GRANDDAD, 73, WANTS OUT

Charged with shooting 22-year-old sweetheart; killing her defender

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Ten of his 12 surviving children are concerned with the release of James Jennings, a 73-year-old grandfather, from Baltimore City Jail where he is presently confined awaiting trial on a murder which occurred on Christmas Eve.

On Jan. 5, the family attorney, Leonard S. Freedman, filed habeas corpus papers in Baltimore City Court asking that Mr. Jennings who resides in the 500 block N. Gilmore St., be released on reasonable bail or on his own recognizance.

Facts in the writ state that the elderly man "isn't going anywhere," will reside with one of his children and return to his job as custodian at a Charles and University Parkway apartment house until his case comes up in Criminal Court.

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Mr. Jennings is charged with attempting to kill his 22-year-old sweetheart and the murder of a man who police say went to her defense about 8:40 p.m. Dec. 24 as the three were inside George's Coffee Den in the 500 block N. Gilmor St.

Miss Margaret B. Robinson, 22, 700 W. Sadatoga St., sustained bullet wounds of the left hip and arm.

Admitted to University Hospital shortly after 9 p.m. Dec. 24, she was released in satisfactory condition 10 days later on Jan. 4.

Dr. Isidore Mihalakis, the medical examiner who performed the autopsy, reports that Mr. Jackson, 5 ft. 9 in. tall and weighing 201 lbs., was hit by the one bullet in the heart and died almost immediately.

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Judge J. Harold Grady will hold a hearing on Monday at 3 p.m. in Room 406 at the Court House to determine if the accused gunman and grandfather can be released on bail or on his own recognizance.

His lawyer says that Mr. Jennings, a Baltimore resident 18 or 19 years, has been employed regularly at his custodian post five years.

Mr. Freedman states, "He has no criminal record whatsoever and has never ever been arrested in his life until the instant case of Dec. 24."

Police reports show that Mr. Jennings resided on the third floor above the restaurant where the incident occurred.

The young woman, 50 years his junior, was employed at the establishment police state.

Police also report she and Mr. Jennings had been sweethearts for about a year.

Homicide Det. Warren Moore is in charge of the investigation.

DR. LOUIS E. HARMON, with raised hand, takes oath as newest member of Baltimore Civic Center Commission from Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd, right. Looking on at ceremony Thursday morning in City Hall, are left to right, Mrs. Charles R. Law, widow of former member of commission, Mrs. Louis E. Harmon, Philip Goodman, Commission chairman. In rear left to right, former State Senator Alvin J. Jones, Henry G. Parks, president of Parks Sausage Co., and Dr. Turgot Jeudy, member of Commission and George L. Russell Jr., city solicitor. (AFRO Staff Photo by Ben Phillips)

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Dr. Harmon joins Civic Center body

"This appointment is a great honor and I accept it with humility . . ."

The words are those of Dr. Louis E. Harmon, well-known physician and civic leader, as he took the oath of office Thursday morning to serve as a member of the Civic Center Commission.

After Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd, swore him in, Dr. Harmon thanked him, Councilmen Robert Marshall and Clement Prucha and Council President William Donald Schaefer "for approving my name."

He pledged, "I will serve and work with loyalty to the best of my ability. I know it will be a difficult task to replace my late and good friend, Charles R. Law, but I will try."

Dr. Harmon was named to succeed Mr. Law, the mortician and civic leader, who died in July 1970. At Dr. Harmon's suggestion, the Mayor and others present stood in a moment of silent prayer in memory of Mr. Law. His widow, Mrs. Catherine Law, was among those present.

Also present Philip Good-

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Police kills Bowie student in alleged robbery attempt

"We are just really stunned just feeling the shock of the situation about now."

Dr. Elizabeth H. Tipton, dean of students at Bowie State College, was speaking Wednesday afternoon, commenting on the school's sophomore who was shot and killed by an Anne Arundel County policeman early Tuesday.

The dead student is Rochelle C. Chandler, 19, of Washington, who was shot in the head with a blast from a 12-gauge shotgun.

He was shot during what police termed an attempted robbery of a liquor store in the Bamberillis area.

An alleged accomplice, Cornell E. Lawrence, 19, of Hillcrest Heights in Prince George's County, was arrested at the store and charged with assault with intent to rob. A preliminary hearing is scheduled this coming Tuesday. He is under $50,000 bond.

The dead youth was the son of Mrs. Roselyn Browne, 1200 block Quincy St., NW., Washington. His family said he was a graduate of St. Emma Military Academy in Virginia.

His stepfather, Alvarez M. Browne, works as a civilian supply officer for the Department of Defense.

Dr. Tipton said the school administration has sent a telegram of sympathy to the family of the dead youth, and has been in contact with the family of the other student to ask if there is any way the administration can be of help.

Both boys lived on the campus, she said, and it was not known when they left.

Police report the alleged attempted robbery occurred shortly before 2 a.m. Tuesday at the Pigeon House Package Goods, next to a restaurant at Routes 3 and 450.

In the store at the time were Hubert W. Sachs, 65, of Millersville, the owner, and two clerks, Gordon L. Thrower, 42, of Crownsville, and William A. Shields, 48, of Cottage City.

The police officer, Detective Patrolman Charles H. Schreiber, was on a stakeout detail at the store, and was hiding at the time in a rear storage room.

The store is staked out periodically, according to Edward A. Praley, county police chief, because it has been robbed a number of times in the past three years.

Police said the two

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Dr.. Frisby guest of astronauts

Dr. Herbert M. Frisby, renowned AFRO correspondent to the artic and other parts of the far North has been invited by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to witness the launching of Apollo 14 on Sunday, January 31 at the John F. Kennedy Space Center at Coral Beach, Florida.

For the last 26 years Dr. Frisby has done research missions in all parts of the artic and polar regions covering Alaska, Canada, Greenland, Spitsbergen and in the European artic and the North Pole. There he dropped from an airplane a memorial to famed black Maryland Polar Discoverer, Matthew A. Henson.

Up to 1970, Dr. Frisby had been able to explore all of the artic regions excepting the Russian segments. However, last summer Dr. Frisby's dream was fulfilled when he joined a team of scientists from the University of Alaska and, with the consent of Soviet officials, explored the Siberian artic regions.

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Dr. Frisby was invited by residents of Harlem in New York last April to speak at a memorial ceremony for Hegson. Also invited was Charles Conrad, second asronautt o land on the moon.

Astronaut Conrad through his assistant for public relations, Roscoe Monroe, a Baltimorean, extended the invitation.

tation to attend the forthcoming Apollo launching.

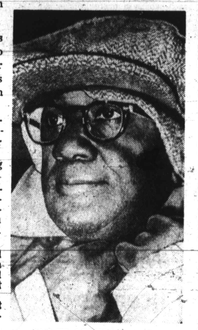
Reservations and housing arrangements have been made for the distinguished explorer. He intends to arrive early enough to participate in the numerous scientific and social events surrounding the launching.

Apollo 14, the sixth U.S. manned flight to the moon and the fourth with a moon landing objective is scheduled to lift-off from the Kennedy Center at 3.23 p.m. EST.

Prime crewmen are Spacecraft Commander Alan B. Shepard, Command Module Pilot Stuart A. Roosa, and Lunar Module Pilot Edgar D. Mitchell.

"I am so thrilled over the prospects of witnessing this magnificent spectacle that I am losing much sleep," the eminent explorer confided.

"I shall certainly have some interesting stories to relate when I return to Baltimore," he opined.



"AT IT AGAIN" — is Dr. Herbert M. Frisby as he prepares to travel to Cape Kennedy to witness the launching of Apollo 14. Dr. Frisby is attending at the personal invitation of Apollo 13 Astronaut Charles Conrad, second man to land on the moon.

City Council reconvenes Monday

Baltimore's City Council resumes regular weekly sessions Monday evening, ending the holidays recess period, and faces a big batch of proposed legislation still to be processed.

Undoubtedly, tops among the measures is the city's new zoning ordinance, a massive document still to be finalized.

William Donald Schaefer, Council president, said Tuesday he hopes to have it up for action by mid-February. Several hundred amendments have been attached.

This will be the city's first comprehensive rezoning since enactment of the original zoning ordinance 40 years ago, now outmoded.

Then, there is the Baltimore budget, with weeks of work to hold down to some degree an expected hike in the city's property tax rate.

Action on a way or the other must come too on that supplemental appropriations proposal by Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd to the Department of Education.

In the form of two ordinances, one would provide funds for hiring a number of full-time teachers, and the other would allow purchase of supplies and

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Howard joins Morgan in nixing John Mitchell

Howard University, Washington, has joined Morgan State College in declining the September offer by the Justice Department to send spokesmen to their campuses.

Both colleges, two of the 51 approached, rejected the proposal explaining that the officials' appearances would not necessarily be welcomed by the students.

Attorney General John N. Mitchell's offer to send Howard president, wrote Atty. Gen. Mitchell that "in view of the climate prevailing among student groups, a visit at this time would not yield the constructive and positive outcomes we would hope for."

In the first of two letters, dated Oct. 2, 1970, Dr. Thomas P. Fraser, Morgan's acting president, wrote: "The matter has been discussed with the dean of the college, dean of

celed when conflicts developed. Both agreed to reschedule the discussions for later.

for Assembly opening 18 black lawmakers set

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ANNAPOLIS—When newly elected General Assembly convenes here

Thomas Hunter Lowe (Talbot) is again expected to be named Speaker of the House, and William S.

Gala tribute to Dr. King

State's Attorney To Hear Panther Charges

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MINISTER MUST PAY ENON BACK (see back page)

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TJD's School Board Threat Meets With Fire From Black Community

Panthers meeting with Allen

State's Attorney Milton B. Allen is holding a conference this morning (Friday) with members of the Black Panther Party who are presenting their charges of unjust treatment in Criminal Court.

Specifically the organization refers to what they term inhumane, unjust and illegal practices used in the Marshall Edward Conway trial and against the Party in general in manipulating black witnesses to testify for the state in the murder case.

Last week when the AFRO talked with Mr. Allen concerning allegations of intimidation of Black Panther member Jack Ivory Johnson to get him to turn states witness against Conway, he said he would not allow any intimidation.

He stated that he would investigate if the Panther Party presented him with the charges.

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The new State's Attorney's reply was welcome news to many Baltimoreans who called the AFRO to say something should be done to prevent charges of "Panther persecution" ref-

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OATH OF OFFICE — Members of Maryland's House of Delegates were sworn in office Wednesday, standing at their desks, and later filed up to the rostrum to sign in. Elldagardia Boswell, Calvin A. Douglas, and far right at back is Troy Bradley.

IN WASHINGTON

Congressman-Elect Mitchell takes office oath Thursday

Baltimore's Parren J. Mitchell will start a new chapter in national political history next week, when he goes to Washington Thursday to take oath of office as Maryland's first black congressman.

He will represent directly the state's 7th Congressional District, and join Maryland's other seven congressmen in serving the best interests of the state as a whole.

Oath of office ceremonies will be at noon in the House Chamber of Congress on Capitol Hill.

Fauntroy wins D.C. primary

WASHINGTON — The Rev. Walter E. Fauntroy has begun preparing for his March 23 joust with John A. Nevins for the District's non-voting seat in the House of Representatives.

Mr. Minor, a 37-year-old political activist and former employee of Planned Parenthood Inc., is married and resides with his wife, Mrs. Judy Minor and three children, Michael, 15, Kristi, 13, and Robert, 11 at 2102 N. Dukeland S.

Mayor warns school board, leadership warns the mayor

By PAUL EVANS

Referring to what he called a "very hairy" session, Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III, told members of the School Board in a closed session yesterday (Thursday) that he "would not hesitate to remove the entire board or any individual member of the board" if its public sessions continued to be conducted on a personal and unprofessional scale.

After Mayor D'Alesandro's speech last night on his feelings of the School Board Supreme Bench Judge Joseph C. Howard told the AFRO:

"Few would disagree with the Mayor's principle, but Mr. D'Alesandro's comments require consideration in the current context of Baltimore City.

"What we're talking about is the crisis in the 1970's, the struggle of power. More accurately defined, it is the determination of one destiny. The distinguishing factor I want to draw here is not dependent upon one's being physically black, but rather one's being psychologically black.

"By psychologically black, I mean that one can be of any color. The point of departure here is one's system of values, commitment to the causes of the deprived, depressed and dically black people on the school board, you're going to have confrontation, conflict and the whole bit. This is the way progress is made.

"We're not concerned with tranquility as such but we are concerned with equality as it manifest itself in the active participation of black people in all phases and on all levels of the human experience.

"If the Mayor thinks there's going to be a recession of black people, exercising their manhood, he's just mistaken.

"We feel that there have been wrongs committed, and we as leaders in the black community are committed to the correction of these wrongs. It might very well require the flaring up of tempers, the use of the kind of rhetoric with which the Mayor is concerned — but if it creates the necessary changes, we couldn't care less.

"I would hope that the

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U of M integration plan 'unacceptable'

By PAUL EVANS

The Black Coalition of the University of Maryland Campuses — an executive committee of all black organizations within the University — has requested the Philadelphia regional office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to reject the State of Maryland's recently submitted plan for integration of the state colleges and universities.

The group stated, "until such time that the State sets up numerical goals acceptable timetables for their attainment . . ."

In December the State re-submitted to HEW a revised plan for integrating its colleges and the University, after the first plan was rejected for not following suggested federal guidelines toward integration.

The State refused in the first report and also in the recent report to set any specific timetable for increasing black enrollment