Abandoned baby leaves hospital in 10 days

A baby girl found abandoned in a wooded area near the 2600 block Homewood Ave. Sunday night will be released from the City Hospitals within the next 10 days.

Allen Garski, public information director for Baltimore Department of Social Services, told the AFRO Wednesday arrangements are being made to place the baby in a foster home.

Meanwhile, police are looking for the mother of the tot through radio and the television.

Police records show the baby weighing about 5 lbs. 13 oz. was discovered by a woman who was walking her dog.

Police said they were called to the scene about 6 p.m. and she was taken to the Union Memorial Hospital but later transferred to the City Hospitals.

Stanley Keyser, City Hospitals Community Relations director, states the child was not more than 24 hours old when found.

Anyone who may have any information about the child's mother should call Department of Social Services: 234-2101.

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Speaking of Women

STEWARDESS

Pretty Miss Denise Poazine Hawkins of Baltimore, Md., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie P. Hawkins of Baltimore, Md., has graduated from Eastern Airlines' flight attendant training center in Miami, Florida.

Miss Hawkins is a graduate of Northwestern Senior High School and Massey Junior College.

Ready to begin her career as a stewardess, Miss Hawkins will be based in Atlanta, Ga.

From there she will fly to many of the more than 100 cities Eastern serves in 30 states coast to coast including the District of Columbia, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Bermuda, Jamaica, the Bahamas and the Virgin Islands.

MISS DENISE POAZINE HAWKINS completes training

FELLOWSHIP

Miss Diana L. Bell who received her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University recently is one of 30 minority students from throughout the nation chosen for fellowships in a unique program to prepare minority students for management careers in public and non-profit organizations.

The program, the Consortium for Graduated Study in Management, is operated jointly by Indiana University, the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill University, University of Rochester, and the University of Wisconsin.

Miss Bell who resides with her mother at her Lenton Avenue home in Baltimore will attend the University of Southern California come fall 1973.

MISS DIANA L. BELL receives fellowship

YWCA offers daytime swim instructions

Daytime swim classes for young people and adults will be conducted by the YWCA in the pool at Central Center, 128 W. Franklin St.

Classes meet three days per week in five or six week sessions between June 25 and August 5, enabling participants to make faster progress than the usual once per week schedule.

Popular as a means to beat the heat during the summer months, the classes offer a level of instruction for beginners, advanced beginners, swimmers, advanced swimmers, and "all skills."

Scheduled on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 45 minute periods between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., classes cost $7.50 for a five session series and $9 for a six session series. Information may be obtained by calling the HPER section, Central Center, YWCA. Phone is 685-1460.

Tennis classes at YMCA

Tennis champion, Beth Alma Sandler has been named instructor for a summer series of tennis classes to begin at the North Baltimore YMCA program center on July 2.

Classes will be limited to 10 people - divided according to age and ability.

Miss Sandler's classes will be held at 8 and 9 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays through the summer.

For more details call the North Baltimore YMCA program center at 467-2954.

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Reformed drug user receives VFW award

"If I had stayed on the streets, I'd probably be dead from an overdose by now," commented Ronald Plummer, 30, in an AFRO interview Monday afternoon.

But the former Washingtonian who now resides in Cherry Hill is not only alive and well, but he has a lot to live for.

Last Saturday, in Silver Spring, he was honored by the Maryland and national branches of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) for making an outstanding contribution to the community by lecturing against drugs.

He was the recipient of a 3-foot tall trophy and framed citation from the Maryland VFW and a citation enclosed in a velvet folder from the national VFW. The awards came as part of the VFW's 4-day national convention.

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Today, Plummer not only has a job — he is a linotype operator in the AFRO press room — but he is a sophomore at Morgan State College.

The former drug user now calmly speaks about the future.

He tours the state campaigning against drugs and trying to warn listeners about the hazards that await them if they choose drugs as a way of life.

In 19-2, Plummer said he traveled to every county for 67 speaking engagements and logged more than 20,000 miles on state roads. It was this effort to speak out against drugs that earned him the VFW honors.

He first became involved with the State VFW drug abuse program two years ago, he said, while serving a 40-year prison sentence for armed robbery of a Baltimore and Ohio Railroad station in 1968.

"That was the first time I had ever been arested," he said. "When I got in prison, I went 'cold turkey' (kicked the heroin habit) and decided I would join the prison anti-drug program. The VFW spotted a story I had written for a magazine about my experiences with drugs and approached me about joining their drug abuse program.

"I was removed to the Maryland Correctional System Rehabilitation Center on Greenmount Ave. where I gave up my weekend family visits to travel around the state and talk with people.

The raps are a therapy for me. I enjoy talking to people and trying to relay my experiences to them. It works. I have had a number of letters from persons who say the talks have definitely helped," Ronald said.

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Plummer's efyorts have also led to his release from prison May 23 after serving five years of his term.

SCHOOL NOTES

Financial expert named to Board

By Fletcher Roberts

"Is the quality of the city school system is very important in retaining and attracting residents to Baltimore City ... I think (also) Baltimore already has a good school system."

Voicing these cautiously optimistic words was newly appointed school commissioner, 39-year-old Robert W. Schaefer, an executive vice president for financial affairs with the First National Bank of Maryland.

Mr. Schaefer was named Monday by Mayor Schaefer (no relation) to a six-year term on the board replacing Robert J. Thieblot whose term expired in December.

Before final City Council approval is granted Mr. Schaefer's nomination, he must first come under scruiny of the Executive Appointments Committee. Mr. Schaefer will appear before the committee July 6.

Having formulated no hard and fast education theories of his own (to date), Mr. Schaefer expressed belief that it is, perhaps, his vast financial expertise that attracted his name to the list of possible board successors.

Reviewing the current financial woes of public education in Baltimore, Mr. Schaefer, a certified public accountant, said, he sees the problem as two sided.

"We must see to it that we are getting the most value for the dollars we spend on education," he argued, while keeping in mind the "implied obligation of the city to spend enough money to deliver quality education."

Reemphasizing an earlier assertion, Mr. Schaefer went on to say, "having a good school system, maintaining it and, if possible, improving it is very important to the future of this city."

Attempting to clearly define what constitutes a "quality education," Mr. Schaefer, the father of two elementary school-age daughters, responded, "One measure (of the quality of education) is how well a child is prepared to go on to the next step" in education and in life.

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U.S. food stamps make $7.7 million difference

PRINCETON, N.J. — Federal food stamps have enabled low-income persons in Baltimore, Calvert and Dorchester Counties, Md., to increase their food purchasing funds by $7,770,000 since the family food assistance program began reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

All three counties entered the program during July, but in different years. Dorchester County began in 1965, Baltimore County 1966 and Calvert 1970.

According to the USDA's Northeast Regional Food and Nutrition Service Office here, participants in the three counties paid $5,270,000 for food stamps valued at $13,040,000.

Currently there are 270 food retailers in these counties authorized by USDA to accept coupons from the 10,250 persons presently taking part in the program each month in these areas.

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SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS

Two special schools combined under plan

The Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners at its meeting last Thursday approved a numer of routine appointments, election to tenure and transfers, most of which become effective this month.

Prime among them was disclosure that the two special education schools in Catonsville area, once divided on the basis of race, will be combined in one school.

The announcement came in the form of the recommendation by Superintendent Roland N. Patterson that Dr. David L. Fisher has been named principal of the Bragg-Highwood Day Care School No. 175 and No. 300.

The Board in approving the appointment of the former principal of William Patterson Junior High No. 3 likewise approved the combination of the two schools.

Edward A. Williams, the longtime principal of the Bragg School is now on sick leave and is expected to retire. The former principal of the Highwood School is Frederick Kelley.

Mr. Kelley, like Mr. Williams, is a veteran in the Baltimore Public School System and has headed the Highwood School since its inception.

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At both of the Special Education Schools, students are all boys and are described as those who are emotionally distrubed.

Traditionally, the emphasis at both schools has been a more "limited academic approach' where students are instructed in such areas as horseback riding and gardening.

Morton Esterson, Acting Area Superintendent, told the AFRO that under the new program a "behavorial learning approach" will be utilized in which youngsters with learning disabilities are provided a special setting in an attempt to reintegrate them into the "mainstream of education."

At Highwood School, a school source said that the frames buildings which had been found defective had caused the closing of that facility.

The Bragg structure which is brick passed inspection, and the facilities there will be enlarged.

The Highwood facility has served up to sixty boys to a ninth grade level. The Bragg School has been to the elementary level. Under the combined curriculum, only youngsters 12 years and over will be served.

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Other appointments approved by the Board at its last Thursday meeting included the following elementary principals:

Judson Wood, former Asst. Principal of Furley School No. 206, named principal of Patapsco No. 163.

Herman Pollheim, specialist, to principal of Highlandtown No. 237.

Mrs. Gertrude Williams, assistant principal of Bartley, to principal of the same school.

Mrs. Sedonia Merritt, assistant principal at Charles Carroll No. 139 to principal of Samuel Chase No. 135.

Mrs. Beulah Caldwell, assistant principal in charge at Harriet Beecher Stowe No. $118 which is the city's oldest school located at 1225 Argyle Avenue to be principal of the new Furman L. Templeton School No. 125 at Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St., which will take in the youngsters who formerly attended No. 118.

VOCATIONAL ED

Lucas E. Taylor, department head at Carver High No. 454 was named Summer School Principal at the same school.

PROJECT KAPS

Earl R. Jones, acting director of Project KAPS was named Project Manager of Project KAPS Pro- 1973 to June 30, 1974.

S. Wilson Hearps Jr., acting director of the same project appointed assistant project manager for the same period.

James G. Carter, budget control officer of KAPS named mathematics fiscal coordinator of the Project.

KAPS STAFF

The following staff of Project KAPS were appointed for the period September 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974:

Mrs. Mary Pat Justice, Language Arts Curriculum Coordinator/Information Officer; Mrs. Gertrude Brooks community assistant coordinator; Richard Brown, demonstration teacher at Dunbar High School; Tyrone Hoes, demonstration teacher at Lombard Junior High, No. 57;

Mrs. June Chapman, demonstration teacher at Lombard Junior High, No. 57 and Mrs. Frances Finney, counselor/coordinator of STAY Center at Lombard Junior High No. 57.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

The following persons were named program assistants in the Model Early Childhood Learning Program at the schools indicated, effective June 21, 1773 to July 30, 1973: Mrs. Marie Berry, William M. Alexander, No. 112; Mrs. Awilda B. Cassell; Mrs. Charlene Cooper and Mrs. Virginia Johns, all assigned to William Alexander School No. 112.

PARENT

Mrs. Geraldyne L. Long named Parent Counsel Coordinator in the KAPS program at school No. 112 for the same period, June 21, 1973 to July 30, 1973.

TENURE

The following persons who served sucessfully the required probationary period were elected to tenure: Michael Cheatham, Elementary School No 18; Mrs. Joan K. Ross, Junior High No. 42; Mrs Rosita Uncles, and Mrs. Sherl Woodland, second teachers of Special Curriculum.

STUDY LEAVES

Granted study leaves of absence from September 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974, with loss of full pay are: Mrs. Anna L. Brown, Western High teacher, and Joseph E. Wicks, Pimlico Elementary.

MILITARY LEAVE

Roger Bryan Jr., Canton Elementary and Junior High teacher granted military leave, with loss of full pay.

SABBATICAL

The following were granted sabbatical leaves of absence for the school year 1973-74, to engage in full programs of study: Mrs. Linda K. Bradley, John W. Brown, Mrs. Margaret D. Brown,

Earl E. Clark, Stephen Eller, Mrs. Mary C. Garrity, Charles G. Gaskins, James G. Griffin, Roosevelt L. Hobbs Mrs. Bella Kissh, Nicholas T. Lee, Mrs. Myrtle L. Marcum, William J. Moulds, Mrs. Marlene Mruck, James E. Patterson,

William R. Perry Jr., Mrs. Irene Reddick, James A. Rogers, Mrs. Sandra Sales, Mrs. Sylvia S. Schneider, Jacob Schuchman, William H. Shaw, Jr., Betty Showell, Mrs. Ida T. Simm, Mrs. Catherine Smith, Mrs. Nannie O. Smith, Mrs. Lois L. Washington and Mrs. Helen C. Williams

TRAVEL LEAVES

The following were granted sabbatical leaves of absence for the school year 1973-74 to engage in full programs of travel: Irvin L. Finifter, Carl Price-Gilliece, Mrs. Louise Scardina and Aaron R. Smelkinson and Mrs. Idell S. Pugh.

OTHER LEAVES

The following other persons were granted sabbatical leaves from September 1, 1973 to January 31, 1974 to engage in full programs of study: Mrs. Shirley L. Gerard, Guy R. Taylor and Mrs. Virginia Thompson.

STUDY-TRAVEL

Mrs. Helen Nitkowski, Principal of School No. 54 granted a sabbatical leave of absence for the school year 1973-74, to engage in a full program of study and travel.

Birdseed

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OPERATION "BIRDLAND": "Operation Birdland," the program which has provided free outings at Orioles games for more than 150,000 disadvantaged youngsters began its sixth season on Wednesday night when the Birds clashed with the Yankees.

Administered by James W. Smith, supervisor of the Office of Special Projects, Burau of Recreation for the city of Baltimore, the program will span 27 playing dates at Memorial Stadium through August 28, and is designed for youngsters between the ages of nine and 14.

"Operation Birdland' is open to all city-wide groups, neighborhood organizations and municipal agencies on a first come basis by written request only. For further details, interested parties may call Mr. Smith's office at 396-5610 or 396-5611.

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HOME STAND STARTS: The Brewers, A's and Angels will make their second trips to Baltimore on the Birds' 11 game home stand which opens Monday night. The schedule: Milwaukee — 2nd (7:30), 3rd (5:30 - 2) and 4th (1:30) . . . Oakland — 6th (5:30 - 2), 7th (7:30) and 8th (5:30) . . . California — 9th, 10th and 11th (all at 7:30).

FAMILY NIGHT: Monday, July 2 — Special family-oriented prices will prevail in the upper reserved area. The head of the house pays the full two-dollar upper reserved price then can purchase tickets for all other members of his or her family for just one dollar each . . . A family of five for example can sit in reserved seats for a total outlay of just six dollars.

CAMERA DAY: Wednesday, July 4 — Everyone with cameras will be invited down on the field between 12:30 and 1 p.m. to take pictures of any or all of the Orioles players. Camera bugs will receive free snapshot folders, compliments of Eastman-Kodak . . . Note the special starting time for the Independence Day game against the Brewers, i.e. 1:30 p.m.

HELMET NIGHT: Saturday, July 7 — The first 25,000 youngsters, 14 and under accompanied by a paying adult, to enter the stadium for the O's-A's game at 7:30 will receive free Baltimore Orioles helmets designed after those worn by Orioles batters.

Residents oppose city council sanitation bid

Residents of Northwestern Baltimore have expressed strong opposition to City Council Ordinance No. 854 proposing the construction of a sanitation transfer compact station on the corner of Southeastern Northern Parkway and Wabash Ave.

At a Council Budget Finance Committee meeting in the Council Chambers Tuesday evening, residents vehemently decided against the move describing it as a facility meant to downgrade the lives, and property of residents.

Citizens contended that the compact will breed dirt, trash, mice, pollution and cause traffic congestion in the quiet middle class neighborhood.

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Those who testified before the committee included the committee include Senator Clarence Mitchell and state Delegates Walter Dean, Kenneth L. Webster and Pinkney A. Howell.

Edward Walter, head of Bureau of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, in his testimony in defense of the compact stated, the facility would save the city's sanitary operational cost of nearly $100,000 a year.

He described it as a "key element in the capital development program of the city which affects every citizen."

He explained that the construction of the compact will solve the problem of collapse in trash collection and revealed it could not cause traffic congestion.

However, opposing the move Del. Dean stated: "No matter what you call it, it represents something negative to a people who are trying to build a stable, viable and a healthy neighborhood.

"The ultimate effect of the compact will be the devaluation of the homes in the community because dump trucks and trash disposal can't enhance the value of any community."

Del. Webster pointed out that the site would be inconsistent with other planned developments in the area to include a shopping center on the Northwestern corner, housing on the Seton property and a mass transit station in the Northeast sector of the area.

He urged that a new study of the project be made with full community participation to find a new and more suitable location.

Senator Mitchell, lending a voice to the opposition, also called for a plan that would involve community participation to find a new and more suitable location.

Del. Howell stated that since something has to be done on trash collection he was urging the Department of Sanitation to review its plans in accordance with the wishes of the people.

Youth kills intruder, death declared justified

Ernest L. McNeil Jr., 18, 2200 block Preston St., who shot and killed David James Dean, 28, while Dean was allegedly burglarizing his home early Sunday morning will not be prosecuted.

Homicide detectives told the AFRO Monday Dean's death has been declared justifiable homicide and that they were making recommendations to the state's attorney to drop charges against the youth.

Confirming this, Milton Allen, city's state's attorney stated, "We don't have to prosecute him on such a crime. His action was completely justified."

Police records show Dean whose address is listed as 1226 E. North Ave., was shot and killed about 2 a.m. Sunday as he attempted to flee from McNeil's home after having beaten the youth's mother during burglary attempt.

Police quoted young McNeil, whose father was away to work as saying he was awakened from sleep by screams of his mother and moments later saw her being persued by an unknown man.

He said as the bandit began assaulting his mother he grabbed a revolver from under the mattress and fired one shot at him but missed.

The recent Dunbar High School graduate stated he fired two more shots at the man as began to run down the stairs. Police report they found the man by the staircase in the kitchen. He was pronounced dead on the scene.

City morgue officials told the AFRO Monday Dean's body remains at there unclaimed.

Baltimore Safety Project kicks off new campaign

"Know Your Limit" was the slogan used to kick off a new safety campaign inaugurated Wednesday at the Lord Baltimore hotel.

Sponsored jointly by Greater Baltimore Alcoholic Safety Action Project and the Maryland wine and liquor industry the project is designed to combat irresponsible drinking and driving on the state's streets and highway.

Jerome H. Markoff, Esq., general counsel for the Licensed Beverage Distributors of Maryland, Inc., stated: "The industry I represent knows that wine and liquor are luxuries and does not want one cent that should be spent on necessities.

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"We also do not want one cent spent on our products by any irresponsible drinker, particularly one who drinks and drives."

To illustrate the seriousness of the drunken driver problem, Mr. Markoff noted that drunken drivers kill six times as many as the Vietnam war.

Also pointed out was the fact that Americans drink over 275 million gallons of hard liquor per year, 1,600,000 gallons of beer per year and 170,000,000 gallons of wine per year.

Mr. Markoff emphasized that each individual should determine his or her own personal drinking limits, and then stick to them.