

Headliner

The first woman to serve on Maryland's Circuit Court. . .received her degree from the Washington College of Law of American University. . .active on the local political scene, she served on the County Council and in House of Delegates, where she served on the Judiciary Committee. . .appointed to the Sixth Circuit Court bench in 1955 and was elected to the position a year later. . . honored in 1958 when she received the AU Alumni Association Distinguished Recognition Award. . .a trustee of the Montgomery County Youth Camp, member of Phi Delta legal fraternity and has held office in the County Bar Association. . .active in the Maryland State and American Bar Associations and participates in the National Conference of State Trial Judges. . .married to Donald Gleason Shook, has two children and three grandchildren. . .



**Kathryn J.
Shook**

More on Judges

Speaking of judges. I am glad to see that our Circuit Court Judges are carrying on the tough flning traditions of Judges Woodward and Prescott as it concerns crooks, gamblers and habitual breakers of our laws.

Judge Kathryn Lawlor threw the 'book at a very personable young man who admitted stealing thousands of dollars so he could play the numbers. No wonder he got the works. It's bad enough to take money or anything else belonging to someone else but to waste it on such stuff as numbers is not something on which to waste sympathy or leniency.

Judge Lawlor, by the way, has one of the most beautiful back yards in the county — most of which she gardens herself. This is one way she can relieve her mind of many of the cases of life that come before her. And many of them aren't too pleasant.

Her big swimming pool in the back yard could wash away many thoughts, especially on these hot evenings.