County delegate wants Clarence Long's seat

Delegate Thomas Kernan, D-Baltimore County, Wednesday formally filed as a candidate for the 2nd Congressional District seat held by veteran Rep. Clarence D. Long, D-Md.

Kernan, who has been campaigning for nearly 10 months, said his campaign would stress his five-year record of service in the state legislature and the issues of energy, the future of the Port of Baltimore and consumer needs.

Kernan could be a strong challenger to the nine-term, 71-year-old congressman in May's Democratic primary.

"After ten months of active campaigning, I'm convinced now more than I was last May the public is ready for some new ideas in congress," said the 32-year-old insurance underwriter.

"When I look at the issues of energy, the lack of planning on the part of this country and this congress, the issues of the harbor, and young couples who are trying to buy a home, I haven't seen any answers coming out of Washington," he said.

CHECK PRESENTATION — Members of the local chapter of the National Smart Set, an organization which began at Howard University more than 40 years ago, recently purchased a life membership with the NAACP. From (L), Mrs. Joel Newton, Mrs. Enolia McMillan, Baltimore NAACP president; Mrs. Robert Watts and Mrs. Robert Lloyd.

Three arrested in theft from Jessup warehouse

Three Baltimore men charged with stealing about $31,000 in goods bound for interstate shipment from a Jessup warehouse were arrested Wednesday, Feb. 20 by the FBI, an official said.

Baltimore Special Agent Edward Hegarty said William N. Holbrook, 35, Robert E. Critzer, 27, and Leonard L. Riley are charged with five counts of stealing goods involved in interstate commerce, using a gun to commit a felony and aiding and abetting in a felony.

A fourth man, Robert McMahan, of Baltimore, is still being sought, Hergarty said.

He said the four men, some armed, entered a Drake Motor Lines terminal in Jessup Oct. 8, 1978, tied up a guard and made off with about $31,000 in women's boots, clothing and tobacco.

Holbrook and Riley, who were arrested in Cumberland, were taken before a federal magistrate who set bonds of $25,000 and $15,000 repectively. Critzer, arrested in Baltimore, was being held pending a bond hearing.

Six sailors arrested for alleged drug sales

Six Navy crewmen of the USS Riley were arrested Wednesday for allegedly distributing marijuana, LSD and amphetamines while waiting for their ship to be repaired, police said.

The six crewmen were indicted by a grand jury whose report was unsealed Wednesday. The indictments were the result of a six-month investigation by the police department requested by the Navy after it received a complaint that the six crewmen were distributing drugs while staying at the Lord Baltimore Hotel during the time the USS Riley was in drydock.

The six were charged with distribution of drugs, conspiracy to distribute drugs and conspiracy to violate narcotics laws.

Police identified the Navy crewmen arrested as James B. Smith, 20; Jay R. Butler, 22; Steven T. Fisher, 22; Robert J. Houch, 19; Edward L. Nasife, 22; and Ricky L. Trahan, 21.

Calendar of events at local schools

The Decker Gallery of the Maryland Institute, College of Art will feature a Juried Undergraduate Show through March 6.

Works by the undergraduate students include ceramics, painting, drawing, jewelry, printmaking, sculpture, photography and fibers.

The Decker Gallery, located in the Institute's Mount Royal Station at Mount Royal Avenue and Cathedral Street is open free to the public Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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The University of Maryland Gymkana Troupe will perform at the University of Baltimore Friday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m. Free and open to the public, this gymnastics exhibition will be held in the gym of the Academic Center at Charles Street at Mount Royal Avenue.

In honor of Black History Month, the Community College of Baltimore's Middle College will sponsor a celebration Monday, Feb. 25 from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at CCB's Harbor Campus in the Forum of the Bard Building.

The program will feature the musical group, Creative Force, local poet, Robert Wood and members of the Middle College student body and staff. Dr. Alvin Thornton, Morgan State University, will be the guest speaker.

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Elderly people may receive free assistance in completing income tax forms at Catonsville Community College, 800 S. Rolling Road.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program will be held Tuesdays and Thursday, Feb. 26 and 28 and March 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 and 27 from noon to 4 p.m. On Saturday, March 15, assistance will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All sessions will be held in room 302 of the Administration Faculty Building on the CCC campus.

Volunteers will be trained by the Internal Revenue Service personnel. For more information call the college Business Division at 455-4546.

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The Second Careers Institute of Catonsville Community College has opened enrollment in a credit-free course entitled "The Bank Teller Job — What It's all About." The class will meet for two days, Feb. 26 and 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 701 St. Paul St. The cost is $4 for those over 60 years of age and $8 for people under 60.

The course is an overview of the duties of a bank teller. It was especially written to give people an idea of the job so they may better decide if they are interested in a career in banking.

Licensed practical nurses who have been inactive for three or more years are invited to Catonsville Community College for a 90-hour LPN Refresher, a course designed to assist them in preparing for re-entry into practice.

Meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Feb. 26 through June 24, the course will provide LPNs with 50 hours of updating and 40 hours of supervised clinical practice. Classes meet on the CCC main campus, 800 S. Rolling Road and at selected area hospitals. The cost is $60.

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A three-day "Grant Writing" seminar will be held Feb. 27 to 29 at the Loyola College Columbia Center, American City Building, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

This program will address all aspects of grant writing including needs assessment, management, project design and objectives. A systems design approach will be adopted to meet the needs of each applicant.

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The history club, the history department and the student government association of Morgan State University will sponsor a series of programs and seminars in celebration of Black History Month.

On Monday, Feb. 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. a seminar will be held on black women in the, McKeldin Center, room 319. From 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 27 there will be a "meet the authors" reception and seminar on "Blacks in Political Life" in the McKeldin Center ballroom.

The activities will culminate March 7 with a convocation in the McKeldin Center from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The speaker will be John Henrik Clarke, a noted scholar who will speak on "Malcolm X: Black Radical Traditionalist."

All of these activities are free and open to the public. For further information call 444-3341

Adoption of an operating budget for the 1980-81 school year will be on the agenda when the Board of Education of Baltimore County meets on Feb. 28. The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Dundalk Senior High, 1901 Delvale Ave.

The public is invited to attend all board meetings.

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Patterson Senior High will be holding its second annual indoor flea market Saturday, March 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 100 N. Kane St. near Eastern Ave.

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A second session of "Gas Welding and Cutting" will be offered by Howard Community College beginning Thursday, Feb. 29 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The ten hour program includes demonstration and application of welding techniques on light and heavy gauge steel and tubings.

No prior experience is necessary. Tuition for the course, held at Howard Voc-Tech Center is $20 and students should purchase the required textbook at the college bookstore before the first class.

To register, call HCC's Office of Community Education at 992-4823.

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A one-day course on "Changing Careers" will be held at Howard Community College Saturday, March 1 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Designed to help men and women match their competencies with vocational interests, the class will focus on career forecasts, writing resumes and preparing for interviews.

Tuition is $15 and students should bring lunch. To register, visit the college campus or call the Office of Community Education at 992-4823.

Send all educational news items to Portia Badham, Education Writer, Afro-American Newspapers, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md.21201.

County Council passes parking regulations

The Baltimore County Council has approved a bill that would restrict the amount of time commuters would be allowed to park on some crowded neighborhood streets.

The bill, passed 6-1 Tuesday night, would allow neighborhood residents to purchase parking permits for $15 a year that would allow them to park without restriction. Senior citizens would get free permits.

All other motorists would be subject to time limitations.

The Burkleigh Square and Towson Manor areas near Towson State University would be primarily affected by the new parking law, but other communities would be allowed to ask for parking restrictions.

The Council also approved funds to begin planning for badly needed water and sewer projects in the southwest county community of Oella

City Council OKs MSU bill

A resolution introduced by the six black members of City Council opposing the merger of Morgan State University with two other area colleges unanimously passed the Council, Tuesday, Feb. 19.

Another resolution, supporting state legislation allowing jai alai in the city, passed. Council members Kweisi Mfume, D-4th, Mary Pat Clarke, D-2nd, and Nathan Irby, D-2nd, voted in opposition to the measure.

A bill is pending in the General Assembly which would bring the sport to the city and would permit gambling on the outcome of the games.

Two measures providing for special supplementary fund appropriation would allocate $759,621 to provide youth jobs in the Department of Recreation and Parks and $8,500,000 to the Urban Services Agency for energy aid to low income families.

—Fisk Jubilee singers

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entire school for writing romantic noteu to a fellow student. Apparently the punishment was ineffective for soon afterwards he signed a confession to a similar offense, promising that with the "help of God and the aid of man I will never be guilty of such a thing again."

Eliza Walker was born a slave six miles out of Nashville in 1857. After the war her father ran an ice house in the city. She entered the first class at Fisk.

Born in Fayette County, Tenn., Sept. 19, 1858, **Green Evans** was the most widely traveled of the singers. His master moved all over the South to escape the Union army. Finally Green encountered a yankee officer in Selma, Ala. and became his servant for two years. In 1865 he went to Indianapolis as a waiter but the next year returned South to Memphis. After teaching school for a time Evans entered Fisk in 1868.

Probably the most indispensable member of the company was **Ella Sheppard** born February, 1851, in Mississippi. Her father who operated a livery stable in Nashville had purchased his freedom for $1800. Upon hearing that Ella was about to die from lack of care he bought his daughter for $350.

Later they moved to Cincinnati where Ella took music lessons. When her father died she went to Gallatin, Tenn. to teach school. After saving only six dollars she enrolled at Fisk and was fortunate enough to secure a position as assistant music teacher at the school during the summers. In this capacity she helped White drill the singers before the tour.

During the first Northern trip White placed Miss Sheppard in charge of the entire training of voices and the general care of the singing while he attended to the management of the enterprise. One Fisk teacher said of her: "In intellect, in spirit, and in musical attainment she was one of the gifted women of the world." The composition of the troupe changed from time to time, but remarkably it maintained unwavering excellence.

After a slow and difficult beginning, the fortunes of these singers dramatically improved. The programs of spirituals as presented by these former slaves began attracting larger audiences. Named the Jubilee Singers by their director, a reference to the Biblical year of Jubilee or freedom, these singers toured all across the northeastern United States, returning to Fisk in six months with $25,000, enough money to buy the land on which Fisk presently sits and to begin the construction of Jubilee Hall.

Within three years the singers had performed at the White House and at the World Peace Conference in Boston.

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AUTO GARAGE BURNS — A two alarm fire heavily damaged the first and second floors of LP Auto Service garage,u2400 block of Druid Hill Ave. on Monday, Feb. 18. Investigators believe the fire started when a light fell into a pool of gasoline. A worker received burns on both hands and was treated and released at Maryland General Hospital. Some 19 pieces of equipment and 50 firefighters brought the fire under control about one hour after it was reported.

AFRO photo by Roman Hankewycz

Coast Guard lifts restrictions

The Coast Guard has lifted restrictions on marine traffic through the Chesapeake Bay because warmer temperatures have melted ice that caused the restrictions to be imposed.

Coast Guard spokesman Mike Waller said restrictions on the types of vessels that have been allowed in parts of the Bay were lifted this week because of moderations in temperatures.

He said so far this year only one vessel has become stuck in the ice, and that barge was freed without incident. "We've been very fortunate," he said.

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