GRADY FOR DIXON PLAN

Would alter vote alignment in 4th

By MAX JOHNSON

"The citizens of Baltimore need it.

"Because these districts, as they are now constituted, were set up by statute in 1922, and nothing has been done about taking a look at them since that time."

Councilman Walter T. Dixon (4th D.) was speaking Wednesday, explaining his reasons for placing before the City Council a resolution asking that a study be made toward setting up more equitable councilmanic districts in the city.

The resolution specifically asked that Philip H. Goodman, City Council president, appoint a commission of citizens to recommend to the Council such changes in the councilmanic districts.

The proposal came as a surprise to the other members of the Council, including Mr. Dixon's fellow - representatives in the Fourth District, when presented Monday evening.

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COUNCILMEN SOLOMON LISS (5th D.) and William Bonnett (1st D.) protested that it was far too serious to be given Council approval at that time, and Mr. Goodman referred it to the Judiciary Committee.

Councilman Henry R. Hergenroeder (3rd D.), committee chairman, has not scheduled a hearing on the resolution.

Mr. Dixon said later the resolution was solely his idea, and that he had discussed it only with Dr. Carl N. Everson.

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Send yule mail now—Postmaster

Postmaster Laukaitis said patrons of the Baltimore Post Office are co-operating in the annual "Mail Early for Christmas" campaign.

The volume of mail is increasing daily and all greeting cards and packages for out of town points should be mailed now. All mail for local delivery should be deposited by Saturday, Dec. 16.

Use first class mail for your greeting cards and you may enclose a message if you wish. Also the payment of 4 cent postage insures forwarding out of town, or return if your address is shown. Keep your greeting card list up to date - use first class mail, the postmaster said.

Early mailing is the biggest single factor in getting everything delivered by Saturday, Dec. 23 this year.

There will be no delivery of mail on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, or Christmas Day, Dec. 25, except special delivery mail, gift parcels and parcels containing perishable matter.

Baltimore Notebook

by MAX JOHNSON

While some Democrats in the city's Fourth District are at each other's throats over the pending primary—a brief look at the Republican side of this picture might be in order.

A movement has been under way for some time now in top GOP city circles to bring John L. Berry, retired insurance executive, in the running for the party's State Senate nomination in the Fourth District.

To date, Mr. Berry has listened politely — but turned down all appeals to become a candidate.

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NOW—GOP bigwigs are hoping he will respond to a draft call.

They are mindful he has long been a staunch party bearer — and a highly active one at that.

They are hoping to win the district's Senate seat on the outstanding community record he has established—along with his proven ability.

Mr. Berry has served on the City's Planning Commission. He was the first of his race to be appointed a police court magistrate.

He is a board member, also the first of his race, of the city's Criminal Justice Commission.

HE ESTABLISHED another "first," when appointed some months ago as foreman of a criminal court grand jury.

Mayor J. Harold Grady named him recently to the city's Decency Committee.

These are but some of Mr. Berry's accomplishments, on which GOP bigwigs would like to launch his campaign for the Fourth District State Senate seat.

Samuel Hopkins, chairman, Republican City Committee, summed the whole thing up in this fashion awhile back.

"John Berry," said Mr. Hopkins, "would be an ideal man to head our ticket in the Fourth District — or any district, for that matter."

NOW — THAT division between the two major, independent Democratic organizations in the Fourth District has added fuel to the GOP brass's desire to run Mr. Berry.

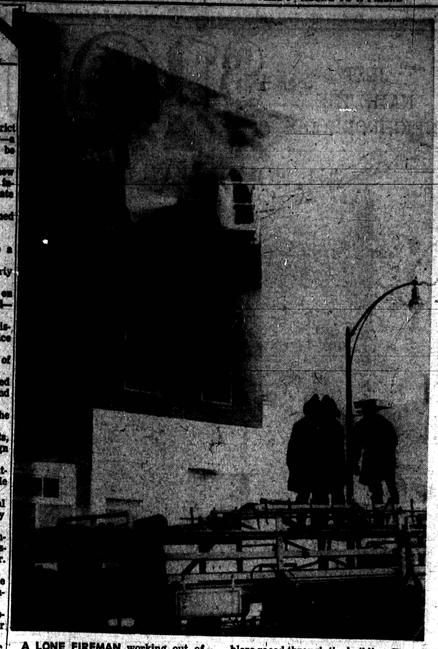
The reasoning seems to be that whoever among the district's warring Democrats manages to collar the Senate nomination will leave disgruntled party factions.

In fact — the GOP brass figures this could be the opportune time for their minority party to elect another Senator.

They feel that a man of Mr. Berry's stature is just the person to turn the trick — by attracting many, many Democratic votes in next year's general election.

And all of this brings up this undeniable point.

Mr. Berry would make a formidable candidate, indeed.



A LONE FIREMAN working out of city's new snorkel, pours water into third - floor window during five-alarm at the Baltimore Printing Ink Co., Lafayette Ave. and Aiken St., Wednesday morning. Fanned by a high wind, the blaze raced through the building. Forty persons in the area were evacuated but there were no injuries. The fire raged out of control for 45 minutes. (AFRO Photo by I. Henry Phillips)

IN SENATE RACE — Thomas D'Alesandro 3rd, president, Supervisors of Elections Board, was present Monday as Mrs. Verda F. Welcome, House of Delegates member (4th D.), filed for the Democratic nomination to the State Senate. Left to right are Mr. D'Alesandro, Mrs. Maureen Michelson, Mrs. Myrtle Brown, Wally Orlinsky, Mrs. Alverta Bowie, Mrs. Welcome, Thomas Ward, Mrs. Eleanor Anderson and Mrs. Edith P. Hill. In the group that accompanied Mrs. Welcome, not shown here, were Raymond V. Haysbert, Dr. John E. T. Camper, Howard H. Murphy and William Adams.

Jail term too much for woman

A three-year-reformatory sentence proved too much for a middle - aged woman in Criminal Court Tuesday.

When Judge Dulany Foster imposed the prison term on Mrs. Lavanya X. Hammond, 1700 Eutaw Pl., convicted of soliciting for immoral purposes, she showed no emotion.

But when a sheriff's deputy attempted to lead her to the lockup, she fainted.

Court officials had to summon an ambulance first aid squad before she was revived.

Dene Lusby, prosecutor, told Judge Foster that Mrs. Hammond solicited plain-clothesman George McGowan last August for immoral purposes. She was also found guilty of permitting her apartment to be used for prostitution.

Mrs. Hammond has a long record of prostitution, the prosecutor told Judge Foster, having racked up 10 convictions, dating back to 1931.

Odd Fellows seek to curb noise

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows has appealed to persons using their hall at 2257 Madison Ave. to leave the premises quietly so that residents of the area will not be disturbed.

Simon H. Carter Sr., Odd Fellows board chairman, said the police department has promised to co-operate by stationing officers outside the hall during closing hours. Special officers, hired for duty inside the hall, are asking patrons to reduce the noise.

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THE NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB of Madison Avenue recently complained of noise made by patrons leaving the club.

At a hearing before the City Zoning Board, the residents complained that their sleep was interrupted by persons slamming car doors and talking loudly after affairs at the Odd Fellows Hall.

The Zoning Board gave the Odd Fellows 15 days — that is until Dec. 15 — to come to a satisfactory agreement with the Neighborhood Club.

Mr. Carter explained that the hall is rented "nearly every Friday and Saturday" to charitable organizations that in turn sell tickets for cabarets or dances.

"We are making every effort to reduce the noise," said Mrs. Annie E. Walls, a member of the Odd Fellows Board of directors.

The Odd Fellows have occupied the premises for about a year. Previously, they were located at McCulloh and Lanvale Sts., a building they moved into in 1926.

81 registered this week; registration, 110,786

If you have not yet registered to become eligible to vote, you may now do so.

Who should register:

Those persons over 21 years of age who have lived in Baltimore for one year or more — and are not yet registered to vote.

Where to register — Supervisors of Elections, ground floor of People's Court Building, Gay and Fayette Sts.

Hours you can register — Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Total registered as of May 31, 106,355.

Total registered for Nov. 1960 election: 106,306.

Registered this week period: 81.

Total to date 110,786.

	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.
Thursday	15	5	0
Friday	6	3	0
Monday	18	2	3
Tuesday	12	1	0
Wednesday	13	3	0

Total number of prospective voters of age unregistered, 64,208.

Dope sales to 'addicts' trip two

Two repeat offenders of dope laws drew heavy terms in Criminal Court Wednesday.

Judge Joseph L. Carter heard evidence that the two, Mrs. Elizabeth Dawson, 27, 700 block Newington Ave., and Emanuel Brown, 26, 2300 block W. North Ave. sold narcotics to addicts in a Druid Hill Ave. apartment last fall.

Mrs. Dawson was sentenced to five years in the reformatory and Brown was given 12 years in the House of Correction.

Robert V. Lazzaro, assistant state's attorney, told Judge Carter that Mrs. Dawson was convicted of a similar offense in 1957, while Brown was found guilty of dope violations in '57 and '59.

The peddlers were rounded up in a narcotic drug net thrown out by state and Federal officers last October.

Funds sought for would-be Morganite

A group of Baltimore teachers is raising funds for a Morgan State student stranded in London.

He is enroute to Morgan State College to study.

The African, Bernard Ouma Ogur, started out from Kenya for the Baltimore College a year ago and reached London before his funds ran out.

Mr. Ogur, who plans to study medicine, has qualified for admission to Morgan, but has been unable to raise the college expenses.

HIS PLIGHT was made public by another student from Kenya, Achello Onyango, who was guest speaker at the Baltimore Teachers Union.

Mr. Onyango, who came to America via the Kennedy airlift, said the merit of Mr. Ogur's case "deserves deep human sympathy."

The teachers responded by setting up the Kenya Student Fund Committee to raise the necessary money. The teachers union is located at 10 E. Centre St.

Frederick Frontiers cite three leaders

Members of the Frederick, Md. chapter of Frontiers International (formerly Frontiers of America), cited three outstanding citizens at a banquet on Friday evening at the Francis Scott Key Hotel.

Honored were: Charles E. Henson, principal of Lincoln High; Maurice E. Reid, retired principal of the school; and C. Lease Bussard, retired grain merchant and civic leader.

V. E. Gladstone Thompson presided at the gathering which attracted residents of both races. Mayor Jacob R. Ramsburg, led the list of speakers.

OTHER participants were Miss Mary F. Thomas, Lincoln vice principal, and William H. Garner Jr., who read the biographies of the honorees; George E. Dredden Jr., president of the chapter who presented the awards.

Also participating were: David A. Shockly, Md. State Dean of Frontiers; Eugene W. Pruitt, superintendent of Schools James A. Sensenbaugh; and Dr. Bernard Harris Sr., of Baltimore, past national president of Frontiers.

Music was by Miss Edith Addison, and Ernest Charles. The Rev. Harry J. McDonald and Father R. C. Mitchell, offered prayers.

MEMBERS OF Frontiers chapter are:

George E. Dredden Jr., Gilmore A. Bently, William H. Garner Jr., David A. Shockly, Floyd Dixon, Nicholas E. Leakins, Herbert Fredericks, Charles E. Henson;

Also, George P. Ambush, Robert S. Ambush, Thomas Ambush, Ulysses G. Bourne Jr., Funston V. Collins;

Claude R. Delauter Jr., Charles E. Hicks III, John W. Lee, Roger Smith, George J. Snowball and V. E. Gladstone Thompson.

LICENSES SUSPENDED

The Liquor Board on Thursday suspended the license of Chick's Bar, 500 block W. Baltimore St., for 5 days, and that of Pink Dot Tavern, 1900 block Greenmount Ave., for 10 days.

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BURHA LOSES TOP PERSONNEL

SEE STORY IN COLUMN 2

LAST MESSAGE FROM MRS. SANTA:

Thanks For Helping

Merry Christmas To Everyone From All Of Us

Before the paling of the stars

Before the paling of the stars,
Before the winter morn,
Before the earliest cockcrow,
Jesus Christ was born:
Born in a stable,
Cradled in a manger,
In the world His hands had made
Born a stranger.

Priest and King lay fast asleep
In Jerusalem,
Young and old lay fast asleep
In crowded Bethlehem:
Saint and angel, ox and ass,
Keep a watch together
Before the Christmas daybreak
In the winter weather.

Jesus on his mother's breast
In the stable cold,
Spotless Lamb of God was He,
Shepherd of the fold:
Let us kneel with Mary Maid,
With Joseph bent and hoary,
With Saint and Angel, ox and ass,
To hail the King of Glory.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Generosity of readers has brightened lives of many

Party

A high point of the Christmas holiday season will be reached on Saturday, Dec. 23, at 9 a.m. when 1,500 youngsters are honored guests at the AFRO-Regent Christmas party.

The Regent, at 1627 Pennsylvania Ave., will be the location of the gala party that will feature a full length film an appearance by TV's Mr. Pop Lolly, and nine outstanding attractions.

Mr. Pop Lolly, loved by thousands of young TV viewers, will open the show, with some of the antics that have made his name a household word.

Then comes the film, "Errand Boy", starring America's favorite master of mirth, Jerry Lewis.

Next on the bill of fare will be a fast paced revue, designed with the youngsters in mind.

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EXHIBITING AN amazing variety of acrobatics will be the YMCA Tumbling Team whose members are: Stanley Waters, Eugene Casper, Gaines Lansey, Eugene Briscoe, John Lanier, Robert Coleman, James Hayes, William Beard, John Bell and Lloyd Casper.

Rock'n'roll and rolling music will come from the swinging outfit of Jerome Scruggs with vocalists, Miss Aretha Copeland and Harry Young.

There will be more vocalizing by the Dynamic Strands, one of the town's popular singing groups with a heavy rock and roll beat.

New to this year's show will be lovely and talented Carole Riley, a native of Baltimore, whose current record, "Cadillac Lover", is receiving a warm reception.

Carole formerly appeared with the Tune Toppers and Jimmy Smith and his Rock-ets of Rhythm, and has led some of the nation's top ente tainment palaces.

Dancing will not be forgotten and that department will be handled by the Gilmor Tap Dancers featuring: Jean Flemming, Lorraine Fassette, Loretta Fassette, Darnetta Mack, Jean Smith, Pauletta Collison, Beverly Campher, Geneva Gray and Linda Monroe.

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PRESIDING OVER the proceedings will be the likable Sammy Jay of Station WEBB.

Sammy will have with him, as special guests, Little Sonny Day and the Shwndels and Jimmy Hendricks and his vo-

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CAROLE RILEY
To sing at AFRO Show

Letters

"Thanks for the help."

These simple words sum up just how the AFRO's Mrs. Santa feels, with Christmas right around the corner.

Her thanks go out to all the wonderful people who attended her Festival of Music back in November, and all those who have given cash donations or other gifts to the needy families of Baltimore.

There are thanks also for the people who have so generously given of their time and energy to make this year's Mrs. Santa Project, the best and the biggest one of them all.

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SO MANY families have been helped by warm hearted Baltimoreans, that, quite frankly, Mrs. Santa has not been able to arrive at any final tabulation.

In addition, on tomorrow (Saturday), over 300 food baskets, just loaded with all the right things for Christmas dinner, will be distributed by Mrs. Santa.

The money for these baskets came from the Festival of Music and from the donations that have been received here in the AFRO office.

The 229th Truck Transportation Battalion will take care of the delivering of the baskets, which have been prepared at a special discount by Penn Fruit.

While many, many families have been helped, there are still a number of last minute cases, which Mrs. Santa would like to bring to the attention of the public.

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THESE cases are listed below and if you would like

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HONOR ROLL

All week long, the AFRO's Mrs. Santa has been receiving badly needed cash donations from kind - hearted citizens.

The donations have come through the mails and a number of donors have visited Mrs. Santa in person.

One of these was the young lady who left her donation and left without giving her name.

To each of the donors, Mrs. Santa says "thanks" from the bottom of her heart. The money is going to mean happiness for some needy family on Monday.

Here's a list of the latest donors.

Elmer Carroll, 2900 block Gwynn Falls Parkway; The American Brewing Co., Mrs. Roslyn Finnegan, representative; Edmund S. Dorsey of Radio Station WEBB; the Dallas Pleasure Club, Albert Taylor, president; the Bonne Amies Social Club, Mrs. Louise Nickum, president; Randolph Fortune, 1900 block Gwynns Falls Parkway; Rebecca Chapter No. 5, OES, 1037 Harlem Ave.;

Mrs. Mildred Brooks, 1700 block McCulloh St.; the New Neighborhood Association, comprising the 2900 block Riggs Ave.; St. Paul Baptist Church; the Samuel B. Redd Willing Workers of the Mt. Ararat Baptist Church; Iota

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DECIDES All-American halfback Ernie Davis of Syracuse University will sign a three-year contract for $65,000 plus a $15,000 bonus with the Cleveland Browns. The Heisman Trophy winner reportedly will ink the papers in San Francisco next week.

Korean looks for a bride

By CHUCK STONE

WASHINGTON

The Christmas spirit of international brotherhood reached 7,777 miles across the ocean this week as a Korean - born young man publicly declared that he "would like to meet and marry an American colored girl."

In a neatly typed, well - written letter to the Washington AFRO - AMERICAN, Changwhan Lee of Sudaemoon - Ku, Seoul, Korea, wrote that his experiences with colored American soldiers along with the various colored American periodicals he had read "have strengthened a long latent desire."

Mr. Lee's 23 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, completed three years of college at the University of Korea, and has "approximately five thousand dollars worth of real property of my own."

His letter to the Washington AFRO - AMERICAN follows:

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"Sirs:

"I have, what might appear to you, to be a rather unusual request. However, it has been suggested to me by a very good friend of mine who works at the American Embassy here in Seoul, Korea, that I write to your office.

"Mr. Onyanga, who was guest speaker at the Baltimore Teachers Union, gave me your address.

"I am a student of Seoul National University, majoring in English literature. I am a member of the Seoul Y.M.C.A. and I teach English conversation at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturdays.

"I am a Christian and I believe in the teachings of Christ. I believe in the brotherhood of man. I believe that the Negro people are the most Christ-like people in the world.

"I have read many issues of your newspaper and I have read many books about the Negro people in your country. I have also seen many Negro people in Korea. I have never met a Negro but I have read much about them and I have seen many movies in which Negro people have appeared.

"I am a young man who is very lonely. I want to have a friend who is a Negro. I want to have a Negro friend because I believe that I can learn much from a Negro friend about the life of the Negro people in your country.

"I want to have a Negro friend because I want to be a better Christian. I want to have a Negro friend because I want to be a better student of English literature. I want to have a Negro friend because I want to be a better man.

"I want to have a Negro friend because I want to be a better student of the Negro people in your country