JAMES J. BAKER —a native son of Baltimore has been promoted to the stockbroker and life insurance agent level for the Chicago office of Stifel, Nicolaus and Co., Inc. Baker is a graduate of Douglass High School and Morgan State College.

McCrary has both eyes on Florida governorship

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Jesse J. McCrary does not believe in being overly optimistic but he does believe that the attorney generalship of the state of Florida and later the governorship of the state of Florida is within his reach.

A graduate of Florida A M University in 1960 with a B.S in political science and a distinguished military cadet rating, McCrary returned in 1962 and graduated from the FAMU law school in 1965.

He has already produced enough results and made a number of achievements that would mark him as an attractive candidate for any state or national office

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McCrary became Florida's first black assistant attorney general in 1967.

Two years later he represented the state of Florida before the United States Supreme Court and won what has become a landmark case involving the constitutionality of a six man jury in the criminal case William vs. State.

This was the first time in the history of the Supreme Court that a black had represented a southern state before the court. The victory has saved the state millions of dollars in court cases

Skating rinks called biased

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice filed civil suits charging the operators of a roller skating rink and a restaurant in Georgia, a roller skating rink in Alabama, and a recreation center in Texas with refusing to admit black persons.

Arthur B. Rouse, operator of Rouse's Skating Rink, Albany, Ga., was charged with excluding blacks from the amusement center. The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Albany.

Jean M. Clelland, operator of the Buccaneer Club, Crescent, Ga., was charged with denying blacks service in the dining room while providing them with carry-out service. The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Augusta.

George D. Wiley, operator of Skate Haven Roller Rink, Mobile, Ala., was charged with denying admission to blacks on the ground that the establishment is a private club. The suit was filed in U. S. District Court in Mobile.

Dr. Young announces Detroit 'Black Expo'

DETROIT — Dr. Claud Young, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (Michigan chapter) has announced the 1973 "BLACK EXPO" to be held at Cobo Hall on June 15 thru 17.

This year the exposition will feature the famous Sesame Street players and spectacular entertainment.

"BLACK EXPO" will feature businessmen of Detroit and the fine corporations which have been helping these citizens of the black community.

The annual exposition will be bigger and better than ever affording the youngest and oldest businessmen in Detroit, an opportunity to tell Detroiters of their services, manufacturing abilities and products.

POWs in Annapolis on June 10

A "Freedom Tree" will be planted on the grounds of the Maryland State House in Annapolis June 10 as a living memorial to Maryland men who were prisoners of war or who are missing in action in southeast Asia.

Gov. Mandel will host the 2:30 p.m. ceremony for returned prisoners of war and their families, relatives of missing men, and other interested citizens.

The Governor has been asked by the Maryland chapter, National League of Families of American Prisoners of War and Missing in Southeast Asia, to declare June 10 a "Day of Concern" for the 28 Maryland men who remain missing in action in the aftermath of the conflict in Viet Nam.

The tree, that has already been planted near the east side of the State House, was seeded from Maryland's famous Wye Oak.

A plaque donated by the National League of Families of POW'S and MIA'S will mark the tree and will be inscribed with a dedication to the men.

Public schools in Kansas City sued for bias

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice filed a civil suit charging that teachers and staff members of the public schools of Kansas City, Kan. are racially segregated.

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Kansas City against Unified School District No. 500, its superintendent, Orvin L. Plucker, and its seven-member board of education.

"With few exceptions," the suit said, "white faculty and staff members continue to be assigned to schools attended only, or almost entirely by white students; and black faculty and staff members are assigned to schools attended only, or almost entirely by black students."

The school district operates 55 schools attended by approximately 32,900 students. Including about 11,300 blacks. The district employs 1,365 fulltime teachers, including 293 who are black.

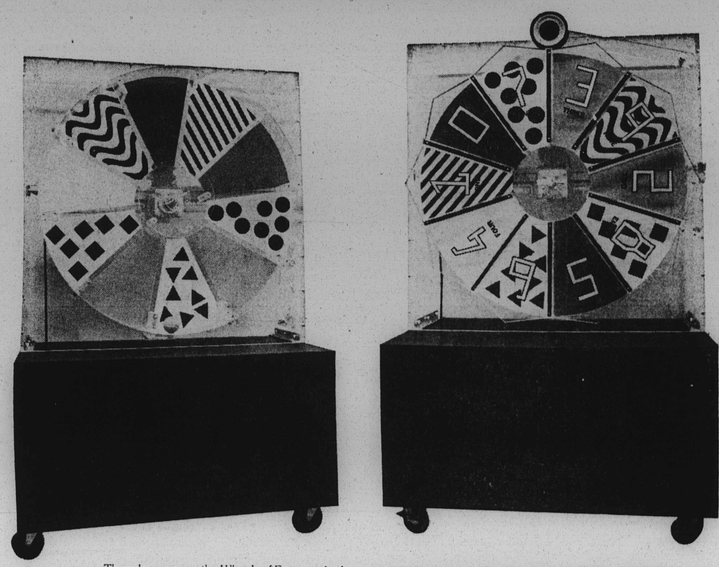
Assistant Atty. Gen. J. Stanley Pottinger, head of the civil Rights Division, said the suit is the third filed by the Justice Department against a school system since the enactment of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972.

Youth program honors mothers

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — The youth department of the United House of Prayer was in charge of Mother's Day programming. Miss Anne Styles is the young people's president.

Appearing in a play, "A Surprise for Mother," were Misses Vickie Thompson, Jannie Crosby, Cynthia Styles and Della Crosby. Also Mike Woodroff, Brent Davis and Edward L. Thompson.

The Wheels of Fortune spun, and thousands won... thousands.



Thursday we spun the Wheels of Fortune. And when they stopped thousands of people won thousands of dollars.

How much was won? How's $50,000 for openers! That's how much at least one lucky Lottery player won. Thousands of people won other cash prizes from $25 to $1000. And every single one of our weekly winners qualified for the Million Dollar Drawing. $50,000 a year for twenty years.

But what about the people who weren't lucky enough to win a weekly cash prize? Some of them still qualified for the Million Dollar Drawing. (You should be so unlucky.)

It all happens again next Thursday. More prizes, more winners, more Million Dollar qualifiers. Put your money down before we spin the wheels again.

With our prizes at our prices, it's a chance you've got to take.

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Medical Chief Hits Whyte For Provident's Woes

by BRENDA J. WRIGHT

The chief of the Department of Medicine at Provident Hospital put the blame for the hospital's woes at the feet of the administrator as he resigned his post of 11 months this week.

Dr. Charles B. Payne, Jr. Provident's medical chief, in his June 7 letter of resignation to Judge George L. Russell, the hospital's court appointed receiver, accused Henry J. Whyte, Provident administrator, of "personal and public irresponsibility."

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His letter stated, "I have seen no mitigating ability to organize, correct errors or prevent them, insist upon cost accounting, on correct and efficient billing procedures, collection management or other tasks which most hospital administrators accomplish."

Dr. Payne continued, "I see little sense in continuing the administrative team which has sown such distrust and set such a scurrilous example and even less sense in my remaining affiliated with the current regime."

Provident Hospital was placed in voluntary receivership in late April and gave up the authority to direct its affairs in exchange for $1.5 million in state aid.

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Saying he has "good faith" in the medical staff at Provident, Dr. Payne added that he will not resign from the medical staff.

In an AFRO interview Thursday, Dr. Payne said, "I think there has been a great deal of heat generated on the Provident issue but no one has yet focused on the real reasons for the continued loss of money and inefficient operations at Provident."

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Dr. Payne, a graduuate of Yale and the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, told the AFRO he is not fighting Judge Russell but making a plea for "a better look at the administration." He added, "Mistakes of the past have to be examined."

Dr. Payne came to Provident last July 1 from private practice in Cleveland, Ohio, where he was on the faculty of Western Reserve University.

His resignation is effective June 30 and in the immediate future, he will continue to practice in Baltimore and remain on the medical staff of Provident.

A GRADUATE after 25 years in school is Mrs. Clark who was given a silver pin at Tuesday night's Carver Vocational School commencement. (See story Page 2)

Police Guard Mt. Moriah Church

ANNAPOLIS — The around-the-clock city police watch over 99-year-old Mt. Moriah AME Church goes into the second week here with Annapolis citizens squared off against County Executive Joseph W. Alton Jr., the man who wants it torn down for a parking lot.

Alton has publicly stated he will drive a bulldozer through the church and would go to jail for a month "to get rid of that building". He has vowed to clean the interior out so that there will be nothing left of historic value for preservation of black culture.

The situation Annapolis citizens term "incredible" will soon go to court. Carroll Greene, Maryland Commission on Negro History and Culture told the AFRO Thursday the guards will

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OKLAHOMA HILL where the Gas and Electric man reports he saw the monster and ran into town screaming, "I saw it. I saw it."

Parents may sue Fallstaff plan

(See Editorial Inside)

Black parents concerned about what they term "unsatisfactory conditions" may resort to court action to compel the Baltimore School Board to revise its plans for a middle school at Fallstaff Elementary School.

In an open letter to the AFRO this week spokesman stated, "fair courts still exist" and acknowledged they have consulted lawyers preparatory to filing suit.

The group, Concerned Citizens for Northwest Baltimore, claim that the

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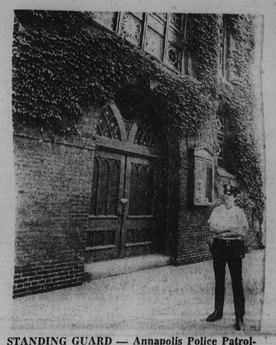

STANDING GUARD — Annapolis Police Patrolman Wilhelm Burger stands outside Mt. Moriah Church where police were detailed last weekend to watchout for vandalism. County Executive Joseph W. Alton Jr. wants the beautiful, ivy-covered building demolished for a parking lot.
(Photo by Tom Darden, Annapolis Evening Capital)

Sykesvillle Hunts For Hairy Monster 7 ft. Tall

ISHE HEARD it walking in her back yard, Miss Hazel Sheppard said and until that encounter Saturday night, didn't believe it. "I do now," she states.

By BILL RHODEN and FLETCHER ROBERTS

SYKESVILLE — This little town of 1,400 population is like any other in Carroll County or Maryland except it has a monster! Not a TV type, fire-breathing monster, just an ordinary run-of-the mill, everyday monster.

Police estimate it to be feet tall and around 200 pounds and sort of hairy, from what people told them. The monster they say might be a man-type prowler that was seen and heard last Tuesday scrambling through the thicket by Anthony Dorsey, in his section of Sykesville known as "Oklahoma Hill".

DOG HYSTERICAL

Home, watching the late show, Mr. Dorsey was aroused from his couch by hysterical howls of his dog coming from the woods in back of his house.

"I went to investigate," Dorsey told the AFRO, "and was surprised to hear the dog so far out in the woods that late. Then I heard a kind of heavy sound, something like a bear going through the bush."

Mr. Dorsey then gave chase to what he thought was a bear until it reached a clearing in the bushes and what he saw resembled nothing he'd ever seen in his life!

BIG EYES

"I shined a light in its face and I saw that it had two eyes, the size of jumbo marbles and they were about five inches apart!; and when it stood, it looked to be at least seven feet tall!"

The AFRO learned of the "Sykesville Monster" from a Mrs. Dorothy Cross who called the office early Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Cross said she "feared for the safety" of relatives in Sykesville, because of "a monster which is on the loose."

"My nephew saw it," she said, referring to Anthony Dorsey, "and he said its eyes looked like marbles."

Mrs. Cross, of Baltimore, accompanied us to Sykesville, and courageously led us through wooded areas and deserted roads in search of evidence of the strange goings on.

Sykesville police officer Charles Rupp was the first policeman to arrive on the scene, and, although reluctant to give any specific details, said he didn't know what the "monster" really was.

MAN, CRITTER, BOTH?

"I don't know whether it was man, critter, or a combination of both," he admitted.

"We've had several prowler reports, but to my knowledge, no official has seen it — as far as I'm concerned, it's all unsubstantiated."

Officer Rupp says he is worried about "latter day Daniel Boones," and "self-styled vigilantes" attempting to hunt the "monster" and ending up accidentally killing someone.

POLICE CHIEF HEBERT

Chief of Police Omer Hebert went out to the Dorsey residence Wednesday and the two searched the area for traces of the prowler.

Some 50 yards away from the house, Officer Hebert discovered footprints not ordinary footprints, but footprints which would have to belong to a person who stands seven feet tall or more!

Three footprints were found, only one, however, was discernible.

WOW

The right print of the "monster was over six feet away from the left print.

It measured 13 inches long and six inches wide.

Reason and common sense could infer with some degree of credibility, that the prints were made by "something" 7 plus feet tall and weighing at least 200 pounds.

If these prints are "legit," whatever is running loose in Sykesville, has a stride of over six feet! the average adult stride is three feet).

What are possibilities of the foot being fake?

"Minimal," according to Officer Hebert who stated that since the weight was evenly distributed, the chances of the print being phony are slim.

EATS KIDS

Officer Hebert did say, however, that the situation could get out of hand, "unless people stop and realize what's really happening.

"There's not enough evidence to substantiate the presence of anything!", he said.

According to the officer, there are now rumors circulating around South Carroll High School about a 30 foot monster that eats kids.

Fact or fiction? No one knows at this point, but if Anthony Dorsey has any-

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IT'S FOOTPRINT in actual photo by AFRO photographer Fletcher Roberts, is about 13 inches long, 7 inches wide.

"Everybody around here is scared," says Leroy Parker, who was in the area when the "monster" was cornered Tuesday.

HE CHASED "IT" — 15-year-old Howard Gassaway not only saw the "beast," but chased it into the woods with his 22 caliber rifle. It had hair all over its face but had a man's shape," said Howard, adding that whatever it was, it "ran through the bushes like a tank".

HE SAW IT face-to-face, Anthony Dorsey, a Sykesville volunteer fireman said describing it as "eyes like jumbo marbles".

Police report

A Sykesville police officer and Chief of Police Omer Hebert filed reports on complaints registered by Anthony Dorsey :

Chief Hebert said on May 30 he and Mr. Dorsey found three prints in the ground in the woods near Dorsey's home. Hebert made a plaster cast of the best of the three and said measurements of the bare foot print were 13½ in. long, about 5½ to 6 in. wide.

Officer Charles Rupp said he and Mr. Dorsey went into the woods adjoining the home and they both heard something run away deeper into the woods. "Whatever it was didn't respond to command to halt and upon pursuit, it outdistanced us. It was about 6 ft. tall and seemed to be a man."

Walbrook Hi has 1st graduation

BY BEN PHILLIPS

"I am pleased to present to you the first group to complete the requirements . . ."

These were the opening remarks of the First Annual Commencement Exercises at the $10 million Walbrook Senior High School, 200 Edgewood St. by Principal Mrs. Anne Emery.

In pointing out the progress of the school since it opened in September, 1971, Mrs. Emery said, "One of our first student school

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Major Coxson slain in N.J. was Muhammad Ali's friend

CHERRY HILL, N.J. (UPI) — Major Coxson, a close friend of former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali and an unsuccessful candidate in May for mayor of Camden, N.J., was found shot to death today inside his $200,000 "white house," police said.

Three other members of the 42-year-old Coxson's family were wounded, officers said. Their identities and the extent of their injuries were not immediately known.

One policeman said Cox-

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HIGHEST RANKING students at the history-making first commencement of new multi-million $ Walbrook High School are (from left) Miss Wendy Mechell Merrick, third; Wallace Henry, second; Miss Cathy Annette Pugh, valedictorian.
(AFRO Photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)