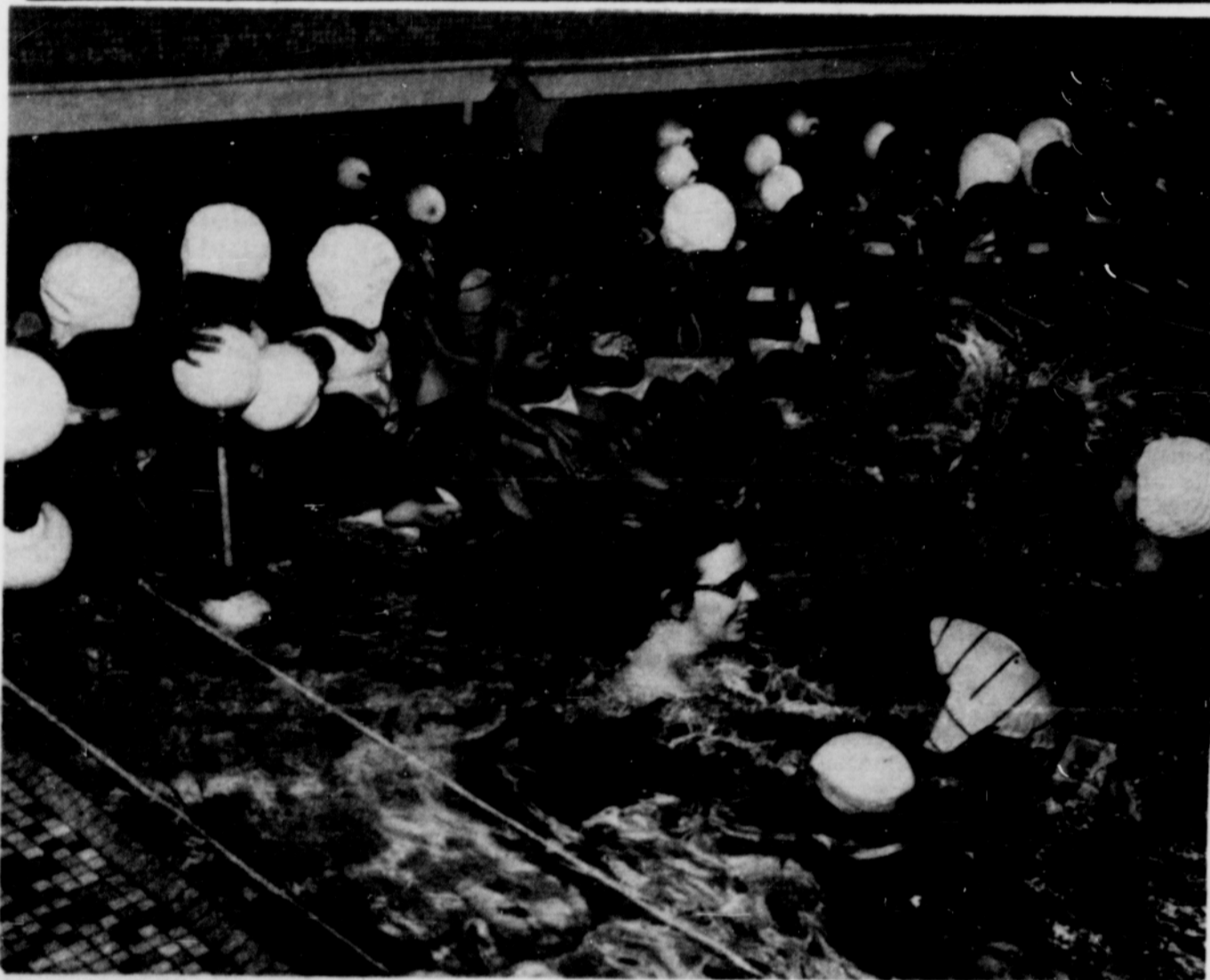


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The "Albina Child Development Center" Swim Class is held at the North Branch YMCA every Monday and Wednesday morning. YMCA in-

structor Hildegard Goranson works with volunteer instructors Mike Hoye and Diane Buckowitz to teach fun and skills in the water.

Emmanuel Hospital Awards



MARIE WALKER, center, 4308 N.E. 16th Ave., Portland — an Emanuel Hospital employee for the past 15 years — was recognized by Emanuel President Paul R. Hanson for her contributions to health care in the community at a service pin presentation ceremony at the hospital during the annual employee Christmas tea. Vyva Kelly, left, 3515 S.E. Washington, was awarded a 10-year service pin. Some 1500 years of service have been recorded by employees who received pins during the program, when Hanson emphasized the value to the hospital and its patients of experienced and dedicated employees.

Store damaged by hit & run driver

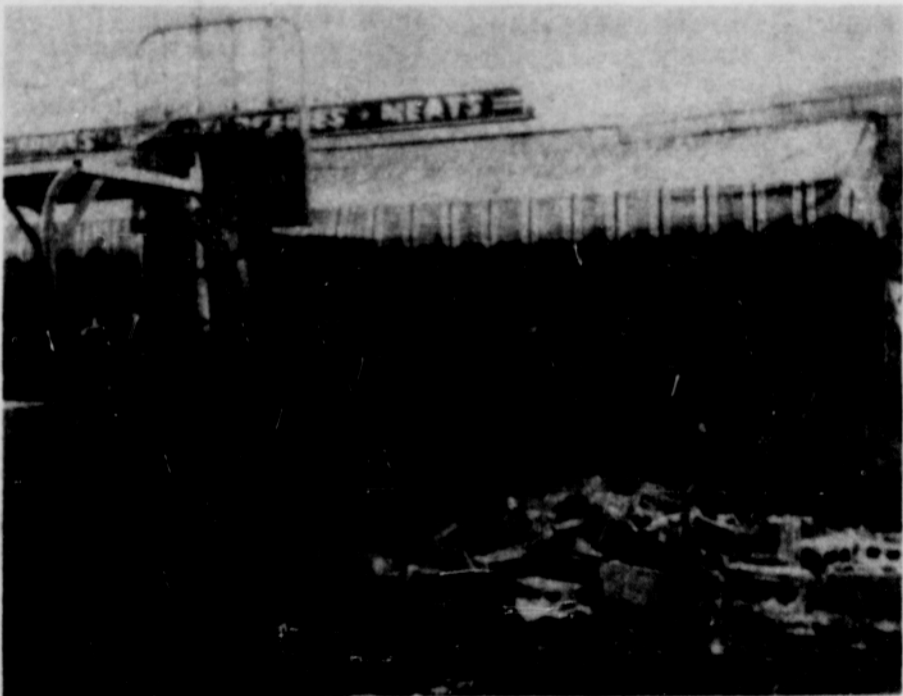
The Neighborhood Shopping Center at 2115 N. Williams Ave. had a jolting experience as an unknown unidentified motorist came to rest inside of the store almost injuring one of the clerks.

Witnesses to the accident say, the car was traveling at a high rate of speed and evidently went out of control, striking one car parked at the curb, skidding into another car driving away from

the front of the store, and finally coming to rest inside the store.

Occupants of the damaging vehicle escaped and had not been apprehended at the time of this release.

Neighborhood Shopping Center is the oldest Black business of Portland to have been located in one place for many years. It is the home of Neighborhood Bill's Sausage.



NEIGHBORHOOD Shopping Center the oldest Black established business at 2115 N. Williams is now a mass of ruin after hit and run drivers.

Via-Ducts Railing Unsafe

The Ockley Green Advisory Committee claims that the viaducts over the freeway (Interstate 5) on the streets of Skidmore, Alberta, Killingsworth, Ainsworth and Portland Blvd., do not provide adequate protection for children walking to and fro.

"When a 4 year old can lean over it just isn't high enough," said Mrs. Milburn. "can you imagine what older kids would do playing with ones leaning over like that?"

How can you explain to a smaller child that an older student was just kidding, "hanging over the rail" is not a test of bravery.

A list of names and signed complaints were presented to this reporter with a petition headed for Commissioner Anderson's office.

A fence is needed! Our first step is to circulate petitions. Other schools and organizations have expressed concern over this matter.

If you are interested please contact Mrs. Margaret Kelly 285-3722, Mrs. Martin 287-9964, Mr. Jocox 289-4382, Mrs. Barbara Milburn PTA Corresponding Secretary. 285-3494. The committee lists the following reasons for their concern.

1. Hazard to children crossing.
2. Throwing objects on freeway causing loss of articles.
3. Intimidation of younger children by older ones' threats that they will be pushed, hung over or thrown on to the free-

way below. "We feel that the cost of the fencing would be less than the loss of child's life, or possible

property and lives of those traveling on the freeway below these viaducts," Mrs. Milburn said.



THE RAILING on the Minnesota via duct is on 3'10" high. Our camera man caught this little four year old leaning over to watch a car below speeding at a rate of 70 miles per hour. Imagine if she should fall what would happen?



MRS. BARBARA MILBURN explains to Robert (Bob) Herdon "a concern citizen" the danger of children crossing the via duct over the Minnesota freeway.