phillips Sr., shows some of mourners who attended services held in Kent County High School in Worton, Md. Lower panel, left, Masons carry remains from auditorium. Center, the Rev. Gary L. Meekins, pastor James United Methodist Church, Chestertown. Right, widow, Mrs. Marjorie Forte Hawkins, is accompanied by Kenneth Walley, mortician; and Lenard Burch Sr. Far right, deceased's sister, Mrs. Ruth B. Nichols, Baltimore; and niece, Mrs. Peggie Johnson.

Baltimore Co. gets funds for new park

Baltimore County's application for $28,842 in federal funds to assist in the purchase of land for a park in the Lochearn area has been approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The property involved is located on Patterson Avenue at Alton Road and, as part of the Seton Institute grounds, is also bounded by Forest Hill Road and a row of houses on Laurel Lane.

County Recreation and Parks Department plans for development include a football - soccer - baseball field, two tennis courts and a multi-purpose court, an out-door theatre and a tot-lot, as well as a series of nature trails, officials said.

Parking for 27 cars will be provided and a foot-bridge built across Powder Mill Run, which bisects the property from northwest to southeast. A three-foot deep pond will be placed south of the stream at the latter corner, officials said.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1973

7:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION
9:00 A.M.—CHORAL EUCHARIST AND FAMILY WORSHIP
10:40 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—CHORAL EUCHARIST AND SERMON

COMING EVENT
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1973

9:30 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship—
Sermon by the Pastor
"Three Philosophies of Life"
Music by The Sanctuary Choir and Gospel Choruses.
3:30 P.M.—The Virginia Club Anniversary—
Rev. Frederick C. Atkins, Pastor
Choir & Congregation of Psalmist Baptist Church Will Worship With Us

Sermon Series—"The Good Samaritan"
JAN. 28th "Three Philosophies Of Life"
FEB. 4th "Holy Communion"
FEB. 11th "Who Is My Neighbor?"

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ANNUAL YOUTH DAY
SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1973
Theme: "Christian Youth Standing on a Moral Foundation on Challenging times like these"

9:15 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL
Member Orientation Class
10:45 A. M. WORSHIP
SERMON:
Rev. Robert T. Hurte, Pastor
Community Baptist Church, Jessup, Maryland
Music by Selected Choirs
3:00 P. M. WORSHIP
featuring an Inspirational Service with MESSAGE by
Rev. Miss Diane Gwynn
6:00 P. M. BAPTIST TRAINING UNION
MR. KIRK JACKSON, President

ALL ARE WELCOME
DR. WALTER E. PAIGE, Pastor

Perkins Square Baptist Church

2500 Edmondson Avenue—Corner Warwick

SUN., JAN. 28, 1973

LADIES GUILD DAY

8:00 A.M.—Early Morning Worship Sermon by the Pastor
9:15 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL
10:30 A.M.—OPEN HEART SERVIC
11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP SERMON by THE PASTOR
3:30 P.M.—FRIENDSHIP RALLY SPONSORED BY THE LADIES GUILD
6:00 P.M.—B.T.U.

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RAYMOND KELLY, JR., M. Div., Interim Assistant
JAMES S. HAMMOND Minister of Music

8:30 AM AND 11:00 AM
JANUARY 28, 1973
THEME:
"ON BEING THOUGHTFUL OF THE FOUNTAIN"
DR. MARION BASCOM
Preaching

MUSIC
8:30 A.M.
IN THEE O LORD—HAYDN
COME AND GO TO THAT LAND—ARRANGED WILLIAMS
11:00 A.M.
ANTIPHONAL PSALM—PROHL
STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER—TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL

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eSUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1973

6:30 A.M.—Early Morning Prayer Service
9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
11:00A.M.—Sermon by Rev. Olin Moyd—Baptising

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 1973

11:00 A.M.—BIBLE SCHOOL, Classes for ALL Ages
11:15 A.M.—WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00 P.M.—EVENING WORSHIP

HUMPHREY FOUTZ, Minister
Listen to "Hearing For Eternity"
8 A.M.—Sunday WEBB 1360

SIGNING THE CCB-MERCY HOSPITAL NURSING PROGRAM AGREEMENT — Community College of Baltimore has entered an agreement with Mercy Hospital to cooperate on a nursing program. The Board of Trustees approved the contract at its Monday meeting. Seated are Mrs. Gertrude Hodges, chairman of the Nursing Department and President Harry Bard. Looking on are members of the Board of Trustees (Standing) Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Moss, Louis Doering, Sr., and Charles Tildon.

Mercy Hospital, CCB agree to joint nursing program

By Dr. SIDNEY KOBRE

An agreement to conduct a cooperative nursing program with Mercy Hospital was approved by the Board of Trustees of the Community College of Baltimore at a meeting Monday.

The agreement is the first of its kind in the history of the college and is a result of a year's negotiations, President Harry Bard told the trustees. The contract will set a precedent for similar programs with other health institutions.

The agreement calls for Community College to furnish the educational program both the general background and the specialized nursing courses—plus the laboratory facilities. The hospital will furnish the clinical experience for students who do their practical work in hospital wards.

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All students in the program must be CCB students, though they will be capped by both the college and Mercy Hospital when they graduate.

After two years of study, the students will receive the Associate in Arts degrees from the college, enabling them to qualify to take the nursing certificate examination of the state. Upon successful passing of this examination, the students will be eligible for the Registered Nurse (R.N.) certificate.

At present, Mercy Hospital has its own nursing diploma program. Students in the program came to CCB for their laboratory experience and other general education and skill courses. No degree is awarded.

Dr. Bard pointed out that Mercy Hospital, along with a number of other hospitals, is phasing out its nursing diploma program.

Mrs. Gertrude Hodges, chairman of the nursing department; said the agreement provides that CCB have complete control over the program, including the instruction. According to the contract, CCB will provide a counselor who will assist the 20 to 40 students entering the program each year, she added.

Working on the development of the agreement were Dr. Bard, Mrs. Hodges, Dean of the Faculty Martin S. Reff, Dr. Lois Carelton, chairman of the Allied Health Services, and others for the college. The Board approved the agreement, which was signed by Dr. Bard. It will be forwarded to Sister Mary Thomas, President of Merch Hospital for signing.

The CCB Board of Trustees also approved, in principle, the policy of Cooperative Curriculum Planning in Career Programs, conducted by both the Baltimore Community College and Coppin State College.

CCB provides the first two years of education leading to an A.A. degree with the students then transferring to Coppin for a B.A. or B.S. degree.

Dr. Bard said Curriculum planning was advantageous to both the students and the colleges, because it enabled students to transfer credits more easily and it helped to avoid duplication of courses and programs. Charles Tilden, board member, said that such alliances would help strengthen Coppin State College, or any other education institution, which developed a method of cooperation with CCB.

Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Moss, trustee, said that many leaders in and Baltimore had received their education at Coppin and she praised Dr. Bard. V. Lockwood, vice President, Harbor Campus, related that Coppin had been credited a member of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

NAACP EXECUTIVE BOARD—Members of the 1973 Executive Board of the local NAACP are Herbert Gardener, Mrs. Mildred Buckner, Mrs. Chessie Brailey, Mrs. Pattie Holloway, the Rev. Lorenzo Graves, Mrs. Eula Mae Watts, Mrs. Ruth Gould, Mrs. Mary Ames, and Leroy Hayden.

NAACP OFFICERS—At ceremonies Sunday in the Hiram Grand Lodge Hall, the local NAACP installed its officers for 1973. Mrs. Enolia McMillian (seated) is president; Leonard Saunders, 1st vice president; Raymond A. C. Young, 3rd vice president; Mrs. Mary Roschen (standing) assistant secretary; Mrs. Ethel J. Day, secretary; and Dr. Charles E. Watts, treasurer.

NAACP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN—Paul Chester clerk of Court of Common Pleas, (left) was appointed a committee chairman of the NAACP along with Mrs. Frannie Howard, Mrs. Mary Roschen and John H. Thornton.

THE STATE OF THINGS

The candy store is open

By VAL HYMES

The Maryland General Assembly is open for business again, turning out goodies for everybody, but this year it's more like a sophisticated supermarket and less like the hood mom and pop operation.

It's bigger, brighter and busier, and it's even computerized.

Yet all the old, homey touches of the corner store are still there, like shoe shine artist James Chambers, who's working on his 70,000th shoe at his two-chair caucus stand in the basement.

And House Clerk "Big Jim" Mause was back to open the session in his familiar mustached dour style — in a wheelchair, but back from near-death after a 1971 accident.

The same hot dogs are in the snack bar — kosher, with or without chili — and 16,000 are due for consumption. But there's a new coffee machine, and officials of the Workshop for the Blind are trying to get in apples and oranges for dieters.

The bill room clerks will walk 16 miles a day each around the collating tables and through the halls; the telephones will handle 300,000 calls.

The press room is just as crowded and cluttered, echoing with the sounds of the Monday-morning wisemen assessing the lawmakers' performances.

But there's a new wire service bureau now, tucked away near the furnaces, bringing new competition into play.

500 Lobbyists

The lobbyists, of course, are back — nearly 500 of them — but they are faced with having to itemize their expenses for the first time.

By the drink?

The streets of Annapolis are just as narrow and winding, but blissfully, they're not nearly as crowded.

There's a brand new 400-car indoor parking lot off Main Street, and a brand new State building called The Carriage House for executive parking, easing what was the most frustrating part of every reporter's, lobbyist's, or visitor's day.

Demolition of the Court of Appeals Building will start soon, and construction of the House Office Building is under way, adding more noise and more confusion to what is usually almost unbearable as it is.

The senators are at last in their own building — the Senate Office Building — which used to be the Treasury Building (not to be confused with the Old Treasury Building, the historic edifice on the State House grounds).

Mailmen, messengers, and secretaries are already up a tree over the names, because the "new" Treasury Building is the "old" Income Tax Building, one of the newest buildings in Annapolis.

How Old is New?

The new Courts of Appeals and Natural Resources Buildings are on Rowe Boulevard a few blocks away, across from the "new" State Police Building.

Their old barrack, once an armory, now houses Fiscal Services, which will join the press and Legislative Reference in the new Legislative Services Building on the site of the "old" Court of Appeals, if legal efforts to preserve it fail.

So it's a game of musical buildings in Annapolis this year, spiced by a few more pubs, the new market on the Dock, and the disappearance of the Chinese laundry.

The House and Senate chambers look much the same, except that you can feel the tension generated by the broadcasters' suit to admit those evil tape recorders and television cameras along with the pencils carried by the newspaper reporters.

Gremlins Get Lowe

He denies having anything to do with it, but House Speaker Thomas Hunter Lowe admits that the sound system he installed — and turns on only for ceremonies now — has been infested by gremlins since the suit was filed.

Ironically, soul music from a local station blotted out the speaker's opening day remarks.

The most impressive change is easily the new computerized bill-processing system that has already drafted nearly 1,300 bills and resolutions for the hopper or for consideration.

Before they're through in April, the five offset presses, two master makers and three collators in the Treasury Building will have printed and put together seven-million pieces of paper.

And the type on that paper will have been set, edited and corrected — even the spelling and hyphenation — by the Comptroller's computer, programmed with a dictionary.

The same number of typists are typing, but they can put out three times as much work with the new system. And although it's costly, it will soon save the State hundreds of thousands of dollars once paid to a printer, proofreaders, and delivery men.

The same can be said of the legislative salaries of $11,000, attacked as outrageously high two years ago.

It's a subjective thing, but as Clerk Mause observed, "You notice an atmosphere of more professionalism."

That's always a debatable point fo session-watchers, but one thing's sure:

They may be more professional, but they'll produce at least the 400 bushels of trash they always do along with the same cubic feet of rhetoric, they'll enact about a third of their 3,000 bills, and give Maryland 90 days of exciting chaos.

TURE moves

WHILE THE LEGISLATURE moves toward a computer system that may eventually let the public dial a local number to find out how a bill is doing in Annapolis, some 80 civic and special interest citizens groups, like PTA leaders, will no longer receive hearing schedules or synopses. (economy measure.)

Even the Maryland-Delaware-D.C. Press Association, which used to copy them at the members' expense, will no longer be able to provide its papers with bills.

Called names net attorney $25,000

MIAMI (UPI) — A federal court jury awarded $25,000 to a black Alexandria, Va., attorney and his son as the result of a suit charging the attorney was called a "black s-- of a b----" at a Miami Beach restaurant.

Court records showed Wednesday that the jury awarded $15,000 to Joe Wiggs and $10,000 to his son, Keith. The defense attorney in the case has filed notice of appeal.

In a suit charging the Twelve Cesars resort motel with gross negligence that caused "humiliation, embarrassment, pain or suffering," Wiggs said he and his family dined in the motel restaurant while on a visit to Miami Beach and that when he questioned the quality of the dinner served him, a waitress called him "a black s-- of a b--."

The suit charged the waitress also called Wiggs and his family "nothing but a bunch of n------." At the trial a week ago waitress Cleo Smith admitted making the first remark but denied the second.

The jury found the restaurant guilty of gross insult.

Defense attorney Dane Matlau said he planned to seek a new trial on grounds that the law the restaurant was accused of violating did not apply in the case.

MAIL ORDER

LONELY? Write the American Club, Box 787, Gary, Ind. 46401.

MEETING THE BISHOP—Long-time member of the Union Memorial Methodist Church, Mrs. Frances German, and the Rev. Lovell Parham, pastor, greet the Rt. Rev. James Matthews, presiding bishop of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences. This was the bishop's first visit to area churches since he replaced the Rt. Rev. John Wesley Lord, who retired last summer.

NOW, OPEN WIDE!—Pretty 10-year old Miss Kathy Wilmer gets ready for Children's Dental Health Week, Feb. 4-10, by learning the proper method to brush her teeth. Instructing her are Miss Charlene Gaskins, a dental hygienist at the University of Maryland Dental School and Dr. Donald J. Forrester, chairman of the Baltimroe City-Baltimore County Children's Dental Health Council. Children's Dental Health Week is an annual effort to foster public awareness of the need for dental health, especially for children.

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