Local 44 scores new bargaining victories

When the "Green Power" advocates of Local 44 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees promised to "put a union label on the city of Baltimore," they weren't just talking, mounting evidence shows.

This feeling became widespread at City Hall Thursday, as Local 44 fairly coasted to a stunning 424-to-53 victory over the Classified Municipal Employees Association (CMEA) for the right to represent 1,000 City Hospital employees as collective bargaining agent.

This victory was quickly followed by a 70-to-15 victory over the CMEA for the right to bargain for 170 guards, custodians, maintenance employees, and food service workers at the Baltimore City Jail.

Neither victory was unexpected by Local 44 organizers and officials, but the margin of votes was impressive.

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"This leaves no question in anyone's mind that Baltimore city employees want to be represented by a true trade union rather than an 'association'," international field representative staff director P. J. Ciampa told a jubilant crowd of organizers and poll-watchers at the union's W. Monument St. office.

"The, hospital workers chose Local 44 by an 8-to-1 margin — so I guess this clears up any doubts there might have been after our last victory as to which organization represents the true interests of the city workers.

"The workers themselves have chosen us overwhelmingly, and they are the best and they are the best judges."

In contrast to the confidence of Local 44 officials, CMEA President Harry Deitchman expressed his dismay at the relatively small turnout at both elections; and attributed it to apathy on the part of the hospital and jail workers.

"It's a real shame that when city employees were given a chance to vote, such a small percentage turned out. Frankly, we were disheartened by the fact that only 700 or so of the 1,700 eligible voters took the trouble to vote."

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Concerning the large margin of victory for Local 44, Mr. Deitchman charged that the union had sought publicity on the eve of the election by stating that a lawsuit would be brought for the back pay currently owed to city hospital and school employees pending the outcome of an investigation by a division of the U.S. Department of Labor.

The lawsuit instituted by Local 44 against the City concerns an estimated $150,000 to $200,000 in back pay . . . for overtime work performed by employees of the city agencies which were recently brought under the expanded jurisdiction of the Federal Wages and Hours Law.

The act of Congress which expanded the coverage of this law last spring was contested by the state and 25 other states, which sought temporary restraining orders against the Department of Labor to prevent its enforcement until a decision could be reached on the matter by the U.S. Supreme Court.

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While the restraining order is in effect, the state, county and city governments affected by the expansion are requested by the Department to keep up-to-date calculations of the overtime hours worked by each employee, so that payment may be made if the Supreme Court upholds the constitutionality of the Congressional act.

In answer to Mr. Deitchman's charge that the Local 44 lawsuit for the payment of this money by the City to the hospital and school employees is a "publicity stunt," Ciampa retorted:

"Let me tell you—$200,000 worth of back pay is a heck of a lot of publicity. If he's going to call that a publicity stunt, I'd like to have that every hour on the hour!"

18 couples given licenses to marry

HAGERSTOWN, MD. — Eighteen marriage licenses were issued here in November to the following couples

33, of Shepherdstown, W. Va., and Mary J. 34, of Keasneyville, W. Va. She is white.

34, and Annie M., 30, both of Barlow, Fla.

J. 30, and Anna B. 46, both of Riverview, Fla.

JOHNSON-JOHNSON, Willie L., 21, of Lake Wales, Fla., and Mary W. 38, of Barkley, Md.

Henry 62, and Wilsbery, 50, both of Harrisburg, Pa.

WILLIAMS-TATE, Eddie, 21, and Barbara Ann, 17, both of Harrisburg, Pa.

DICKENS-RIDEOUT, William, 26, of New York and Marilyn O., 19, of Hagerstown, Md.

20, and Christina, 19, both of Chambersburg, Pa. She is white.

EASTER-CURTIS, James A., 36, and Joanne, 23, both of Harrisburg, Pa.

JENKINS-CARTER, James T., 22, of Keasneyville, W. Va., and Ann B. 19, of Charlestown, W. Va.

HARRIS-LEE, Mitchell L., 25, and Nina E., 21, both of Hagerstown, Md.

ROLLE-GRANTHAM, Simeon, 23, and Portia, 17, both of Martinsburg, W. Va.

FIELDS-SNEED, Donald E. 21, and Shelly B., 20, both of Harrisburg, Pa.

JACKSON-GREGORY, Chester, 47, and Sandra, 19, sth of Martinsburg, W. Va. She is white.

RIDEOUT-PAXTON, Marc J., 19, and Angela M., 23, both of Shippensburg, Pa. She is white.

STONER-EMORY, Leon C., 43, and Phyllis J., 38, both of Chambersburg, Pa. Sre is white.

30 Morganites study where the action is

Thirty Morgan State college students are earning three credits on a pass/fail basis giving service to community organizations ranging from the Youth Divison of the Baltimore City Police Department to Human Relations Commission.

The new course which began in September as the Work Service Community Cooperative Seminar is attempting to lend assistance to problems, said L. James Perry, instructor in social science.

Students taking the course as an elective are from the sociology, physical education, psychology, art education, history, biology, chemistry, French, English, business administration and philosophy departments.

Twenty-six women and six men registered for the course. One is doing research, and 29 are giving service.

Some 45 agencies requested 295 students, Mr. Perry said, which means that "the seminar could well be the point of departure for many innovative programs involving the urban community and the college."

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STUDENTS and the agencies they selected are:

Sharon Artis, mayor's sub-station; Ella Calhoun, City Health Department Pauline Carter, Martin Luther King Center for Parents and Children: Mildred Chapman, Department of Social Services; John Clark, independent study project; Bryan Crockett, Municipal Court of Baltimore; Nikki Curtis, Echo House Foundation: Sandra Estes, Model Cities Agencies: Marilyn Fossett, Legal Aid West; Thomas Fisher, YMCA; Estella Gambrill, Bureau of Recreation:

Hermione Graham, Echo House Foundation, Inc.; Marion Graham, City Police (Youth Division); Barbara Gross, Women in Community Service; Deloris Herbert, Municipal Court of Baltimore: Mildred Kingston, Martin Luther King Center for Parents and Children; John Lanier, Police Department (Research);

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REGINALD LAWRENCE, William Moore Foundation: Melinna Lee and Willa Lee, St. Augustine Tutoring Center; Janice Leftridge, Family Welfare and Henry Watson Children's Aid Society: Carolyn Marcus, Community Action Agency; Oswin Sewer, Police Department (Youth Division);

Paula Shaw, Health Department; Carolyn Simms, Echo House Foundation, Inc.; Cynthia Staley, Police Department; Della Walkins and Pearl Zanders, Echo House Foundation, Inc.; Norman Bralley, Human Relations Commission; and Joseph Ahmed, independent project.

DISCRIMINATION CITED

Ask D.C. bishop to quit 2 clubs

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Episcopal bishop of the 45,000-member Washington diocese has been asked to resign his membership in two private clubs which do not have colored members.

"It is better to make an effort to open up the clubs than to resign," the Rt. Rev. William F. Creighton said Thursday in response to a request made by the Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity (ESCRU).

Mrs. Maxine Boyd, president, described ESCRU as an organization trying to eliminate racism from the church. About 20 of its members adopted a resolution Wednesday night urging the bishop to quit the clubs.

Bishop Creighton said he shared the group's concern but objected to its manner of presenting their objections.

"I am completely sympathetic to the concern the ESCRU committee has expressed, although I regret the manner in which they expressed it. It is tragic that we still have areas of our life that are racially restrictive.

"It has seemed to me most helpful, however, for fair-minded people to do all in their power to open clubs to guests and members of all races rather than withdraw."

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BISHOP CREIGHTON did not refer directly to the Metropolitan Club in the District of Columbia or to the Kenwood Golf and Country Club in suburban Maryland in his statement.

But he said he would "resign from clubs that refuse affirmative action."

He affirmed his membership in both groups.

Questioned about his statement, the bishop replied that he was one of about 350 members who signed a petition to the Kenwood Club asking the management to end its long-standing policy of refusing to admit colored as guests.

"I would think that if they wouldn't make an affirmative decision I would resign," he said. "I am very hopeful it might be an affirmative decision."

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JOHN F. Lukens, chairman of the club's board of governors, said the officers are "examining the petition."

He said "a contrary group" of members has formed as a result of the petition "saying what can we do to represent the other point of view?

"They consider it a private club they have joined for reasons which have nothing to do with the social problem or political problem, if you will."

He said this group is larger than the petitioning group.

Of the club's 2,000 members, none are colored and colored guests are not permitted and members don't bring them, said Lukens.

Corcoran Thom Jr., president of the board of the governors of the Metropolitan Club, said the men's club "has no rules or regulations concerning colored as members or guests."

Asked it the club has colored members, he replied that none have been proposed for membership.

Bishop Creighton also has come under fire from conservatives for his espousal of colored rights.

He was a founding co-chairman of the Washington Council on Religion and Race and led the successful fight for an open housing law in the District of Columbia.

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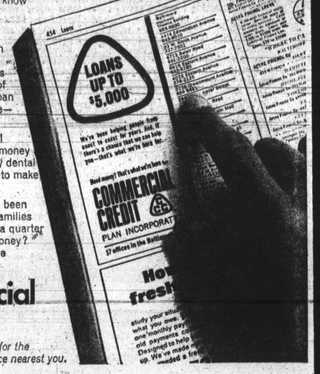

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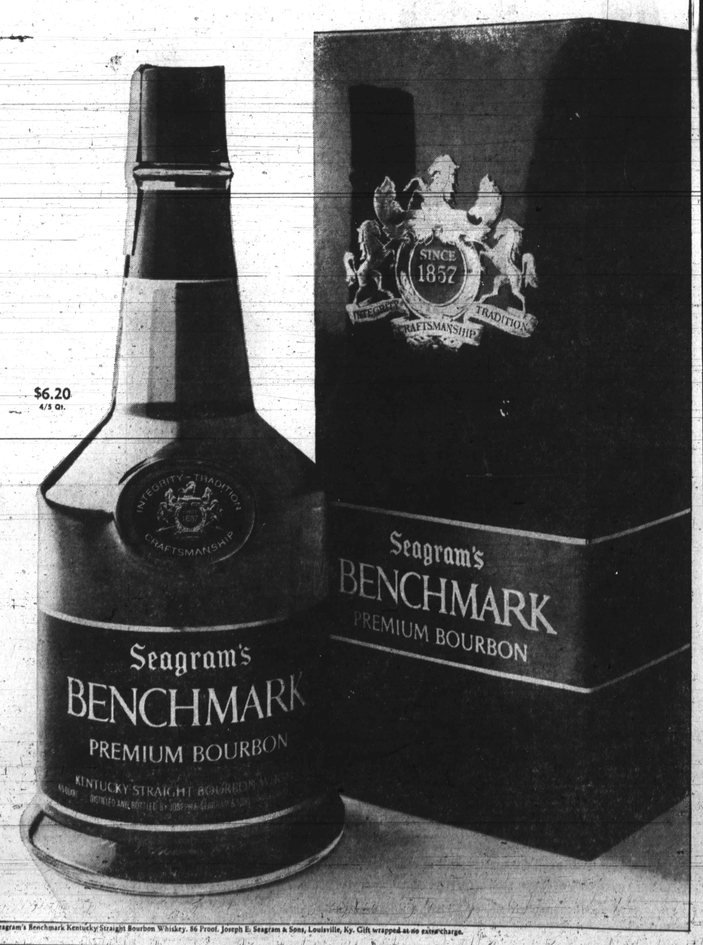

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THE AFRO PHOTOGRAPHER found these visitors having fun inBaltimore the past holiday. In panel at left: A. V. Blunt of Greensboro, N.C., Dr. William H. Hayling of South Orange N.J., and W. J. Hughes of Greensboro, N.C., at Laurel Race Track; in center panel: Mrs. Alex Rivera of Durham, N.C. and Mrs. Hubert Eaton of Wilmington, N.C., at dinner party in the Blue Crest; and right panel: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown of New York City, at the Laurel track.

Feminine Front

Gadabouting U.S.A.

by Lula Jones Garrett

In New York Friday evening, when the screening for the Harlem Institute of Fashion's "Designer of the Year" was over, the men designers were far out front. Two men tied for top honor. Clarence Mattison of Philadelphia, designer of cocktail and evening clothes; and Larry Latimore, who designs sport and casual wear, were selected. Incidentally, Mr. Mattison has already been offered a post with Yves St. Laurent, if he agrees to go to New York. Mr. Lattimore is currently in the Army, stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Judges were Miss Mildred Finger, vice president of Yves St. Laurent Rive Gauche, Jon Haggins, designer; Arthur Englander, merchandise director of Simplicity Patterns; and Bill Smith.

Announcement of the winners was made at the Institute's Fourth Annual Benefit Buffet and Fashion Show at the Playboy Club, Sunday evening, when both winner received "Emmys."

Other designers entered in the competition included Hazel Blackman of the Tree House (David Mobley of her staff took honorable mention) Amy Campbell, Sherry Jackson of the New Breed, Cora Lane and Jackie Sumpter.

Participants in the fashion show included Mary Gibson, Mayetta Fields, Cleo Sims, Linnell Murphy, Mary Lou Chandler, Ed Stutley and Frenchie Casimir. Emily Miles of Newark, N.J. was guest model.

Harlem Institute of Fashion's Committee of Friends, which served as sponsors, are headed by these chairmen: Mrs. Addie Moore, Manhattan Borough; Mrs. Isadora Rogers, Queens; Miss Velma Garner, Bronx; and Mrs. Linnell Murphy, Brooklyn. A capacity crowd filled the Penthouse and Playroom of the Club for the Sunday afternoon party.

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To be listed in the new annual biographical compilation of "Outstanding Young Women of America" will be Mrs. Jeannette Brown of Baltimore and Miss Gwendolya Ford of Blackville, S.C. They are among the 50 (one from each state) selected from 5000 nominations throughout the country.

This annual program is sponsored by the Outstanding Americans Foundation, a nonprofit foundation dedicated to recognizing and honoring outstanding Americans . . . in the above instance, young women between the ages of 21 and 35. Guide lines for selection include unselfish service to others, charitable activities, community service, professional excellence, business advancement and civic and professional recognition.

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Cutest elected "queen" on the scene is D'Jaris Whipper, daughter of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin D. Whipper Sr., and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Stroud, who is AKA's "little Miss Ivy" of Gamma Xi Omega Chapter of Charleston, S.C.

Runner-up contestant for the crown of "Miss Ivy" was Miss Mary Yvonne Clark, the granddaugnter of Mrs. Septima Clark. The coronation took place at a concert of African songs and dancers by the national touring troupe of Dinizulu and His African Dancers, Drummers and Singers. Other contestants were: Miss Melba Mack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mack; Miss Martinez Daniels, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holland Daniels; Miss Ardmease Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cunningham; a Miss Fatima Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stewart; Miss Deborah Smalls, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Phillip Smalls; Miss Karen Smith, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Clarence Smith.

Gamma Xi Omega sponors this contest every three years as a fund raising project. From proceeds the sorors award of and annual college scholarship to an outstanding high school senior girl; sponsors a Charm School and Civic Consciousness Course; presents debutantes, and makes donations to the United Fund, YWCA, local Nursing homes, Cancer Foundation, Tuberculosis Association and the Cleveland Job Corp Center for Women.

Mrs. O.K. Grant was chairman of the steering committee. Mrs. Daisy Bell Brockington is basileus of the chapter.

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Miss Anita Mack has been appointed to the newly-created position of regional management training office for the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Work-Training Programs, it was announced today by Daniel P. Harley, BWTP regional director.

She will be responsible for setting up and coordinating training programs for the bureau's staff and personnel of projects it administers in Region V of the Labor Department's Manpower Administration. Miss Mack will have headquarters in Chicago.

A former intergroup relations officer for the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development's Chicago regional office, Miss Mack has also been an assistant professor of social science at Hampton Institute, Virginia, and a claims and employment interviewer for the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

Miss Mack attended public schools in Detroit and holds a B.A. degree in sociology from Wayne State University and an M.A. degree in sociology from done work toward her Ph.D. degree at New York University and the University of Chicago.

Miss Joann Morgan, a senior at Alabama State College, has been awarded a Department of Health, Education and Welfare Children's Bureau traineeship to be used at the University of Michigan School of Social Work.

Miss Morgan, a sociology major and psychology minor at ASC, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morgan, 401 Derlcote St.

The traineeship, awarded in the field of child welfare, will provide $2,000 plus full tuition. After graduation, Miss Morgan is committed to practice in the child welfare field within the United States for one year.

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Mrs. Margaret Jackson, Harlem NAACP Branch member who originated and now produces the annual "Show of Shows" fund-raising event for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in New York City, recently presented checks amounting to $8,000.00 raised from this year's affair to Executive Director Roy Wilkins, right, and Assistant Executive Director Dr. John A. Morsell.

Add to other notes of interest . . . the marriage of Patricia Ann Adams to Pfc. henry Louis Canty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Canty which will take place in First Baptist Church, Lancaster, S.C., on the 21st.

The bride-elect, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Adams Sr. of Lancaster, is a senior at Benedict College, and Mr. Canty is a graduate of South Carolina State College and a former teacher in the Lancaster City School System.

MISS ANITA MACK (In Labor Bureau)

D'JARIS WHIPPER ("Little Miss Ivy")

MARGARET JACKSON (Aids NAACP)

Best decoration to get Yule gift

NEW YORK — Continuing its yearly campaign to stimulate Christmas decorations among its residents, the management of Harlem's luxury-styled Lenox Terrace is offering $25 bonds for the most tastefully-decorated windows or terraces in each of the six buildings in Lenox Terrace.

Robert S. Olnick, president of Lenox Terrace, said a committee of residents will make the choice of the most outstanding holiday decorations in each of the six buildings in the development, located between Fifth and Lenox Avenues, from 132nd to 135th Streets, during the Christmas week.

Lenox Terrace is also erecting special holiday lights and putting decorated trees in the lobby of each building. Mr. Olnick said that in recent years hundred of persons have come from various parts of the city to view the colorful decorations created by residents of Lenox Terrace.

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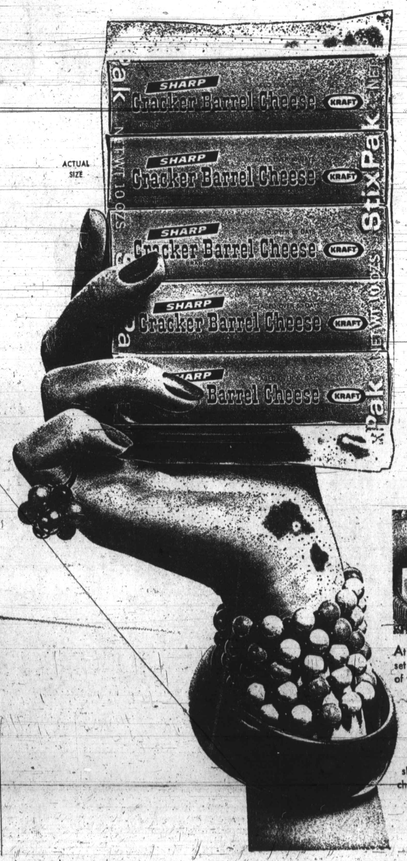

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