General Assembly discusses Patuxent, death laws

By David S. Awbrey

ANNAPOLIS (UPI) — Gov. Mandel proposed a major revamping of the Patuxent Institution Tuesday by abolishing indeterminate sentences given convicts sent to the prison for "defective delinquents."

Alan Wilner Mandel's chief legislative aide, said prohibiting indeterminate sentences would turn Patuxent into a fulltime center to rehabilitate convicts.

"It making Patuxent an alternative place to serve a finite sentence — it would make it a treatment center."

Patuxent has been under attack by Civil Libertarians since it opened 20 years ago. Opponents objected to the indeterminate sentences and challenged the indeterminate sentences and challenged the institution's use of drugs and behavior modification to rehabilitate inmates.

"But what has happened is that people are being sent to Patuxent who don't belong there," Wilner said. "There are people in our prisons who could be helped there."

A convict judged by a court to be a defective delinquent" cannot leave Patuxent without approval from the court or prison staff. Meaning an inmate might stay at Patuxent longer than would a person serving time in a regular prison for the same offense.

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Wilner said the administration gave little thought to abolishing Patuxent, which he said was a national model for use of advanced psychological methods to reform criminals.

Mandel's Patuxent proposal was his second major crime bill introduced into the Legislature this week. The administration Monday unveiled its Capital Punishment proposal, which includes automatic appeals of death sentences.

The Capital Punishment Law is designed to meet Supreme Court objects to Maryland's old Death Law by giving the court discretion in sentencing. Maryland's invalidated Capital Punishment Law mandated death for specific crimes, regardless of mitigation circumstances.

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Wilner said ending the indeterminate sentencing of convicts at Patuxent would give the staff more time to work with inmates who want help.

Under the proposal, convicts must be evaluated for their potential to reform before they are admitted to Patuxent. Courts currently can send convicts to Patuxent regardless of the inmate's desire for rehabilitation.

Wilner added that the indeterminate sentencing helped turn Patuxent into a "warehouse" for criminals who cannot be released, but don't desire to be reformed.

"What we want are people who want to be helped," he said.

IN SESSION — State Senators Clarence Blount and Verda Welcome caught in pensive mood as General Assembly deliberations move into high gear.

Grande indicted on 43 counts

Jervis S. Finney, U.S. attorney for the District of Maryland has announced that a 43-count indictment has been returned in United States District Court for the District of Maryland by a special federal grand jury charging the following persons.

Ottavio F. Grande, 3633 Chesterfield Ave., Baltimore, Maryland, Deputy Director, Department of Public Works, City of Baltimore;

Gerald W. Berg, Old Valley Road, Stevenson, Maryland, president of the Buzz Berg Wrecking Company, Inc.;

Andrew Hawthorne and Edgar Hawthorne, both of Philadelphia, Pa., both associated with Robert L. Hawthorne, Inc., a large Philadelphia wrecking contractor;

Joseph Tuller, 11513 Orebaugh Ave., Silver Spring, Md., president of the State Wrecking Company of Maryland, Inc., Baltimore;

Pietro Castagna, 306 South Exeter Street, Baltimore, president of the Castle Construction Company, Baltimore.

The 43 counts of the indictment charge violations of mail fraud, obstruction of interstate commerce by extortion, prohibited activities, obstruction of a criminal investigation, income tax evasion and filing of false income tax returns, and aiding and abetting all of the bove.

MAIL FRAUD

Specifically, all defendants except Castagna are charged with participating in a mail fraud scheme which lasted from January 1966 until July 1975 which involved the submission of fixed bids to the city of Baltimore for demolition contracts.

In three instances the demolition contracts did not involve the City, but rather, the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (one demolition contract) or the Interstate Highway (Dividracts).

The city mail fraud counts allege that Grande, then Director of Construction and Buildings Inspection for the Department of Housing and Community Development, under Robert C. Embry, Commissioner, was aware that the contractors were engaging in collusive bidding practices and that the contractors had agreed to pay Grande 5 per cent of the contract price in order to further their scheme.

Grande is charged with 25 counts of mail fraud, Mr. Tuller with 26 counts, Berg with 14 counts, Andrew Hawthorne with 12 counts, and Edgar Hawthorne with one count. If convicted on these counts, each defendant would be subject to 5 years imprisonment and/or a $1,000 fine for each count.

Grande is also charged with 7 counts of Obstruction of Interstate Commerce by Extortion and Castagna is joined with Grande in three of those counts.

The extortion allegations are that Grande, or, in three of the counts, Grande and Castagna, through the use of fear of economic harm and under color of official right, extorted certain monies from the Hartford Contracting Company, Inc., or Roland Larkins, Inc., both Baltimore demolition contractors.

If convicted on these counts each defendant would be subject to 20 years imprisonment and/or a $10,000 fine on each count.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Additionally, Grande, Tuller and Andrew Hawthorne are charged with each of violating the Prohibited Activities statute in that they are charged with operating their businesses through a "pattern of racketeering activity," that pattern being the various mail frauds charged in the indictment.

If convicted each defendant would be subject to imprisonment for 20 years and/or a fine of $25,000 on each count.

Additionally any interest in their respective businesses which was acquired or maintained in violation of three Prohibited Activities statute would be subject to forfeiture to the United States.

Grande and Berg are also charged with one count each of endeavoring to obstruct and prevent, through bribery, Roland Larkin, President of Roland Larkin, Inc., from communicating information to FBI agents.

Berg is charged with endeavoring, through intimidation and threats of force, to obstruct and prevent Charles Edward Collison, president of Harford Contracting Company, Inc., from communicating information to FBI agents.

Additionally, an information is being filed charging Collison with one count of mail fraud and one count of subscribing to a false corporate income tax return.

If convicted on these counts, Grande and Berg would each be subject to 5 years imprisonment and/or a $5,000 fine for each count.

INTERNAL REVENUE VIOLATIONS

Finally, the indictment charges Grande with four evade income taxes for the counts of attempting to evade income taxes for the years 1971, 1972, 1973 and 1974, and four counts of subscribing to false income tax returns for the same four years.

If convicted Grand would be subjected to 5 and/or a $10,000 fine for each tax evasion count, and 3 years imprisonment and/or a $5,000 fine for each false return count.

Finney stated that the indictment returned was another resulting from the combined efforts of a joint task force from the FBI, Baltimore, the Baltimore District of the Internal Revenue Service, and the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland.

The overall investigation was supervised and the case presented to the grand jury by Asistant United States Attorneys Gerald P. Martin and Joseph M. Fairbanks.

Valentine faces tax charge

The U.S. State's Attorney Office has filed two counts against William H. Valentine III, 46, 300 block S. Franklintown Rd., for failing to file income tax returns in 1970 and 1971.

According to U.S. Attorney Jervis S. Finney, the two counts that Valentine had gross income of $10,900.21 in 1970 and gross income of $16,837.76 in 1971, and that in neither year did he file a return.

If convicted, Valentine is subject to one year imprisonment and a fine of $1000 and/or a $5,000 fine for each count.

Teenagers drinking laws bob up again Annapolis

By Clarence Hunter

ANNAPOLIS — Eighteen-year-old Marylanders now legally able to buy beer or wine will soon have to relinquish this right if any of four bills just introduced in the State Assembly to raise the drinking age win enough support to become law at this session.

The bills were introduced by Del. Michael J. Wagner and Sen. Jerome F. Connell, both of Anne Arundel County, Del. Peter J. Balone of Baltimore County and Del. George J. Santoni of Baltimore's 46th District.

Hearings were held by the Senate Economics Matters on the bills this week and Delegate Wagner testified that the lowered drinking age, "is the chief cause of the continuous slaughter of our young people on the highways."

To back up his statement Wagner presented statistics for alcohol-related traffic fatalities in Maryland in the 18-21 year old group. His figures indicated, though not complete, a high incident of fatalities among 18-21 year olds since the drinking age was lowered in 1974.

Opposition to the bills has come from young persons and tavern owners' who contend that the drinking age should be the same as the official age of majority, 18 years.

A student government representative from the University of Maryland testified that the drinking age should not be any higher than the age of voting or joining the armed services. He also said to raise the drinking age would accelerate illegal drinking on campus and create financial problems for campus pubs.

Sen. Robert Douglass, a member of the Economics Matters Committee, stated he would like to see the legal age set at 21 rather than proposals that would accomplish this in gradual steps.

—What's in budget (FROM PAGE ONE)

vations late Tuesday as the various state agency officials this week briefed the respective committees of the General Assembly on key allocations in their departments.

The Maryland state budget for the fiscal year 1977-78 totaling $3.9 billion, was presented by the governor in his state of the state message to the Joint Session of the General Assembly, January 19.

In it, black citizens may expect such advantages as:

a five per cent increase in welfare grants and increases in foster care payments up to 19 per cent. This proposal would include expanded day care services and would total $925 million.

a five per cent increase in salaries for state employees.

increased aid for handicapped children, which under a new formula would be $5.5 million more than current state expenditures.

Education allocations to subdivisions (including Baltimore City) would be $13 million over current costs.

aid to community colleges would increase $5.6 million, this would include the Community College of Baltimore, with a 75 per cent black enrollment.

aid for new reading programs and schools for disruptive children. This would encompass five predominately black Baltimore city schools identified for the reading program and the Baltimore city school for disruptive children located on Morgan State University's campus.

a continuance of the state tax relief program for the elderly and the disabled with additional appropriations of $2.7 million.

Other pros in the budget include aid to ease the cost of maintaining local prison facilities by defraying the local expenses by $3.9 million for the current fiscal year and $2.4 million for the fiscal year 1978. Further, some $11 million to shape and streamline the Division of Parole and Probation is provided.

The $11 million for the Parole and Probation Department would include the creation of 78 new positions and a strengthening of the division's primary function of expediting the parole or probation of ex-offenders.

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Yet, most of these positions would be delayed until 1979 unless legislation is adopted removing the prohibition against using revenues from the Maryland State lottery to support a number of the budget's proposals.

In his budget message, Governor Mandel said unless the prohibition is lifted and lottery proceeds become available, the $51.8 million allocated for increases in state salaries, welfare grants, aid for libraries and community colleges and special education programs will be postponed until 1979.

Blount stated Mandel's proposal is an "unsound idea," and explained that there is no guarantee that the excess proceeds will not fluctuate rather than remain the same.

A key disadvantage for black residents is the proposed five per cent sales tax increase. Mandel has said the increase would provide an addition $9 million to the state revenue in 1977 and $115 million in 1978.

Blount considers the proposal inequitable and says it would hurt poor persons with low income without affecting those who may earn $20,000 a year and up.

However, Blount also said that black citizens will have to put up with the increase because he sees no way to do away with it at least for this year.

Another minus is the area of higher education for which the Mandel budget proposes a total fund of $527 million to go to the various state colleges and universities.

The catch here is that the operating budget and capital improvement budget show that black students who enter predominantly black colleges and universities in the state may get shortchanged in receiving a quality post-secondary education.

According to both budgets, Coppin State College received $9.2 million for operating expenses and $782,200 in capital improvements funds while Frostburg State College whose enrollment is only slightly higher than Coppin, received $11.8 million dollars in operating expenses and $3.9 million for capital improvement.

The University of Maryland, Eastern Shore is expected to receive $6.6 million to operate but only $1 million in capital improvement funds. (Recently UMES was denied permission to acquire 25,000 acres of land to expand, but was rejected by the state.)

A bill is expected to be introduced by Senator Blount to obtain the land the school has requested.

Morgan State University achieved university status over a year ago. This year it received operating expenses totaling $17.7 million but only $775,000 in capital improvement funds.

Towson State became a university last July. It was allocated $27.2 million in operating expenses and $4.3 million for capital improvement.

It has been said by some state official the reason for Towson receiving more money was because it required more improvements to meet requirements for a university.

Yet, the capital improvement budget shows that by 1982 Towson will still receive more funds in capital improvement than Morgan State.

It is such fine print in the proposed budget that Senator Blount and other Baltimore area legislators are studying closely.

Questions on Agnew up again

By Mimi Whitefield

BALTIMORE (UPI) — A New York attorney said last week he has filed papers asking that former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew appear in court to answer question concerning possible obstruction of justice.

Sam Polur said he is seeking a transcript of an Oct. 8 hearing in which U.S. District Court Judge Roszel C. Thomsen heard arguments on whether Agnew's three-year probation should be revoked.

Polur — who is appealing Thomsen's decision not to revoke Agnew's probation to the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond said he needs the transcript for the appeal.

In papers filed in U.S. District Court, Polur claims he has tried more than 20 times in the past 3½ months to reach Jesse Kruh, a court reporter, to obtain the transcript.

Polur, who lives in Miami but practices law in New York, said he was told Kruh is ill and unable to complete the transcript.

A source in the court clerk's office confirmed the transcript has not been filed and Kruh has been "ill for some time."

Agnew and Kruh appear in open court to answer questions on why the transcript has been held up.

"It is conceivable someone has been bought off," Polur said.

"I have a right to find out (why the transcript was held up)," he added. "Otherwise we're not living in a state of law."

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Failure to obtain the transcript impedes the due course of justice in this vital case of material constitutional consequence "Polur said.

W. L. Harrison, Agnew's attorney, was not immediate.

Polur also wants Kruh to appear in court to explain any role she may have played in obstructing justice.

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Since September, Polur said he has spent $20,000 in legal matters related to the affairs of the former vice president.

He sought to have Agnew's probation on an income tax charge revoked because of alleged violations of federal law. Agnew was placed on probaion afer he pleaded on cones was placed on probation after he pleaded no contest to a single count of income tax evasion in October 1973.

Polur claims Agnew violated federal law by keeping gifts he received from foreign governments after they should have been surrendered to the U.S. State Department.

The lawyer also contends that as representative of Education for Democracy, Inc., an Indiana-based firm publishing Pro-Arab literature, Agnew violated federal antitrust laws.

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In addition, Polur has filed a $2 million suit against Education for Democracy, charging the foundation has been acting as a foreign agent without registering.

Polur explained his interest in Agnew's affairs, saying, "I happen to love this country. I think our security is endangered by Mr. Agnew" because he had access to National Security Council secrets.

"Any other country would probably shoot a guy going around dealingwith foreign powers," he said.

"I think you could safely say that this is the largest piece of legislation ever introduced in the General Assembly," said Barry Alsenstark, Commission director.

Alsenstark said much of the Commission's work involves culling technical language from the code and putting it into understandable English.

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"We're lawyers who can't stand legalese," Alsenstark said. "We want to get rid of the verbiage that obscures the true meaning of what is intended."

As an example, Alsenstark said the Commission is removing "heretofores," "whereupons" and "hereinafters in the old code.

Alsenstark said his staff of eight lawyers has found several obscure provisions delightine the Commission, but of little interest to laymen.

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An alert staff member discovered that certain kinds of mopeds were not covered by the motorcycle or automobile laws and the loophole was closed.

Alsenstark is proud of the discovery that a person removing obsolete license tags from his car to throw them away can be charged with illegal possession of the plates. The new provision gives the motorist 24 hours to dispose of the tags.

The Commission is not empowered to make substantive changes in the law, but can suggest legislation.

Council's Spring session brings flood of new bills

Among recent nominations made by the Mayor to city boards and commissions were the names of Mrs. Mildred Forehand, Mrs. Sheila Sachs, Mrs. Betty Hyatt, Dr. Wayman E. Scott and Archie M. Jones.

Mrs. Forehand was named to the Community Relations Commission, Mrs. Sachs, Mrs. Hyatt and Dr. Scott were reappointed to the Board of School Commissioners, and Mr. Jones was named to the city Planning Commission.

Normal councilmanic procedure requires its assent after hearings before the Executive Nominations Committee headed by Councilman Allen Spector (D., 5th).

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In other matters, among bills approved by Mayor Schaefer was a bill authorizing the Mayor and City Council to acquire by purchase or by condemnation certain land in the vicinity of Waterview Ave. and Cherry Hill Rd. for a sewerage pumping station.

Among bills introduced were:

Bill No. 715 by Fourth District Councilpersons Emerson R. Julian, Michael B. Mitchell and Victorine Adams regarding the Constant Care Community Health Center which would change from R-8 to B-2 zoning district the property on the north corner of Division St. and Mosher St.

Bill No. 716 by Councilman Mitchell (Flying Eagle Motorcycle Club) which would change from R-8 to R-4 zoning district the property located at 1161 N. Stricker St.

Bill No. 724 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would provide for a supplementary general fund appropriation ($150,000) to the Mayor's Office of Telecommunications for two way radio station and audio visual facilities.

Bill No. 726 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fee for certain pawnbroker licenses from $1,000 to $1,500 yearly.

Bill No. 727 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fee for junk dealer licenses from $250 to $250 yearly.

Bill No. 730 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the annual license fee for transient merchants from $250 to $375.

Bill No 73.2 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fees for certain pinball machine licenses from $150 to $200.

Bill No. 733 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fees for amusement licenses from $100 to $200.

Bill No. 739 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the license fee for pool tables and related tables from $40 to $60.

Bill No. 746 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fee for downtown huckester licenses from $25 to $50 and increasing the costs of temporary huckster licenses.

Bill No. 748 by President Walter S. Orlinsky which would increase the fee for certain carriages, wagons and boats.

Among resolutions introduced were:

No. 754 on the occasion of the death of Roland Hayes, first black American musician to win acclaim internationally on the concert stage.

No. 755 on the occasion of the death of James Jordan.

No. 757 congratulating Timothy Newton on receiving the Donald P. McCormick Unsung Hero Award.

No. 758 on the occasion of the death of Lloyd G. McDonald Sr.

No. 759 on the occasion of the death of Mrs. Esther Rosina Cole.

Transportation laws under debate include even sleds, bicycle chains

ANNAPOLIS (UPI) — The General Assembly began debate Tuesday on the largest proposal ever introduced in the legislature — a 1,300 page revision of the state's transportation laws.

The bills cover all aspects of transportation, from where a motorist parks his car at night to requiring headlights on bicycles, cars and even sleds during snow emergencies.

The Senate began deliberation Tuesday on the bill revising the state's motor vehicle laws while the House started on the measure covering ports, rapid transit and other non-highway provisions.

The bills represent thousands of hours of work by the Governor's Commission to revise the annotated code. A group created in 1970 to recodify Maryland law — a task which has not been done since 1888.

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The Code Commission has completed work on the State Board of Education and Health Department sections, but the transportation article is the largest.

Baltimore NAACP seeks national seat

BALTIMORE, Md. — The Baltimore chapter of the NAACP feel slighted because it has no representation on the national board, but according to the local president, there is little they can do about it.

Mrs. Enolis McMillan told the AFRO letters have been sent to the board protesting the exclusion.

"If we don't get a response from the board, all we can do is wait until the national convention in July and hope we can nominate someone from Baltimore then," she said.

But even that will not be easy, she said, because Baltimore is in a region that includes Washington and Virginia, who will also be trying to get representation.

Catholics say natural death bill not necessary

The Maryland Catholic Conference made up of the three dioceses of Baltimore, Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Wilmington, Delaware issued a joint statement opposing Senate Bill 594 60 — The Natural Death Act.

The bishops opposed the Natural Death Act because they believe the Bill is unnecessary and restrictive. The statement from the joint meeting of Bishops said, "We are strongly opposed to the Bill entitled the Natural Death Act both on practical and theoretical grounds."

The Maryland Catholic Conference noted that the Catholic teaching on the sanctity of human life is in agreement with a broad Judeo Christian tradition. That tradition has never insisted, the bishops said, that human life must be preserved in all circumstances nor death resisted at all costs.

However, the Maryand Catholic Conference, feels The National Death act is unnecessary because patient already has the right to refuse the use of extraodinary means to prolong life, and the patient's right is legally binding on a physician.

Archbishop William D. Borders said that the heart of the proposed legislation is the so called "Living Will". The immediate conclusion that can and will be drawn from this law the archbishop said is that the Living Will is the only way in which a person's God given right may be exercised." This is not true, the bishops noted Patients already have the right to insist that their lives not be prolonged extraordinary means.

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The bishops admitted that the heart of the Bill is to protect the right of a person to refuse extraordinary means to preserve life and concluded "As opponents of this Bill we are also concerned with protection of human life and the obligation we face to sustain that life in all its forms."

Maryland Catholic Conference members represent Catholics living in all of the Maryland counties and in Baltimore city.

The Catholic Conference Committee said, "The bill is unnecessary. A patient already has the right to refuse either personally or through his family or legal guardian the use of extraordinary means to prolong his life and this right is absolute and legally binding on a physician.

"The bill is not only unnecessary, it is in effect unduly restrictive. The heart of the proposed legislation is the co-called "Living Will", a legal instrument executed with all the formalities of law wherein a person certifies his wish not to have his life prolonged by extraordinary means.

"The immediate conclusion that can and will be drawn from this law is that the living will is the only way in which a person's God-given right may be exercised.

In its absence will the physician feel obliged to use extraordinary means? Will the family or legal guardian feel pressured into using extraordinary means at all costs? The rigidities and restrictions of human laws should not enter a field concerned with the delicate relationships of a dying person and his physician and family."

Last rites today for Mrs. Alexander

Funeral services will be held today (Friday) for Mrs. Madgie Alexander at Central Baptist Church.

Mrs. Alexander, 66, of the 100 block S. Hilton St., died Jan. 24 at Saint Agnes Hospital after a brief illness.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Jeanette Johnson; six sons, George, Clarence, Kenneth and Carrol Alexander, Howard and Roy Shoats;

Other survivors are four daughters, Mrs. Helen Lee, Ms. Velma Shoats, Ms. Jane Shoates, Ms. Lynette Shoates, also one uncle Early Leeper.

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In Our Churches

By Pam Widgeon

Churches are invited to send news of special church activities and a copy of their church programs.

The Swinson Jubilee Singers of New Metropolitan Baptist Church will be presented in concert by the Missionary Department of Faith Baptist Church on Sunday, 4 p.m.

Rev. Dr Lawyer L Swinson is pastor of New Metropolitan Church. Rev. Dr. Walter Paige is the pastor of Faith Baptist and Mrs. Bessie H. Mason is president of the missionary department.

Maryland Baptist Home for the Aged, 2801 Rayner Ave., will have a groundbreaking ceremony Sunday, 2:30 p.m. with ministers of the city participating. The FRSD banquet will be held March 17 at Martins West with Dr. T. J. Jemison, secretary of National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc, as speaker.

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The Missionary Society of Simmons Memorial Baptist Church, Pennsylvania Ave. and Cumberland St., will sponsor a workshop Saturday, 9 to 2:30 p.m. Miss Laura Whitfield of Enon Baptist Church is the instructor. Rev. William King is pastor.

Harlme Park Community Baptist Church travel club is planning a summer vacation trip to Hawaii for nine days. If you are interested in joining the group, call 323-3668 or 669-7637. Rev. Raymond Kelly Jr., is pastor.

Family and Friend Day will be observed at Brown's Memorial Baptist Church, 2000 Fulton Ave. on Sunday, 5:30 p.m. Rev. Douglass Miles is pastor, Rev. William E. Johnson, director; Rev. Nathaniel Adams, chairman and Rev. Wihelmina Spears, program coordinator.

Annual Women's Day will be observed February 13 at Berean Baptist Church, 5200 Denmore Ave., at 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Harlett Johnson of Wayland Baptist Church is the speaker. Rev. John A. Lunn is pastor.

The Octettes club of Shiloh Christian Community Church, 2590 W. Lombard St. will celebrate its 14th anniversary on Sunday, 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Betty McLeod is chairman; Mrs. Carrie Gibbs is president. Rev. George W. Baynard is pastor.

MRS. PEGGY DANIELS was recently honored at a family reunion dinner held at her home in the 1400 block E. Eager St. Mrs. Daniels is a member of Gillis Memorial Christian Community Church and mother of 10 children and 12 grandchildren. She is known as a community leader and was 52 years old Jan. 15.

St. James' Episcopal Church
LAFAYETTE SQUARE
The Rev. Donald O Wilson, Rector
Dr. Robert Ford, Deacon
A. Maurice Murphy, Choir Master · Organist
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 1977
8:00 A.M.—Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M.—Sung Eucharist
Family Worship
Lower Church School
10:30 A.M.—Upper Church School
11:00 A.M.—Choral Eucharist & Sermon
The Public is Cordially Invited To Attend

Perkins Square Baptist Church
2500 EDMONDSON AVE. CORNER OF WARWICK
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 1977
MISSIONARIES' DAY
8:00 A.M.—Early Morning Worship. Sermon by the Pastor
9:15 A.M.—Church School
10:30 A.M.—Open Heart Service
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship. Sermon by the Pastor
6:00 P.M.—Baptist Training Union
WE WELCOME YOU
REV. RICHARD H. OGLE IV, Pastor

PENNSYLVANIA AVE. AME ZION CHURCH
"The Church of the Burning Heart"
Corner Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 1977
11:00 A.M.—Church Worship Service Sermon Theme: "Overcoming Our Grasshopper Attitudes"
Music: Young Adult Choir and Women's Chorus
A FRIENDLY WELCOME TO ALL
REV. MARSHALL H. STRICKLAND, Minister

BEREA LUTHERAN CHURCH
2200 E. Oliver St.
HOMECOMING SERVICE
JANUARY 30, 1977 at 3:30 P.M.
Peterson's Singers
Berea Youth Choir
Berea Adult Choir
REV. DR. PHILLIP A. CAMPBELL, Pastor

Douglas Memorial Community Church
"The People of the Way"
LAFAYETTE and MADISON AVES.
MARION CURTIS BASCOM, D.D. Minister
JAMES S HAMMOND Minister of Music
JUANITA HALL DAVIS, Organist
SUNDAY
JANUARY 30, 1977
Dr. Marion Bascom
Preaching
MUSIC
8:30 A.M.
"PRAISE THE NAME OF THE LORD" By Ivan
"RISE, SHINE" —arr. Work
11:00 A.M.
"MY WAY IS CLOUDY" —arr. Dett
MEN'S CHOIR
"LITTLE INNOCENT LAMB" —arr. Bartholomew

SHARP STREET MEMORIAL United Methodist Church has had January 1977 named as its month by proclamation of Baltimore Mayor William D. Schaefer. A few of the members seen here with the pastor Rev. Richard Clifford (center) are (L to R) front row: Idella Nichols, Samuel Wilson, Mrs. Richard Clifford, Anthony Dwayne Clifford, 6, Frank B. Butler, Miss Lucy Mays, Samuel D. Mitchell, Mrs. Myrtle Wake, and Mrs. Zella Washington. Back row: William H. Ross, II, William T. Cley, William W. Freeman, Marion McLeod, Rev. Richard Clifford, Mrs. Charlotte H. Harper, Mrs. Rubye C. Gill, Mrs. Theresa B. Gley, Miss H. Lota Howard, and Mrs. Marian F. Ross.

(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewych)

New Weight Watchers stress on flexiblity

As Weight Watchers looks forward to the 11th anniversary in this area, it also looks back on many changes made during that time.

The original food program has been updated four times. The group has gone from lecturer-dominated to a more flexible group involvement with lecturer leadership.

Emphasis is now to "use your head to change your shape."

Weight Watchers has always been and continues to be the leader in weight control with more than five million hours of classroom experience worldwide, teaching people how to lose weight and keep it off.

Now, on the brink of the 12th year, the group has made another change.

What do you do with something as good as the Weight Watchers Program? You keep making it better.

The new program is flexible, simple and fits into every lifestyle.

New foods reduce the guilt in eating formerly forbidden foods and place the responsibility for its success exactly where it belongs — on the Weight Watchers member.

The expertise of the medical director and staff of nutritionists is what backs up every change that is made in the program.

They are responsible for keeping our program nutritionally sound and livable, while allowing for a sensible weight loss.

Since so many new things are happening in Weight Watchers classes, all citizens are invited to visit classes and "see for yourself."

Please call 494-0377 or toll free in Maryland 1-800-492-9060 to arrange for a guest pass for you.

Norma Malis is area director, Weight Watchers of Baltimore, Inc.

Ambassador Melady speaks Sat. on Africa

Dr. Thomas P. Melady, former U.S. Ambassador to Burundi and Uganda. Africa, will speak on "Liberation—African Perspective" at the 1976-77 Religious Studies Institute lecture series, College of Notre Dame of Maryland, at 1:15 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 29

The Religious Studies Institute series, now in its eleventh year at the College of Notre Dame, has as its theme "Liberation: Personal and Commual" Lectures are designed to give input on current biblical and theological trends, and are open to all interested persons.

Tickets are $7 for each three-four session. Further information is available by calling the institute director, Sister Francis Regis Carton, at 435-0100, ext. 2, 4 or 6.

Dr. Melday is a political sclentist specializing in developing societies, ethnic affairs and U.S. foreign policy.

During his career he has written regularly on matters of foreign policy, Third World cultures and domestic affairs. He is the author of ten books, including Uganda: The Asian Exile published in 1976 by Orbis Books.

City wants $'s to buy subway stops land

BALTIMORE (UPI' — Baltimore City has asked the federal government for $10 million for a demonstration project to determine if land around subway stops can be controlled.

The City would use the money to buy land around three stops on the subway system, which is now under construction.

After buying the land, the city would control its development or resell it to private buyers for development under certain conditions.

The area around subway stops are valuable locations for stores, office centers and high density housing.

Madison 'Y' holds annual art exhibit

The Madison Ave. YWCA will hold its third annual exhibit of local black artists work including painting, sculpture, other visual media as well as craft items.

Interested artists should submit exhibit application forms to the YWCA no later than 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12. Forms may be obtained in person or by telephone from the Madison Ave. YWCA office.

Each participatinz artist will pay a registration fee of $4. Mrs. Gertrude Finney, group activities program director, may be contacted about the art show or classes in art, dance, drama, piano and exercise for children and women at 669-1881.

Class reunion

Forest Park High School Class of 1972 plans a 5-year reunion. Interested persons should call 728-5688. Mona Rich and Susan Taylor are the chairpersons.

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