Tip on big fire week's top winner

The first person to call the AFRO about the Barclay St. fire in which five families were routed on Sunday, is this week's winner in the AFRO's Newstip Contest.

A second prize of $3 is awarded to the person who called in the information about a man being killed during a tussle in Sollers Homes.

The third prize of $2 goes to the tipster who called in the information about the Lombard St. fire in which 250 persons had to leave their homes temporarily.

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OTHER PRIZES of $1 each are awarded to the persons who called in the following tips:

Death of Mrs. Alice Peck Sampson at 102, man caught breaking in drugstore in 1700 block Fulton Ave., fire in 800 block Fulton Ave., fire in factory on Caroline St. manhole blows up on Schroeder St. near Franklin, fire in 1900 block W. Franklin.

Also church robbed at Lafayette and Carrollton, shooting in 1700 block Madison Ave., ambulance-car collision at Broadway and Preston, Lights fail in Cherry Hill.

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THE AFRO has a total of $25 to pay out each week to persons who FIRST call in newstips on things happening in and around Baltimore which will make news.

Simply pick up the phone and dial MUlberry 5-6015. Ask for the City Desk and tell the persons who answers:

"I've got a newstip."

$32,000 awarded to 6

Three county bottling companies were ordered Wednesday to pay $32,000 damages to six persons injured last August when one of the company trucks collided with another truck carrying the plaintiffs.

Awarded the money in Court of Common Pleas under order of Chief Judge Emory H. Niles were:

Woodrow Perrie, Washington, $12,000; Vernon Queen, Fairland, Md., $2,750; Louis Smith, Brentwood, Md., $2,000 James Lyons, Hyattsville, $2,500; Harold Burke, Washington, $1,700 and Roger Richardson, Brentwood, $1,250.

The companies involved were Frostie Bottling Co., Frederick, Md.; Catonsville Bottling Co., Catonsville and Frostie Co., Catonsville. The company truck was driven by Walter Leander, Owings Mills, employee of the three establishments.

Parks sausage names manager

The appointment of John A. Dorcas as manager of the Maryland area of the Parks Sausage Co., has been announced by the firm. He assumed his post effective January 31st.

Mr. Dorcas, who has been serving as acting manager for the area since July, 1954, has succeeded Clay Wilson, who has taken over the Washington, D.C., branch exclusively.

Mr. Dorcas has had some six years experience in meat sales, and joined the Parks firm in March of 1953. He studied at West Virginia State College and took a degree in Business at Ohio State University.

He is married and has recently become the father of a baby boy. Mr. Dorcas has his residence at 2823 Brighton St., in Baltimore.

$500 bail set for electrical wizard

Williard L. Graham of the 200 block E. 33rd St. has never had a lesson in electrical work in his life, but that didn't keep him from attaching two wires from an electrical pole on the street to his home without the knowledge of the gas and electric company.

Charged with attempting to defraud the company, Graham was ordered held in bail of $500 Tuesday in Northern Police Court.

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ENJOY MOVIES—Charles R. Law, candidate for City Council, Fifth District, entertains neighborhood kids on Saturday mornings with movies. Here are shown some 70 of them enjoying the film. Scene was at the Law campaign headquarters, 1141 Poplar Grove St.

Matron lies near death after leap

- Hospitalized as result of bottle blow
- Friends say couple lived 'stormy life'

WASHINGTON

Who is Mrs. Lois Anderson?

Why did she jump from a third-floor window of Freedmen's Hospital?

Residents of the rooming house in the 2300 block of 18th St., NW, from which she was taken to the hospital nearly two weeks ago were asking these questions Wednesday.

Mrs. Anderson, 31, was reported near death Wednesday after she evaded patients and hospital attendants to jump through the glass and screen of a window in a hospital corridor.

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SHE WAS admitted to the hospital on Feb. 5, according to police, following an altercation with Roosevelt Lewis, 42, of the 18th St. address. Police described him as "her boy friend."

Sgt. E. R. Waters of the Homicide Squad said that the dispute developed over Lewis' objection to her staying in his room.

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AT THE hospital, Dr. William T. Parker, public relations officer, said that she had been retained for observation. It was found necessary to put her under restraint when she became somewhat disturbed and irrational, he revealed.

Hospital aides said that she had appeared quite calm on Monday night and had requested that the restraints be removed.

About 8:25 a.m., they reported, she jumped from her bed in Ward Four and ran down the corridor. Then she jumped through the closed window to a paved driveway three floors below.

HOSPITAL AIDES said that X-rays taken shortly after the plunge revealed no fractures, but that Mrs. Anderson was in critical condition from lacerations, bruises and possible internal injuries.

Her condition was described as "unchanged" on Thursday.

Mr. Lewis, who is scheduled to face trial on an assault charge in Municipal Court on Feb. 24, for allegedly striking her with a bottle, could not be located for comment.

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OTHER RESIDENTS of the rooming house where the dispute occurred said that they knew little about either Mr. Lewis or Mrs. Anderson. One tenant told the AFRO that they had frequent arguments during recent months about her visiting the house.

"He didn't seem to want her," one occupant said, "but she would come anyway, stay several days and then leave after one of their rows."

Another tenant told of having heard that Mrs. Anderson has a husband who owns an automobile, and a "very nice home." This was not verified by either police or hospital authorities.

The desk sergeant at the 13th precinct said that Mrs. Anderson had given no address other than Mr. Lewis'. Hospital authorities said that she failed to give the names of relatives and that none visited her since she was admitted to the institution.

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MRS. MARY PRESSLEY AND FIVE OF HER SIX CHILDREN
(Family faces imminent eviction from home)

Mother, six tots face eviction without aid

By JOE SHEPHARD

Mrs. Mary Pressley is only 22, but she is having and has had her share of troubles.

With three of her six children just recovering from a severe virus infection and the others still sick, she was facing imminent eviction from her home at 1913 9½ St. today (Friday)

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TWO MONTHS behind in her rent, she said that the eviction writ had been issued several days earlier, but had not been executed because of the children's illness.

The two oldest ones, a boy 10 and a girl 6, had not been able to go to school for the past week, she said because of a lack of clothing or food.

The kitchen of the two-room flat was strung with clotheslines from which hung about 10 diapers from her two-month-old infant.

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UNDER THE WET diapers the oldest boy and his three sisters were playing. An 18-month-old-boy wheezed and coughed as he leaned against his mother's leg.

"I really don't know what we are going to do," she said, "my husband is supposed to be getting a job doing a little part-time work up on Georgia Ave., as a laborer."

One of the children asked for a piece of bread and another one said, "Me too."

There was one slice left in the cupboard and the two youngsters divided it between them. The oldest boy just watched them.

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ASKED WHETHER she had tried to get help from the department of public welfare, Mrs. Presley said that she had tried there, and the Salvation Army.

"The Salvation Army said that it couldn't issue us any food unless my husband was working. The department of welfare said it couldn't put us on public assistance as long as my husband is living here."

"What are you going to do?" a reporter asked her.

"I don't know," was her answer.

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SALVATION ARMY officials who were asked about the case said that their budget does not permit the aiding of families for long-term periods.

Captain R. Gibson of their Family Welfare Department said that the agency does provide emergency assistance until some member of the famliy who had found a job can reach a pay day.

Chick Webb Center fetes tots on Valentine's Day

A Valentine's Day party for youngsters from the five to nine years old was held Monday at the Chick Webb Center, 628 N. Eden St., under the direction of Miss Laura Lipscomb, senior recreation leader.

Among the children attending the affair were: Janet Lawson, Shirley Prior, Linda Faulcon, Lula Belle Johnson, Lewis Jeyne, Shirley Small, Larry Thomas, Betty Jean Chandler, Bernice Chandler, Melvin Jacobs;

Also, Catherine Kemp, Edith Chandler, Marilyn Holcomb, Oswald Prior, Mary Jackson, Rudolph Rrior, Jerdenner Faulcon, Margaret Faulcon, Eanor Faulcon, William Gatings, Chauncey Gatings, Elva Helcomb;

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ALSO, ALMA Jackson, Joyce Jordan, Barbara Allen, Stephanie Jackson, Rosalind Davis, Doris Pollard, Shirley Weeks, Anna Thomas, Joyce Summerville, Calvin Tinsley, Stephen Hakins;

Also, Diane Hinson, Richie Woodfield, Josephine Malone, Allen Holcomb, Peggy Ann Lee, Roy Westmore, John Reed, Delores Taylor and Tyrone Johnson.

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PRIZES WERE awarded to rilyn Holcomb, Allen Holcomb and Peggy Ann Lee. Miss Lipscomb was assisted by the following:

Helen Brown, Syrina Jacobs, Carolyn Larry, Estelle Lawson, Herbert Imes, Laura Belle Malone, Barbara Clouse, Elizabeth Malone and Mrs. Louise Reed.

DR. W. E. MORELAND TO KEYNOTE TSU CONFERENCE

HOUSTON, Tex.—Dr. W. E. Moreland, superintendent of public schools, will keynote the fourth annual Administrators Conference at Texas Southern University, Feb. 19.

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Commerce group at Morgan State

Approximately 50 members of the Baltimore Association of Commerce visited Morgan State College, Thursday, to make an inspection tour of the institution's new science facilities.

The Association made the tour at the invitation of Morgan President Martin D. Jenkins. L. Manuel Hendler, vice president of the Association and a Morgan trustee, and Joseph W. Claitice, secretary of the Association, helped to arrange the tour.

A major point of interest on the tour was the new million and a half dollar Milton Lewis Calloway Science Hall, which together with other renovated and remodelled facilities, will be academically dedicated in April.

The delegation, led by Mr. Hendler, arrived at 3 p.m. Wilbur Vansant is president of the Association.

Among the members invited on the tour were: Martin B. Kohn, of the Hochschild Kohn Company, a vice president of the Association; Robert O. Bonnell, of the Fidelity Baltimore National Bank and Trust Company; A. B. Calloway, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad;

W. J. Casey, Maryland Trust Company; C. P. Crane, Gas and Electric Company; John Cross of Elphinstone, Inc.; R. H. Hockley, Olin Mathieson Company; H. P. Irr, Baltimore Federal Savings; J. R. Cupit, Maryland Trust Company;

Fred I. Archibald, The Baltimore News-Post; P. L. Goldsborough, Fidelity Trust Co.; John T. Menzies, Crosse and Blackwell; J. D. Black, Black and Decker Company; J. J. Sheridan and T. T. Lankford, Bethlehem Steel; Dr. E. W. Guernsey, Gas and Electric Company;

D. F. Hagner, vice president, Baltimore Branch Federal Reserve; S. A. Wachter, Standard Oil; William Baker, Hutzlers; J. J. Schemm, American Smelting and Refining Company; Daniel A. Lindley, Canton Company; C. F. Carstarphen, Proctor and Gamble; Purnell Hall, Md. Dry Dock Company; Charles W. Hoff, Union Trust Company; Charles E. McManus, Crown Cork and Seal Company.

Members of the Association staff and other members were on hand.

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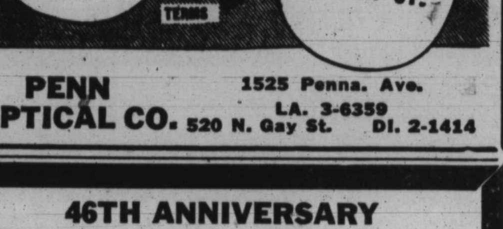

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Teenage shoplifting becomes big problem

Teen age shiplifters are one of Baltimore's most pressing problems and to combat this contributing fact to juvenile delinquency a woman special police officer has come up with a unique preventative plan.

It is unique because although hired to arrest shoplifters, she's more interested in preventing a youngster becoming one.

Upset becuse over the Christmas-New Years holidays she had to arrest 75 teen age shoplifters, Special Officer Towanda Rhea has presented her plan to juvenile authorities and parents.

Her main objective, says Miss Rhea, is to keep youngsters from getting police records.

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MISS RHEA is employed by various department stores to prevent shoplifting and she says such juvenile adventure into crime is in the uprise in Baltimore.

As part of her preventive plan, she would like to meet with parents, school officials and PTA organizations to enlist their help in fighting this activity.

Miss Rhea says most youngsters in Baltimore begin their shoplifting activity when they arrive at school late and are ordered home.

"They tell us later that if they are five minutes late their teachers send them home," she says. "With bus fare in their pockets they make a beeline for the downtown area."

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A COMMON weapon used by girls to thwart their being recognized, says Miss Rhea, is a hood which they purchase at a local surplus for 29 cents.

"When they wear these hoods, no one call tell who they are," she says. "I'd like the City of Baltimore to ban their sale to youngsters."

Miss Rhea also believes that the juvenile shoplifters are coached in their activity by some adults.

"Someone has taught them how to ball up skirts, stick them between their legs and walk out of these stores," she said. "One Child we picked up had been taught by her aunt."

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ANOTHER problem perplexing juvenile authorities is that of where the young shoplifters dispose of the goods they steal.

'The'y have to have some outlet," observed Mrs. Rhea. "That, too, leads us to believe some adults are coaching them."

At present whenever a juvenile is picked up in a store for shoplifting a petition is filed against the youngster in Juvenile Court.

Right then and there, if a petition is filed, a child has a police record.

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IF IT IS a first offense, the juvenile is usually placed on probation. On second offenses, however, they are sent away to Boys Village of the Barrett School for Girls.

This problem of shoplifting is not a racial one, either, according to Miss Rhea. Nor is it confined mainly to juveniles of one sex.

Miss Rhea says the percentage between boys and girls is about 50-50 and adding to the problem now are men who are out of work.

In her preventative plan she would have juvenile authorities employ the following whenever a child is picked up for shoplifting.

First offense: Give the child a good talking and send him home.

Second offense: Place the child on probation and visit the home to talk to the parents.

Third offense: Commit the child to an institution.

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MISS RHEA would also like to see the special officers in the stores appointed as truant officers. In this way she feels that they would have special authority to stop children they see entering stores or walking the streets during school hours.

Both Miss Rhea and Marshall M. Meyer, the latter an investigative consultant with offices at 839 Sheridan Ave., have presented this preventative plan to Judge Charles Moylan of Juvenile Court and received his approval of it.

Right now, Miss Rhea is hopeful that some parents, aware of the increasing problem and anxious to keep their youngsters from getting police records will contact her so that she can meet with them.

She can be reached either through Mr. Meyer's office at IDlewood 3-1472 or by calling MUlberry 5-6565 during the day.

CRIME AID—Special officer Towanda Rhea holds one of the hoods she says young teen age shoplifters are wearing nowadays to hide their identity when they enter local department stores. She's behind move to bar their sale at local surplus store. Problem of shoplifting is on the increase in city, according to Miss Rhea. (See accompanying article).

Work Bench

By Clarence Mitchell

WASHINGTON

The merger of the AF of L and the CIO will bring three young men of great promise and ability into the top levels of American political and economic life.

These three are products of the railroad industry. Theodore Brown, a brainy two-fisted individual, comes from the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. George L-P Weaver and Harold Snell are top leaders in the Transport Service Employees Union. George is a familiar figure in Washington, while Harold handles the union's finances in Chicago.

All three of these men have had broad experience on the national scene. Of the three, Ted Brown is the most blunt, George is the most suave and Harold is the most informal. All have behind them experiences which would have been regarded as enough for a successful lifetime a generation ago.

Ted has always been frank to the point of ruthlessness. Once when he served as regional representative of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice in St. Louis, Mo., he challenged the General Cable Company, the U.S. Army Signal Corps and the local chamber of commerce all at once.

The issue was over employment of colored women by the General Cable Company. While the Signal Corps and others were wrangling about what do do, Ted, with the cooperation of the company's president, settled the matter by getting the women on the job.

George, who could easily pass for a young bank official as well as a labor leader, likes to make extensive moves behind the scenes. When Sen. Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) undertook the job of straightening out the tangled affairs of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, he brought George in as one of his top aides.

One day a group of U.S. State Department officials met to discuss world tin problems. They were getting ready to visit South America and Asia to negotiate with top industry and government leaders on the spot. Backed by Symington, George walked into the meeting as an RFC spokesman. He went abroad with the group and did a constructive job.

Harold, who spent a few years as executive secretary of the NAACP in Cincinnati, has made a personal visit to Africa and has keen sense of what role the United States must play if it is to retain world leadership.

Ted and George have had the best opportunities to look at national politics. Men and women in the labor movement respect their judgment on vital questions in this field.

The merger of the AF of L and CIO will bring labor into an increasingly prominent role in political life. It is safe to predict that these three men will rise with labor's star. At some point in the future a U.S. President will put one of them in the cabinet.

Coming Events

FEBRUARY 18

Douglass High School February Class of 1945 dance at Moulin Rouge Ballroom.

FEBRUARY 20

Founders' Day program of NAACP at Sharp St. Memorial Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., Mrs. Anna A. Hedgeman, assistant to New York City's Mayor Wagner, guest speaker.

FEBRUARY 21

Brotherhood Week opens.

Annual Beaux Arts Ball, Baltimore Urban League Guild, Erskine Hawkins orchestra, Famous Ballroom, 1717 N. Charles St.

Omega Psi Phi Mardi Gras at Coliseum.

FEBRUARY 23

103rd birthday of Mrs. Addie Biggers of 905 W. Saratoga St.

FEBRUARY 24

Game party for the benefit of a home for the blind of Maryland at Madison Ave., YWCA. World Day of Prayer celebrated at Sharon Baptist Church, Stricker and Presstman Sts., from 7 a.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Leon Sachs, executive director of the Baltimore Jewish Council, seaks on "How Intergroup Tensions are Intensified and Spread," at Enoch Pratt Library at 8 p.m.

FEBRUARY 24-25

Legislative sessions of the Model Youth Council.

FEBRUARY 25

Fashion show at Coliseum, sponsored by the Gamma Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority for the benefit of Crownsville State Hospital.

The Rev. Russell Roberts of Atlantic City, conducts revival service at Gillis Memorial Community Church, Calhoun and Mulberry Sts.

FEBRUARY 25, 26

E. S. Williams Wesleyan Service Guild presents the Morgan College Players in "Roughshod Up the Mountain."

FEBRUARY 26

Dr. Frank T. Wilson, Dean of the School of Religion, Howard University, guest speaker at 54th Men's Day celebration at Union Memorial Methodist Church, Warwick and Harlem Aves.

National Council of the Committee on Racial Equality (CORE) holds meeting in Baltimore.

Annual cabaret party of Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters and their Ladies' Auxiliary, at Odd Fellows Hall.

FEBRUARY 27

59th Founders' Day celebration for the benefit of Crownsville at Madison Ave. YWCA at 5 p.m.

MARCH 11

National Symphony Orchestra of Washington in concert at Bates High School, Annapolis, to benefit Anne Arundel General Hospital at 12:45 p.m.

MARCH 13

30th annual Urban League dinner meeting, Sheraton Belvedere Hotel, Governor McKeldin speaker.

MARCH 19

Cabaret party of the National Alliance of Postal Employees.

Poet's Nook

HATE

By LORRAINE WILLIAM

It grows and grows,
Like the root of a vine.
Slowly, yet persistenly it grows.
Fertilized with anguish,
It ripens with age,
Never seeking to languish.
It bursts from the roots
That dared to give it seed.
Defying, it bursts from its roots!
It breaks through the sod!
It finds its destination;
Now commences battle,
Between man and God!
Money gives it life.
Hell provides the fuel.
No earthly power,
Can stop it's stife.
It sizzles contently,
On the heat of a word.
Then bursts into flame.
In the presence of discord.
It dwells in the soul,
And feeds on irritation.
It errupts, being tormented
By aggravations.
Its purpose, its aim,
Its specific duty,
Is to destroy life,
With all its beauty.
For any man,
It's such a hopeless fate,
When he succumbs
To this his growth of hate!

WATER SOURCE—Walter Jenkins, a resident of Sandy Bottom, draws water from a public hydrant. Out houses, oil stoves and oil lamps are still in use and for bathing a portable tub is used.

Sandy Bottom, a blighted area in Baltimore County

By EDGAR J. HARTUNG

Sandy Bottom is one of the last outposts of the horse and buggy days. Properly named, as it lies at the bottom of the modern civilized town of Towson, Md., a northern suburb in Baltimore County, it stretches northward along York Road from the New County Fire House for about three-fourths of a mile and west about one city block.

The wheels of progress have passed by this blighted area so fast that no time or thought has been given to this group of people who try to be happy and suffer in silence.

Mr. P. Henderson and his wife are two of the old timers who have lived in this area for over a quarter century and they well remember when the traffic along York Road was not as speedy as it is today.

Less horsepower but more safety was the state of things in days gone by.

THE HOUSES in this area and the general living conditions are far from what might be in keeping with the modern areas just a short distance from Sandy Bottom.

Here the most primitive facilities are used by the tenants who live in homes that are more shacks than houses.

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THE CITY of Baltimore is providing housing projects in the heart of the city for the citizens there. But the residents of Sandy Bottom and others continue to suffer in silence.

Most of these people who have lived in the country most of their lives would not be comfortable in a stuffy city.

The writer, a Rawleigh dealer whose business takes him into the homes of most of these people in Sandy Bottom feels that the county fathers might provide a housing project in Baltimore County.

MR. AND MRS. P. HENDERSON
Old Timers in Sandy Bottom

Happy Birthdays

The AFRO feels it a pleasure to extend warmest birthday greetings to those of its readers and friends who are celebrating the occasion this week.

Please send birthday dates of relatives and friends to the AFRO-AMERICAN, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1, Md., at least two weeks ahead of time. Happy birthday to the following:

FEBRUARY 13
Octavius Minor, Baltimore

FEBRUARY 14
Dr. Frank N. Cardozo, Baltimore
Mrs. Viola Jones, Baltimore
Mary L. Smith, Baltimore
Deanna L. Miles, Baltimore

FEBRUARY 15
Mrs. Annie Douglass, Baltimore
M. Jeanne Harvey, Pottsville, Pa.
Mrs. Estelle Tyson, Jackson, Tenn.
Bernardeen Moore, Morgantown, W. Va.
Eugenia J. Williams, Baltimore
Mrs. Cassanda Davis, Baltimore
J. H. Cummings, Baltimore
Mrs. Arelia Brown, Raleigh, N.C.

FEBRUARY 16
Mrs. Mattie Brown, High Point, N.C.
Donald L. McCoy, Baltimore
Rosalind Thigpen, East Orange, N.J.
Blanche F. Talley, Baltimore
Mrs. Willard Henry, East Orange, N.J.
Marian Smith, New York City
Bonnie L. Reid, Durham, N.C.

FEBRUARY 17
Janie Henson, Waterbury, Md.
Bertha Bauldrick, Cameron, S.C.

FEBRUARY 18
Mrs. Martha Clark, Baltimore
Carol R. Jones, Baltimore
Mrs. Bessie Brooks, Baltimore
J. K. Nolan, Augusta, Ga.
Mrs. J. Luke Jones, Philadelphia
W. S. McLeod, High Point, N.C.
Anna B. Douglas, New Orleans, La.

FEBRUARY 19
Miss Sidney M. Lane, Sparrows Point, Md.
Laura E. Green, Richmond, Va.
John McClain, Baltimore
Mrs. Robert L. Taylor, Richmond, Va.
Marian P. Clary, Baltimore
Willie M. Farmer, Pascagoula, Miss.

Democratic Viewpoint

By LLOYLA RANDOLPH

In just 12 days the voting public will have a chance to nominate the Democratic and Republican candidates of their choice.

History has it that Baltimoreans do not vote very heavy in primary elections. If this is the case this year, machine politics will prevail.

The working citizen who does not belong to any political club may be the deciding factor in any primary election.

Organizations can always count on the B'Hoys getting out the 'organized' vote, job holders will vote and urge their friends to vote for the candidate that can keep them in their jobs.

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BUT THERE should be an awakening of the general public to the importance of primary elections. The Democrats can only vote for the Democratic candidates and the Republicans can only vote for their choices.

March 1 is the day to nominate your party man for the general Election in May.

There are a great many candidates for the three city-wide offices of Mayor, Persident of the City Council and comptroller and by voting on March 1, you will have a chance to name your party choice who will represent you in the General Election in May.

This election in March may well rest in the hands of the independent voter. Come out and vote!

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is working full time as campaign manager for Charles R. Law, candidate for City Council in the large Fifth District.

He had Arthur B. Price and Joseph Mullan, candidate for comptroller, at the Winchester Improvement and Protective Association on last Thursday night. They made a big hit with this non-partisan group.

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T. BARTON Harrington released his platform this week. He is departing from the Mahoney plan of running without a platform. His contains many needed remedies for our city government.

Price continues to bang away at the Mayor and Jack Pollack has taken up the fight in the Mayor's behalf. Final results revealed that Paul Holland worked on a per-diem basis for almost three years after the Mayor did not place his name before the City Council for reappointment. He just worked at the Mayor's pleasure, terminable at will.

Four of the five Democratic Clubs in Cherry Hill combined under the leadership of Alexander Brown. There are three heavily registered precincts in the 25th Ward.

Alexander Brown is a hard worker and should be commended for his leadership in getting the clubs to combine into one organization. Now there is real political strength in Cherry Hill.

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THE RANDOLPH, Perry and Rombro ticket has been endorsed by the William Green field group in the Fourth District. This is an anti-Pollack ticket and is getting more support each day.

Ed Smith's group in the 15th ward also handed its indorsement to the Randolph, Perry and Rombro coalition.

Please remember, that no man has more than one vote to cast on election day. You are as big as anyone, if you cast your ONE VOTE ON MARCH 1, 1955.

Jenkins paid tribute

CHICAGO—Tributes to the life and work of the late **Charles J. Jenkins**, for 24 years representative in the Illinois General Assembly from the Third District, were given by State Rep. William H. Robinson, Alderman Archibald J. Carey Jr. and State Sen. Marshall Korshack, at an NAACP civil rights rally held here last week.

—POLITICS—

Another Democractic Viewpoint

By ROBERT B. WATTS

There is in the 5th District an anti-Pollack ticket seeking election to the City Council.

The Pollack ticket is composed of Edelman, Rubenstein, Hankin and Shaeffer. The anti-Pollack ticket is composed of Falter, Flynn, Goldstein, and Murphy.

James B. Murphy was formerly Deputy U.S. Attorney. Frank Flynn is presently a member of the City Council and has many friends in the city among the colored voters. We can consider him a worthy representative in the Council.

Charles E. Falter was formerly a member of the City Council and can not be considered with too much favor based on his record.

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BERNARD M. Goldstein is an attorney, being a member of the Supreme Court and the courts of the State.

He was formerly associated with Simon Sobeloff, the present Solicitor General of the U.S. He ise also president of the Maryland Association of Plaintiff's Attorneys, an organization which accepts attorneys without regard to race or creed.

Mr. Goldstein states that he is unequivocally in favor of the type of legislation that insures a man the right to a job without regard to his color and would vote for such a law if elected.

He feels that once you break down barriers between peoples of different religions and races, you create the type of racial harmony which is healthy for any city like Baltimore.

He has appeared before the Council in many matters involving neighborhood associations, such as zoning and parking problems. This in brief, is something about the 5th District anti-Pollack Ticket.

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THE 5th District headquarters of Charlie Laws is filled to capacity on Thursday nights when his group meets. It indicates the enthusiasm that has surrounded his cause.

The Lloyal Randolph camp has been given a big boost with the endorsement of both the Harrington and Price factions.

Randolph has been a close political associate of Mayor D'Alesandro for years but because of the Mayor's failure to recognize the strength of the colored voter, he has broken with him.

He has publicly criticized the Mayor which took courage and indicates that he is not guided by his own personal advantage.

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ERNEST L. Perkins, Josiah Henry and Howard Payne have agreed to team up as a lawyer's ticket. James (Biddy) Wood is active in the interest of Josiah Henry.

Melvin Callaman is counting heavily on the 4th District Political Organization as many of the members of that organization were classmates of his when he was a student at Morgan College.

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IT IS common for a few people to turn out to vote in a primary. We as colored voters, however, cannot afford to follow this pattern.

In the last few years the colored vote has become something to be reckoned with and we should keep in mind that we must keep up our effectiveness even in a primary.

We can become the balance of power in the 4th and 5th districts and in the 6th we can determine the victor.

Let's remember this on March 1 and make every effort not only to vote ourselves but most of all that our friends and neighbors do so too.

Another Republican Viewpoint

By JOHN JASPER

We are again on the threshold of an important election, less than four months since the Gubernatorial election.

In the primary election on or March 1st, each party selects its candidate for mayor, president of the City Council, comptroller and City Councilmen to represent the six districts of Baltimore.

In this important body, no colored man has set for more than 20 years. We are entirely unrepresented.

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PRIOR to that time, we had had representatives from the heavily populated wards which are now part of the Fourth Legislative District. The last were the late Warner T. McGuinn and Walter E. Emerson.

Jack Pollack's domination of the District from about that period brought an end to the election of any Republican councilmen, white or colored, with the sole exception of Daniel Ellison.

And he steadfastly refused to support the aspirations of any colored Democrat for any post until the voters brought him to book last November with the election of the two Coles, and Truly Hatchett to the General Assembly.

As a result, he has reluctantly endorsed the candidacy of Walter Dixon as one of his three candidates. But another Democratic faction has endorsed Lloyal Randolph and other qualified men such as Josiah Henry, Ernest Perkins are making independent fights for the nominations.

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THE REPUBLICAN party, on the other hand, has always nominated colored men for the City Council and the Legislature and it is proud that Senator Cole and Delegate Cole are its adherents.

No primary contest is needed in the Fourth District among the Republicans, because two of its candidates, Linwood Koger and E. Gaines Lansey, as well as the third man, are fully qualified in every respect to fill the shoes of Watty, Cummings, Bill Fitzgerald, McGuinn and Emerson.

In the general election these men are entitled to be supported by every citizen in the Fourth District, irrespective of color or creed.

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AS TO THE mayoralty contest, the contest is between Mayor D'Alesandro and six or seven opponents.

There is also a contest for the presidency of the City Council between George Sellmayer, onetime president of the City Council, Leon Abramson, member of the Council from the Fourth District and Ambrose J. Kennedy, a Council member for the Third District.

The Republicans have no contest for the Council presidency, its nominee being J. Marshall Boone, chairman of the State Athletic Commission.

THERE ARE three Republican contestants for the Republican nomination for Mayor, Samuel Hopkins, an employee of the Fidelity Deposit Company and a former member of the House of Delegates; William F. Laukaitis, attorney and former Chief Police Magistrate, and Louis R. Milio, a young attorney.

While the main interest of the public is in the Democratic contest for Mayor, the Republican contest is of no less importance because it is entirely possible, that due to the Democratic division, the victor in the Republican primary will be elected over the Democratic nominee, whether D'Alesandro or one of his opponents.

For this reason, it is vital that all registered Republicans participate in the primary election and help to safeguard the interests of colored citizens, for if a Republican is elected Mayor in May, it is important that the votes which elect him include the votes of colored citizens.

Legislative Roundup

By SHIRLEY KYLE

ANNAPOLIS—Things will begin to roll in the General Assembly soon on the Civil Rights bills introduced last week in the Senate and House by Sen. Harry Cole and Delegate Emory Cole, (Reps. - 4th).

It is expected that hearings set by Judiciary Committees on the bills will be scheduled sometime next week.

In case you can't make it down to the capital when the hearings are set, you can do your bit by writing the members of the committees or your representatives, urging them to pass the bill.

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IN WRITING to the members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, address your mail to: Court of Appeals Building, Annapolis, Md.

Members of the committee include:

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Sens. Frederick Malkus, chairman, H. Winship Wheatley, vice chairman; Harry Cole, Robert Dean, Thomas Dempsey, Anthony DiDomenico, Charles Downey, Clifford Friend, Philip Goodman, Stanford Hoff, Joseph Mattingly, John North, and James Weinroth.

For the House Judiciary Committee, address your mail to State House, Annapolis, Md.

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MEMBERS INCLUDE:

Delegates Lloyd Simpkins, chairman; Daniel Brewster, vice chairman; Edgar Silver, W. Dale Hess, Daniel Murray Jr., Ridgely Melvin Jr., Howard Ankeney, Thomas Hedrick, Earl Rosenthal;

Also, Charles Woodward Jr., Lansdale Sasscer Jr., William Wheeler, Mrs. Myrtle Polk, Robert Cannon, Clarence Corkran Jr., Harry Hughes, William Burkley, John Maguire, Joseph Asker, C. Clifton Virts, Lewis Tawney Jr.;

Also, Wilson Meyers, Frank Combs, Maurice Cardin, Joseph Tydings, Noel Cook, Jacob Berkson, Joseph Payne, Carroll Smith, George Hughes Jr. and Samuel Culotta.

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AND FOR those of you who wish to write your representatives but you don't know who they are, just send a letter including your name, address and self-stamped addressed enevelope to: Legislative roundup, care of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, Baltimore, Md.

SHOULD THE House pass the bill giving the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore the power to appoint the police commissioner of the city instead of leaving the right in the governor's hand, then new things can be expected.

Primarily, the Monumental Bar Association, along with other legal affiliations would have something to say about the appointment.

According to the new measure, before the Mayor could make a nomination for the position, organizations including the Monumental Bar Association would submit two names, one a member of the Police Department and the other a non-member of the department, to the Mayor for recommendation.

The bill also provides that the Mayor's selection must come from this list. At present, the measure is still in the House Ways and Means Committee.

At present the governor appoints the Police Commissioner.

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DELEGATES have made another stab at providing up to $400 bonus payments to veterans again this session. The bonus bill passed last year was vetoed by the governor on legal technicality counts.

This week, two bills were introduced to the House. The main difference between them is the financial setup. One of the proposals would be financed by hiking the sales tax 50 percent.

The other would call for legalizing lottery in the state to finance the plan. In this case, the governor would name a three-member commission to operate the lottery.

As for the sales tax increase, that would come about only if approved by the voters.

Earlier in the session, two other bonus bills were introduced in the Senate. One to be financed by raising the tax on alcoholic beverages, the other by permitting property and income-tax exemptions for the veterans.