—Wife shot dead

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in the forehead.

Northeastern District Officers Stephan Sefick and Dennis Carr took Mr. Stewart into custody at the scene.

They also recovered a .38 cal. Luger pistol.

According to Mr. Lovelist, who said he entered the house about 9:30 a.m., the husband allegedly stated he was going to take his wife and children with him.

Mr. Lovelist did notice he responded, "O.K", then began to remove his coat and heard shots, one of which stung his right arm before he could reach a door to the basement.

The victim said he heard three more shots from the basement.

Mrs. Stewart was pronounced dead at Union Memorial Hospital at 10:10 a.m.

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POLICE said they towed Mr. Stewart's car bearing North Carolina license plates from the premises to the City Yard.

Mrs. Stewart is survived by two children a daughter aged two years and a son who will be a year old on Jan. 9.

Her brother, Aaron Clark, said the Stewarts had been married three years and were separated. He said he believed her husband was on Christmas leave from the Marine Corps in North Carolina.

Mrs. Stewart is also survived by two sisters, Tineia and Sandra Clark; by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Q. Clark, of the 3300 block Frederick Ave., and by two grandmothers and a grandfather.

Funeral services were held Thursday at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, followed by burial at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

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IN A SECOND fatal Christmas shooting, police also have charged a serviceman.

Twenty-year-old Daniel Gillis of the 900 block Poplar Grove St., was the victim of the afternoon shooting in the 600 block of Poplar Grove for which a U.S. Army man has been charged.

Charged is James Spearman, 23, of the 2900 block Edmondson Ave.

Western District police said the shooting arose out of an argument that began in a tavern in the block.

The altercation, which moved out onto the pavement, involved Spearman's brother, Jerome Spearman, 21, and another youth, Louis Brunson, Jr., of the 2900 block Edmondson Ave., police said.

YOUNG GILLIS, reportedly said before the shot was fired, "Why don't you fire that thing, it's nothing but a black pistol anyhow."

Police found the youth lying on the pavement bleeding profusely from mouth and nose.

The slug, which hit him in the right shoulder, apparently entered his right lung, police said.

He was pronounced dead at Lutheran Hospital at 3:25 p.m.

One of the group told police that they had purchased a fifth of whiskey earlier in the day and had been drinking it in an alley.

Police said they learned that the charged man is in the Army and was on leave at home, while awaiting transportation papers.

—Minister outraged

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Fauntroy said:

"We feel that the courts will handle the question of the libel suit. It's not for Congress to handle it.

"There are Congressmen who have been in similar difficulty and who have served," referring to a past Congressman from Massachusetts who had been incarcerated, though the Rev. Fauntroy did not name him.

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CHAIRMAN of the Committee, Dr. E. C. Smith, said that the pro-Powell effort not sparked by an appeal from the Congressman, but instead, by requests elmanating from "groups across the nation."

According to the Rev. Andrew W. Fowler, executive secretary of the Committee of 100, no word had yet been received from the Congressman. Also, the Rev. Martin Luther King, national chairman of SCLC, had not been contacted by the Committee.

Offering his own view concerning the anti-Powell movement, the Rev. Fowler said that the reason behind it is not purely racial:

"I wouldn't say that Congress as a whole has (racial prejudice), but I do say that individual members would do it because he is colored."

He added that one reason Powell is being attacked is because "he has done so well" in being an effective Congressman.

Another clergyman, the Rev. E. Franklin Jackson, national Democratic Committeeman for the District of Columbia, called for an investigation by Congress into excessive spending of all its members.

"It is wrong to try to make an example of Mr. Powell," he declared.

In their statement, the ministers announced that they were coordinating efforts with A. Philip Randolph, veteran labor and civil rights leader, in New York City in scheduling the Sunday planning session.

The ministers have called on "citizens of like - mind to join us and our national leaders at the Assembly."

The Committee statement further read in part:

"On the question of Mr. Powell's activities as Chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee, we feel that the Congress has adequate means of dealing with such matters short of the 'McCarthy-like' hearings conducted by Congressman Wayne Hayes and the announced efforts to strip him of his chairmanship and to unseat him as the representative of his district."

"Clergymen here and across the country will not stand idly by and permit such persecution of a Congressman duly elected to service by all the people of his congressional district" (emphasizing 'all' in an apparent reference to the five Mississippi congressmen).

"When the murderers of Schwerner, Chaney and Goodman are brought to justice; when the hundreds like those who beat and maim and murder colored citizens to keep them away from the polls are punished; then and only then should the question of Mr. Powell's right to be seated even be considered."

While not defending the Congressman's actions, "the Committee of 100 does not condone wrongful acts or practices by anyone, but vigorously opposes these unconstitutional and unnecessary efforts to unseat Congressman Powell."

The Committee of 100 is a Washington based, national organization of clergymen formed for the purpose of dealing with social, political and religious problems.

SMILING NOW—Mrs. Debarco Edison, who was fraught with grief last month when this picture was taken, is all smiles today after receiving letter from her son Sgt. Hermon R. Jones Jr., on duty in Vietnam. Sgt. Jones, who earlier complained he was not able to get medicine for an asthmatic condition, told his mother he is getting it now and is "doing fine."

—Earnings tax

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if Gov. Ted Agnew will actually fight the tax program, explaining it "once was the governor something happens to you. The great responsibility if the entire state falls upon your shoulders. I have been governor and I know. But from the city viewpoint we must, I must make our needs, and position known. I must disclose the problems."

MAYOR McKELDIN touched on some of the financial needs: raises for policemen and other city workers and the school system.

"Do you know," he asked "that here in our inner city some of the children are trying to study in old buildings that are heated with coal units. They can't possibly learn under these conditions."

The costs of schools, welfare, health and other inner city needs are such that "many of our people are moving oa; they don't like the environment," the mayor said.

He termed his earnings tax one which is easy to collect and now used by 3,000 cities. He judged it "1,000 times better than the tax on homes."

He said retired people who still would have to pay the tax on their homes though no longer employed are among the supporters of his earnings tax.

In the past, human rights groups which recognize that the earnings tax is the one way to get city funds from people who work here but don't share any of the other burdens of trying to rehabilitate the inner city, have supported Mayor McKeldin on this matter.

ON THE matter of pushing both the unpopular earnings tax and the open occupancy measure in an election year, Mr. McKeldin said:

"I don't have to be elected but I do have to live with my God.

"Doing the honest thing never affects you adversely. Our minority groups here have suffered a long time. We've got to have freedom now.

"Freedom to live where you want, to marry the person of your choice, in every area of life."

—Man-on-street

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look forward to another raise.

As for resolutions, I don't know if I'll make any — I don't know if I can keep them if I should.

Mrs. Ruth Simmons, Ridgewood Ave. nurse:

We moved into our new home the day before Thanksgiving. That was the most fascinating thing 1966 held for me. Of course, I am looking forward to bigger and better things in life for next year.

Resolutions, well I will make a few. Mainly I will still try to live a better life in 1967.

Miss Janice Blackwell, Carlisle Ave.; teacher:

1966 was exciting for me when I finally graduated from Coppin College and attained my ambition to become an elementary teacher.

I look forward to 1967 to live a richer life, be a better teacher, and be of service.

No resolutions.

—Sterling A. Page

-AFRO helps

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leader in an Engineering Battalion and is doing an outstanding job. He has a year's supply of pills (for his asthmatic condition) and is writing his mother today (Dec. 24) to tell her he is getting along fine."

Maj. Reilly added that the sergeant's field commanders would pull him out of the field for a complete examination and re-evaluation.

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DURING HOLIDAY PEAK an estimated 5,000 pieces of parcel post per hour were handled by the local post office. Scene here shows some of the thousands of packages. Postmaster Warren M. Bloomberg, thanked local citizens for their cooperation in mailing early and using zip Code Numbers. He reported an estimated 146,950,000 pieces of mail went through without a big hitch during the holidays.

2 named to top GOP posts

The appointments of David B. Maguire and John D. Marschalk to key party posts were announced this week by Maryland's Republican State Central Committee.

Mr. Maguire will be director of public relations. He is a former assistant editor of the News American and former managing editor of the Baltimore Catholic Review.

Mr. Marschalk ..... as director' of registration. During the recent campaign he was Maryland Republican campaign manager.

Provident Bank ups dividend

The Provident Saving Bank will pay in addition to the regular interest rate of 4 per cent per annum, another extra dividend at the rate of ½ of 1 per cent per annum for the quarterly period beginning Jan. 1, 1967. This is the eleventh "extra dividend" declared since 1954.

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17 employees given watches

Seventeen employees of the Londontown Manufacturing Company, each received a gold watch from Israel Myers, president, in recognition of 25 years of service.

Mr. Myers made the presentation before hundreds of Londontown employees who were beginning their third week's paid vacation this year, returning to work on Jan. 3.

The Baltimore recipients are:

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