Air Force officer waits sentence for narcotics

An Air Force navigator found guilty of a narcotics law violation Monday is scheduled to be sented today (Friday).

He is 1st Lt. Vernon J. Johnson, 30, 1500 block N. Bond St., found guilty by Judge Joseph L. Carter of possessing nine capsules of heroin.

The Philips Air Force Base officers, was ordered held in $10,000 bail when the defense attorney, S. Alfred Mund, informed the court he would file a new trial motion. However, the motion was not filed and the defendant faces sentence.

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THE B-36 BOMBER navigator, a 13-year veteran of military service and a 1943 graduate of Douglass High School, was arrested Dec. 17 after police received a tip that he had a quantity of heroin secreted in his car.

The arresting officer, Lt. Frank Schmidt, of Northern District, testified that he apprehended the young Air Force lieutenant in the 2900 block Madison Ave.

Lt. Schmidt related that upon searching Johnson's late model automobile he uncovered two cases of unlicensed whiskey and nine capsules of heroin under the floor mat.

When arrested, Johnson was leaving the home of Charles Hardin, who has a narcotics case pending against him.

"He told me he had come over to Washington with a girl (identified as Miss Annette Randolph) and she purchased 10 tablets," Lt. Schmidt said.

"He said he gave her $15 to purchase them and on the way both of them sniffed some."

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LT. JOSEPH CARROLL, head of the narcotics unit, said when he questioned Johnson the defendant told him about making a telephone call to Texas and speaking to a man called "Skeeter" concerning Marihuana.

"Johnson told me he enticed him (Skeeter) to mail it to him, as he has received small quantities before," Lt. Carroll said.

This exchange took place between the defense attorney and Lt. Carroll on cross-examination.

Q.—Is she (Miss Randolph) an informer?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Is Hardin an informer?

Joseph Koutz, assistant State's attorney, objected to the second question and it was sustained by Judge Carter.

Taking the witness stand in his own behalf, Johnson told how he volunteered for the Navy at 17. After a three-year hitch, he said he entered the University of Maryland for one year and then enlisted in the Air Force.

He said in answer to a question by his attorney that he supports his mother and grandmother.

"Have you ever been arrested and convicted of a crime in your life?" Mr. Mund asked.

"No, sir," came the lieutenant's reply.

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WHEN ASKED to explain how he got his commission, Johnson said:

"I went in as private. I worked myself up through the ranks. I went to night school to get enough college credits to enter aviation cadet school."

Johnson, who said he is a native Baltimorean, testified that he met Miss Randolph the night before his arrest through Mr. Hardin, described as a long-time friend of his.

"Now, whose suggestion was it that you go to Washington and secure narcotics?" the defense counsel asked.

"Sir, that was her suggestion," answered the defendant. "I didn't know anybody to get anything from. I just took her over there."

"Did Hardin know you were going to Washington with her?" Mr. Mund inquired.

"I think so," said Johnson.

"Did you know Hardin was a narcotics user?" continued Mr. Mund.

"Not until he told me about his trouble," Johnson said.

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ACCORDING TO Johnson, when he returned from Washington he took Miss Randolph to her house and then went home. He said shortly after he got there Mr. Hardin called and asked him to come over.

"While you were at Hardin's house was there any narcotics used?" the defense counsel wanted to know.

"No, sir," said Johnson, adding, "We were talking about Hardin's pending trial."

"Are you a narcotics addict, lieutenant?" asked Mr. Mund, and the defendant answered emphatically, "No, sir, I am not."

When the defendant admitted that his main reason for carrying the young woman was to get a supplier's address for his friend, Judge Carter asked, "Well, why should you be so interested in getting this address for Hardin?"

Johnson replied, "It's a personal matter, sir. I felt kind of sorry for his plight...He wanted the address so he could send somebody over there. They were kind of leary of him (in Washington)."

The Air Force officer related that he made a telephone call to "Skeeter" in Texas from Mr. Hardin's home.

He described "Skeeter" as a piano player whom he came in contact with because of his own interest in music.

Johnson admitted that on one occasion he did smoke a marihuana cigarette "while I was in college."

Mrs. Jones buried on Monday

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Sarah Hammond Reed Jones from Ames Methodist Church on Monday afternoon. The deceased is survived by her husband, William H. Jones, and two nephews, William E. and Wesley Hammond.

Also a stepdaughter, Mrs. Marie L. Haywood.

Mrs. Jones had been a member of the Ames Methodist Church for over fifty years and also held membership in many fraternal organizations.

Interment was in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

Park police head may get off free

The malfeasance charge against Capt. G. Gordon Gaeng, chief of the Park Police force, is scheduled for disposition before Judge Joseph L. Carter this (Friday) afternoon.

The state's attorney's office is expected to enter a nolle prosequi (no prosecution motion) at that time. This move would free the officer.

Capt. Gaeng was indicted for misconduct in office last May following the disclosure of a so-called 'phony lineup' held after a 21-year-old matron complained that a park patrolman assaulted her in Gwynns Falls Park on Aug. 29, 1955.

The park police head was tried on the malfeasance charge in December but an all-white jury was unable to agree on a verdict after deliberating five hours. Officer George A. Savard was found not guilty of assaulting Mrs. Anna Mae Nichols, 2000 block Pulaski St., on Jan. 2 by an all-white jury.

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BUTLER DELETED — Arrow points to space on sign in front of Bethel AME Church where name of Sen. John Marshall Butler (R.-Md.) appeared as one of Emancipation Celebration speakers. His name was deleted and the invitation to him withdrawn after he was recorded as voting against civil rights in Congress on Friday.

PHOTO MADE before November elections when Sen. John Marshall Butler (R.-Md.) addressed group at Masonic Temple. This week, Masons cancelled talk Senator Butler was scheduled to give at their Emancipation Proclamation Celebration on Sunday, at Bethel AME Church, because of his failure to support anti-filibuster rule change in Congress last week.

Cigarette ignited as 'oil hit him'

By LARRY STILL

WASHINGTON

"Hell no, I didn't burn him up. I wouldn't do anything like that. What would I do?"

This is what Mrs. Lottie J. Crittenden testified Thursday in defense of her life. She is accused of slaying Harry Johnson, her common-law husband.

A verdict is expected Friday in the U.S. District Court of Judge Richmond B. Keech.

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MRS. CRITTENDEN denied she knocked Mr. Johnson down with a stick, soaked him with kerosene and set him afire at her home in the 500 block K St., SW last June 20.

She also denied saying, "Now I'll know where to find him every Memorial Day."

Mrs. Crittenden said she struck Mr. Johnson with a broom after he hit her first. She then threw the can of kerosene at him. He was smoking a cigarette which landed as the oil poured over him.

"I wasn't angry with him. He was a good fellow, but he just couldn't hold his drink" the defendant stated. Other witnesses testified earlier that Mr. Johnson consumed a fifth of wine almost daily.

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THE DEFENDANT punctuated her testimony frequently with invectives and profane words which had spectators in the courtroom snickering. Her language also set the prosecutors and defense counsel arguing as to whether Mrs. Crittenden is sane.

"Are you insane?" the prosecutor asked.

"No. I don't think so. I hope I'm not, but there is something wrong with my head. I am confused all the time," the woman stated.

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AT ONE point in the testimony the prosecutor asked Mrs. Crittenden if authorities at D.C. General Hospital ever gave her pictures to an effort to determine her sanity.

"I don't know what in the hell they were. They showed me some things." Mrs. Crittenden replied loudly and clearly.

She chuckled as the courtroom audience burst into laughter.

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THE DEFENDANT said she was kept at the hospital 30 days for examination. She said she refused to answer questions from the Lorton clinic chief psychiatrist because "I didn't like her attitude."

The psychiatrist, Dr. Mary McFedon Kline, testified Mrs. Crittenden is a "Low grade moron who is technically sane."

Mrs. Crittenden said three member, of her family have been treated for insanity at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

"She was insane. She did not know what she was doing."

The insanity plea was entered at the beginning of the trial by Edward Carey, former U.S. Attorney, member of the two-law-yer defense counsel.

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ACCORDING to the indictment, she set fire to the paper-covered, oil-soaked body of her common-law husband, last July 1.

The fire death occurred in the couple's home in the 500 block K St., SW, where they had resided for 20 years.

MR. JOHNSON, according to police, was in a drunken stupor at the time. Mrs. Crittenden is reported to have watched the body burn as the smoke poured from the windows of the two-story building.

"Here is the fire right here," authorities said she told Fire Engine Co. Seven Pvt. Lacy Grayson when firemen rushed in and started upstairs to put out the blaze.

The matron was reportedly angry with Mr. Johnson for continuous drinking and not working, while she was forced to be the main source of income.

At the time of her arrest, Theodore Jones, brother of the defendant, stated that she kept repeating, "I am satisfied. I've had my revenge. I know where he'll be every Memorial Day."

Mr. Johnson said he was at a neighbor's home when he saw the fire engines going to his home.

"When I got there, Lottie was sitting in the chair in the kitchen—She was so calm. She just kept saying she was satisfied."

SOME 12 witnesses were scheduled to be called at the trial. Arthur Laughlin, assistant U.S. Attorney, is the prosecutor.

Neil B. Kabatchnick is the other member of the defense counsel.

The defendant, a short buxom woman, wore a pink print dress, a brown cotton cloth coat and brown and white pumps, evidence of her confinement since last summer.

Thomas L. Chase, 1000 block Stiff St., SW was the first witness. He testified he was passing the K St. address when he saw Mr. Johnson.

He said he saw Mrs. Johnson lying against the building when he passed about 12 noon.

"Mrs. Crittenden asked me if I would help "an old drunk man" in the house.

"I picked him up like a baby. She had a stick in her hands about this big," the witness said, indicating an object about six feet long.

MR. LAUGHLIN told the jury he intended to prove Mrs. Crittenden struck Mr. Johnson on the head with the stick after Mr. Chase placed him on the sofa in the front room.

She knocked him to the floor and told him to go upstairs to go to bed. When he refused she told him she was going to burn him. He told her she did not have the nerve, the prosecutor said.

On the other hand, the defendant contended, Mr. Johnson struck her before she hit him with the stick. Police said when they found the burned body blood was pouring from a wound in the victim's head.

Bernard Spriggs dies in New York

NEW YORK — Bernard Spriggs, native Baltimorean, died early this morning, Friday, in Harlem Hospital in New York City.

His sister, Mrs. Marie Murphy, 1725 N. Carey St., was at his bedside.

The body will be brought to Baltimore and will lie in view at the Elroy Wilson Funeral Home.

Mr. Spriggs, a merchant seaman, had been ailing for several months.

Execution is stayed

WASHINGTON

A stay of execution was granted Clarence E. Watson Wednesday, by U.S. District Court Judge Alexander Holtzoff.

The young man was scheduled to die in the electric chair in the District jail Jan. 25. He was convicted of first-degree murder of Miss Alice O. Taggert, 45-year-old government worker.

The automatic stay was granted pending the decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals on the defendant's request for a new trial. If the higher court denies the appeal, a new execution date will be set.

Mr. Watson, a 22-year-old former Pentagon shoe shine boy, was given the death sentence Dec. 14, three days after a jury found him guilty.

A PREVIOUS conviction of Mr. Watson was overruled by the Court of Appeals on the grounds the defendant was held too long by police in obtaining a confession.

In his first trial on the charges, the jury could not reach a verdict.

defense counsel recalled.

The defendant is already serving a 15-40-year sentence on another conviction of criminal assault of an airline hostess. He is one of 10 children of Mrs. Carrie E. Lyles.

"I still believe my child is innocent," Mrs. Lyles declared as the jury deliberated the fate of her son for the third time.

—Joe and Rose

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mitted his split from his wealthy wife; Rose, the Big News can be told: he's smitten with singer Sarah Vaughan."

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COMMENTING on this report in New York Thursday, Mrs. Louis, the former Rose Morgan, owner of the Rose Meta Beauty firm, told the AFRO:

"I do not think that he has made any such statement. He denies that he has. I've taken Miss Kilgallen's statement with as much calm as possible. But we decidedly are not separated."

Mrs. Louis earlier had given the AFRO the 79 words at the beginning of this story, and later added:

"Joe is in Chicago now. You might call him and get his statement."

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IN CHICAGO, however, Louis had no comment on his martial life. He preferred to talk about his taxes which "are giving me a lot of trouble."

Louis said he was awaiting a conference with his lawyers on the tax problem and hoped to file an appeal with the government "real soon."

Joe told the AFRO that he hoped that whatever solution is reached on the tax problem "it will enable me to settle it now, rather than over a long period of years."

But on his domestic life the ex-champion steadfastly refused to comment.

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MISS VAUGHAN's name became linked to Louis when the famed songstress wrote a record for the Billy Eckstine opening at the Copacabana, a Manhattan night club.

Joe and the former Miss Morgan were married on Christmas Day, 1955, at Miss Morgan's St. Albans, N.Y. home.

It was Joe's third marriage but his second wife. He remarried his former wife, Mrs. Marva Louis Spaulding, after an earlier divorce, then divorced her a second time.

—Cancel Butler talk

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day at noon. Mr. Butler was on the Senate floor.

Dr. Allen advised Senator Butler that he had just read an editorial in Tuesday's AFRO-AMERICAN and noted that despite a favorable ruling by Vice President Nixon, Senator Butler had voted against a change in Senate rules that would permit passage of a Civil Rights Bill in the Senate.

"Have you read the AFRO-AMERICAN"? Grand Master Allen asked. Senator Butler said he had not seen it yet.

"Then you should read it," suggested Dr. Allen.

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"I DON'T WANT to embarrass you and I don't want you to be embarrassed and for that reason I shall have to withdraw our invitation to have you appear as our guest at our Grand Lodge meeting Sunday and sit on the platform and address the membership.

Grand Master Allen reminded Senator Butler that the largest and most enthusiastic meeting of the Presidential campaign was held by the Grand Lodge of Masons and Senator Butler was invited to address them.

"I asked the Masons to support you because I thought you were for civil rights," the grand master said.

"This vote indicates that you have let us down and we would be embarrassed if you appeared at our meeting Sunday and perhaps someone there might embarrass you."

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PROGRAMS HAVE already been printed. Dr. Allen told the AFRO, but Senator Butler's name will not appear on the program sent out for newspaper advertising and his name has been erased from the list of speakers as it appears on the bulletin board in front of Bethel Church.

Wednesday afternoon a black line was drawn through the name of Senator Butler. It occasioned so many questions, however, that the sign painter was ordered to paint the name out entirely.

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Sports at a glance

COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY

Basketball

Carver High at Dunbar, 3:45 p.m.

Dunbar JV at Carver JV, 3:45 p.m.

Morgan at Hampton, Va., 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Basketball

Morgan at Virginia State, 8 p.m.

MONDAY

Basketball

Maryland State at North Carolina

TUESDAY

Basketball

Dunbar High at Southern, 3:45 p.m.

Southern JV at Dunbar JV, 3:45 p.m.

Carver at Patterson Park, 3:45 p.m.

Patterson JV at Carver JV, 3:45 p.m.

Swimming

Towson High at Carver, 3:45 p.m.

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—Provident Hospital

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lar bond issue for a new state hospital in the city, preferably in Northwest Baltimore.

The ideal situation for this hospital expansion would be Provident Hospital.

And it was exactly this expansion and affiliation with the state which Provident has refused.

Nearly a decade ago when it had 160 beds its trustees reported "Provident at best is inadequate."

It's too small to serve the population.

"It's too small to rank as a topflight teaching hospital."

"Nurses have to go to other hospitals in their senior year for certain courses."

"Fifty-two nurses were enrolled in 1945, only thirty-two in 1954."

"Its Nurses Training School has only temporary approval by the National League of Nursing."

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A 1954 SURVEY committee, reporting on Provident's, "shortcomings and glaring needs," mentioned laboratory, living quarters for resident staff, living quarters for nurses, classrooms for nurses, offices for Nurses Training School and out-patient department of the hospital.

The survey committee reported it would be a waste of money to make extensive improvements and recommended a new modern fireproof building as the way to meet the problem.

"The quality of the resident staff," the 1954 surveyors said, "is not what it should be, and is definitely lower than in the past."

"The need for additional revenue for operating expenses is . . . apparent."

In the face of the admission of its own shortcomings and needs, why does Provident's board turn down a five million dollar expansion program the city needs?

Kansas City, St. Louis and Philadelphia accept city or state aid in creating adequate hospital facilities which Provident rejects.

The Federal Government has hospital building programs. Provident has qualified for one of them.

Eight years ago the hospital survey committee of the State Planning Commission recommended expansion of Provident to a 250-bed hospital at an estimated cost of $3,500,000.

THE PROVIDENT BOARD has made important improvements in administration and plant in recent years but the 1954 survey committee reports, "it is unable to carry its heavy community responsibilities because it lacks resources of its own."

However, Senator Harry Cole has responsibilities to this community also.

If they cannot be met through expansion of Provident Hospital, there is every reason why the state should erect a new five million dollar hospital in Baltimore independently.

This community need not continue indefinitely to suffer inadequate hospital service because Provident desires to remain a private institution.

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IN 1935, the State of Maryland, realizing its obligation to provide college education in Baltimore, purchased Morgan College, a private institution. It has since invested nearly 10 millions in plant alone in Morgan.

Some short sighted members of the then Morgan Church Board opposed the sale to the state.

The final meeting at which they made their last vain stand was hot enough to singe eyebrows, but the sale was made. Morgan became a state institution.

Nobody ever told that old Morgan Board, but if they had refused to sell, the Governor of Maryland was prepared to ask the legislature for necessary funds to build a new state college from scratch.

That is where we are now, it seems to us, with Provident Hospital.

Baltimore, as Senator Cole recognizes, needs additional and improved hospital facilities.

If Provident declines to cooperate, let the state act independently and start from the ground up.

Why Provident turned down $5 million

Why did the Provident Hospital board of trustees turn down a proposal by State Sen. Harry A. Cole that would have saved the hospital a $5,000,000 bond issue and its purchase and improvement?

This was the question that arose this week and to answer it, Howard Murphy, president of the board, listed three factors which he said played important roles in the board's deliberations that produced the ultimate decision.

As listed by Mr. Murphy, the factors were:

1. A $75,000 GRANT from the Ford Foundation in December of 1955 the Foundation signified its intention of making the $75,000 grant to Provident and the trustees felt that they could not accept the money in good faith if there was any intention of turning Provident into a state institution.

The money is designed to strengthen and extend Provident's services to the community.

2. THE DECLARATION OF INTENT—In the summer of 1956 the trustees adopted a Declaration of Intent in which they said:

"We propose, within the resources of our capacity, to conduct Provident Hospital as a voluntary general hospital dedicated to the relief of whoever is sick or injured and can be properly taken care of within our facilities."

This decision to remain a voluntary hospital was discussed at length with the trustees later reaffirming the stand that because of the need of such a hospital as Provident in the northwest section of the city and the need for hospital beds that Provident should be continued on a "voluntary" basis.

3. THE COMMUNITY CHEST has been reducing its aid to Provident Hospital as the financial picture of the community improves, the trustees felt that as long as there is a need for subsidization the Chest will supply funds.

With these three determining factors, Mr. Murphy said the decision was taken that the hospital should not be made into a state institution.

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THE QUESTIONS about the action of the board arose after it was revealed that the trustees had been informed of Senator Cole's desire to introduce a measure into the current session of the legislature and had decided that Provident should remain free of state control.

After learning of the board decision, Senator Cole said that he would not introduce the bill in view of the board's attitude.

When asked to comment on the board's decision, J. Arnett Frisby, who has been nominated as the new president, declined to make any statement.

It was learned however that the board had been advised prior to its decision that Maryland does not provide hospital care for patients suffering with acute disease except in the case of indigents, and even here only in relief of the facilities of voluntary hospitals.

The board was advised that the hospital should not seek a similar subsidy from the state or "special favors" from the legislature to keep it going.

Dr. Blake reported ill, trial set for next week

"I heard he was ill at one time. The cases are set for trial on Jan. 17. I'm going to proceed with the cases unless he can produce a doctor's certificate indicating that he is ill."

James Murphy, assistant State's attorney, made this statement Thursday in answer to a question about the pending abortion and conspiracy cases against Dr. James Blake, 50, 1403 N. Caroline St.

The AFRO could not confirm whether or not the prominent East Baltimore physician was too ill to stand trial, as has been reported.

His teenage son told the AFRO Thursday that his father was "not well enough to talk on the telephone."

However, Joseph Rosenthal, the physician's attorney, did say that he had received word that Dr. Blake was ill.

MR. MURPHY said trial of the pending cases against Dr. Blake were postponed once because of the physician's illness.

The prosecutor added that he intends to proceed with charges against three other persons accused in the alleged abortion ring.

Others indicted last summer along with Dr. Blake are:

Mrs. Iona Dear Watson, 37, 1520 N. Bond St., who faces 14 charges of abortion and conspiracy.

Melvin Parrish, 27, 1421 N. Bond, six cases of abortion and conspiracy.

William Spicer, a city fireman, 2020 Kennedy Ave., accused of conspiracy.

WILLIAM L. FITZGERALD

Dean of Md. lawyers will be 85 years old on Monday.

—Wm. Fitzgerald

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40 years, Mrs. Lucille Wilson Fitzgerald, will have a quiet dinner in their Druid Hill Ave. home, just as we always more.

Their daughter, Miss Jessie Fitzgerald, professor of music at Howard University, will be at home to make the family picture complete.

Afterwards, Guy will probably watch television.

"Mr. Fitz' or 'Will' as some intimates call him, goes for prize fights and wrestling matches on TV.

"But I like radio too," he says.

AVERAGE DAY in the Fitzgerald household at 1208 Druid Hill Ave., begins about 8.

Mr. Fitzgerald starts out with a healthy breakfast.

It usually consists of fruit (grapefruit in winter, and melon in summer) cereal, toast, egg, bacon and weak coffee. ("I'm not much of a coffee drinker," he says.)

Then he goes next door to his office where he peruses the mail, the Daily Record and other papers before going downtown.

Dinner is usually at 2 p.m. His favorite meal: steak, potatoes, greens, rolls, tea.

"I'm still a great eater," explains Mr. Fitzgerald.

After dinner, he is back in his office until about 5:30 p.m.

BEFORE HE retires at night ("usually about ten") he may have what he calls his little snack.

Despite his fondness for food, Mr. Fitzgerald keeps at a healthy 145 lbs. He stands 5 ft. 8 inches tall, and says he feels "fine."

Top weight in his younger days was 175 pounds.

Besides his law practice, Mr. Fitzgerald keeps active in his church and in several fraternal groups.

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HE IS A trustee and longtime member of Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church.

"I try to go most every Sunday," he says, "I think it is nice to work in the church."

When asked his age, he replied, "I'm not as young as I used to be, but I'm still a fraternal group.

"Now I'm an Elk, a Mason, an Alpha and I take part in the Monumental Bar Association program."

Mr. Fitzgerald's formula for a long and happy life such as he has enjoyed:

"Keep on doing what you want to do . . . what you like to do.

"And, of course, adhere to the Golden Rule—Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

It is still a very good rule."

A ONETIME Baltimore City Councilman (1919-23, when he represented the 17th ward), Mr. Fitzgerald is a native of Jones Station, son of the late Joseph M. and Mary A. Fod Fitzgerald.

He was baptized William Lafayette Fitzgerald.

His three brothers, now deceased, were Howard University graduates like himself, and pioneers in their fields.

Cornelius C., was a lawyer; Dr. Edward V., was a physician; and Dr. John L. was a druggist.

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OF BALTIMORE, Mr. Fitzgerald says there are two things he would like to see come to pass in his lifetime:

"First, I'd be satisfied until hotels in Baltimore accept colored people like everybody else.

"And I won't be satisfied until department stores in Baltimore serve colored customers (just as they serve white customers."

"Fitz" usually tells this story to illustrate how he feels: "I was in Chicago with my wife, Lucille, and my daughter, Jessie. We stayed at the best hotel and the womenfolk shopped in the best stores in town.

"When we came back to Baltimore, I felt like an outcast. Baltimore is behind the times. It should wake up."

Postal clerk's mate enters insanity plea

Robert B. Watts, attorney for Russell A. Arledge, filed a plea in Criminal Court Thursday, day contending that his client was not guilty of the fatal shooting of his attractive wife by reason of insanity.

Mr. Watts' petition contends that (1) the defendant was insane at the time of the commission of the alleged offense, and (2) the defendant is insane at this time.

Victim of the shooting was Mrs. Pearl Dorsey Arledge, postal clerk, who was found sprawled in her comfortable home with six bullet holes in her head and neck on Nov. 13.

After the shooting the cleaning firm presser surrendered himself to officers and gave them a 32 caliber revolver, said to have been used in the slaying.

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Spark plug barrage hits bus, boys held

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (ANP) —Police here last week said that a band of young whites ranging from 11 to 15 years of age stoned a city integrated bus with spark plugs, smashing a window, but failing to penetrate the vehicle.

Four young racists were rounded up by officers and identified by the bus driver as members of the stoning-mob. The bus was hit with the spark plugs as it passed through a white neighborhood. Non one was injured.

Ask $151,000 for 'potent' medicine

WASHINGTON

A suit for $151,000 was filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court by attorneys against the Peoples Drug Co., unit block P St., NW, for alleged damages resulting from "negligence" in the preparation of prescriptions

Mrs. Pauline Richards, 1500 block A St., SE, said she suffered the damages when employees of a store in the 1500 block E Capitol St. prepared a prescription five times as potent as that prescribed by her physician.

Two separate suits for $50,000 each were also filed by Robert J. Dobson and Mae P. Dobson, both of the 800 block Seventh St., NE, for damages allegedly sustained in an accident on the Kenilworth Parkway exchange last Jan. 28.

The Dobsons said they were injured when the car in which the car in which they were riding was struck from behind by a car driven by Alex Beavers, 1700 block Kenilworth Ave., NE. The Dobsons said they were knocked over the guard rail and down an embankment of the exchange.

Condition of widow 79, 'fair'

Mrs. Giles is fair but we can't say when she will be able to go home."

That was the word from Provident Hospital Thursday afternoon on the condition of Mrs. Mary L. Giles the 79-year-old widow who was beaten by an unknown assailant at her home in the 1600 block Druid Hill Ave., last Dec. 26.

As a result of the brutal beating Mrs. Giles suffered multiple bruises and cuts of the right arm.

Parsonage aid club plans talent program

A talent program sponsored by the Parsonage Aid Club of Grace AME Church will be held on January 13 at 5 p.m. at 6715 Winters Ave., Catonsville.

Gloria Lockerman, Maryland's spelling champion, will be a special guest.

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F. & A.M. Inc. State of Maryland and Jurisdiction
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94TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION
at Bethel A.M.E. Church
Druid Hill Avenue and Lanvale Street
SUNDAY, JANUARY 13th AT 2:30 P.M.
GUEST SPEAKER
DR. GARDNER C. TAYLOR 33
Pastor, Concord Baptist Church of Christ, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Music by the Masonic and Morgan State College Choirs
DR. TAYLOR
DR. WILLARD W. ALLEN, Grand Master
ROBERT B. CROXTON, District Deputy Grand Master, 1st Masonic District.
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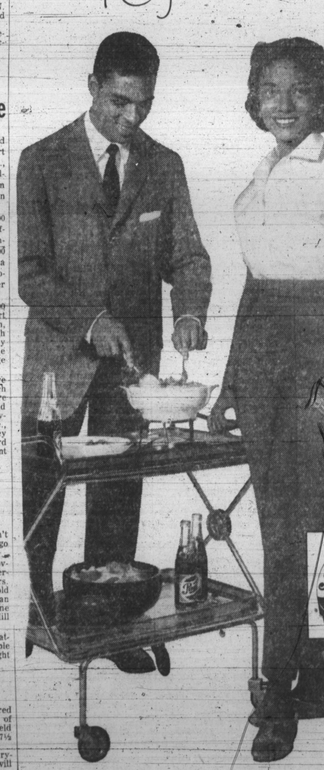

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