Lennie Moore

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Russell as of today (Friday) is still occupying the office of chief legal officer for the city. By that fact, it may be inferred he and Mr. Schaefer have come to some agreement on Mr. Russell's continuance in the new administration.

Also, that Mr. Russell was instrumental in the recent Fire Board appointments by the mayor further strengthens the feeling he will remain at least in a "caretaker" capacity for the next six months.

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Maryland District Judge Mary Arabian has been thought to be the successor to Mr. Russell, but the mayor has given no indication this would take place.

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Other appointments by the mayor have included that of Bishop Winfield A. Showell, First Apostolic Church, to the Fire Board, along with Howard Owen, a top Schaefer crony, to the presidency of the board.

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In examing the credentials of Mr. Moore to head the body, the reasoning does not follow the mayor's usual criteria for appointment to a top post, especially one as sensitive as the city school board.

However, Mr. Schaefer has obviously talked to a number of persons concerning the post and has been turned down by several.

The mayor has no official press secretary. No official statements on positions have come to his office.

It is felt Dr. Roland Patterson has had extensive conversation with the mayor in the matter, and Mr. Schaefer is making every effort to name someone who will work well with the superintendent and the board members.

The next meeting of the body is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 13, 1972.

The City Council, which must confirm or reject any mayoral appointment, does not reconvene until Monday, Jan. 17.

The mayor will make known his appointment, knowledgeable sources agree by that time. The City Council will be able to debate the appointment at the same time it handles the nominations to the fire board.

BISHOP WINFIELD SHOWELL
Apostolic Faith pastor succeed the Rev. Marion Bascom as Fire Board member. . .

DR. LILLIE M. JACKSON
president emeritus NAACP continues to improve at her home.

Women Voters set seminar on lobbying

The public is invited by the League of Women Voters of Baltimore City to hear, "How To Lobby Effectively," Monday, January 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the Waverly Branch of the Enoch Pratt Library, 33rd and West University Parkway.

Speakers are, James Doyle, professional lobbyist, and Maurice Soypher, city legislative lobbyist. Responding: Delegates Charles J. Krysiak and Maclyn McCarty.

—Gas chamber

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who was found guilty of first degree murder.

According to Judge O'Donnell, he imposed the sentence because, "The man was convicted of the assassination of the state's witness in another murder case. I thought it merited that."

The jurist also contended the defendant, according to the evidance, set out to assist a friend who was on trial for murder last year by "rubbing out" the prosecution's key witness.

The 27-year-old defendant, Robert R. Robertson, 2400 block E. Lanvale St., was sentenced to death in the gas chamber, the maximum sentence penalty, by Judge O'Donnell Tuesday in Criminal Court.

The execution was scheduled for the week of Feb. 14.

However, the defense attorney filed an immediate appeal and revealed he would seek a review of sentence which could indeterminately postpone the performance of the sentence.

In addition, Gov. Marvin Mandel's standing prohibition of all executions until the Supreme Court rules on the constitutionality of capital punishment, will also probably postpone the sentence.

There are are presently 23 convicts, including Robertson, at the Maryland Penitentiary on the Death Row.

Some have been there a number of years. The oldest "Death Rower" has been awaiting the sentence for 12 years, according to Penitentiary Counselor, William Lapusnick.

Mr. Robertson was convicted in April of first degree murder by a Criminal Court jury in the fatal shooting of Charles R. Reed, 28, in the 1300 block Webb St., on July 5 last year.

Mr. Reed, 1800 block East 29th St., was a key state's witness in the murder trial of Hercules Williams, 27, 100 block N. Central Ave., when he was killed.

The deceased reportedly witnessed the fatal shooting of another man, Robert Ashworth, 26, who was slain during a crap game in Feb., 1970.

Mr. Williams, on trial for the Ashworth murder, was found not guilty of the crime when the state's case folded following the death of Mr. Reed.

Court trial testimony revealed Mr. Williams was a friend of Mr. Robertson.

It was also shown they were acquitted of a 1969 charge of assault with intent to murder during a robbery of a candy store owner.

Judge O'Donnell concluded he imposed the sentence after the jury's verdict "indicated to me in effect to impose capital punishment.

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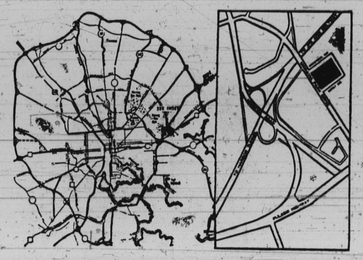

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ELEGANCE IN INNER CITY is personified in the Reisterstown Rd. rowhouse occupied by Dr. James S. Davidson, the dentist. He has gutted interior of two structures and restored them with variety of furnishings, favorite paintings and appointments His home was scene of holiday open house for relatives and friends who dropped in to admire his handiwork. In left panel, Dr. Davidson adjusts a floral display he designed. In right panel, a view of one of several tastefully furnished living areas. Hostess for the holiday open houses was his sister, Mrs. Gwen Cunningham, Charlotte, N.C. school principal.

The Baskervilles at home in California

Miss Marlene Lenora White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George White, and James J. Baskerville, son of Mrs. Mildred Baskerville, were married on Sunday at Union Baptist Church.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Vernon Dobson. A reception was held at the bride's Mondawmin Ave. home.

The bride's dress was a maxi two-piece white crepe ensemble with ruffled skirt and accented front curve. She wore white and silver strapped slippers.

The bridal headpiece was a tiny cap trimmed with seed pearls and topped with a shoulder-length veil. A white velvet muff laden with five white orchids were carried in the bride's hands.

Miss Myra White, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a lavender lame gown, with matching ribbon headpiece.

Ralph Durante served as bestman. Ushers were Carl Hunt and Joseph Baskerville, brother of the bridegroom.

The bride's mother wore a silver and aqua suit with matching accessories. Mrs. Baskerville wore a pink suit with matching accessories. Both mothers wore identical corsages of white and lavender orchids.

The former Miss White graduated from Eastern High School. She attended the University of Maryland and Community College of Baltimore where she received a degree in computer programming.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Carver High, attended Morgan State College and CCB. He is now a junior at the Bendix Space Tracking Station in the Mojave Desert, where he is studying engineering.

After the reception, the couple flew to Barstow, California, where they will make their hom..

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The PTA of Woodbourne Junior High School will be held on Tuesday, January 11, at 8 p.m. Parents will have an opportunity to meet with their child's teachers to discuss achievement during the second quarter of the year.

Gadabouting in Baltimore

Baltimore In High Gear To Welcome In New Year

with Lula Mackay

By PAULA M. BROOKS
(Substituting For Mrs. Mackay on Vacation)

There's always been something special about Christmas time that sets it apart from other holidays. It's a time when people break from their busy working schedules to enjoy the company of friends.

After helping the AFRO's Mrs. Santa bring Christmas into the lives of many who would have gone without and after contributing to other charities of their choice, many friends, relatives and old acquaintances celebrated the season with parties, trips and had fun, fun, fun.

Baltimore saw a whirl of activities which began Christmas week and continued into the New Year.

"The Players Nine" welcomed in the holidays with a Bridge Luncheon. Each year, the "Nine" rotate and have the luncheon at a member's home.

Mrs. Elroy Young (Walta) was this year's hostess. Members in the club are Mesdames Robert Phillips (Jean), Theodore Perkins (Antoinette), Frances Finney, Archie Robinson (Bernice), George Woodland (Ada), Lionel Fultz (Betty), Edward McDaniels (Bernice) and Roland Smoot (Minnie), she's also president.

Guests included Mesdames Ulysses Dickens (Anne); Irving Henry (Edith); Roland Williams (Anethia); Clifton Gattis (Helen); Charles Law (Mary Elizabeth); Thomas Jones (Lillian); Joseph Walker (Grace); Kenneth Wilson (Jean); Joel Carrington (Vera); and Frances Murphy.

Out-of-towners at the fun afternoon were Mesdames Jesse Bass (Stephanie) of Hillsdale Heights, Md. and Stephen Adams (Annie Laurie) of Los Angeles.

WO-BE-CO, Inc. (Women Behind the Community, Inc.) had their share of holiday celebration with a party. Hosting the festivities were that delightful pair, Mary and Charles Robinson, at their Dennlyn Rd. home.

Club members about: — Messrs. and Mesdames Jerome Dorsey; Joseph Bernard, Orville Swassord, Gordon Willis, Wendall Sutton, James Griffin, Joseph Padgett, William Britt and Wellington Ross; Dr. and Mrs. Earlie Francis; Judge and Mrs. Joseph Howard.

Not present because of illness were the William Britts and the Wellington Rosses, hope they're doing better!

WO-BE-CO guests were Messrs. and Mesdames George Smith, Kenneth THOMAS, Leroy Boldin, Howard White, Charles Taylor, George Richardson, Kenneth Thomas, Columbia, Md. and Robert Carter, Washington; Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Pennington.

"Havinr a birthday at Christmas time isn't so bad!" says Desper D. Brooks of Windsor Hills. His wife (Clarice) gave a surprise party for him at their Lyndhurst Ave. ranch home.

Amid laughter and cheerful conversation friends dropped in throughout the evening to wish him a happy day.

Guests included Messrs. and Mesdames Claude H. Patterson (Gladys), Wellington Ross (June), James Bridgeforth (Ernestine), Stewart Brooks (Anne), James Browne (Beulah).

Also, Messrs. and Mesdames James Wells (Lucille), Agustus Byrd (Delores) and John F. Ward (Frances); Mesdames Lula M. Sheffey and Julia M. Urquhart; Misses Sheila C. Brooks and Paula M. Brooks; Clarence Gibson, Robert M. Flourney and Andrew M. Robinson.

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Mrs. Gladys White Davis entertained at dinner, a sumptuous holiday catered service for relatives, friends and members of the Piano Teachers Activities Group, of which she's a charter member.

Her guests were, Mesdames Eva White (the hostessess's mother); Florence Carter, president of the group; Mildred Bryant, Iantha Clark, Adah Jenkins, Norma Robinson, Katrine White, Nellie Parker, Julia Calloway, Florence Seaborne;

Also, Misses Bernadine and Lillie Mae Howard; Rev. and Mrs. Paul Williams; Rev. Aaron Powell, Eugene Bouldin and Clifton

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ANNOUNCEMENT of the engagement of Miss Christine Jackson, daughter of Mrs. Delores Jackson and Richard Jackson of Baltimore to Otis Conway, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Conway also of Baltimore, has been made. Miss Jackson is an honor graduate of Edmondson High. The future bridegroom is a graduate of Douglass High School. A June wedding is planned.

Women set talks for this month

"Women's Weekend," featuring speakers, workshops, seminars and films in issues concerning women, will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15 and 16, at the Belevedere Hotel on Charles and Chase Sts.

Mickey Zakuto, of New York Radical Feminists and Delegate Hildegardeis Boswell, will be featured speakers.

The purpose of the weekend is to bring together women of all ages and persuasions to discuss the problems that affect women.

Saturday's activities will begin at 10 a.m., Sunday's at 11:30 a.m. Activities on both days will end at approximately 5:30 p.m. Plans for the weekend are being coordinated at the Women's Center, 3028 Greenmount Ave., 366-6475.

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