—Voter registration spurred

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South Exeter St.: "This is my first time registering. I am doing so because I don't want to see Wallace or Nixon win."

Miss Virginia Green, 1822 W. Fayette St.: "This is my first time registering. I don't like Governor Agnew because he does not understand the problems. He prefers force rather than common sense."

Miss Mary Boston, 1019 Wilmot Court, student: "This will be my first time at the polls to vote. I am doing so because I do not approve of the Republican party. My personal opinion of Governor Agenw is 'he stinks'."

James Wiggins Jr., 15 N. Popular Sr., student: "This will be my first time at the polls. I definitely will vote. The reason that I shall do so is to help to defeat Nixon. Also, I am by tradition a Democrat."

William Bowman, 1300 Wildwood St., tire builder: "I don't like the Republican party. The Republican party isn't for the good of the colored people. Therefore, I feel that it is my duty as a citizen to vote."

Miss Cheryl Harper, 3309 Sequoia Ave., student: "I am going to vote because it is my duty as a citizen to do so. Secondly, I don't approve of the Republican party. We must defeat the Republican party."

Miss Ann Carr, 1623 Chilton St., machine operator: "I am registering because the social stiuation demands, that I do so. My opinion of the Republican party is low indeed. Aand I do not feel that the Republican party holds the interest of the black people.

Derry Brewer, 1339 Homestead St., adjuster: "I have regestered before and I shall continue to do so. It is my duty as a citizen to vote. Furthermore, I don't approve of the Agnew and Nixon ticket."

Denis Davis, 1334 Stonewood Rd., Bendix employee: "I am changing from Republican to Democratic, because, I no longer approve of the Republican party. It is also, my opinion that Nixon and Agnew will not represent the colored people."

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THIRTY EXTRA employees were hired to help get everyone that arrived "straight on the books."

On Monday the staff worked what is called "double Day" from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

On Satuday, it was reported that 4,000 persons registered with about 3,200 new voters and 900 change of address" voters.

The books will open again on Sept. 21 and close on Oct. 2. Meantime an extra force will be put on to see that newly registered voters cards are mailed out in time for Election Day in November.

By noon Monday over 2,000 had come to either change address or register, officials reported.

Michael Mitchell, working with the NAACP Register to Vote Campaign, said stations wagons, cars and one bus had brought citizens from the Unit block S. Fulton Ave. early in the morning and two busloads were expected in the afternoon.

Mrs. Rose Zoltowski, chief registrar 21 years, said totals were not tabulated until 10 p.m. Monday since during the day there was no time for lunch nor adding up figures.

SHE OBSERVED that "in my time I have never seen so many students and young people registering to vote and they seemed to be far in the majority."

Mrs. Betty Silbert, Democratic memberof the Board of Supervisors of Elections six years remarked

"I'm sure there are more young people than we've had in many years."

At 1 p.m. she predicted the lines would be so long there could be one hope of closing at 9 p.m.

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AT THAT time the line going in the Frederick St. door was two-abreast and extended around three sides of the building.

Giving a colorful cross-section of Baltimore, it included nuns, priats; girls in pony tails and African bush hair-dos; young people in shorts, T-shirts enscribed with "Ocean City" and "Atlantic City"; tennis shoes, sandles, slacks, mini skirts shirtwaists.

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ARRIVING IN chartered and Transit buses, taxis, rattle-traps, used and new cars there were expectant mothers; parents and children; men assisting elderly ladies; young couples hand-in-hand; the cripple, persons wearing neck-braces and a young woman led by a seeing-eye dog.

Smartly dressed young office workers on luch from summer jobs, staid citizens, all seemed to be filled with purpose and on a special mission.

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URGING THEM on in cheer-leader fashion from the corner was an elderly man who had lost nearly every tooth but not his sense of humor.

He had arrived in the chill of the early morning. On his arm was a tattered overcoat. On his face, misfortune and good humor.

As ripples of laughter went through the line as he repeated, "Nix Nixon. As Agnew." "Nix on Nixon for a skin' Agnew." "We're gonna fix you, Agnew."

In the line was a middle-aged woman who said she had been "up all night, getting ready to come down here like it was voting day." — &

"When they started planning to get in the White House, they didn't think about how they'd have to come by me first," she winked.

Churckling was a friend who said she had left dinner on the stove "because I thought it would only take a minute" she added, "I have a circle on my clandar. I can't wait until election day. It's going to be men and him, and you know who I mean."

Another woman in the trio, a neighboring housewife, put her hands and wrung them around as if she were choking someone to death. That was her contribution to the conversition.

The laughter of the fest crowd resounded against the building and could be heard far across they street into City Hall plaza.

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NEW BIG BROTHER SERVICE — Guests at the opening of a new Big Brother Service Center at Lombard Community School No. 57 were Jimmy Fields, a boy in search of a Big Brother; George Seymour Jr., executive director of Baltimore Big Brothers; Lester Buster, Big Brothers field director; John O. Hopkins, assistant school superintendent; and Melvin Moore, community school coordinator.

-Phony doctor

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after a woman visitor to Mr. Burman's room had been jailed for creating a disturbance.

Shortly after noon Sunday, Mr. Burman signed himself out of Sinai Hospital where he was recuperating from bullet wounds of the leg and chest.

Nurses, who asked to remain unidentified, breathed a sigh of relief when the well-known Avenue figure checked out although it was against the advice of doctors.

"Thank goodness," said one. "Now I can relax. I was afraid that someone was coming in here and try to kill him and probably kill a lot of innocent people.

THE WHEREABOUTS of Mr. Burman are unknown. When reporters checked his home late Sunday after visiting the hospital, no one answered the door.

Meantime the investigation, branching off into several directions, has been intensified. Police, it has been learned, fear a possible gang war if the attempted slaying isn't solved.

Investigators have the identify of suspects wanted in the gun battle, but to date have been unable to locate them.

Caare for veterans is an Anglo-American tradition dating from 1593.

—'Must beat Nixon—Jackie

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dox.

"I feel confident that a solid black vote — though it sacrifices the two-party system for the moment — will defeat Nixon, and what he stands for.

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"ALL ONE needs to do," Robinson went on, "is consider the main topic of their campaign talks to detect what the plan is. From the beginning of Nixon's quest of the nomination, he preached the need for 'law and order' in our towns.

"All of us are for law and order, but the threats he makes are a tipoff that he intends to place the controlling of civil disorders above any other issue — Vitnam, taxes, anything you name.

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"THIS MEANS," Jackie opined, "that his energies will be directed against punishing the ghetto. And that can lead to the biggest holocaust this country ever has seen. The ghetto victim is no longer afraid of threats, and Nixon displays his utter; ignorance of the fact.

"Agnew does nothing but parrot him in this position."

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REMINDED THAT Nixon was barely beaten by John F. Kennedy in the 1960 election, and that no Democratic candidate appears to be as strong as Kennedy, Jackie was asked why he felt that the former Vice President can be beaten — even with a bloc vote by colored people.

"In 1960," Robinson replied, "I considered Nixon a true champion of civil rights. I voted for him and urged other colored voters to support him. I've since changed my mind.

"Whether it was because of me or not, is not the point, but it must be remembered that he got 30 per cent of the colored vote against Jack Kennedy. Thirty per cent is a lot of votes. We can't afford it this time."

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AS AN afterthought, Robinson declared: "In the eight years since then, millions of white people in this country have had a change of heart.

"This is evident in Massachusetts where they turned thumbs down on Helen Gahagan Douglas, and in Cleveland and Gary (Ind.) where they helped elect colored mayors."

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WAS JACKIE'S decision to bolt the party predicated on the defeat of Rockefeller and the likelihood that he would be unlikely to win appointment to the U.S. Senate seat left vacant by the slaying of Robert Kennedy?

"By no means," Robinson answered. "I'm satisfied that I was never seriously considered as a replacement for Senator Kennedy. The Governor (Rockefeller) and I have not once had conversation about the matter. He never mentioned it to me, nor did I ever discuss it with him.

"Furthermore, the time would never come when I would put up my support of, and loyalty to, him for a price. I'm sure he'd never approach me with any kind of suggestion that would involve coercion. He wouldn't insult me that way."

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WHAT IS Robinson's view of the action by basketball star Wilt Chamberlain, in aligning himself with Nixon?

"I don't know what are Wilt's motives," was the reply. "It is very hard for me to understand how any black man can support a party which clearly demonstrates it doesn't want him.

"But it certainly can't be on the basis of what Wilt thinks is best for the black man."

—'Force march'

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mitted he slapped Baker with his open hand "a couple of times — maybe three" but only to "bring him out of whatever state he was in."

Lanham who completed officer candidate school and received his commission last December said that Baker had mumbled something about being afraid of water (a 200-foot drop into water awaited the Rangers at the end of the march). He said he felt the Ranger training volunteer was going to "passively resist."

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LANHAM SAID he thought Baker was conveying the idea that "If I'm going to go, you're going to carry me."

Lanham also testified that he thought Baker's uncontrolled flailing and thrashing about after falling four times was "a defensive fighting position once shown to me by a karate expert."

M/Sgt. Thomas E. Gentz testified that Lanham had attended a class on how to recognize and provide emergency treatment for heat injuries only four days before the incident occurred.

BAKER WAS taken to Martin Army Hospital only after an officer from another unit, Capt. James B. Wamble, happened by the spot where the incident occurred—and he inquired about the situation.

"He looked like he Baker) was pretty ill. He looked unconscious," Capt. Wamble testified.

A second physican who examined Baker at the hospital said his temperature was 104 degrees.

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WARNER AND Lanham said they relied heavily on the opinion of the 18-year-old medic who was driving the ambulance. They said the medic seemed unaware of the seriousness of Baker's condition.

Two army physicians who performed an autopsy on Baker testified they detected a large bruise on Baker's chest but no evidence in the tria linked the injury to the defendadans.

Another physician, Dr. Henry W. Busey testified that Baker, 6 feet 4 inches, should have been taken to a hospial sooner. "Under circumstances where heat exhaustion and stroke may occur, it must be suspected," he said when a trainee begins (delerium and confusion with warm, dry skin.)

Present during days of the court-martial were Baker's widow, Mrs. Jacquelyn M. Baker, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon E. Baker Sr. and a brother Harry Baker, 21.

In response to the statement by Lanham that Baker had said he was afraid of water Mrs. Baker, 22, said her husband could swim and had no fear of water that she knew of.

She said she had visited with him before he died and they "talked about the family and our little girl, mostly."

THE ELDER Mrs. Baker said her son had always wanted to be a soldier — he had been born on Armistice Day.

Ironically, Baker had returned from his tour of Vietnam a year to the day (May 19) before the training march.

Poor plan

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early stages.

Harris said the march was needed since "very few of our state officials are interested in getting acquainted with poverty and seeing it firsthand."

The SCLC official made the announcement after only one member of Virginia's general assembly made a tour of the slum section of Waverly Saturday.

Only Del. W. Ferguson Reid of Richmond, the legislature's only colored member, attended the tour. Gov. Mills E. Godwin Jr. and other state officials as well as all members of the legislature were invited.

Harris said the march from Waverly to Richmond would take about four days, but the marchers would stay in Richmond only one day. Harris will at that time present a petition to the governor asking for help.

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Robinson named EEO assistant

FORT VALLEY, Ga. — Chester Robinson a member of the Fort Valley State College faculty, has been named assistant to Thomas L. Delton, Deputy Equal Employment Opportunity Officer here.

Robinson is presently associate professor of Health and Physical Education and chairman of the Educational Department at the college.

He is a graduate of Savannah State College and North Carolina College and has done graduate work toward his doctorate at New York University. He is married to the former Verna Armstron of Winter Garden, Fla. and they have two daughters.

OXFORD, Pa. — Part Two of the photographic exhibit "For More Than Bread" is being presented at Lincoln University's Ware Fine Arts Center through Aug. 16 by the Southern African Scholarship Program. The exhibit portrays the projects of the American Friends Service Committee.

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Young Crusaders launch bell-ringing vote drive

East Baltimore had its first glimpse of what any well become a normal experience between now and September, as 150 youthful volunteers conducted door-to-door canvassing for two candidates seeking judgeships in the Sept. 10 primaries.

Leaders of the Young Crusaders were elated over what they considered a turn out "larger than we expected."

"We had hoped for at least a hundred, but we got 150," Billy Murphy, one of the coordinators of the group told the AFRO.

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THE YOUTHS met at Knox Presbyterian Church at 10:30 Saturday morning to accept assignments for the first day of canvassing.

Ranging in age from teenagers to young professionals and a few older people, they fanned out into East Baltimore neighborhoods, hitting homes, bars, corner stores, and any place that appeared to yield a registered voter.

The group is attempting to aide the drive to create a "Youth Army" to steam-roll support for the campaign in which Parren Mitchell, former Community Action Agency director, is running for Congress from the 7th District; and Joseph P. Howard and Archie D. Williams, attorneys seeking judeships.

Mrs. Murphy said the group is focussing on East Baltimore because, "We already have some organizational support in the West Baltimore area.

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HE SAID that there is every indication that the numbers of young canvassers will snowball.

A lot of people have been coming in and signing up, and its just a matter of arranging assignments that are convelent with their spare time," he said.

Mr. Murphy said the group is seeking to point up the significance of the September election as a test of strength for Black Baltimore".

We have enough political muscle to put our own men into citywide offices — all we have to do is to get out and vote," he said.

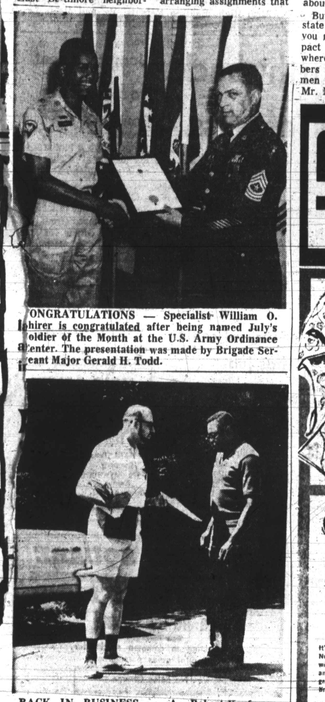
The three candidate are more than qualified to the offices they seek. There's no question about either their ability or their dedication to the interests of black people," he added.

He added that the group is emphasizing the importance of participating in politics at the local level.

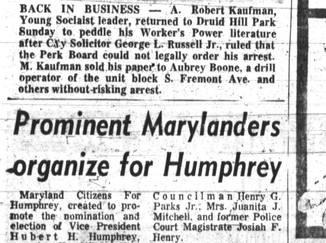
We've got to elect our own people where they can do the most good. We see what's hapoening at the national level, and there's not a great deal we can do about that.

But it's right here in the state and the city — where you get the immediate impact of government and where we have the numbers we can influence the men who make decisions," Mr. Murphy asserted.

VIGIL — Ptrolman Leonard Wheatley, who is now guarding the room of an accused attempted robber at Sinai Hospital, tells reporters of attempt of a phony doctor to enter the hospital room of Charles Burman while Mr. Burman was cohfined with bullet wounds.



CONGRATULATIONS — Specialist William O. Lehrer is congratulated after being named July's Soldier of the Month at the U.S. Army Ordinance Center. The presentation was made by Brigade Sergeant Major Gerald H. Todd.



BACK IN BUSINESS — A. Robert Kaufman, Young Socialist leader, returned to Druid Hill Park Sunday to peddle his Worker's Power literature after City Solicitor George L. Russell Jr., ruled that the Perk Board could not legally order his arrest. M. Kaufman sold his paper to Aubrey Boone, a drill operator of the unit block S. Fremont Ave. and others without risking arrest.

Prominent Marylanders organize for Humphrey

Maryland Citizens For Humphrey, created to promote the nomination and election of Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, named a diversified collection of advisors this week.

Among them are City Councilman Henry G. Parks Jr., Mrs. Juanita J. Mitchell, and former Police Court Magistrate Josiah F. Henry.

In announcing formation of the advisory group, Francis N. Iglehart, chairman, Maryland Citizens for Humphrey, said that several additional appointments will be made within the next two weeks.

The group, to be known officially as the Advisory Committee to Maryland Citizens for Humphrey, will work with Mr. Iglehart, serving both as a source of suggestions and as a sounding board for the Citizens Campaign in Maryland.

Others include Leonard Altman, Mrs. Angela Bonince, Albert Berney, Mrs. Carmel Bindes, Alvin Blank, Jacob Blaustein, Mrs. Russell L. Dilsch, Dominic N. Fornaro, Mrs. Maurice Freedlander, Dr. Royce Hanson, Jerald C. Hoffberger, Mrs. Harry Hughes, Charles Knott, Wallace Lanahan Jr., F. Richard Malone, Clarence W. Miles, Robert R. Price, Mrs. Zella P. Saylor, Alfred L. Scanlon, Mrs. David Scull, Theodore G. Venetoulis, William Walsh, Dr. George J. Weems, and Paul Wolman.

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