**PRETTY, PRETTY HATS**—Just the thing to wear during the forthcoming Christmas holidays when there are plenty of places to go and plenty of things to see. At left, Mrs. Jeannette Leath wears a Charm Centre special. It is made of black hackle feathers, ideal for wear with your fur coat. Center, Mrs. Arnetta Lottier, models a blue stain number bound completely around with blue ostrich feathers. It is Woodmere and available at Valentine's. At rigth, Mrs. Leath shows a Christmasy white beaver pillbox trimmed with rhinestone emblem. It is also available at Charm Centre. Watch the pages of your AFRO each edition for holiday fashions at these and other store which **welcome** your patronage.

**PRETTY SHOES TOO**— At holiday time, ladies also like to have flattering new shoes to go with their costumes. These numbers are available at Levie's. Left to right, the Koster pump in black suede trimed with calf; Next, the black suede T-strap Bernadino with rhinestone trim; Koster black pump with metallic bow; the Koster springolator with rhinestone clip and stain bow; and the Tweedies closed toe halter strap.

**MORE PRETTIES** — Stylish coats and dresses are must with stylish hats and shoes. These are numbers featured at Elmer Liepman's, another AFRO advertiser who **welcomes** your patronage. Left, Mrs. Arnetta Lottier models a form fitted coat in rose Worumba with marmink detachable stole. Right, Mrs. Helen Glover shows a black sheer wool cocktail dress with the new, low back neckline and kick pleat.

## Douglass Homes Golden Agers fete friends

The Senior Citizens of Douglass Homes entertained the Golden Age clubs of Poe, Gilmore, Lafayette Courts and McCulloh Homes with a Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 20 in the Somerset Homes community building.

**Over 52 persons were served. Theodore Brown, senior recreation leader, spoke. Other speakers were: L. Clements Nixon, bureau of recreation; Miss Mary Clarke, community center director; and Frank R. Veney, housing manager.**

Assisting in the arrangements were: Mesdames Mable Bailey and Hattie Harrison, Douglass Homes Mothers Club; Mesdames Lydia Grinnage and Odessa Jones, Somerset Homes Mothers Club, and Miss Mary Lockheart, recreation leader.

## Units for Unity closing set

The last session of "Units for Unity" will be held at Fellowship House, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The closing will be in form of a song-drama with audience participation, under the theme "Not by Bread Alone."

Narrator will be Samuel Wilson, director of the Afrna Players. Certificates will be awarded to members of the group who have studied with the Units for Unity project.

## Belvedere relaxes its racial policy

The Sheraton Belvedere relaxed its white only policy Thursday afternoon when brown-skinned Kenneth Smith was allowed to eat in the main dining room and sip cocktails in the Embassy lounge later.

**Mr. Smith, who is in charge of the Oakland office of the Urban League, was here as a member of the Oakland delegation making a nation-wide study of urban redevelopment.**

Earlier in the year, members of a delegation of Nashville City Councilmen here as guests of the city, were not served at a restaurant across from City Hall, or given service in a hotel because some of them were colored.

## Mrs. Murray wins divorce from mate

"He told me to leave," Mrs. Fannie Murray of 3030 Walbrook Ave., told a master of Circuit Court, this week, in her suit for divorce against Oscar Murray.

The couple, married on August 30, 1951, separated on July 19, 1954.

**That morning he had sent my clothes to the home of my Cousin, Mrs. Ezelle Coffey, so I was forced out," the wife said.**

She was granted a divorce and her maiden name, Holt, was restored.

"**THEY ASKED** my advice and I told them that if they couldn't get along why didn't they separate." David Woodson, 2412 Madison Ave. testified in Circuit Court, this week.

**The couple, Vasco Saunders and Mrs. Aster B. Saunders, evidently took his advice.**

Mr. Saunders said they voluntarily separated on July 7, 1950.

Married on August 14, 1945, the husband said that he and his wife had differences over her desire to go out more often than he cared for her to go out.

## Marriage which ended 28 years ago is dissolved

A marriage that ended 28 years ago was legally dissolved, Monday.

**Jordan Bennett of 601 N. Appleton St. divorced Mrs. Gertrude Bennett.**

They were married on Dec. 23, 1926.

"I came home from work on Nov. 1, 1928. My wife and all her clothes were gone.

"I have never been able to locate her. I have heard nothing at all from her," the husband said.

## Catonsville News

By SAMUEL TORSELL

Samuel Torsell addressed the Baltimore conference of AME ministers in their Monday meeting at Bethel Church.

Miss Florence Brown is a patient at John Hopkins Hospital. Little Miss Sherry Harris spent Thanksgiving in Bel Air.

**The Rev. Mrs. Ida Torsell and the Rev. Mrs. Flora Terrel visited Payne AME Church in Jessup Sunday.**

**The Rev. Mrs. Torsell spoke.**

Airman Eric Smith, stationed in Illinois, is home on furlough. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Smith, 107 Fusting Ave.

## Glen Burnie Echoes

By CHRLOTTE W. DOWNIE

The Furnace Branch Improvement Association held its monthly meeting recently at which time the annual thanksgiving drawing took place.

Winning tickets were drawn by Miss Carolyn Keene and Master Rodney Dotson.

**First prize, a turkey, was won by Mrs. Velma Meacheam.**

Third prize, a 10-pound bag of sugar, went to Bobby Gaither.

Members attending included Mesdames Naomi Brown, Henrietta Johnson, Bertha McDowell, Gladys Keen, Dorothy Matthews, Aline Brooks and Sara Crawford.

Also Messrs. Douglass Roberts, Theodore Kess, William Dotson and Dr. Maurice Doles, George Crawford is president.

The meeting was held at John Wesley Methodist Church.

On Tuesday, the Glen Burnis Lodge No. 14 A.F. and A. M. anniversary.

**Worshipful master Solden Nicholson has every reason to be proud of the increase of over 50 members and is looking forward to the new Masonic temple to be erected by the lodge in the spring of 1958.**

Other officers are senior warden, Jethro Bryson; junior warden, Ralph Jess;

Also, treasurer, Emanuel Jones; secretary, Walter Harris; senior Deacon, Rodell Meacheam; junior deacon, Lawson Lewis; chaplain, Richard Bell; Tyler, Eugene Martin.

The meeting was held at the home of Cleveland Haskins on Lee Road, Furnace Brach.

THE Interdenominational Fellowship group met in Elkridge, Md. last week.

Ellsworth Matthew is president, Mrs. Virginia Baker, Secretary.

A surprise birthday party was given in honor of the Rev. Mrs. Laura J. Edwards Saturday, Nov. 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Seymour, Severna Park. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Oliver of Delaware, Mr. and Mrs. Judge Watkins, Russell Wallace, James H. Smith, Mrs. Mildred Smith and Catherine Griffen of Baltimore.

Also, the Rev. Mrs. Irene Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. Benton Williams of Furnace Branch.

Also, Miss Louise Anderson of Broadneck, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, George White, Paul Johnson, Mr. and Roger Day and Roland Johnson.

Also Mrs. Hazel Williams, Dorothy Jennings and Helen Glenn of Town Neck, Mr. and Mrs. William Fisher, Melvin Edwards, Mrs. Picolia Fisher, Lenora Smith, Cecelia E. Warren, and Leora Kelly of Marley, Md.

**THE WINNER**—Mrs. Rosa Meekins, 2906 Elgin Ave., models mink stole she won last week in Baltimore Girl Friends' raffle at the Madison Ave. YWCA. She held ticket No. 4526. The raffle raised $500 for the group's project and scholarship fund which benefits the Crownsville Yule Gift Packages, NAACP, Crownsville Clothing Drive and the National Scholarship Bureau. Co-chairman of the club's civic committee are Mrs. Gwendolyn Scott Lewis and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Stewart.


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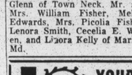

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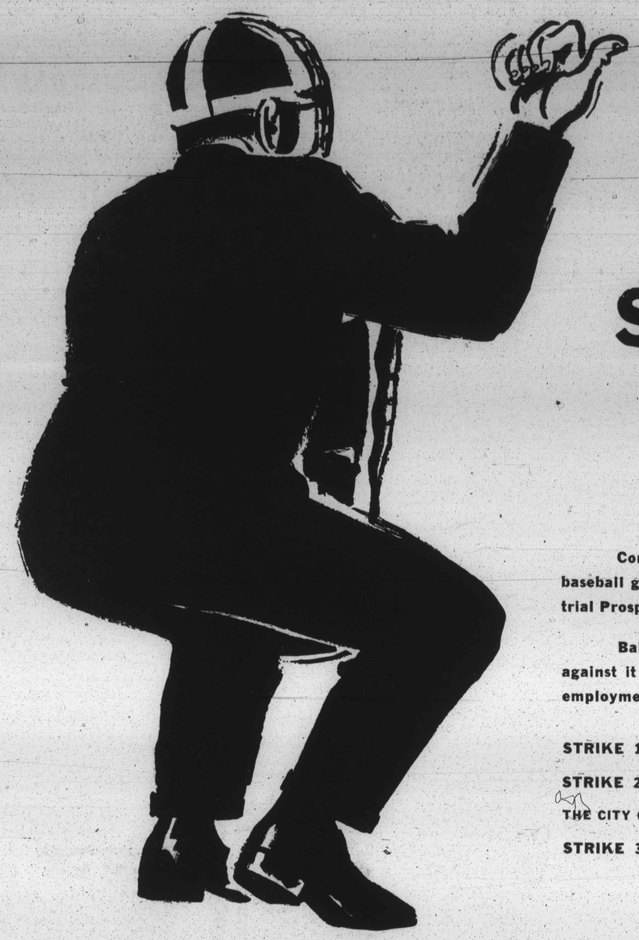

# Three Strikes and OUT

**Competition for manufacturing plants is tougher than any baseball game. A city rarely gets back in the Big League of Industrial Prosperity after losing or striking out just once.**

**Baltimore already has one, and possibly two, strikes against it in its efforts to maintain economic growth and full employment. These are:**

**STRIKE 1**—The near completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

**STRIKE 2**—The loss of its freight rate differential, if upheld in court.

**THE CITY COUNCIL IS NOW BEING ASKED TO PITCH A THIRD STRIKE!**

**STRIKE 3**—could be the ordinance now pending before the City Council that will, if passed, impose a tax on the inventory, machinery and receivables of every manufacturer in Baltimore.

## WHAT DO THESE 3 STRIKES MEAN TO *YOU*?

**STRIKE 1**— The St. Lawrence Seaway is nearing completion. Within the next three years it will be carrying millions of dollars of trade to and from the mid-west that formerly flowed through the Port of Baltimore. By hard work and by keeping Baltimore attractive to industry this loss can be made up by new manufacturing revenue and payrolls.

**STRIKE 2**— If the courts uphold the recent Interstate Commerce Commission's decision removing Baltimore's freight rate differential, it will cause many local industries to move elsewhere and many other local industries will find it cheaper and easier to send and receive shipments through other ports—all causing a reduction in employment, loss of wages to the employees and loss of business to employers.

**STRIKE 3**—This proposed additional tax against manufacturing could be the curve that puts Baltimore out! A tax on inventories, machinery and receivables would raise their taxes 400%. It would make plants already located here look elsewhere for expansion sites where they could operate more economically. It would drive many industries out of Baltimore. It would prevent many new industries locating in Baltimore.

**AND IT WOULD BE A SERIOUS BLOW TO SERVICE AND RETAIL BUSINESS DUE TO PAYROLL CUTS, LAYOFFS AND UNEMPLOYMENT**

The first two strikes—Seaway and port differential—will greatly injure Baltimore. The third strike will remove the only possibility of recovery—the attracting of new industries and expansion of existing plants.

If you believe that the pending tax change is not in the best interest of Baltimore, contact your city officials and city councilmen and urge them to vote against this bill.

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