#### -Old hands, new faces

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elementary and high school students made the journey from Baltimore to witness history.

There were a number of firsts: New reading clerk Edith Booker, the first woman and the first black to hold that position in the House of Delegates. As reading clerk, Ms. Booker reads aloud the bills, resolutions and other procedural orders of the

Del. -Larry Young, D-39th, the first of his race to hold a House committee chairmanship, hosted 10 or more of his constituents in the large committee chamber overwhich he will preside.

In celebration of this historical event, Chairman Young served a buffet lunch to his supporters and invited them to come watch his committee as often as they could.

Young said that "of course I have to act sort of formal in my chairmanship role, but I'm counting on all of you to remind me of my roots and where I came New Senator Troy Brailey, D-

striped suit and coordinated red striped tie, looked very inch the statesman.

He told the AFRO, "I feel fine. centrating on the same issues for which I've always fought. Unemployment problems will be a priority.

"I am opposed to a lifting of interest rates and I've already pre-filed a bill on getting unemployment benefits for school support employees who can only work 10 months a year and are idle for two," he continued.

New 40th district Del. Ralph Hughes proudly took his teenage brother and other family members on a tour of the statehouse.

Television newsman turned Del. Curt Anderson had his young son and daughter with him at his seat in the assembly.

New comers Nathaniel Oaks and Clarence "Tiger" Davis, both known in the past as front line activists, were impressively attired.

Both young men exuded a mood

friendly. Executive Nominations Com

Both Houses sparkled with the flashes from cameras as the legislators took the oath of office. Senators were sworn in by President Pro Tem Frederick Malkus and the delegates were sworn in by House Chief Clerk Jacqueline Spell.

It will be days and possibly weeks, however, before the 188 part-time lawmakers actually get down to business.

By the April adjournment, the lawmakers will have considered more than 3,000 pieces of legislation, among proposals to reform the state retirement program, to name the site for the next state prison and to change dozens of state criminal

Council seeks end to weekend utility cutoffs

services offered by state sponsored by second

agencies opened again. district councilpersons BG&E spokesperson Clarke. Nathaniel McFadden and Edwin Johnson, drew objections from at least one of the two utilities; the Baltimore Electric Company. The proposa was sent to committee. A BG&E spokesperson

unneccessary piece of regulation. City Councilwoman shutoffs utility during weekends and

posed the measure as an

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Gas and

offices are closed. Clarke said coun-

John Metzker said the power company gives individuals facing cutoffs several weeks notice. and is available to turn power back on each Saturday. Metzker said these factors limit the inconvince faced by individuals who face power curtailment.

And Metzker said the power company occasionally finds that Saturday is the only time when they can get in to. individuals' holidays when municipal power, and is unwilling

vance, so it is not like reached Thursday at they don't know it is ternoon.

### Civil rights groups to hold confab.

WASHINGTON

The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights coalition 162 major nationa organizations presenting Blacks, Hispanic and Asian Americans, labor,

major religious groups, minority businesses and professions, will hold its 3rd annual meeting, January 24 and 25 at the Capital Hilton Hotels

Sessions will focus on the theme: "The Civil Rights Challenge for the

### Labor leaders push for jobless aid, retraining

Department of Labor Employment and Retraining is one of the things the state's labor leaders said they hope to come out\_of\_the 1983

General Assembly. president District of Columbia AFL-CIO, told the AFRO

Assembly seeking relief for the jobless and the issue will be a big concern of legislators.

"Jobs and protecting the unemployed are the single biggest issues, outside of the budget, in Annapolis this year," he

Bradley said he and others will be pushing for the enactment of such he will be among the legislation as a trained for jobs to get available — 167,398 programs outlined above force, which was created projects" that were not unemployed. labor leaders attending moratorium on mor- them off unemployment people were without jobs by Bradley, Nkrumah by Benjamin Cardin, "labor intensive," which

foreciosures, an extension of unemployment insurance benefits and the creation department of labor employment

"The problem is so big. we need a department with a secretary at the head of it to make sure people get their benefits on time and that they're

retraining.

Bradley said. The average person in

Maryland receives unemployment benefits for about 16 weeks, he said. Benefits can last for up to 53 weeks. Atwater,

spokeswoman for the Department of Human Resources told th AFRO that as of November 1982 the latest figures

In Baltimore City, the figure was 42,530.

Another labor official and advocate of the jobless who said he will be in Annapolis lobbying is Kwazi Nkrumah, United Steelworker official and co-founder of the United Committee of Unemployed People (UCUP).

While interested in the

seeking the establishment of a bill of rights for

the unemployed. He said both he and Bradley were in Annapolis last week tending a session by task force established to study the issues of the state's jobless and retraining programs.

"Lopsided" is what Nkrumah called the task

Delegates. "The task force was

lopsided in terms of a very heavy representation of business interests," he said adding that labor, blacks and the unemployed were not adequately represented.

A list of proposals drafted by the task force included some "pet

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"That is not to say that will not benefit the state Nkrumah said. "But the task force did not a dress the need for jobs.

He said his efforts will be lobbying for UCUP's bill of rights and other issues affecting the

# Scholastic Sports Scene

### Carver loss blemishes Bears' bright season

squeaker get away from them Tuesday afternoon, thern before a modest home court crowd by a single point, 73-72.

"We should have pulled it out," a disappointed Bear point guard Greg Rooks said after came back. I guess it was the turn of the ball. It just

went against us," Rooks

Th Bears did play well - in the first period. But after springing to a 29-16 opening quarter they let th lead slip away gradually.

Problems on defense let the Vikings score big. and as the Carver offense stalled the Bears were outpointed in each of the remaining quarters; 21-14, 19-18, and 17-11.

Darren Mosley was the

Bears' lone bright spot on offense. The rangy center scored a game high 30 points, two of breakaway slam dunk last year, and is not able that ignited the crowd in -to mix it up inside as the game's moments.

But his stellar effort was wasted when Northern's Julius Lovelist canned both ends of a 1and-1 free throw op-. portunity with seven seconds to go to provide the Vikings' slim margin

of victory. The loss was both disappointing and costly

for the Westsiders. because the Bears have been doing well recently. They had come into the contest riding a two game winning streak after having made it to the finals in the La Plata

terror Tuesday. And if

but roll over and play dead Carver will have to drag themselves back over to the Westside in defeat before taking on Walbrook at Walbrook in a Friday

The outcome of the upcoming contests could be of critical importance to th Bears' standings. Carver, Walbrook, and Dunbar all are in the conference division II, and the results of the next two could weigh heavily in determining the Bears' final standing.

With Dunbar looking unbeatable and virtually assured of taking the division's top honors it seems likely Carver Walbrook will fight it out for second Place. A continuing string of losses would tarnish

Carver of the premier basketball success has surprised more than a few fans. Carver graduated

but a single player who had been a starter when the 1981-82 season began. And the team is much smaller than the Bears of

easily when the going gets rough. But it has not proven to

respectable 9-4 One reason team's success this year is center Darren Mosley. Mosley joined the varsity midway through last season, moving up from the junior varsity to replace former Bear star

learning. "That helped m a lot," Mosley said of last

other players play. That gave me a lot of experience. I know what I am going against now.'

Jones said Mosley's patience makes him

"He has been playing very consistently throughout the season. Jones said. "Once he gets inside the paint he can do anything he wants

Jones said that Mosley has a physical advantage that helps on defense

"He measures 6'3" or 6'4", but what helps him are those extra-long arms of his," Jones said, punctuating his observation. "He plays more like a guy that is 6'7". He blocks a lot of

## Dunbar's Lewis adds dimension to Poets

By Martin Evans **AFRO Staff Writer** 

player who can come off the bench and score points mean to a team? That kind of player can mean a lot. Even to a winning ball club stocked

with starting talent. Doubters may inform themselves by asking Dunbar coach Bob Wade supersub forward Reginald Lewis. Wade can give a run down on the value his sixth man

has for the team. "Everyone talks about the Williams and the referring to Poet starters Reggie Williams, Tyrone Bogues and Tim Dawson, three of the top schoolboy basketball players in the

nation. unsung hero. He comes out and does his job," Wade continued.

least. Lewis frequently does more than his share once he gets out on the court.

Although he often must wait until one of the Poet front court players gets into foul trouble before seeing action it is not uncommon for him to

And his teammates credit the spidery forward with being a work horse under the backboards and a hustler on the fast break. "He comes off the

bench and gets five or six rebounds within few minutes," Poet guard Mike Brown said after the Walbrook game. dimension to the team," added Reggie Williams, who usually is reserved in his comments. "He is good player."

Poets, indeed. The 6'7' senior scored 13 points in of them coming in a 19

points in the final game tournament which took place during

POET SUPERSUB - Reginald Lewis came off th

bench to grab seven rebounds for the Poets in las

week's game between Dunbar and Walbrook.

his coach. "He got the MVP coming off the bench. That's almost unheard of," Wade said.

him the tournament Most

Valuable Player award,

a feat tht surprised even

Reserve players are awkward and fumble fingered brutes. Many think the only qualification for being a subsitute is being not

But basketball people will quickly tell you differently. There is an art to playing the sixth man on a ball club, a skill

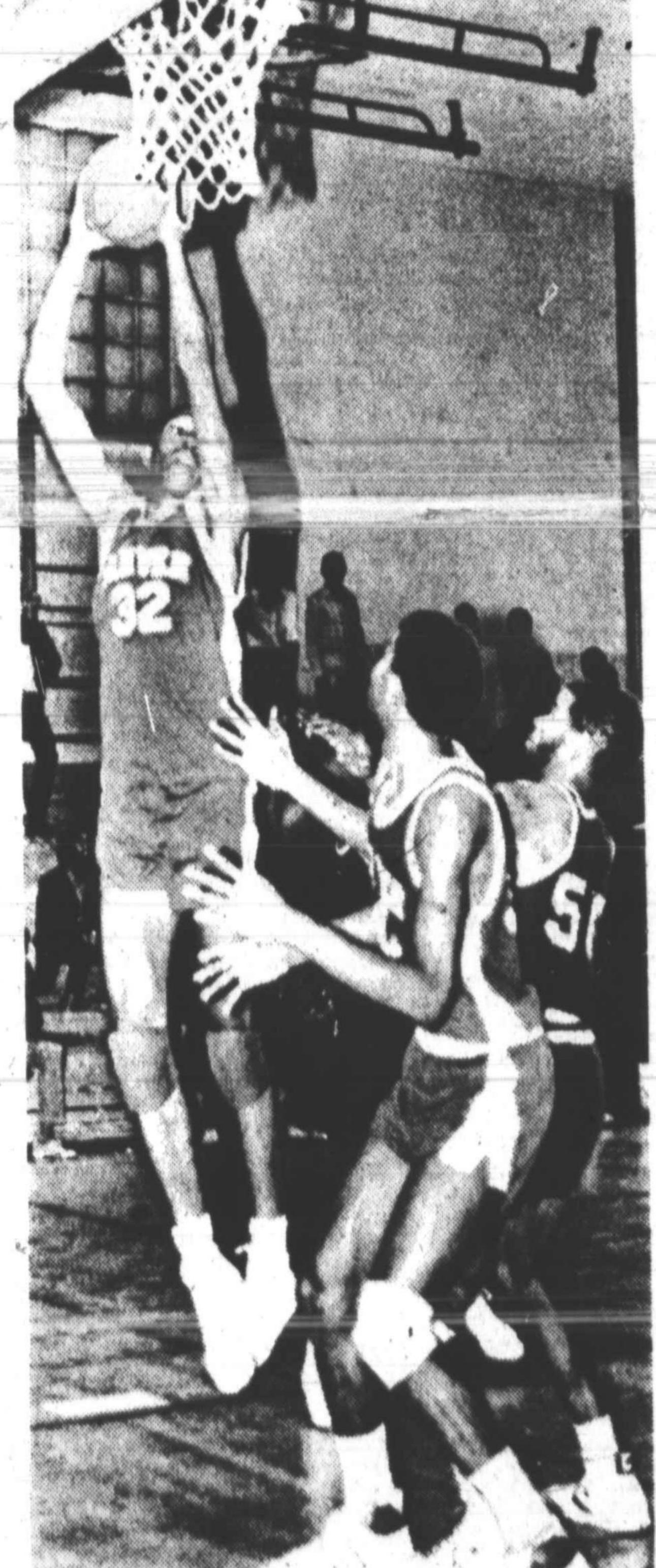
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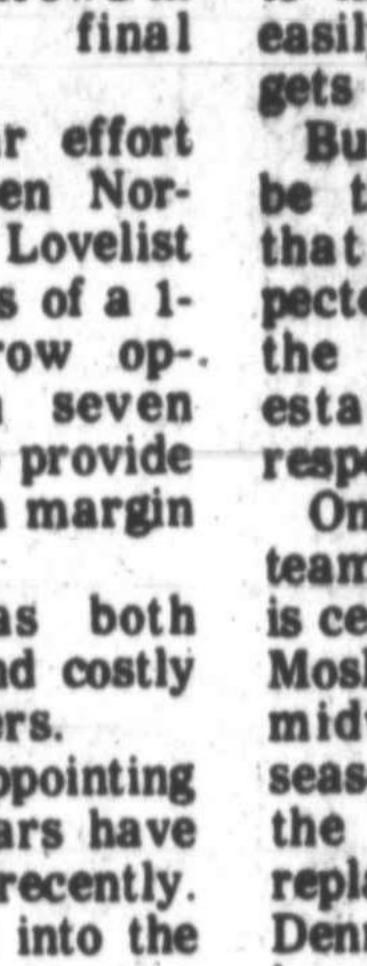
chemistry to come in and blend with the grou Wade said, referring to sub's qualities. "He s (reserve guard Wood) are good at that "For a lot of guys i

he gets right Although Lewis is one of the city's best reserve

floor for the opening tip.



REBOUND! Carver center Darren Mosley soars to snatch a rebound, leaving a teammate and a Northern opponent grounded. Mosley led all scorers in the Tuesday contest with 30 points.



It was disappointing

It was costly because Bears' next two games figure to be tough ones. Carver will journey. across town to be hosted by the Dunbar towers of

their chances.

established itself as one coming games. And their

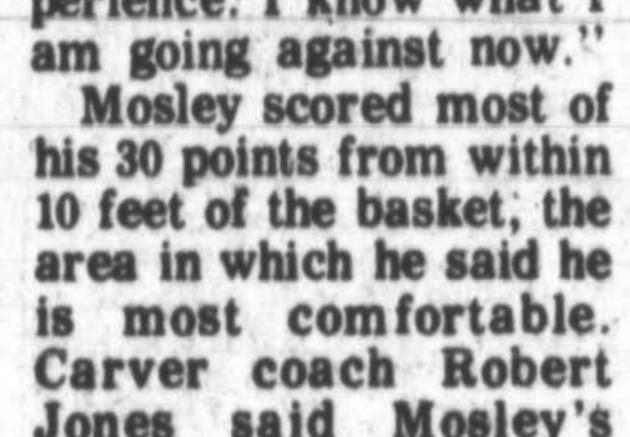
much of its first line

opened the season with

be the rebuilding year the Bears established a

Dennis Pope who had been felled by a knee

chance to see all of the



consistent contributor.



CARVER FLOOR LEADER - The Bears look to point guard Greg Rooks for his steadying influence and floor leadership.