

Two Million Lost By Chicagoans In Rent Frauds

CHICAGO (AP) — O. P. Lightfoot revealed that his office is seeking a Bernard Barkin, accused of heading a southside rental racket in which more than 100 complainants charged they have lost \$20,000. He named five agents who were accused of sending clients to Barkin, known to be an ex-convict with a prison record for robbery.

Those involved in the Barkin deal are Thomas White, D. R. Lane, W. S. Nelson, Andrew Jones, and Rev. Edna White. The Rev. White is now in county jail awaiting trial and cases against the others are to be taken to the grand jury.

Also under arrest are Thomas Williams an dbis secretary, Miss Evelyn Bates, both apprehended on a charge of operating a confidence game. In felony court Williams' bond was set at \$8,000 after 119 home seekers signed complaints charging they gave him \$12,000 on deposits on apartments they never moved into.

HARLEM MEDICS COURT UPHOLDS BAN BACK SYDENHAM ON NEGROES IN N. Y. DRIVE FOR FUNDS VET HOMES PROJECT

NEW YORK (AP) — Rumors that Negro doctors of Harlem did not support Sydenham hospital in its drive for funds to make up its deficit were spiked last week when the Central Harlem Medical society endorsed the hospital's interracial policy and its drive.

Speaking of the reported dissatisfaction with Sydenham, Dr. Cyril H. Dolly, president of the society, said: "This action serves to allay rumors that Negro doctors are preparing to compete with Sydenham."

On the subject of Mount Morris Park cooperative interracial hospital, Dr. Dolly pointed out that it has only 50 beds to Sydenham's 250, and it is set up to give essential facilities to physicians who have been unable to get them at Sydenham or other institutions.

He added, "Less than 10 percent of our Negro doctors are integrated at Sydenham. There may have been some dissatisfaction about this but at the same time the medical fraternity appreciates the importance of Sydenham."

The concern of the Central Harlem Medical society is the health of the Negro community. We are in favor of any institution, whether it's Sydenham or Mount Morris, that benefits the community in that respect.

Referring to the fact that there are a few Negro doctors at Sydenham, Dr. Dolly noted that white doctors have not left the hospital under its interracial policy as expected.

MOBILE TAKING NEGRO GENERAL HOSPITAL BIDS

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Seven bids on the first unit of a new general hospital and nursing school for Negroes, that will be one of the largest in the south, were taken here last week by Charles A. McQuay, white Birmingham architect. The proposed unit will be known as the Blessed Martin De Porres hospital, and will be managed by the Sisters of Mercy.

It will be built at an estimated cost of \$325,000. Initially, the unit will have 50 beds, with another 50 being provided later. About \$100,000 of the construction costs will be provided for by the federal government, Msgr. Fulton J. Sheene, and former Congressman Clare Booth Luce assisted in raising the remainder of the funds through public donation.

The hospital will replace a maternity institution for Negroes which has been in operation for several years. The new plant will have a maternity section.

In Birmingham, a group of Negro ministers, doctors and laymen met to discuss plans for constructing a Negro hospital costing between \$300,000 and \$500,000, near the Medical College of Alabama, Bishop is G. Shaw, president of the Jefferson County Hospital association, presided over discussions, which were held at the Booker Washington Conference rooms. The hospital is to have 100 beds.

Committees were appointed to survey past and future plans and report back to the group at its January meeting.

HAMPTON INST. PIRATES FACE HOWARD QUINT

Hampton, Va. — Zooming along the crest of a six-game winning streak, Hampton Institute's unbeaten Pirate quintet faces Howard University here on Friday night, January 7, in the opener of what looms as a hard conference schedule.

The January schedule is on the least side with a game against Virginia Union in Richmond on the 14th and a non-conference scrap here with Langley Field on the 22nd rounding out present prospects.

Five conference games here between Feb. 2 and February 9, however, will more than put the Pirates on their mettle, as they face Morgan State, St. Paul's Polytechnic, Virginia State, J. C. Smith, and N. C. State College.

To date, Coach Buck Nelson's charges have downed the 299th Air Squadron (Orlando, Fla.), 84-31; Maryland State College, 66-60; Langley Field, 42-42; Georgia State College, Savannah, 62-25 and 51-38; and Morehouse College in Atlanta, 50-39.

Using 12 to 16 men per game, Hampton has held a comfortable halftime lead in most of these games. Against Maryland State, when they trailed 42-24 at the half, and against Morehouse, when they led only 19-17 at the midway mark, they put on impressive second-half spurts to win by 10-0 margins.

Among the outstanding players to date have been Howard (Ivan) Allen, a returned veteran, with 49 points, freshman James Foster, with 31, ex-Captain Chuck Williams, with 25 points and some fine work on rebounds, Isaac (Curly) Moorehead, a good all-around man, Arthur Holmes, Gus Hambrick, Captain John (Curly) Wilson, Leroy Woodard, Willie Sutherland, Gardner Brown, Clarence Fields, and Jewell Johnson.

At least four football men — (Scapp) Lewis, Malaichi Allen, Robert Avers, and Ernest Roberts — are expected to lighten the already hectic competition for starting berths after the Christmas holidays.

SHORTER COLLEGE GETS \$100,000 BUDGET APPROVAL

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Delegates to the Arkansas-Oklahoma AMA conference, meeting in Bethel AME church here last week approved a \$100,000 educational program for Shorter College.

The program calls for \$40,000 to be spent for a new building and equipment for the home economics department, \$50,000 for operational expenses of the college and \$10,000 toward purchases of housing and lots adjacent to the campus.

Twenty-seven presiding elders, 70 pastors and 300 lay representatives attended the meeting, presided over by Bishop W. A. Fountain of Atlanta. Speakers at the convention included Bishop J. H. Clayborn of the Tennessee-Kentucky diocese, Dr. Robert Alexander, president and Drs. Z. Z. Driver and C. M. Mayes, of the Shorter faculty.

A community-wide, long-range agricultural program is now being drawn up for the Asheville area under the leadership of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

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MONROVIA Liberia (AP) — The new road across Liberia to French Guinea is carrying increasing traffic down to the new multi-million dollar harbor for export. Monrovia through this road becomes the best outlet for French Guinea.

One can leave Nzerokore, French Guinea at 6 a. m., travel clear across Liberia and be at Monrovia by 5 p. m., a trip which used to take days much of it on foot.

The France-Liberian Transport Company has already carried more than 1,200 tons of forest produce from Guinea to the port of Monrovia.

On the other side, council for Stuyvesant Town, Samuel Seabury and C. Frank Reavis said the project was financed as a private corporation, and had the rights of a private landlord.

If the private landlord does not want to rent apartments to colored persons, they declared, "nothing can be done about it. We are doing no more than any other landlord in New York is doing."

Last week's court decision was made without a written opinion by Justices David W. Peck, president, John Van Vorhis, Edward G. Glendon, Albert Cohn and Bernard L. Shientag.

Counsel for the ex-GIs Charles Abrams argued that the \$700 unit project was built with financial aid from the city and state governments, and that it had received a 25-year tax exemption.

That all amounted to savings of \$50,000,000, he argued. Furthermore, he claimed, if the city had built the project alone, discrimination would have been unconstitutional.

NEW ENGLAND NAACP HAS MEET IN BOSTON

BOSTON (AP) — The New England Regional Conference N. A. A. C. P. executive board voted to continue the Jennings case at its monthly meeting held at the Hotel Lucille in Boston last week.

The board will meet next month in Lowell. George C. Gordon of Springfield is president of the board, and Joseph G. LeCount of Providence, R. I. is chairman. Mrs. Florence Le Suer is president of the host branch.

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ROXBORO MAN HELD IN CHRISTMAS EVE KNIFING AFFRAY

ROXBORO — Clarence Jeffers is being held in jail charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Jeffers is reported by Sheriff C. C. Holeman, severely wounded Harold Graze with a knife in Graze's home last Friday (December 24) morning.

The injured man was cut across the stomach and dismembered and is in a serious condition in Duke Hospital at Durham. Holeman said that Jeffers came to Graze's residence in a drunken condition and jumped Graze with a knife. Jeffers received a knife slash across the face which required nine stitches, the sheriff stated.

Jeffers is being held without bond pending outcome of Graze's injuries.

Resider check payments in the Chatham area during the week ended December 11 totaled 204,000, as compared with 113,000 during the corresponding week in 1947.

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