Mr. Alexander retires after 50 years service

Postmaster Warren M. Bloomberg has held a special recognition ceremony for Parcel Post Distribution Clerk Bernard J. Alexander on Mr. Alexander's retirement at the age of 70, with over 50 years employment.

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The postmaster presented to him a plaque commending his dedication and faithful service. Mr. Alexander also participated in a regular group retirement ceremony held last Thursday.

In a special tribute Mr. [illegible] stated Mr. Alexander began as a substitute clerk in 1925 and had intentions of pursuing a postal career.

BERNARD J. ALEXANDER

"Sixty-five cents an hour and no overtime pay were certainly no incentive to do so. When the depression hit, his plans to obtain a college degree in mechanical engineering had to be laid aside," Mr. Bloomberg said.

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During his career he has worked for five postmasters in three of Baltimore's eight Main Post Offices. Mr. Alexander has remarked that the most significant changes in postal operations have been recent, pointing to mechanization, improvements in working conditions and a sincere concern for the safety of employees.

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Mr. Alexander has one son, Aubrey B. Alexander who works with the Real Estate Department of First National Bank of Chicago.

Mr. Alexander who lives in the 1000 block Brantley Ave., is a member of the Douglas Memorial Community Church. He is a member of the Steward board, Ambrosia Brotherhood and the Credit Union.

His wife, Mrs. Leona Alexander, is an employee of the Mount Wilson State Hospital.

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Extremely active, Mr. Alexander told the AFRO after his son's wedding in August, he is going to find some part time work to do because "I cannot sit down doing nothing."

Speaking about his 50 years with the post office, he stated: "I did enjoy working for the post office. I didn't want to retire but I have to because of my age.

Jennifer leaves Center on Saturday

When the day ends tomorrow, Saturday, Harold J. Jennifer Jr. will no longer be executive director of the Baltimore Civic Center.

Jennifer officially announced retirement on April 15, effective Saturday, after 26 years of service to Baltimore city and 12 years working as assistant director and later director of the center.

To show appreciation Mayor Schaefer and the Civic Center Commission awarded Jennifer a plaque for "meritorious service as executive director to Civic Center Commission and for the city of Baltimore."

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When asked about future plans, Jennifer told the AFRO he is considering several "exciting and challenging opportunities."

Jennifer stated he hopes to remain in Baltimore and intends to take a vacation for several weeks. He said, when he returns from his vacation, he will announce his new job.

The Civic Center Commission has been looking for a replacement since March when an ad appeared in Variety requesting a new director at $30,000 a year. According to reports, one has not been found yet.

Mailbox Improvement Week

"Mailbox Improvement Week," a traditional spring observance which contributes to improved security and appearance of the nation's nearly 24 million mailboxes, will be held May 17-22 this year, according to Postmaster Warren M. Bloomberg.

Held annually, this event has long served as the starting signal for community efforts to repair, repaint and make other improvements to the nation's approximately 24 million rural curb-line and star route mailboxes, about 50,000 of which are served by the Baltimore Post Office.

Postmasters in many communities around the country have led civic groups, the press and municipal governments in the spring campaigns to "spruce up" the mail receptacles often damaged by severe winter weather.

"Because more Americans receive their mail to day on rural routes than ever before, "Mailbox Improvement Week" is more important than when first observed generations ago in rural areas and small communities," Postmaster Bloomberg said.

Postal Service rural carriers serve approximately 13.5 million families along some 32,480 rural routes.

"I'm also authorized to approve custom-made mailboxes when they comply with postal regulations."

Rural mail service began in 1896. In those days many make-shift receptacles were used as mailboxes. One favorite was a tin can nailed to a tree. Today, manufacturers provide a variety of modern mailbox designs for use with decorative posts in cooperation with the Postal Service.

"Customers who prefer other designs than the traditional mailbox may check with me for a list of manufacturers making approved optional designs," Postmaster Bloomberg said. "I'm also authorized to approve custom-made mailboxes when they comply with postal regulations."

Pharmacy alumni plan June 2 meet

The Alumni Association of the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland at Baltimore (UMAB), is sponsoring its 50th annual graduation banquet and dance, Wednesday, June 2 at Martin's Eudowood Gardens.

The 77 graduates of the Class of '76 will be honored as well as the Class of 1926, celebrating its 50th reunion. The new president of the School of Pharmacy Alumni Association, Henry G. Stidman, will also be installed.

The main event of the evening will be the presentation of the honored alumnus award to Charles Spigelmire, a 1925 graduate. He is currently treasurer of the Baltimore Metropolitan Pharmaceutical Association and chairman of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association's Public Relations Committee.

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An honorary president of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association and the School of Pharmacy Alumni Association, Mr. Spigelmire was awarded the Bowl of Hygeia Award for Community Service by the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association.

Reservations for the affair are $12 each. Checks should be made payable to Pharmacy Alumni Association, and mailed to Sanford L. Rosenbloom, 8911 Arrowhead Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21208 by Friday, May 21.

All graduate of Howard University are requested to attend a meeting at the Union Baptist Church, Druid Hill Ave. and Dolphin St., at 4 p.m. May 6. Along with other important business, this will be an organizational meeting.

Pomerleau blasts Carey report

Commissioner Pomerleau has branded as totally false charges by Ms. Sarah T. Carey that Baltimore is worst of eight high impact crime areas in the LEAA program.

The report, yet to be published, compared eight impact cities in certain areas of crime including murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault and burglary. Ms. Carey's conclusion was that Baltimore came off worse than Atlanta, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Newark, Portland and St. Louis.

Pomerleau stated: "From the onset in January, 1972 the program reflected the highest degree of cooperation and supportive efforts between the components of the criminal justice spectrum functioning within the city of Baltimore.

"The programs developed through the Mayor's Coordinating Council have made and will continue to make a positive impact upon the levels of crime in the city.

"Our collective efforts stand in stark contrast to some of the crash programs instituted in the other seven Impact cities. The propriety of our methods is evident in the continuing decrease in Impact crimes."

The Commissioner noted the relationship between the Baltimore Police Department and the staff of the MCCCJ is excellent, contrary to Ms. Carey's reported conclusion. Baltimore police data as available was furnished for purposes of planning and evaluating not only police projects but also served as the vehicle for planning and evaluating other Impact programs.

The department furnished upon request Uniform Crime Reporting data broken down by police reporting area. Additionally, graphic displays of these data were also provided.

This general support of the overall Impact program is in addition to the volumes of analyses provided on a monthly, quarterly and project year basis for the four police projects.

The Commissioner views Ms. Carey's unfounded accusations as a disservice to the many dedicated men and women, both paid and volunteer, who contributed so much of their efforts to the city's Impact program. Our crime data and the growing stability of this community speaks for itself.

The Commissioner expressed no disagreement with Ms. Carey's comment that the LEAA should be abolished.

He said he has been recommending the abolition of LEAA for years and has further recommended that law enforcement monies be distributed to Mayors and Governors through revenue sharing.

The Commissioner also has suggested that the National Institute be maintained as a separate agency to continue its research as a service to law enforcement.

Lawyers endorse judges

Richard Coggins and Frank X. Gallagher, co-Chairmen of The Third District, Coggins-Gallagher Organization, announced that the group is supporting and will work actively for the election of the Sitting Judges.

They endorsed Judges Mary Arabian, Martin Greenfeld, John R. Hargrove, and Robert L. Sullivan.

In their joint announcement, Messrs. Coggins and Gallagher stated:

"The 2-member executive committee of our Organization, after discussion of all available candidates, voted to endorse the four sitting judges-Judges Arabian, Greenfeld, Hargrove, and Sullivan.

"We recognize the need for a strong and independent judiciary and believe in the traditional concept of separation of powers.

"It is in keeping with these beliefs that we endorse the four sitting judges. We also believe that a judicial election, unlike others, should not be a popularity contest; and that the results should not be predicated upon the ability of a candidate to raise and dispense funds.

"We do not deny the necessity of the judicial candidates raising necessary funds for a campaign, and we believe that it is good for the system to have the judges, at election time, campaign among the people. Common touch and exposure [illegible] judicial ability.

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"The integrity of our judicial system has been strengthened by the establishment of the Judicial Selection Committee, composed of lawyers and laymen.

That Committee has examined the four sitting judges and their opponents and has decided that Judges Arabian, Greenfeld, Hargrove, and Sullivan are the most qualified to serve.

"Their position was buttressed by the plebiscite conducted via secret ballot among all members of the Baltimore City Bar Association.

"The vote of the members of the Bar Association was overwhelmingly for the sitting judges. Who would have better knowledge of the capability and judicial temperament of the judges than the active, practicing attorneys who appear in their courts.

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Bay College in perspective

Bay College of Maryland, a private, non-profit, two year college offers an alternative to traditional "higher" education.

For, it serves the needs of those who want education pertinent to building a rewarding career with over 25 programs in six major fields.

What follows are the reflections of three former students on how Bay College has influenced their lives. They are different ages.

Each attended Bay at different times, and each has different aspirations. But, they stand solid in their feelings that Bay College dealt with them as a person, not as a student IBM card.

"Of course, it's a good school, a fantastic school," says Sam Moore.

Sam, age 22, works during the day and attends night classes at the University of Baltimore, where he majors in Business Management. He is scheduled to graduate this year, but eventually plans to return in pursuit of a judicial doctorate in corporate law. He attended Bay College in the second year of its existence.

"Bay is still in the growing stage and because of that it has a faculty and staff that are concerned with the students, certainly more so than those at most large colleges. Bay's a personal college."

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Bay College expanded from 60 students in 1969 to over 700 currently, but it remains conscious of its responsibility not to overextend itself. The administration is aware that much of the attraction of Bay is in its limited size. It's a comfortable size which allows for enough flexibility to insure personalized programs through individual attention.

"Located in the center of the city, Bay College is able to offer opportunities usually impossible for a school of its size.

"I felt it was a part of me," says Valerie Field, 35.

"I still do. I feel very highly about the school and the administration."

Valerie, who graduated from Bay College last June, works at night and attends classes in the day at Morgan State University. After graduation, she wants to specialize in adult education. Without Bay College's flexibility, she believes it is unlikely she would be in college today.

Originally from Nassau, she had a problem in transferring her high school records. But Bay, recognizing the uniqueness of her situation, allowed her admission. Valerie, who "made myself get involved," became a Student Senator and was instrumental in writing the school's by-laws and constitution.

Certainly, Ingrid Harry shares this feeling of being lost at a large college: "My first day at a four year college, I cried. Nobody would help me with anything. How different it was at Bay! If it had not been for Bay, I would not have been able to continue my education at another school. Bay is more on a personalized level because it is small."

Ingrid, age 29, graduated from Bay College in 1974. She presently attends Towson State, majoring in Sociology.

Study Center to honor A.B. Koger

The Afro-American Study Center located at 12 West Madison St. will hold a formal ceremony for the dedication of the A. B. Koger Resource Library at 11:30 a.m., May 19.

Mr. Koger, a retired Baltimore City lawyer is a graduate of Howard University and has spent the past 40 years researching and writing on the history of the black man in Maryland.

His publications, although privately printed, have been in many ways the only history available on the black Marylander.

He is the author of six works on several phases of black history, among these are: "The Maryland Negro In Our War," "Negro Baptists of Maryland," "Dr. Harvey Johnson; Minister and Pioneer Civic Leader," and "The Maryland Negro."

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Mr. Koger has consented to turn his entire collection over to the custodianship of the Afro-American Study Center. His collection represents one of the most extensive collections on Black Maryland History.

Mr. Koger will be cited by the governor and the mayor of Baltimore for his pioneering role in preserving Maryland Black History. The ceremony is open to the public.

Senior Citizens Festival

The Baltimore City Commission on Aging and Retirement Education invites you to attend an outdoor Senior Citizens Festival on Tuesday, June 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the War Memorial Plaza.

A rain date is scheduled for Thursday, June 24.

Organizations which offer special services to senior citizens have been invited to participate. Each organization will have a display with information about their services and a representative to answer questions.

According to Selma Gross, executive director of the Baltimore City Commission on Aging and Retirement Education, "the festival is designed to give Baltimore's older citizens the opportunity to learn about the various senior services in the city.

"Persons knowledgeable about social security, transportation, circuit breaker tax relief, consumer protection, legal services, in-home and nutritional services, recreation, education and information and referral services will be on hand to provide information and to answer any questions you may have."

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at noon, with Mayor Schaefer officiating. City dignitaries will be present for this location. A special feature will be the Charm City Orchestra which will play music during the Festival. The orchestra is made up of senior citizens.

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The War Memorial Plaza is located in front of City Hall and is bounded by Lexington, Holliday, Fayette and Gay Sts. Metropolitan transit buses which reach the War Memorial Plaza are numbers 5, 8, 15, 19, 20, 23, 36. For further information please call 396-4932.

Bicen Bits

Jesse Owens won four gold medals during the Olympics held in Berlin on this day, Tuesday, May 11, 1936. Also on this day, The Rev. Donald Sterling of St. Cecelia Church was ordained as priest in 1974 and James Bland, famous singer and composer, died in Washington, D.C. in 1911.

Fetal distress study at UMAB

The cry of a baby is a universal distress signal. Babies waiting to be born also experience distress, but how does the unborn child let its parent know that something is wrong?

A unique research project is underway at the University of Maryland School of Medicine to determine if fetal distress can be more effectively monitored. Under a $162,000 three-year grant from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (National Institutes of Health), senior investigator Dr. Alfonso H. Janoski, assistant professor of medicine, division of endocrinology, is conducting a study entitled "The Physiologic Role of 16-Hydroxylated Steroids."

The multi-faceted study partly involves the evaluation of steroid compounds in the blood of pregnant women as a method of monitoring fetal distress. Fetal distress occurs in those medical complications from which the fetus can die or be threatened with spontaneous abortion.

Del. Young seeks five day jail term for drunk drivers

Del. Larry Young has asked the Department of Legislative Reference to draft a bill mandating a week in jail for drunk drivers.

Young will prefile a bill for the 1977 General Assembly Session to make anyone convicted of drunken driving for the first time spend at least a week in jail. The provision will be modeled on tough drunken driving laws enacted by Scandinavian countries.

Presently, persons convicted of their first offense of drunken driving can be fined and sentenced up to one year in jail. But jail terms are commonly bypassed.

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"Autos can be lethal weapons," asserts Young, "especially when driven by people who are less than completely conscious of what's going on."

"Driving a car is not a right, it's a privilege," he continued. "This will be the Maryland General Assembly's chance to say that the State of Maryland does not tolerate driving a car while under the influence of alcohol. This is our chance to do something about the pile of corpses."

The Young Bill will set progressively tougher penalties for persons with certain levels of alcohol in their bloodstreams. Driving a car with one-tenth of one percent alcohol in the blood would be a simple misdemeanor and would carry a mandatory seven-day jail term. This level of intoxication could be achieved if a 160-lb. man consumed slightly more than six drinks in a two-hour period.

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Unlike the present law, which associates drunken driving with the driver's performance behind the wheel of the vehicle, Young's bill would make it a crime simply to drive a car with the established levels of alcohol.

According to Del. Young, "If you have a certain level of alcohol in your blood, it's a crime to drive an automobile."

The bill will include tough penalties for the "sloppy" drunk (about nine drinks over a two-hour period). Young expects tough opposition to his bill because individual tolerances to liquor differ and many individuals will feel that guilt or innocence should be determined by a jury, not a blood test.

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W.S.W. neighborhoods set Bicentennial meet

West and Southwest Baltimore residents and organizations have mounted a drive for community unity and concern for national and local problems as part of their Bicentennial observance.

The drive will be climaxed by a "Town Meeting, '76", to be held from 9 to 5 p.m., Saturday, June 5, at the Southwest Center for the Creative Arts, Mount and Lombard Sts. Similar efforts are being conducted this Bicentennial Year in communities throughout the nation under the auspices of the Institute of Cultural Affairs.

Saturday's meeting will feature workshops and discussions designed to capture interest in such problems as zoning, housing, traffic, law enforcement and health. Establishment of proiorities for community action will be followed by attempts to implement such priorities in conjunction with COIL (Community Organized to Improve Life.)

Sponsoring organizations within the boundaries of Mulberry St., Washington Blvd., Fremont Ave. and Bentalou St. include: St. Thomas Lutheran Church, Area Merchants, Urban Services, Wilkins Ave. Neighborhood Center and Council G, and the Union Square Neighborhood Association.

Contact persons include the Revs. Willie T. Ray, and Lee Sodowsky, John Schmidt, Kent Waters, Greg Yarborough and Robert Whitley.

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When Maryland's Democrats go to the polls on Tuesday, May 18th, they will have two major candidates to choose between.

But because the frontrunners' records are so similar, the voters will have no major issues to choose between.

One liberal supports excessive government spending and regulation, as a Congressman. The other liberal's voting record clearly shows support for similar inflationary and regulatory programs, as a former Senator.

But Maryland's Republicans, Democrats and Independents can all vote against big spending and big government in November —by voting to re-elect Senator Glenn Beall.

Senator Beall: for responsible government.

Glenn Beall has consistently opposed excessive government spending and regulation.

Glenn Beall *wrote* the Truth in Spending bill and *co-authored* the Budget Reform Act which protect taxpayers money by requiring strong checks on federal spending programs.

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Glenn Beall has done a lot for Maryland in six years. But there's still a lot to be done. And nobody else can finish the job.

Senator Beall: the right choice.

Maryland's Democrats are going to have a tough trying to figure out how to vote for the lesser of the two big spenders on May 18th.

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