10 state senators back sitting judges

Ten Baltimore City senators have expressed their support for the Sitting Judges of the Supreme Bench who are running for election to full 15-year terms in the Sept. 12 primary.

The 10 Senators have joined a bipartisan committee of 97 members who are working actively for the election of the incumbent judges.

Called the "Committee to Keep the Supreme Bench Judges of Baltimore City," the Committee includes a broad cross - section of elected officials, attorneys, officials of the labor movement, and business and community leaders in Baltimore.

The 10 Senators are:

Rosalie S. Arams, Clarence W. Blount, Joseph S. Bonvegna, John Carroll Byrnes, J. Joseph Curran Jr., Robert L. Douglass, Cornell N. Dypski, Harry J. McGuirk, Clarence M. Mitchell III, and Verda L. Welcome.

The incumbent Judges of the Supreme Bench who are running for election are: Milton B. Allen, Solomon Baylor, Shirley B. Jones, Joseph H. H. Kaplan and Edgar P. Silver.

Under Maryland Law, judges of the Supreme Bench must, after appointment by the Governor, run for election to 15 year terms.

Judge Allen, the former State's Attorney for Baltimore City, has been a member of the Supreme Bench since 1976. Prior to his election as State's Attorney in 1970, Judge Allen had served as deputy State's Attorney. A graduate of the University of Maryland Law School, Judge Allen was a founder and former partner in the law firm of Brown, Allen and Josey. He is past president of the Maryland State's Attorneys Association.

Judge Baylor recently was elevated to the Supreme Bench by Acting Governor Blair Lee, III after having served on the District Court in Baltimore City and its forerunner, the Municipal Court, for eight years. Judge Baylor has been a member of the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals and an assistant City Solicitor. Before being appointed a judge, he had practiced law for 17 years.

Judge Jones, one of three women on the Supreme Bench, was a judge of the Orphan's Court of Baltimore City prior to her first appointment in 1961 to the Supreme Bench. She has served as an attorney for the Maryland Department of Employment Security. An honors graduate of the University of Baltimore and of its law school, where she also taught, Judge Jones is a past president of the Women's Bar Association.

Judge Kaplan was an attorney with the firm of Venable, Baetjer and Howard before his appointment to the Supreme Bench. He has served as an assistant United States Attorney for Maryland, President of the Civil Service Commission of Baltimore City, a member of the Board of Ethics of Baltimore City and as a consultant to the Community Relations Service of the U.S. Justice Department. Judge Kaplan also served as a member of the Maryland Commission on Human Relations.

Judge Silver was elevated to the Supreme Bench in 1977 after serving on the District Court for Baltimore City and before that on the Municipal Court. Judge Silver is a former member of the Maryland House of Delegates, where he served as chairman of the Motor Vehicles Committee and as a member of the Judiciary Committee.

—Mom, baby slain

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Reporting Officer R. Decker stated Ms. Higgins acted like she was in psychological shock when he entered her living room.

Another butcher knife covered with blood was found in the center of a bed and a gun was also recovered from the same room.

Police say they have no motive for the shooting and relatives of the accused and victims told the AFRO, "We have no comment."

While police were on the scene, Ms. Higgins mother came to the house because she said her daughter's boyfriend had called her and said he heard a "gunshot over the phone."

Police reveal Ms. Higgins shot herself in the arm and was taken to Mercy Hospital and treated for a gunshot wound of her arm.

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PROTESTERS — Mrs. Zatella Giles (foreground) coordinator of the Concerned Citizens of East Baltimore, leads a group of East Baltimoreans in a demonstration at City Hall protesting the delay in obtaining the land to build a prison at the Fort Armistead site. Mayor Schaefer and Acting Gov. Blair Lee III are expected to meet next week on the prison issue.

Lee orders jobs for 99 laid off HRD employees

ANNAPOLIS — Acting Gov. Blair Lee III has ordered all state department secretaries to utilize the 99 dismissed Department of Human Resources personnel in any comparable positions which they might have vacant.

Lee, who met with department heads Tuesday, gave the order in response to a Mail-gram sent to him by Del. Troy Brailey protesting the employees' dismissal.

He told the cabinet he expects their full cooperation and singled out the Human Resources and Personnel departments to spearhead the operation.

The 99 state workers were laid off their jobs in late May because of a deeling number of jobless claims.

Their last work day is Friday, June 9.

Frank Heintz, executive director of the employment security administration, said that in the last two months the number of employment claims has declined by 20,000, a drop of 40 percent from earlier in the year.

He said the division handled an average of 55,000 claims per week during the first three months of the year. The case load had declined by April to an average of 40,000 claims per week, and by May 13 33,000 per week, he said.

The department right now is working with the laid off workers, who interviewed claimnants and did clerical work, to provide job counseling and placement wherever possible, including the private sector, according to Heintz.

"The layoff is a devastating irony of the unpredictable economy and the current labor market," Heintz said.

The workers did not know they would be laid off but were told when hired that the jobs would last only while there were enough claims to need the extra help, Heintz said.

Brailey did not accept Heintz's excuse and sent the Mailgram to Lee.

"If the clerks are employees for more than a year, they should be considered as permanent," said Brailey in the mailgram. "Some of these clerks have been employed for as long as five years and have not been made permanent."

Although Brailey who was pleased with Lee's actions said the unemployment rate may have dropped in "some areas in Maryland it is not true among the blacks.

Rawlings to be honored at banquet June 11

Community leaders and friends of Howard "Pete" Rawlings will pay tribute to his accomplishments and contributions to the black community at the Hilton Hotel in Pikesville on Sunday, June 11 from 5 to 9 p.m.

The main spaker for the evening will be Mrs. Jean Fairfax, NAACP's national civil rights leader.

Rawlings has been considered a strong, effective and experienced community leader. He has organized black coalitions for higher education around the country and helped to increase black student enrollment at the University of Maryland schools.

He has co - authored newspaper columns regarding community issues and led the promotion of civil and human rights for all citizens through his roles as chairman of the Education Committee for the Maryland NAACP, president of the Community Health Council, and president of the Community Advisory Groups for the University of Maryland Hospital.

Honorary chairpersons for the affair include Sens. Clarence Blount and Verda Welcome and Dels. Troy Brailey, John Douglass and Lena K. Lee.

Local participants in the program will be Dr. Raphael Cortada, president, Community College of Baltimore; Mrs. Thelma Cox, member, State Board for Higher Education; Mrs. Betty Glascoe, director of Career Development and Placement, University of Maryland (Baltimore County); Dr. Oakley Saunders, pediatrician; and Mr. Nathaniel K. Smith, president, Maryland chapter of NAACP.

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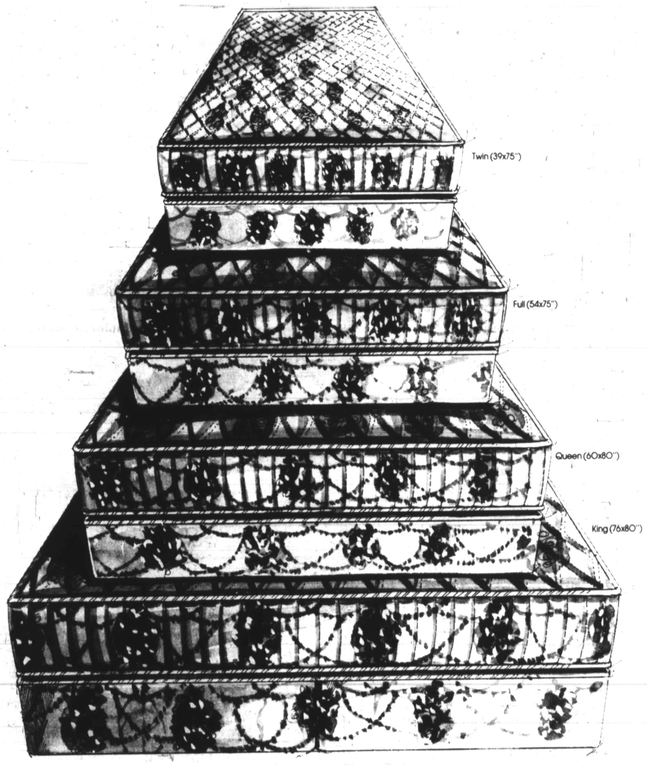

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