MINI NEWS

13 die on Md. highways

Thirteen persons lost their lives on Maryland Highways according to the Maryland State Police. Of those killed seven were drivers, one was a passenger and five were pedestrians. Two motorcyclists lost their lives in Maryland last week, bringing the total to twenty-nine this year to date. Holiday weekends are said to be more dangerous for travel due to the extraordinary heavy traffic on the roadways. Maryland drivers are to be complimented for their exercise in safety during this Bicentennial holiday. Statistics show a reduction of nine as compared with last year. The safest drivers are those who not only obey the traffic rules, but stay alert for other drivers who do not.

Salvation Army day camp

The Salvation Army annual Day Camp is now under full swing. It is set up for children from the age of six to 12 years. The program which consists mainly of recreational activities at the Hampden Corps, 3401 Roland Ave., also includes side trips to The Salvation Army Boys' Camp Pub'lok in Monkton, Maryland. The camp is open to boys and girls in the Baltimore area and has about 25 open spaces in its programs set up for 200 youths. There is free lunch program for participants. Registration information is available by calling The SalvationArmy - 366-6187.

Mencken House opens

The first floor of the H. L. Mencken House at 1524 Hollins St. will be open to the general public Saturdays and Sundays from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the following dates: Saturday, July 10; Sunday, July 18; Saturday, July 31; Sunday, Aug. 8; Saturday, Aug. 21. There is no admission charge. The second and third floors of the house have been converted into 2 apartments which are occupied by students enrolled in graduate programs at the School of Social Work and Community Planning, University of Maryland at Baltimore. Facing historic Union Square, the house was given to the university through the will of the late August Mencken, brother of writer and journalist, H. L. Mencken.

DCC summer 2 session

Registration for the Summer II Session at Dundalk Community College will be held Monday and Tuesday, July 12 and 13 from 1-3 p.m. and from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on both days. The five-week session, beginning July 15 and ending Aug. 18, offers nearly 40 day and evening classes. Courses will be offered in a variety of areas, including: biology, business administration, education, English, history, mathematics, psychology, sociology and reading. Dundalk's summer session provides an opportunity for high school students to get an early start on their college career and for students from other colleges to pick up extra courses. Additional information and a complete list of course offerings are available from the Admissions Office at Dundalk Community College, 282-6700, ext. 281.

Responsible co-operation

A workshop entitled "Responsible Cooperation: The Key to Decreasing School Suspensions" will be conducted by the Maryland State Department of Education on Tuesday, July 13 at the Baltimore Hilton, Pikesville. Expected attendance of 400 will include representatives from all subdivisions, including community agencies, school administrators, school board members, and legislators. "Forum discussions will consider new and better ways of cooperation among home, school, and community in decreasing the problem of school suspensions," explains Dr. Percy V. Williams, department of education assistant state superintendent. Moderators are George Collins, associate news editor, WMAR-TV, and Robert L. Karwacki, Baltimore City juvenile court judge and former president of the Baltimore City school board.

Highway funding urged

State Transportation Secretary Harry R. Hughes has urged Maryland Senators Charles McC. Mathias to support full funding of the federal Highway Safety program for fiscal year 1975. Senator Mathias is a member of the Transportation Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The proposed fiscal 1977 program calls for $162 million, as provided in the 1976 federal Highway Safety Act. Funding for this program, as part of the annual federal transportation appropriation, will be decided in the House-Senate Conference later this month. Secretary Hughes said that $162 million for the federal Highway Safety program will provide "modest program growth."

Report hydrants misuse

Francis W. Kuchta, director of Public Works, Baltimore City, asked citizens to report any flowing fire hydrants they see by telephoning Customer Service at 539-5151. "This office is manned 24 hours a day. Customer Service personnel will advise proper authorities of any unauthorized use of fire hydrants reported. It is not necessary for the caller to identify himself," Mr. Kuchta emphasized. Extremely warm weather has created an increased demand for water. Wasting water by an unauthorized turning on of fire hydrants can have serious consequences by reducing water pressure for residents, hospitals, and firefighting equipment, he warned.

Anything Goes on stage

The Liberty Road Community Theatre will present Cole Porter's musical, Anything Goes on July 29, 30, and 31 and Aug. 6 and 7 at Randallstown Senior High School at 8:30 p.m. Starring in the cast are Andrea Clayman as Reno Sweeny, Mark Feldman as Billy Crocker, and Arnold Clayman as Moon. Also appearing in roles are Charles Calhoun, Charlotte Land, Aileen Savage, Mike Sheldon, and Joanne Shinn. Admission is $2.50 for adults, $2 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Tickets will be available at the door. The Liberty Road Community Theatre is an activity sponsored by the Liberty Road Recreation and Parks Council.

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FIVE HOMES DAMAGED in the 7000 block of McClean Blvd, Sunday afternoon as 2-alarms were sounded by firemen at the scene, making for an unhappy July 4, for several northeast families. Officials at the scene said they believed faulty electrical wiring to have been the cause.

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Hopkins urged to help the poor

(UPI) — The chief rate analyst for the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission has accused Johns Hopkins University hospital of spending too much money on fancy new equipment and not enough on health care for the poor.

Analyst John S. Cook, testifying at a commission hearing last week on a rate hike request by Johns Hopkins, said the hospital was putting "the expansion of services ahead of the accessibility of services."

Cook was joined by H. Robert Erwin Jr., a lawyer from Baltimore's Legal Aid Bureau, in criticizing the hospital — the largest general hospital in the state — for not establishing a policy of helping low-income people in the city.

Erwin said Johns Hopkins has rushed "to be the first hospital on its block" to buy advanced equipment, but has done little to provide adequate health service to the city's poor.

He said the commission should require the hospital to adopt a charity policy because commission guidelines on rate-setting call for all hospitals to establish a policy of providing free care to low income families.

Erwin, who is representing low-income clients during the hearings, recommended that the commission require the hospital to increase health care to the poor by $3.5 million.

Robert Shelton, Hopkins lawyer, testified that the hospital already has a charity policy. However, he conceded that the hospital did not issue the policy to personnel who interview incoming patients.

Shelton said the hospital spent $786,000 last year on "uncompensated care" which included free medical care and uncollected debts.

Erwin said the charity policy should not include bad debt write-offs.

The commission's staff has concluded that Hopkins' inflation rate and salary levels are "unreasonably" high. But Shelton claimed the commission staff used inaccurate data, a charge the staffers denied.

The commission is expected to rule within a few weeks on the rate hike request.

CADET DAVID I. OWENS, son of Mrs. Eulalie F. Owens of the 3900 block Wabash Ave, was graduated recently from Admiral Farragut Academy. A member of the Band Co. Cadet Owens held a naval science rate of MUSN, played varsity football and tennis and was active in the hockey, chapel, debate ski, drama and Rotary INTERACT clubs. He also earned a sharpshooter rating in riflery.

'Jobs' petition drive is rolling

The "City Jobs for City Residents" committee swung into high gear this weekend in the drive for 10,000 signatures to petition the issue to referendum in November.

The committee, headed by Mrs. Erla McKinnon, is a unit of the Baltimore Metropolitan Committee, Inc., led by A. Paul Moss, which has joined with Councilman Emerson R. Julian in the campaign.

A successful drive would result in all new municipal employes after Jan. 1, 1977 having to be residents of the city.

Volunteer workers will be at most area shopping centers on Saturday, July 10.

On Sunday, July 11, churches are spurring their effort to collect signatures.

Groups also are working door-to-door this weekend.

Moss and Del. John Douglass, working closely with Mrs. McKinnon, have urged all volunteers to turn in whatever signatures they have completed prior to or during a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14, during a meeting at 2400 Longwood St. off Gwynns Falls.

All petitions collected by church groups by that date also should be turned in, the organizers stressed.

Although Dr. Julian and BMCI have a July 19 deadline to get all petition forms in, they want to have as many as possible by Wednesday night so that the process of checking them out can be properly conducted.

BMCI joined in the drive after concern was expressed over the fact that more than 25 per cent of all municipal jobs are held by suburbanites who pay taxes elsewhere.

Here are some of the areas where volunteers will be working this weekend:

East Baltimore, a group of young people directed by Del. Hattie Harrison;

The Rotunda, young people directed by Alvin Hathaway and Alan H. Ashby;

Edmondson Village BMCI team;

Mondawmin, New District Democratic Club, Inc., Fourth District;

Lafayette Market, Woman Power;

Broadway Shopping Center and Reisterstown Plaza, BMCI teams;

Lexington Market, BMCI on Friday and Senator Verda Welcome's Fourth District Democratic Organization on Saturday.

Senator Clarence Blount's Five in Five organization and Grandmaster Samuel T. Daniels Masons are at work this weekend.

Volunteers still are being accepted by contacting Mrs. McKinnon at 383-9281 or by reaching Dr. Julian at 945-6886 or 233-8227.

Groundbreaking set for Zion Towers

Mayor William Donald Schaefer has announced the start of construction of Zion Tower a 211 unit high-rise apartment building for elderly and disabled persons at 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. in the Upton Urban Renewal Area in West Baltimore.

Groundbreaking ceremonies are scheduled for Thursday, July 15 at 10:30 a.m. Housing Commissioner Robert C. Embry Jr. and the Zion-Upton Development Corporation have invited city, state and neighborhood representatives to join Mayor Schaefer in celebrating this important occasion for Upton.

Zion Towers is a 15-story high-rise apartment building developed under a limited partnership made up of Oxford Development Corporation, Mid-City Financial Corporation and Zion-Upton Development Corporation.

Zion Towers is a brick masonry structure designed by Wolner Associates, to suit the needs of low and moderate income elderly tenants. Oxford Development Corporation spent a considerable amount of time researching the physical, social, emotional and psychological needs of the elderly.

The building will contain 210 one-bedroom units of 514 square feet and one 1,176 square foot two-bedroom manager's apartment. Ten per cent of the units are modified for handicapped people.

The first floor of Zion Towers will contain the manager's apartment, an 1,100 square foot community room with adjoining kitchen, a 785 square foot game room, a 512 square foot craft room and a library and health room of the same size, a 300 square foot beautician's room, a 512 square foot laundry with adjoining lounge and a 335 square foot lobby.

Maintenance, mechanical and electrical rooms will also be located on the ground floor. The remaining 14 floors will contain 15 apartment units each.

All units will have a living-room, one bedroom, kitchen and bathroom. One bedroom rather than efficiency units are provided because they offer increased personal privacy. Storage space is ample. Natural light is provided through large windows in the living-dining-room and bedroom.

Bathrooms will be equipped with special safety features. Those in units for the handicapped will be large enough for wheelchair clearance and oriented in such a way that handicapped individuals will have no difficulty in using them.

Fifty-two open parking spaces are to be provided for those tenants who have cars. The site is serviced by public buses which pass on Pennsylvania Avenue, offering connections to all parts of the city.

The site will be heavily landscaped and a garden area will be located at the southwest corner of the building near the parking lot.

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BURNING HOT was this Volkswagen driven by Randolph Balletine of the 3700 block Gwynn Oak Ave. after it caught fire at Gwynn Falls and McCulloh St. opposite Druid Hill Park in Thursday evening rush-hour traffic. Firefighter Brian Delaware of engine Co. No. 52 is seen cleaning up after the blaze.

Hearing slated on energy

The Maryland Energy Policy Office will be holding public meetings in the Baltimore area to discuss five energy conservation mandatory provisions to be included in the plan.

These provisions include 1) mandatory lighting efficiency standards for public buildings; 2) programs to promote the use of carpools, vanpools and public transportation; 3) energy efficient standards and policies in government procurement; 4) mandatory thermal efficiency standards for public buildings; and 5) a "right turn on red" law.

The state plan is being developed in conjunction with the State-Federal Conservation Program established by the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. Under this program the states are allowed to include conservation strategies beyond the five mandatory provisions. The meetings will afford interested citizens an opportunity to provide input on the mandatory elements of the program as well as to suggest strategies that might be included.

The Baltimore meetings, to be co-sponsored by the Chaplain's Office of the Johns Hopkins University, will be held in the Listening and Viewing Room of the Johns Hopkins University Student Union Building in Baltimore. Two meetings will be held on July 21, one from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and an evening meeting from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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Here's what they're saying about Jimmy Carter

(AFRO staff photos by Benjamin M. Phillips)

MISS TONI CHAVIS believe he has mastd the skills of his fession quite well. is the choice beeen the wolf and e fox.

MISS YVETTE SHIPLEY - He seems like a cowboy. I am not politically minded.

MISS PAULA BROOKS —If he had a black running mate he would be more acceptable.

CHARLES BALENTINE—I don't know what to think because he hasn't said much on the issues.

MRS. CASSANDRA WILSON—I'm not into politics.

JAMES HARRELL — I fair him above anybody else. I really think so.

FRED O'NEAL JR. —I think he'll be the next U.S. president but he is too vague on issues.

OLIVER SMITH—I think he'll make a nice Democratic president.

Judge Cole hits local fish market for deceiving countless customers

Lexington Market stall gets $38,500 fine

"These people (Devine Seafoods Inc.) continued an unlawful practice and posted one price and concealed the real price from the public. There were numerous violations on each and every day. The evil of it was that it was on the unsuspecting poor, people who knew it not."

Circuit Court Judge Harry A. Cole made above statement in court July 12 after imposing a total of $38,500 in fines on Devine Seafoods Inc., president and employes.

Court records state Leo Devine, owner and president of Devine Seafoods Inc., in Lexington Market has been overcharging their customers "From January 1973 until July 1, 1974 when Consumer Protection Division served notice."

"Devine and his employees had been intentional and willfully overcharging customers on purchases of fish.

The AFRO learned thousands of customers are still asking, "How long was the scheme going on?"

If it were not for a former employe who informed the Consumer Protection Division about the swindle, perhaps the scheme would be going on today, the court was told in testimony.

In March 1975, the Consumer Protection Division filed suit charging Devine Seafood Inc., with unfair and deceptive trade practices by "purposefully, intentionally and willfully overcharging" its customers at the rate of "10 cents per pound" above the price specified on a tag on the fish.

Jack J. Shapiro, assistant attorney general prosecuting the case called the $38,500 fine "a very substantial fine and the largest fine ever imposed under Maryland's consumer protection laws."

The fines were DEVINE SEAFOODS INC., for 100 violations, $100 each total of $10,000

LEO DEVINE, 100 violations, $250 each total of $25,000

TOM BYUS, a salesman, 100 violations $10 each total of $1,000.

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JOHN BYUS, an assistant to Devine 100 violations, $25 each total $2,500.

A former employe testified that small signs showing price of fish a pound were displayed for customers to see.

However, on the back of each sign a 10 cents a pound increase was hidden from the public. Court records reveal, Devine instructed his employ-

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DEVINE SEAFOOD INC. at the Eutaw and Lexington Streets Lexington Market location, accused of unfair and deceptive trade practices in the retail sale of fish, has a majority of black customers. Food stamps are accepted here.

Two men charged in deaths of Bland Gatewood, Malcolm Crawley

MICHAEL S. AKONOM

Two persons have been charged with the June 25 murders of Malcolm Crawley, 25, and Bland Roman Gatewood, 29.

Police arrested 23-year-old Michael Stephen Akonom around 3:20 p.m. July 12 from his home in the 5300 block Lynview Ave., and charged him with double murder and handgun violations.

Akonom is being held on $10,000 bail at City Jail. Police charge Akonom allegedly killed Gatewood, of the 3900 block Edgewood St., and Crawley, of the 5300 block Fairlawn Ave.

Joshua Andrew "Duck" Gregg, 30, a neighbor of Crawley's, is also charged with killing Crawley and is being held without bail at City Jail.

Police report Crawley and Gatewood sustained multiple wounds of the head, back and stomach. Police say they discovered the men on the bedroom floor of Crawley's apartment.

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Police are still checking into the possibility that the double murder is the result of gangster elements coming down to Baltimore from New York "to take over."

While police were investigating the double murder, two 18-year-old youths arrived on the scene and said they were returning from school when they saw the door ajar and went in to find the two dead men.

Neighbors told police they had seen Crawley earlier coming out the door with his dog, about 3:30 p.m. One neighbor said she heard "barks" about 5:30 p.m.

Another neighbor stated he heard a "loud bang" about 5 p.m. One standing on the corner said he heard three "bangs."

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Crawley received three bullet wounds: left side of the head by the temple; left side of the middle ribs and middle of the abdomen.

Gatewood was shot in the left side of the jaw; middle of the back and lower left center abdomen.

They were self employed and owned and operated a cleaners on Reisterstown Rd.

Police point out that they further believe the death as drug and underworld related in that Gatewood was convicted with possession of $15,000 in heroin in 1971.

3,000 due here for Bible Way convention

Over 3,000 members and clergymen of the Bible Way Churches will be present in Baltimore Monday to open the July 19 to 25 convention at the Hilton Hotel. Bishop Winfield Showell, head of the First Apostolic Faith Church here, is host pastor.

The main speaker at the Civic Center July 23 and 24 is Bishop Robert McMurray of Los Angeles. Bishop J.E. Williams is presiding bishop for the Bicentennial Jubilee. Services will be held all day at Dr. Showell's 12 S. Caroline St. church.

BISHOP WINFIELD SHOWELL *host pastor*

Fellow teacher questioned in Dunbar Hi matron's murder

Homicide police state a fellow teacher at Dunbar High School was held Thursday for questioning in the stabbing death of Mrs. Saundra McClain. The 11th grade teacher of the East Baltimore school was found slain in her West Baltimore apartment last Sunday afternoon.

No charge had been placed Thursday against the suspect whose arrest came after detectives reportedly worked around the clock for four days.

Police records show the nude body of the 26-year-old teacher was discovered by her sister, Mrs. Phosta Taylor, 33, 4000 block Belle Ave. who told police she had gone to visit her sister.

Mrs. Taylor told police when no one answered her sister's door she looked through the window and saw her sister's body on the bed. She said she also noticed that the screen of a window to another bedroom had been cut.

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A medical examiner's records show the woman, who taught business education, died from stab wounds to the neck. Police also said there were bizarre wounds on the arms and other parts of the body.

A Southwestern District patrolman reported a woman driving a white Cadillac stopped him at Cooks Lane and excitedly stated a window screen to her sister's bedroom had been cut and the phone taken off the hook.

The officer said the body was found in a pool of blood as they entered the dead woman's Athol Gate Lane apartment.

According to police the television set at the foot of the bed was still on. Neighbors stated they heard nothing unusual during the night. One neighbor reported she saw Mrs. McClain at about 11:30 the previous night.

Described by her superiors as a good and loveable teacher, Mrs. McClain taught at Dunbar for five years.

MATE HELD

Employee at Social Security found slain

A 31-year-old man is being held at Baltimore County Jail after being charged July 13 with the murder of his wife.

Bail was set at $10,000 for Norman Lee Craig, of the 3800 block Reisterstown Rd. Police charge he allegedly killed Mrs. Rosland P. Craig, 29-year-old social insurance claims examiner, employed at Social Security in Woodlawn.

According to police, Mrs. Craig arrived home from work around 5:15 p.m. and found her estrange husband waiting for her.

Police say the couple became involved in an argument. They charge Craig

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Carter-Mondale Demo team set

By William E. Cotterell

NEW YORK (UPI) — Jimmy Carter Thursday selected Sen. Walter Mondale, D-Minn., to be his vice presidential running-mate and said "I have absolutely no doubt that I have made the right decision."

In finally divulging the best kept secret of the Democratic Convention, Carter told a news conference he had picked Mondale from a list of six finalists after he had changed his mind three times in the last few days.

"I did not tell the other five of my choice, other than I had decided to choose someone else," Carter said.

Other finalists had included Sens. John Glenn of Ohio, Edmund Muskie of Maine, Adlai Stevenson of Illinois, Frank Church of Idaho and Henry Jackson of Washington.

He said those not chosen were gracious, and indicated their support.

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"I always said, 18 months ago when it was idle query that my first responsibility would be to choose someone to run this country if something happened to me," Carter said.

He said Mondale fulfilled that requirement, without detracting from the qualifications of the other men under consideration.

Carter said he had talked to 30 or 40 people both in and out of government, "whose judgement I trust" and in their judgement Mondale was qualified for the job.

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Mondale was born in Ceylon, Minn., Jan. 5, 1928. His family also lived in Heron Lake and Elmore. He attended MacAlester College, St. Paul, where he met his wife, the former Joan Adams. They have three children, Theodore, Eleanor Jane, and William.

He served two years in the Army, returned to finish law school at the University of Minnesota, then entered private law practice in Minneapolis.

He is known as "Fritz" to

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Bicen Bits

A slave named Pompey rendered his services as a spy for the Patriots thus aiding in the capture of Stony Point, N.Y. on this day Friday, July 16, 1779. Also on this day in 1862, Ida B. Wells Barnett, organizer of the Anti-Lynching Crusade was born.

(UPI Telephoto)

DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE Jimmy Carter plays with grandson Jason, in his suite at the Hotel Americana on the third day of the convention. Looking on are his wife, Rosslynn, and daughter, Amy, 8.

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