—Caucus backs Young

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we're looking at it from the standpoint of the black community."

Trotter said Caucus members now are in the process of interviewing Speaker of the House candidates.

The present speaker, Del. Ben Cardin, is running for the 3rd Congressional District seat now occupied by Barbara Mikulski, who is running for the U.S. Senate.

During the interviews, Young is being mentioned as "part of a package deal," he said in exchange for the Caucus' block of votes. The caucus' membership includes 21 delegates and six senators.

"We have included him in all of our discussions with the people who want to be speaker," Trotter said.

According to AFRO sources, the Caucus' package deal or agenda includes Young's retention of his chairmanship and the retention of three other leadership positions now occupied by black delegates. It also is lobbying for several new positions.

Delegates R. Clayton Mitchell, D-36th, Donald B. Robertson, D-18th, and Paul E. Weisengoff, D-47th, are the announced candidates.

Trotter said it is up to the candidates to accept or reject the deal.

"If they don't like it, we'll go in the direction of whoever does like it," Trotter said. "We must be politically astute and stick together."

Young, an acknowledged expert in the house on health matters, also is getting support from other quarters.

In a recently released statement, Robert Moore, president of District 1199E National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees AFL-CIO, said the rumors were disturbing.

The union is "greatly disturbed by the rumors that Del. Larry Young's chairmanship of the House Environmental Matters Committee is in jeopardy.

"In the four years Del. Young has chaired his important committee, he has worked effectively to ensure that Maryland's health care system provides cost efficient service to all citizens of this state.

"He has been a friend to this union, to all health care workers and to the poor and minority people of Maryland," Moore said. The loss of Young's position would be "a great disservice to all of us who take price in Maryland's health care system and to all of us who seek to improve it," Moore said.

Mark Wasserman, campaign manager for the Schaefer for Governor campaign, told the AFRO the mayor is too busy with his campaign to be thinking about Larry Young.

"The Mayor is very much at work at the business of being elected governor," Wasserman said. "He's allowed himself to think a bit ahead at the transition but he hasn't focussed yet on Larry Young."

Wasserman said he did not know where the rumors were coming from.

—MTA rate increase

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children would be hurt most by the increases.

Stating that 60 percent of Baltimore City children are from families "living at or below the poverty line," Dorsey said that only children living in the "outlying" areas would be able to afford to ride the buses to school.

Anthony Chambers, a black worker, commented, "I'd like to see you stop picking on the children. You either freeze the rates or stop charging them for bus services."

Chamber continued, "Stop penalizing them for going to school!"

MTA Administrator Ronald J. Hartman said the proposal is a response to the Maryland General Assembly's requirement that the transit system recover at least 50 percent of its annual operating cost from farebox revenue.

Ms. Jane Howard, MTA's director of public affairs, explained that the law was established in 1985 to apply only to bus services, but in fiscal year 1987 was extended to include the subway service also.

"We've tried to hold it (the increases) off for as long as possible," said Ms. Howard.

She added that a transcript of the hearings will be made and reviewed by MTA officials in determining whether the increases would be implemented, but said it was almost definite that they would.

MTA's last fare increase was in June of 1983. Previous fare hikes occurred in 1981, 1980 and 1976.

An early moring bus ride through the city of Baltimore is usually quiet, slow and rather routine. However on Wednesday at 9 a.m. MTA patrons were quite vocal about the service they receive and the forthcoming fare increase.

In essence, MTA patrons are very dissatisfied with the bus service and were quite willing to articulate their dissatisfaction.

At the top of complaints for those of the Number 5, 19 and 28 lines were the need for more buses on the route 2, buses do not run on schedule;

The long wait for buses between rush hours and the frustration at having to waste time transferring to the subway at Mondawmin in order to get downtown and the need to have to pay an additional dime to do so.

Violia Campbell who has been riding the MTA for the past 15 years doesn't think she's getting any better service and doesn't understand why they are raising the fare. 'I think it's too much, she said. 'I think it should stay at 75 cents.'

Denise Johnson who rides the bus everyday, doesn't understand why "they" are raising the bus fare, either. 'The service has been so lousy,' she exclaimed. 'We need more buses on each route and we need busses that will go all the way downtown . . . The subway doesn't do me any good,' she continued.

Jackie Brown said, 'I'll be better off catching a cab with my three children if I have to pay 90 cents for each of us.'

Luther Norton who depends on the buses to take his son to school each morning said, 'It's bad enough you have to transfer at Mondawmin . . . I think it (the fare increase is outrageous!

'You have to sit 5 to 10 minutes before the bus takes off at Mondawmin . . . Paying more for worse service . . . ' he continued.

Dorothy Barnett, who is over 70 years old, she said, talked about a one-hour wait for the number 22 at midday, one weekday last week. 'I want to see better service all the time,' she said. 'I want to see not having to wait on the corner for so long . . . the winter is coming. . . .'

One bus driver said, 'You just can't please people, no matter how you try, some people will be dissatisfied.'

Another said MTA patrons need to be educated on how to ride the bus.

Still another bus driver said, 'It (the subway) is progress. It runs every seven minutes. It's much faster than the buses . . . I think the subway is to their advantage. . . .'

—Rent Court

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in Maryland and of those, only 34,000 tenants showed up in court, less than 10 percent.

Judge Sweeney says this is because the overwhelming majority of the tenants paid their rent, but paid it late.

"For 15 years, I have been deeply troubled because Maryland law requires the court to act as the landlord's agent. In 46 or 47 other states, before the landlord can file suit against the tenant, he must make some attempt to collect the rent himself first," says Judge Sweeney, "the court has become nothing more than a collection agency."

But many of the people that line the walls of rent court waiting for their turn are largely ignorant of these facts and are more concerned with getting a slip from Social Services that will allow a one month reprieve from rent.

Some young mothers in need of these slips, entertained themselves by making silent comments about other people and then snickering behind their court summons papers.

Many appeared so downtrodden, they came to court with curlers in their hair and bedroom slippers still on their feet.

Community Calendar

OPEN HOUSE FOR NURSES

The nursing staff at the Baltimore VA Medical Center, 3900 Loch Raven Blvd., is hosting an open house for RN's, LPN's and nursing students on Oct. 28 in their auditorium. There will be two sessions offered - from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Each session will offer a chance to get acquainted with the nurses, an open forum presentation of questions and answers, refreshments, and tours. For further information, call 467-9932, ext. 5208.

Parenting Lecture at Loyola

Loyola College's education department will offer a presentation, "Family Leadership Techniques for Busy Mothers and Fathers," at 10 a.m. through noon on Saturday, Nov. 1 in Room 234, Beatty Hall on the college's Charles Street campus.

The speaker will be Dr. Joseph Procaccini, a professor at Loyola and author of parenting books. Dr. Procaccini has made presentations to parent and professional groups in more than 40 states and throughout Canada. He has also been interviewed on more than 100 national and local television and radio shows.

The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call 323-1010, extension 5095.

Lecture on Arthritis

Dr. Gary Ruppert, from Mercy Hospital, will talk about "Arthritis," for OASIS club members on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 1 p.m. The lecture will be held in the OASIS room located on the lower level of the downtown Hecht's.

For further in formation, call 396-4799.

Boys' Latin Open House

The Boys' Latin Middle and Upper Schools will have an Open House for prospective students and their parents on Monday, Nov. 24, at 7:30 p.m. Boys currently in the fifth, sixth and seventh grades should plan to visit the Middle School on the south side of Lake Avenue. Boys interested in grades nine through twelve should attend the Upper School program. Each program will include a tour of the school, a discussion of the school's philosophy and course of study, and a look at some of the extra - curricular activities.

There will be teachers, administrators, parents and students available to answer questions. Please call the Admissions Office if you would like to attend. (377-5192).

Fall luncheon smorgasboard

The Chesapeake Unit of WAVES National will hold a Fall Luncheon Smorgasboard on Saturday Oct. 25 at the Cozy Restaurant, 103 Frederick Rd., Thurmont, MD.

The membership of WAVES National is comprised of veteran, retired and/or active duty Navy Women throughout the U.S. The Chesapeake Unit has about 80 members from across Maryland. All Navy women - past, present or future are invited to attend the luncheon.

For further information about the event or the organization, call: from Montgomery County: Pat Oppert - 649-1159, from the Glen Burnie area; Gloria McPartlin - 768-0905, from Annapolis area; Holly Bevan - 923-0229.

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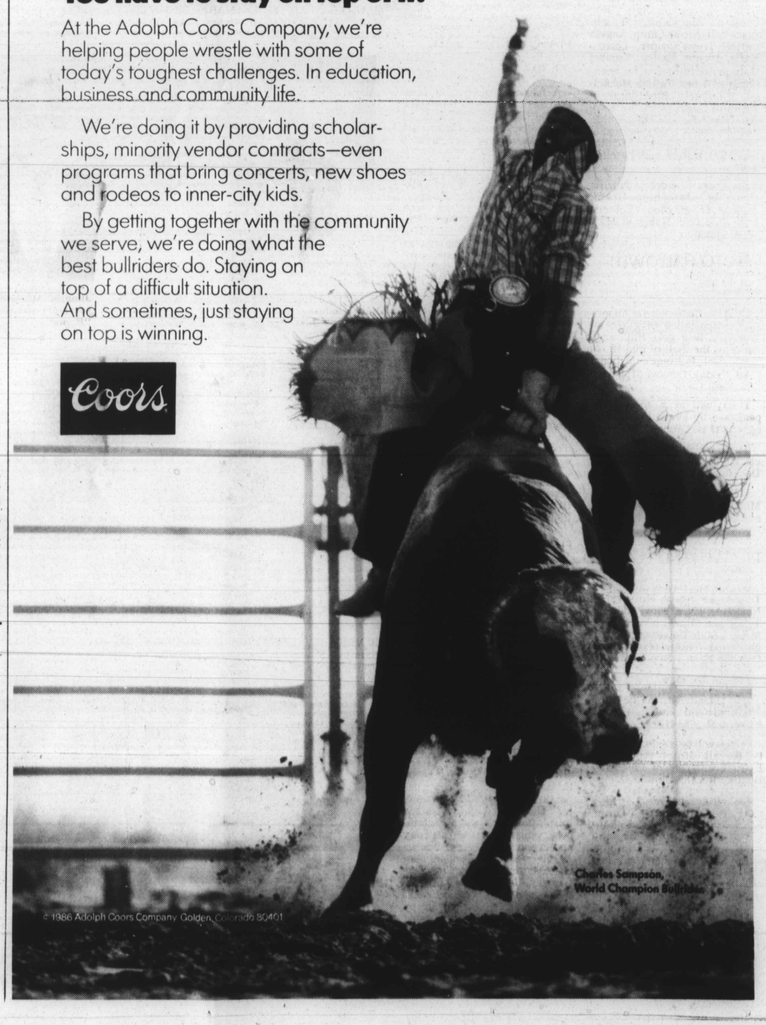

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FUTURETTE PAGEANT SHINES

The Futurette Pageant held on Sunday, October 5 at the Callaway Elementary School and sponsored by "The Gals", has as its theme, 'For-Tomorrow, A Unique Rainbow of Experiences.'

A well-trained group of 28 girls from five to eight years old presented an original, creative pageant, through singing, dancing, choral speaking, modeling and gymnastics.

Votes were sold to donate contributions to the House of Ruth and the Echo House.

The winner, who sold the greatest number of votes and who was crowned 'Miss Futurette—1986' was Remi Reynolds. First Runner-Up, having sold the second greatest number of votes, was Kanika Feaster. Second Runner-Up, having sold the third greatest number of votes, was Ella Pitts. Each girl participating in this fantastic, charitable activity received a trophy.

The pageant proved that young girls can be trained to develop poise, responsibility and dependability, as well as having fun developing positive traits and sharing attitudes.

Other Futurettes participating were Danielle Berry, Devonne Berry, Lovey McClain Bey, Shellae Blackwell, Wanda Blackwell, Nicole Camp, Angela Carter, Treya Cooper, Tarissa Earle, Dionne Easley, Kameel Holmes, Kimberly Jackson, Christine Jones, Fatima Mohamed, Kimberly Montgomery, Sharonda Quick, Detria Richardson, Nicole Rock, Kenya Smith, Tanisha Smith, Shani Stewart, Si Si Stewart, Sheryl Turpin, Kimberly Waters and Tashima Young.

Sponsors were Norma Faulkner, Josephine Grant, Audrey Q. Harden, Yolanda Proctor, Bernice Walker and Lois Q. Washington.

COMTO HALLOWEEN DANCE

COMTO, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials, invites you to a gala Halloween dance at the Quality Inn, Rt. 40 West, 5801 Baltimore National Pike, Friday, October 31, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

There will be a special appearance by Fresh Force. The gala's DJ is "Woody."

There will also be door prizes, cash bar, and hors d'oeuvres. Donation is $10.

For ticket information, call Minnie Carter, daytime 659-3304, evening 466-5020.

TSU WEEKEND PLANNED

Alumni and former students of Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN, are invited to the Tennessee State University vs. Morgan State University football game and weekend of festivities, October 25, at 1:30 p.m.

Tickets are $5.00.

Headquarters are at the Omni International Hotel, 101 W. Fayette St., 752-1100.

Others will be staying at Quality Royale Hotel (Old Lord Baltimore) Tremont Hotel and Holiday Inn Downtown.

Activities include: Friday evening: October 24 - Open; Saturday, October 25, Hospitality and Reception by the Baltimore and Washington chapters, Omni Hotel, 7:30 p.m.; Dance, sponsored by Washington Chapter, cost $8.00, Omni Hotel, 10 p.m.; Sunday, October 26, Brunch, sponsored by the New York Chapter, $10.00, Omni Hotel 10 a.m.

Dear Ayenites,

Our get-to-gether on September 28, 1986 was fabulous, warm feelings permeated the affair.

You have responded as true alumni to the TAX of $20.00. Those of you who have not paid, please send as soon as possible to - Eddie Armstrong, 3808 Rolandview Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21215.

The following slate of officers is being presented by Willie Letts, Chairman of the Nominating Committee - President - Oscar Jobe, Vice President - Barbara Owings, Recording and Financial Secretary - Earnestine Stewart, Corresponding Secretary - Jessica Ivey, Treasurer - Eddie Armstrong, Business Manager - Willie Letts.

We are very excited about the up coming game vs. Morgan, many buses will be arriving from Nashville, some on Friday. It is our sincere hope that Allayenites will be a part of this fun filled weekend.

For further information call Harriet Jones - 367-1913, Willie Letts - 426-1255, Barbara Owings - 448-4774, Eddie Armstrong - 466-0343.

Please put on your calendar now!!!!
Next meeting - Sunday, November 9, 1986
Home of Carolyn Miller, 3719 Rockspring Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21207, 367-5567.

Our regional vice president, Matthew Kinnard will meet with us on this date.

MASQUERADE BALL AT BMA

A haunting evening of masquerade fantasy will take place at The Baltimore Museum of Art's "Beaux Arts Ball" on Saturday, November 1 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Linda Harris and Richard Sher of WJZ-TV's "People Are Talking" are the Honorary Chairpersons of the gala affair which benefits the Joshua Johnson Endowment Fund, created in 1984 to generate income for the support of Museum exhibitions, programs and educational activities of particular interest to the Black Community.

Although the tradition of the Beaux Arts Ball originated in 17th century Paris, guests are encouraged to wear costumes from any era of black tie. Prizes will be awarded, however, for the most spectacular creations.

Music will be provided by WWIN RADIO and personalities from the station will be on hand for the festivities. Light d'oeuvres will be served. There will be a cash bar.

Tickets are $25 per person and reservations should b made by October 24. For more information, please call 396-6323.

FLAIR'S LUSH AND LOVELY SHOW TO AIR

Older women have something special. Women have a new interest in looking the best they can. They're proud of their age, not ashamed of it.

So says Willia Bland of Flair Models as she launches the agency's fifth annual Lush and Lovely Holiday Fashion Show. Featuring models who are more mature in age or fuller in size, the show will be held on Sunday, November 2 at the Palladium.

Featured will be the all new designer line from Roxie's Rack of Charles St. In addition to the exhilarating ready to wear in her boutique, Roxie is now manufacturing an exclusive line for the fuller that promotes a contemporary high fashion style for day and evening.

Other featured designers include Gloria Jennings, Lady Dar Langley, Jean Taylor, Charles Wells and Catherine Wooten. Hats by Nell Sheridan and furs by Seleh of Park Avenue will round out the designer show.

A donation will be given from the proceeds to an organization that provides heat to the needy.

For ticket and other information, call 669-5365.

NAACP 'Home at Last' Fete—fantastic!

It's a long way from the cotton fields of slavery to the corridors of the castle, but we've made it — almost.

They came by droves in near-capacity numbers, young and old, from around the nation and locally. They came by bus, by car, by cab to the castle-like Palladium, Druid Park Drive, Friday, Oct. 17. They were decked out in glittering finery, draped in fur tops, and dripping with jewelry. They were gracious, vivacious and jovial. They thronged the foyer, the main ballroom and the reception room upstairs to meet, greet and honor the greats of civil rights, the executives of the NAACP and each other. Conversation sparkled. They sparkled as they sipped cocktails and sampled the sumptuous hors d' oeuvres during the cocktail hour.

The grand affair was the 'Home at Last' Tribute Dinner which was a highlight of the National NAACP's Dedication Week. (Cuff Note: The NAACP's new building and new headquarters' site 4805 Mt. Hope Dr. in the Seton Business District was dedicated Saturday, Oct. 18.)

But Friday night was celebration and honor the leaders and volunteers' time. The Call to Order was given by Thelma T. Daley, chairperson, for the tribute dinner. The procession of heroes and heroines was followed by the black national anthem 'Lift Every Voice and Sing,' by the audience.

Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, NAACP, presided. The invocation was by the Rev. Edward A. Hailes, vice chair, Board of Directors, NAACP.

Following the delicious dinner, the dais guests were introduced and the Morgan U. choir, directed by Dr. Nathan Carter, gave forth with uplifting music, including a medley of civil rights songs during the festive occasion.

The Governor's Citation was presented.

Key honorees were Daisy Bates, leader of the famed 'Little Rock Nine,' who was introduced by Hazel N. Dukes, vice president, National NAACP; Rosa Parks, National NAACP secretary, who sparked 'The Movement' by refusing to give up her Montgomery, AL bus seat years ago, introduced by Mrs. Frances Hooks, wife of Benjamin Hooks, NAACP National Executive Director; Dr. Ralph Abernathy, Jr., long - time freedom leader and fighter, introduced by Dr. Evelyn H. Roberts, member, Board of Directors, NAACP; Mrs. Myrlie Evers, widow of the late civil rights leader Medgar Evers, introduced by Mrs. Rupert Richardson, vice president, National NAACP and Dick Gregory, civil rights activist and member, NAACP Board of Directors. They all received lovely plaques.

In addition, Marie Henderson, representing the mayor, presented proclamations to them from

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DICK GREGORY (L) member, Board of Directors, NAACP, smiles happily after receiving his award during the festive 'Home At Last' Tribute Dinner held Friday, Oct. 17 at the Palladium, Druid Park Drive. With him are (from L) Kelly M. Alexander, Jr. and Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, NAACP.

Photos by Paris Gray

SHARING THE LIVELY CAMARADERIE of the affair are (L to R): Dr. Henry Silva, of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC); Mrs. Juanita J. Abernathy, Dr. Ralph D. Abernathy, Jr. and William E. Pollard, Deputy Executive Director, NAACP.

GETTING THE LATEST NEWS on civil rights is Pattie Hodges, (far R) AFRO Women's Editor. Giving the information are (from L): Atty.

Juanita Mitchell, Mrs. Rosa Parks, NAACP secretary and Alex Haley, historian and author of "Roots".

ERNEST L. DONALDSON, District Manager for the Equitable Life Assurance Society, shares a private moment with his wife Sandra during the festivities.

DRIVING HOME A POINT is Nelson Grace (R) as Ralph D. Abernathy III listens.

AT RAPT ATTENTION during the program are (L to R): Donald Janey, Donna T. Janey, Sandra T. Gray, Dorothy McMullun (partially hidden) Dorothy Hawkshaw and Dr. C. Vernon Gray, Head of the Howard County Council.

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