Baltimore Notebook

By MAX JOHNSON

Mr. Johnson, a regular member of the panel of the Maryland News Conference TV program, will be seen this Sunday over WBAL-TV at 5 p.m. This week's guest is Gov. J. Millard Tawes, Democratic candidate for re-election. Mr. Johnson's column appears in this space every Friday.

With the general election just three short days away—a final examination here of some of the more pertinent issues and key candidates becomes vitally important.

First — let's look again at some of the top issues.

For the purposes of clarification — we will call the question on the ballot Tuesday issues.

Tops among these issues which require a "For" vote from all citizens are — Question No. A and Question No. F on the top line of the city ballot.

A favorable vote for Question No. A will authorize a necessary $15,000,000 loan to improve existing schools — and to construct others so badly needed. —VOTE FOR.

Your "For" vote on Question No. F will aid in making possible a new Provident Hospital — an institution so sorely needed in Northwest Baltimore the state has already authorized a matching fund toward its construction. VOTE FOR.

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THESE ARE top questions — to merit attention first. Of course, all the issues are important — but some others are also outstanding.

These are — Question No. K, the proposed loan to improve recreation facilities at schools and playfields, and Question No. L, the park buildings loan for improvements to the stadium, Druid Park's zoo, and initial developments at Brooklyn Park.

Approval of Question No. L will bring additional sectors to the upper deck at the stadium, an escalator to the upper deck, chairback seats in the mezzanine — and improvements to the comfort stations.

It would also provide for a new giraffe house at the zoo, an antelope mote, an elephant house and necessary utilities.

Brooklyn Park would get a fieldhouse, comfort station, parking areas and attending facilities. VOTE FOR Question NO. L.

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ATTENTION SHOULD be given Question No. N — which asks rejection or approval of a proposal to permit movie theatres to be shown on Sundays beginning at 1 p.m., rather than the 2 p.m. starting hour now in force. VOTE AGAINST.

Then — Question No. O is one of those sleeper things on the ballot.

If you are concerned with redistricting in the city — you will want to look at this one very carefully.

Question No. O, if approved, would create a Commission on Boundaries of Councilmanic Districts.

There would be nine members — including a councilman from each of the city's six districts, a representative from the city's Democratic and Republican State Central Committees, and ninth member to be appointed by the Mayor.

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THIS COMMITTEE would be established for a four-year term — beginning 60 days after each new term of the City Council.

It would be empowered to change, from time to time, boundary lines of the councilmanic districts — so as to provide districts of substantially equal number of registered voters.

This present City Council came up with this thing—after its members failed to agree on any number of redistricting plans proposed.

Now — voters should hear in mind that this present City Council goes out of office next May.

Might it not be better to let this matter of redistricting rest until a new Council is installed in office next year — and then see what it does?

VOTE "Against" Question O.

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THERE ARE two significant referenda questions.

Question No. 5 — If approved — would permit the courts to fail a parent for non-support of an illegitimate child. VOTE FOR.

Question No. 6 asks approval or rejection of a General Assembly Act, which would create Maryland's newly granted Eighth Congressional District from Howard and Prince George's Counties.

This has been petitioned to the ballot on the argument that creating the new district thusly — will not solve inequitable population representation among Maryland's congressional districts. VOTE AGAINST.

Here, then, are key issues voters face on the ballot Tuesday.

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NOW, BRIEFLY to those candidates in the Fourth District's state senatorial race.

Mrs. Verda F. Welcome, Democratic nominee, and her supporters came out with an unique bit of campaigning Wednesday.

They went around passing out about $200 or more worth of Halloween trick-or-treat candies to youngsters.

And then there was the strange case the past Sunday—involving a party for Dr. John C. Woodland, the Republican candidate.

Members of a Democratic club, who staged the affair, told the AFRO it was given across the street from Dr. Woodland's North Ave. headquarters.

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DR. WOODLAND insisted it was given at a home on Callaway Ave.

When faced with Dr. Woodland's statement — A club member said:

"Dr. Woodland is confused. He was going to so many places he didn't know where he was."

Now — I ask you.

Doesn't it come to mind that if Dr. Woodland doesn't know whether he is across the street from his headquarters — would he know if he were at Annapolis?

Rec Department recalls new song books on protest

The Recreation Department has requested its centers throughout the city to return a song book distributed a few days earlier because of "some songs and words that are distasteful."

A memo to playgrounds centers requested that the song book, "Informal Get-Together Songs," be returned immediately to Miss Verna M. Moeller, supervisor of music.

Recall of the offensive song books on Tuesday, came a day after Dr. Ralph Young, veteran East Baltimore civic worker, wrote a protest to Dr. Harold S. Callowhill, Recreation Department superintendent.

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DR. CALLOWHILL told Dr. Young that the books were distributed by a music supervisor without his knowledge.

He reported he has called in all the books containing objectionable racial epithets and that he is 'looking into others' to make sure they contain no offensive words.

Orders to this effect, he said, were given in staff bulletin No. 43, and publicized at the in-service school Tuesday.

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PAGE 58 to 65 of the book has a section called "Plantation Songs."

It includes such tunes as "Old Black Joe" and "In The Evening by the Moonlight."

A line of the latter says, "In the evening by the moonlight, you could hear those darkies singing."

Another song in the section, "Carry Me Back to Ole Viginny," has the line, "That's where this old darkie heart am long to go."

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THE AFRO received a number of calls about the book. Protestants said they thought those responsible for the Recreation Department should be more careful in seeing that material which is likely to cause ill feeing is not distributed to the centers.

They said many advanced areas have discontinued use of such songs in these versions and expressed disappointment that a book with so many such songs could be distributed here. "How would this go in a center in a changing neighborhood?" one asked.

The AFRO on Thursday was unable to get any information on how the books managed to be distributed, how many were purchased, what they cost, what will be done with them or what the bureau's policy is concerning such material.

Miss Moeller, the music supervisor, told the AFRO, "If you want any information you should talk to Mr. Callowhill who heads the bureau."

Dr. Callowhill's office reported him in a meeting.

Al Cottrell, assistant superintendent, took down the questions and said he would confer with Dr. Callowhill and call back Thursday evening. He said he was pleased the AFRO called before doing the story "to get the true facts."

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AFTER NO one from the bureau called, the AFRO reach Dr. Callowhill late Thursday at his home. He said he had left word for Miss Moeller to call on Friday and provide answers to the AFRO questions.

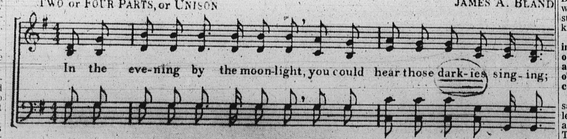
The memo sent to the playgrounds and centers said:

"We have just learned that the song book (name) which was recently distributed to our playgrounds and centers contains some songs and words that are distasteful."

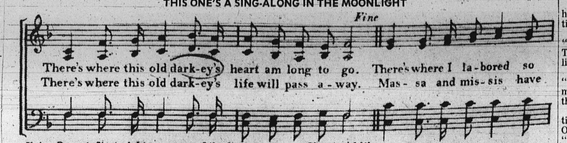
"These books are to be returned to Miss Moeller immediately. All books in our centers are to be shown to Miss Moeller for her personal approval."

No. 79. In the Evening by the Moonlight

TWO OR FOUR PARTS, OR UNISON — JAMES A. BLAND



THIS ONE'S A SING-ALONG IN THE MOONLIGHT



Note: Repeat first eight measures of the first verse as a Chorus, ad lib.

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FOSTER CAUGHT THE COTTON-FIELD ERA SPIRIT

No. 74. Old Black Joe

S. C. F. — STEPHEN C. FOSTER

TWO PARTS OR UNISON

ALL ABOUT LIFE, MASSA AND THE MISSIS

Businessmen back loan for Provident

Fifty-three leaders of the business community have joined the Committee of One Hundred for Provident Hospital, thereby signifying their approval of the proposed loan of $2,400,000 to help finance a new building for the Northwest Baltimore Institution.

Included are prominent executives in banking, insurance, manufacturing, retailing and other fields.

Voters act on the bond issue, which is identified as Question F, on Election Day, November 6. If the loan is approved, a second $2,400,000 in state funds, approximately $800,000 in federal funds, and private revenues will make possible construction of a modern $8,000,000 300-bed plant for Provident to replace its present 103-year-old building.

Mrs. Ramsay backs Provident

Mrs. Carrie Ramsay, Republican candidate for the U.S. Congress from the Seventh District, has denied a rumor that she is not in favor of the loan for Provident Hospital.

Mrs. Ramsay said the rumor arose when someone misinterpreted a remark she made several weeks ago.

She said that she emphatically favors the loan, and would feel honored to serve on the board of the hospital.

Jail warden in trouble on breaks

When five prisoners hacksawed and jumped to freedom from City Jail Monday night they created a giant-size headache that reached all the way to Chicago.

At AFRO presstime these were the latest developments:

"Warden Hiram J. Schoonfield is reportedly in trouble.

"Chicago and Baltimore police, and possibly a Friendship International Airport employee, face a possible damage suit.

"Doyle D. Royal, lone escapee to elude a 13-state dragnet, is still at large.

"The others — William J. James, Roy A. Nixt, Robert L. Venable, and James R. Gale — are back in jail.

Anything Sam, Harry and Jim want, they'll get, says Woodland

"Anything Sam Daniels, Harry Cole and Jim Dorsey want, I'm going to see that they get it when I'm elected."

That was the promise made Tuesday night by Dr. John C. Woodland, Republican candidate for State Senate from the Fourth District, while addressing more than 500 Prince Hall Masons at the Willard W. Allen Masonic Temple.

The candidate apparently had reference to Mr. Daniels, grand master of Prince Hall Masons, Harry Cole, former 4th District Senator and James Dorsey, senior grand warden of Prince Hall Masons, all of whom have been actively supporting his candidacy.

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ALTHOUGH MR. Daniels had announced the meeting was to be non-partisan, Mrs. Verda Welcome, the Democratic senatorial candidate for the 4th District did not appear.

She told the AFRO Wednesday that she had not been invited. "They didn't want me there," she added.

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DANIEL BREWSTER, the Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator, boasted to the Masons that as a member of the House of Representatives I supported every civil rights measure brought to the House floor."

He also said he was '100 per cent behind President Kennedy" in the action he took in Mississippi. This same line was taken by Carlton R. Sickles, the Democratic candidate for congressman-at-large.

Newton Steers, the Republican candidate for this office confessed that at the present time he was more interested in creating jobs than civil rights legislation.

"There's no victory in winning the right to eat in a Route 40 restaurant if you don't have money to pay," he said.

LOUIS GOLDSTEIN, running for comptroller on the Tawes ticket, reminded the audience that he had supported every measure that came before him of benefit "to my colored friends."

Edward T. Miller, the Republican candidate for U. S. Senate, suggested that his hearers "check with my colored friends on the Eastern shore if you want to know where I stand."

Frank Small, Jr., the Republican gubernatorial candidate, declared "as far as I am concerned you should have had your rights yesterday."

He then recited how he had inaugurated an equal job policy when he was serving as commissioner of motor vehicles.

Judge John R. Hargrove, seeking re-election to the People's Court, said as a sitting judge he was not permitted to campaign.

He expressed hope, however, that voters would pull down the lever over the last name on line E next Tuesday.

Voters may check their listing at polling places

Citizens who may have doubts that they are still registered voters in the precincts in which they reside can now verify this by checking the listing outside their precinct polling place.

This listing of registered voters is now posted outside each of the city's precinct polling places, showing who is entitled to vote at each one.

In addition, supplemental voter lists will be brought to precinct polling places throughout the Fourth District Tuesday of over 4,000 registered voters who were challenged recently and failed to appear at the Supervisors of Elections on Oct. 23 to verify their registered address.

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SHOULD THESE challenged citizens appear at their registered polling place Tuesday, they will be permitted to vote after taking an oath that they still reside at their registration address.

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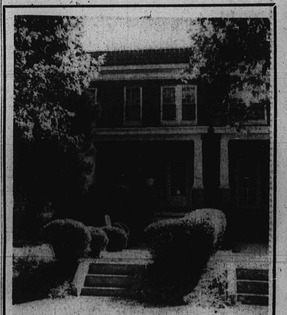
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Why Did Judge Watts Lose?

(STORY IN COLUMN 3)

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WEATHER
The weekend forecast is for rain Friday ending Saturday morning and fair weather for five days afterward. Temperature will average about normal for this season, with highs in the 50's and and 40's at night.

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MOTHER SAYS 'FIRST TIME' IN FATAL NARCOTICS CASE

Calif. man joins four in Congress

By SAMUEL HOSKINS

With the four incumbents colored congressmen being returned the election, Tuesday, of a fifth brought the number of colored members in Congress to an 85-year high.

Only in two other Congresses in the history of the nation have more than five colored members in the 43rd, gether in the national legislative body.

This was in the 43rd Congress, 1873-1875, and the 44th Congress, 1875-1877.

[illegible] ered members in the 43rd, [illegible] South Carolina and [illegible] each from Alabama, Florida, Mississippi.

The 44th had eight colored members, two each from Mississippi and South Carolina and one each from Alabama, Florida, Louisiana and North Carolina.

The four incumbent colored members elected Tuesday, are Reps. William L. Dawson, Illinois; Adam Clayton Powell, New York; Charles C. Diggs Jr., Michigan and Robert N. C. Nix Sr., Pennsylvania.

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THE NEW MEMBER is Augustus F. (Gus) Hawkins, 55, of Los Angeles, who will represent the recently created 21st California Congressional district.

A Democrat, he served 28 years as a member of the California House of Representatives.

In addition to the five congressmen, colored candidates were elected to such posts as state Attorney - General, state treasurer, member of a state supreme court, state and municipal judges and to a number of lesser offices.

These included six to States Senates and at least 35 to State Houses of Representatives.

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S office was won by Edward W. Brooke, Boston Republican, who scored an

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MRS. FDR DIES — This October, 1960 photo of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, widow of the 32nd President, was taken when she visited in Baltimore to campaign for election of President Kennedy. Note the clenched hand, a typical world personality who died on Wednesday.

'We have lost a great friend'

Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, attorney, and secretary to the Baltimore NAACP Legal Redress Committee, said of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who died this week.

"We have lost a great friend of human rights. The thing that most impressed me about Mrs. Roosevelt was her innate honesty.

"She did not hesitate to tell the truth as she saw it which in most instances required great personal courage.

"Mrs. Roosevelt was always sincerely interested in each human she met."

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MRS. MITCHELL added: "I first remember Mrs. Roosevelt during the late thirties as a good friend of Walter White, the late executive secretary of the NAACP. I was his special assistant in charge of the Association's youth work.

"Whenever Walter needed to see President Roosevelt

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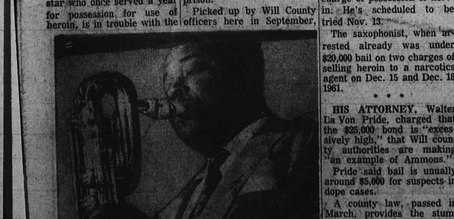
Gene Ammons, sax star faces life imprisonment

CHICAGO — Gene Ammons, the tenor saxophone star who once served a year for possession for use of heroin, is in trouble with the law again. This time, if convicted, he faces up to life in prison.

Picked up by Will County officers here in September, he's been detained since that time under $25,000 bond on a charge of possession of heroin. He's scheduled to be tried Nov. 13.



GENE AMMONS

The saxophonist, when arrested already was under $20,000 bail on two charges of selling heroin to a narcotics agent on Dec. 15 and Dec. 18 1961.

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HIS ATTORNEY, Walter La Von Pride, charged that the $25,000 bond is "excessively high," that Will county authorities are making "an example of Ammons."

Pride said bail is usually around $5,000 for suspects in dope cases.

A county law, passed in March, provides the stumbling block which has kept the popular tenor man in jail. It prohibits outside bonds-

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JUDGE OUT

Why did Bob Watts lose seat?

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

It could not happen, and yet it did.

Municipal Court Judge Robert B. Watts, one of the most popular and respected members on the bench could not possibly have been defeated in Tuesday's election, and yet he was.

Why?

There is no simple answer to this question, only a series of answers that when taken together give fresh proof to an old, but true, one of the two sure things in the world are death and taxes.

In politics, when you become too taken for granted, you walk close to the abyss of disaster, and the community, unfortunately, took the election of Judge Watts for granted.

He was popular, he was eminently qualified, he had been honored by a number of influential organizations, he had led the rest of the judges in the primary election, so the electorate assumed that his election was assured.

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INSTEAD, when the voting was over, Judge Watts trailed the eighth man running for the Municipal Court, by some 1,800 votes.

Since there were only eight places to fill, the Municipal Court lost its only colored representative, and the post mortems began in earnest.

An examination of the causes of defeat is meaningless, unless set against the nature of the man himself.

In order to understand the

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Husband kills wife, wounds two

By MARY STRATFORD

WASHINGTON

'I messed up. I killed two. I killed my wife. She never did what I wanted her to do," the passenger, who entered the cab toting a concealed sawed-off shotgun, said from back eat to the startled taxi driver.

THE HACKER, James H. Williams Jr. was driving his taxi to a destination in the 1600 block A St. SE, he told a coroner's inquest Thursday, when the passenger, David A. Keys, remarked:

"Don't stop at the red light, they're following me. I ought to give myself up."

When Mr. Williams agreed, Keys ordered him to drive to the nearest station house which was Precinct 10 where two plainclothesmen emerged from a trailing cab and placed the suspect under arrest, the inquest was told.

The coroner's jury held Keys, 32, a cement finisher, 400 block Rhode Island Ave. NW for action of the grand-jury in the death of his bride of six months, Mrs. Priscilla Keys, 21, unk block G St. NW.

Mrs. Keys, daughter of

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VICTORY SMILES — This happiness was reflected on the faces of Lloyal Randolph, Miss May Sue Welcome, and Mrs. Verda F. Welcome Tuesday evening, as Mrs. Welcome learned she had been elected to the State Senate

Mrs. Welcome captures race, Gov. Tawes gets 55% of votes

By MAX JOHNSON

Voters in AFRO precincts in Baltimore gave Gov. J. Millard Tawes a 10 per cent heavier vote than he garnered state-wide in Tuesday's election, which overwhelmingly returned him to office for a second term.

AFRO precincts total 165 of the 533 in the city, and are populated wholly or predominantly by colored citizens. They are represented in all of the city's six districts.

The state-wide unofficial vote showed:

Gov. Tawes — 428,329, or 55.7 per cent.

Frank Small Jr. — 340,806, or 44.3 per cent.

In the city's 165 AFRO precincts, the voters gave the Governor this majority:

Gov. Tawes — 31,755, or 65.6 per cent.

Mr. Small — 16,666, or 34.4 per cent.

This means that 10 per cent more voters in AFRO precincts favored Gov. Tawes over Mr. Small for the governorship, than did the voters on a state-wide basis.

This pattern held close throughout AFRO precincts for the other members of Gov. Tawes' state-wide ticket, as voters gave them decisive majorities over their Republican opponents.

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HERE IS the way the votes in these precincts went:

U. S. Senate —Daniel B. Brewster, 29,945; Edward T. Miller, 9,466.

Attorney general — Thomas B. Finan 24,052; Martin A. Ferris 3rd, 8,148.

Comptroller — Louis L. Goldstein, 27,106; David C. Champion, 7,812.

Congressman - at - large —Carlton R. Sickles 24,488; Newton I. Steers Jr., 10,408.

Gov. Tawes and his state-wide ticket had the endorsement of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers.

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UNDOUBTEDLY the biggest surprise in the voting throughout the 165 AFRO precincts was in the race for the People's Court Judgeship.

Here Judge John R. Hargrove, Republican incumbent, who was defeated in the city-wide vote, also lost to Carl W. Bacharach, Democrat, by 1,871 votes.

The AFRO precincts vote showed:

Judge Hargrove — 12,270; Mr. Bacharach — 13,941.

In the city-wide vote Mr.

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Victim was high school student

"One of the boys the police got yesterday sat right in this chair and told us it was the first time he ever saw Buster use drugs.

"I hope it isn't so, about the drugs, I mean. I don't know where he could have gotten narcotics from. Those other boys don't live in this neighborhood.

"Those boys came back here secretly Tuesday night. Buster let them in the basement — back door. That's where my son was found. He was lying where I do my wash. They left him there bleeding.

"They have to answer to TRUST If they had only told somebody, Buster would be alive today."

THUS MRS. CARRIE HENRY, 32, of 644 N. Carey St., told of the sudden and mysterious death of her son, Melvin Jason Henry, 16, an eleventh grader at Carver High School, sometime Wednesday.

Young Henry was last seen alive at 1 a.m. Wednesday morning by his aunt, Mrs. Bessie Armstrong, 62, in the family's Carey St. home. Police report that Mrs. Armstrong first noticed Melvin's body on the cellar floor the following morning at 11:45 a.m.

She stated she thought the boy in the basement was a friend of Melvin's "sleeping off a drunk." The aunt went back upstairs to the kitchen, returned shortly afterward and tried to awaken the boy. Then she discovered his hand was cold.

Near the boy's body police reported they found:

One 2 cc hypodermic syringe, a 13 - gauge hypo-

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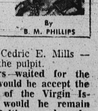
If YOU Ask ME



By B. M. PHILLIPS

Love and kisses: All the world loves a lover, so you'll enjoy this:—

Tomorrow (Saturday, Nov. 10), at 2, pretty Marilyn Williams, Morgan State College senior, and 1st Lt. Harry W. Johnson, will march down the aisle at Blessed Sacrament Church on Old York Rd.

The two met four years ago when they were freshmen at Morgan. Lt. Johnson, you may remember, as the tall and handsome basketball star.

He is stationed at Ft. Knox, Ga., but leaves for overseas duty (in Germany), on Nov. 18. His bride will join him in March.

A reception will follow the Saturday wedding at the Norfolk Ave. home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Madison Garrison.

There will be a brief N.Y. honeymoon before he goes abroad, and she returns to classes at Morgan.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Carolyn W. Williams and of Callow Williams, both of N.Y.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Y. Johnson of Annapolis.

Mr. Johnson is chief cher at the U.S. Naval Academy.

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There was not a dry eye in St. James Episcopal Church Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.

The crowded church was hushed as the beloved rector —Father Cedric E. Mills — mounted the pulpit.

Members waited for the word — would he accept the bishopric of the Virgin Islands, or would he remain here in Baltimore where he has led St. James for 22 years?

He started to speak. 'I have never aspired to the bishopric of the church. . . .' He could not go on. He wept openly.

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Maid Willed $150,000

WASHINGTON

Mrs. Helen Crew, former maid who was willed $150,000 by her employer, will defend her right to the estate on Dec. 3 in U.S. District Court and is expected to spurn any out-of-court settlement before that time.

The date was agreed on by attorneys for Mrs. Crew and a cousin of the deceased who is contesting the will, at a pre-trial hearing Monday. The lawyers met to determine the controverted and uncontroverted issues to be presented at the forthcoming trial.

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AFTER THE conference, Robert T. Smith, attorney for Mrs. Crew and executor for the estate, said the maid had been avoiding reporters since her inheritance became known.

"The publicity has upset her," said Mr. Smith "she has been deluged by telephone calls, especially from persons wanting her to make investments."

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AS IS usual, in most pre-trial examinations, Mrs. Crew did not appear at the hearing which was set after Mrs. Mary M. Lickner, Silver Springs, Md., challenged the will of Mrs. Margaret E. Parker charging that the 38-year-old woman was of unsound-mind at the time the will was executed.

Mrs. Lickner, who identified herself as a cousin, and next of kin, is seeking the Parker estate, which includes the "Pete Dailey's Famous Foggy Bottom Restaurant" also bequeathed to Mrs. Crew.

Mrs. Crew went to work as a night cook in 1938 for George S. (Pete) Dailey, later becoming a maid in his household. Mr. Dailey, who died in 1951, was Mrs. Parker's father.

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