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Area Delegates Distinctive At Maryland Assembly

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ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 5. A man of distinction and splendid isolation at the Maryland general assembly these days is Delegate Gilbert Gude (R-Montgomery) who is bolstering his morale with a bright red vest and a Maryland Black-eyed Susan in his buttonhole.

Even without his red waistcoat, Gude would stand out
in the Montgomery delegation as its sole Republican
and also the only veteran in
a group of freshman delegates. Actually he is the only
Republican in either his own
or the Prince Georges' delegations, but he shares his
veteran's honor there with
delegate Perry O. Wilkinson
who outshines the Montgomery countian in length of service.

Gude has borne up well under a barrage of threadbare jokes about holding a caucus in a telephone booth, but he speaks a little withfully of the good old days of 1954 when five others of his party were here to keep him company in the delegation.

Mrs. Margaret M. Schweinhaut, another member of the Montgomery delegation also has been creating something of a sensation. The wife of a United States District Court judge, the white-haired, darkeyed handsome Mrs. Schweinhaut has been the target of admiring glances. Many of these admirers did a double take however, when she entered the State House today. For there were apparently two Mrs. Schweinhauts.

The Montgomery delegate was accompanied by her twin sister, Mrs. Marie McGuire of San Antanio, Tex., who came along to see her sworn in.

When the House was organized today, Mrs. Millard E. Tydings was in the visitors gallery to see her son, Joseph D. Tydings sworn in as a Delegate from Harford County. She was accompanied by her father, former Ambassador to Russia, Joseph E. Davies.

Also on hand was former Congressman Landsdale G. Sasscer who once served as president of the Senate, to see his son, Lansdale G. Sasscer, Jr., sworn in as a Delegate from Prince Georges.