Frank Coakley is new banker on Maryland National staff

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

New banker on the Maryland National Bank force is Frank Coakley Jr., a resident of Woodmoor, Baltimore County.

The 28-year-old native Baltimorean, a bridegroom of seven months, is assistant manager of the North and Maryland Aves. branch of one of the nation's largest banking firms.

He and the former Miss Brenda Baker of Washington were married in June, 1970.

Mr. Coakley is the son of retired Koppers Co. employee of 25 years, Frank Coakley Sr. and Mrs. Irma Coakley.

Reared in St. Mary's Episcopal Church, young Coakley is former altar boy, 1960 graduate of City College and former student of Bowie and Morgan State Colleges.

He served as an Army personnel Specialist First Class in Munich, Germany from 1966 to 1969.

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Among affiliations is the Alpha Chapter Iota Phi Beta Fraternity which he and 13 other young men formed at Morgan in 1966.

Among many hobbies, Mr. Coakley has as first love stereo music, preferably jazz. Next best he likes shooting 8 mm color movies that include family occasions and weddings of friends. His MG sports car is a third hobby.

Highlight of his career in banking was, Mr. Coakley states, a training period under Fred Bailey, now at the top of the Maryland National Bank ladder as branch manager of the industrial branch at 225 N. Calvert St.

Other black bankers in the chain are Carl Huchen at Mondawmin branch; Frank Harris, in training at Mondawmin and Hilbert Buyers, Pennsylvania Ave. branch.

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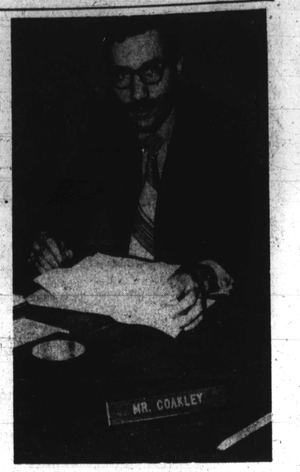
Mr. Coakley's wife is director of Area B, Model Cities Day Care Board and is a masters degree candidate in Early Childhood Education at Towson State Teachers College.



FRANK COAKLEY
new banker on the scene

—Milton Allen

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the National Negro Anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing" by the famed black composer, poet and writer, James Weldon Johnson.

Also in a frame is this speech from the play, "Purlie":

"Tonight, my friends, I find that being black is a thing of beauty — a joy, a strength, a secret cup of gladness, a native land in neither time nor place, a native land in every Negro's face.

"Be loyal to yourself, your skin, your hair, your lips, your southern speech, your laughing kindness. A Negro's kingdom's vast as any other.

"Accepting full the sweetness of your blackness; not wishing to be white, nor red, nor yellow, nor any other race nor face but this.

"Farewell my deep and Africanic brothers. Be brave. Keep freedom in the family. Do what you can for the white folks. Write me in care of the post office.

"Now, may the Constitution of the United States go with you; the Declaration of Independence stand by you; the Bill of Rights protect you; and may your own dreams be your only boundaires, henceforth now and forever."

CONCERNED CITIZEN, Mrs. Emily Dodd, examines cast which covers broken right hand of pupil, Rodney Wiggins, still wondering she says, "How anything like this could happen to a child while he is away from home, in school and in the care of school authorities."

—Bath tub

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had left her on February 7."

Mrs. Jones also reported that on the 9th she telephoned James Swann, a neighbor of the dead woman asking him "to go over to Cynthia's house and see if she at home".

Mr. Swann stated that he went to Henry Munford, the manager of the apartments and that they went to Mrs. Sims' apartment together.

The dead woman was found lying face-up under about two feet of water" dressed in a robe, bra and panties".

Another neighbor, Charles Pryor, 27, told police on that night of the 7th he saw two black men "standing on the balcony" of Mrs. Sims' apartment.

He described the men as being "one about 6'2", 30-35 years old, 220-230 pounds, dark complexioned with short black hair". The second person was described as being shorter "45-50 years old, 190-195 pounds with gray hair."

Speculation on now long Mrs. Sims had been dead before her body was discovered varies from 14 hour to a day but Dr. Isidore Mihalakis of the Medical Examiner's Office told the AFRO that she had been "dead only long enough to become very rigid."

Funeral services for Mrs. Sims are being handled by the R. Sanders Funeral Home but at AFRO press time arrangements had not been concluded.

—Schmidt

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contract.

In addition to the newly added benefits, the company's employees recieved reiroactive pay to Dec. 6, 1970 and a guaranteed 40-hour work week.

Mr. Koellein publicly thanked the black community, the International Interdenominational Ministerial Aliance and the Baptist Ministers' Conference for assistance in bringing about the contract settlement.

Mr. Koellein further added that he hoped the new contract would help to raise the standard of living of the company's predominantly black employees.

The Schmidt Baking Co. serves the largest segment of the black community.

Both Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Koellein expressed hopes that all loyal union people who worked so hard against the firm will now work just as hard to help get business back, buy and urge friends and relatives to buy.

—Officers

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black community.

"We elected this judge and as a result a white man is out of a job and I dare say that that in itself made many people unhappy."

In conclusion Mr. Paige pointed out that "the Coordinate Council (police officers and community leaders) had a meeting in which we decided to issue supporting statements for Judge Murphy."

court," he said only that he "wouldn't call it an investigation right now."

He did indicate that he would "be back again." Judge Murphy himself was unperturbed about the whole thing. He told the AFRO, "I call the shots as I see them."

His object is "to do what I think is right," he added, "and as to the compaints, I really have nothing to say."

An AFRO investigation revealed that the compaining officers objected to "the way he questions the police." One of them referred to the method used in the past by Judge Avrum Rifman who was defeated in the November election by Judge Murphy. "Judge Rifman," the officer explained "supported the police and Judge Murphy questions the police like they were criminals or something."

It was well known during the many years that Judge Rifman sat on the bench at Western District that his philosphy was that a "police officer wouldn't lie on a defendant" and therefore he ruled most often in favor of the police officer.

Preston Hassell, a longtime resident of the Western District and a man who has sat in on many court hearings there told the AFRO that he has "heard There is even a bunch of people around here who want to start a movement to impeach him but I think they're foolish."

Mr. Hassell went on to say that "everybody knows that this area is a high crime area but in my opinion the defendant deserves just as much of a chance as the policeman. A judge who judges impartially is the man who wants proof beyond a reasonable doubt and that's all this man, Judge Murphy, is doing."

Sterling Paige, chairman of the Western District Police-Community Council, an organization designed to maintain a balanced and harmonious relationship between the police and residents of the area told the AFRO:

"The action Mr. Pressman is taking sets police/community relations back years. His attack on Judge Murphy is an attack on the judgement of the

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POLICE OFFICER Clarence M. Cowan Jr. is seen here receiving his graduation certificate from police Commissioner Donald Pomerleau at the commencement exercise held at police headquarters last week.

Intestinal Ilness at Rosewood Hospital

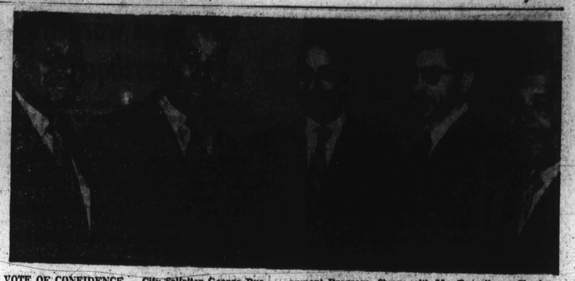
An outbreak of mild gastrointerestinal illness occurred this week at Rosewood State Hospital. The source of the outbreak is still unknown, but an investigation is being conducted by state and federal researchers.

Over 100 patients were affected by the outbreak, which is now under control.

According to a spokesman of the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, it could be the result of either a virus, bacteria or a dietary irregularity.

Rosewood is the primary center for residential care of retarded persons in the state, and most of the more than 2700 patients are children.

Two deaths at the hospital during the week have been definitely shown to be unconnected with the intestinal illness. Both were persons suffering from other very serious ailments.



VOTE OF CONFIDENCE — City Solicitor George Russell, center, appears in Mayor D'Alesandro's office for commendation of the Model Cities Economic Development Program. Shown with Mr. Russell are Charles Nixon, Horace Ashby, Fred Nunley and Harold Carter.

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