

Dr. Minyard Enters Race For Coroner

Dr. Frank E. Minyard announced today his candidacy for Orleans Parish Coroner, stressing the need for service to the living.

Dr. Minyard said, if elected, he would push a program to make available human organs for transplant.

"As coroner, I will encourage the bridge between the living and the dead," he said.

He said he planned to establish a central receiving area for accident cases of Charity Hospital.

"Viable organs will become available for doctors in

the entire Metropolitan area for transplantation to their patients who desperately need these vital organs," Dr. Minyard said.

He said he planned to educate the public on the anatomical gift act, which allows a person to pledge his organs before death to a Living Bank.

MINYARD also said he would push for more methadone clinics to treat hard-core drug addicts and would work for more federal money for their operations.

"The use and abuse of

drugs from heroin to marijuana has reached the epidemic stage in our community," he said, estimating there were about 5,000 hard-core addicts in New Orleans.

"The greatest health hazard to our community today is the slaughter on the highways," said Dr. Minyard. "When elected, I intend to take the leadership in total war against traffic accidents, and in prompt treatment of people injured."

Dr. Minyard also pledged to work closely with the New Orleans Suicide Prevention

Center recently opened at Tulane University's School of Medicine.

THE GYNECOLOGIST, who has been practicing in New Orleans for about 10 years, also recommended a detoxification center for acute alcoholics.

Dr. Minyard, a native of New Orleans, attended Capdau Elementary and Holy Cross High Schools and graduated from LSU's medical school. The 39-year-old physician lives with his wife and three children at 5864 Bellaire Drive.



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Order to Curb Sale of 'Smut' Sought by DA

The Orleans Parish District Attorney's office is seeking a court order in an effort to curb what a spokesman termed the tide of "smut" magazines in New Orleans.

The district attorney's office said one of its undercover men bought volume six, number four of the magazine "Late Date" yesterday at Sidney's News Stand, 901 Decatur St.

The injunctive petition which will come before Criminal Court Judge Thomas Brahney Jr., alleges that photographs and the general theme of the publication are obscene under state law. No date has been set for a hearing.

The suit charges the magazine "viewed in its entirety is without redeeming social value, and that this publication could have no other purpose except to arouse the prurient interests of the average individual."

Assistant District Attorney John P. Volz said the office does not agree with federal court decisions regarding what is legally obscene. He said that if the matter is not declared obscene, the case will be taken "all the way up" in the hierarchy of courts.

Volz has requested that a court order be issued to Sidney Pampo, proprietor of the news stand, to show cause why the publication should not be declared obscene.

2-Year Term Given Barmaid In Perjury Case

Barmaid Betty Jones, convicted of perjury in connection with the investigation into the strangulation death of baby sitter Susan Goldman, has been sentenced to two years at St. Gabriel, the state women's prison.

Miss Jones, 24, was convicted June 27 of making "contradictory" and "inconsistent" statements before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury in its investigation of Miss Goldman's death last year.

Miss Goldman, 19, was found strangled in the Iberville Project apartment of a neighbor on the morning of Mardi Gras Eve.

An acquaintance of Miss Jones, former policeman Robert F. Blanchard, was charged with manslaughter in Miss Goldman's death. The charges against Blanchard were dropped later.

Criminal District Judge Matthew S. Braniff passed sentence yesterday.

Letters to the Editor

Backs Garrison

Editor, States-Item:

Your editorial, "The Jolly Green 'Theys'" in the Aug. 22 States-Item, has been recently read by the undersigned subscriber.

I do not know Mr. Garrison personally (or anyone on his staff) but believe strongly that at least some "theys" have been unduly critical of him for over two years. During this period the media — television, magazines and newspapers — have certainly surfeited the American public with anti-Garrison material. I have definite knowledge that at least one article, which is unbelievably untruthful, is apparently supported by some of the "theys," of whom Mr. Garrison, in my opinion, so justifiably complains.

I am frankly amazed that the States-Item refrained from editorial comment about several

of the articles in well-known national publications whose authors, determined to picture the Green Giant as a Black Ogre, also excoriated other of your state's political figures and painted Louisiana as Voodoo-riden and with strong Mafia influence.

S. Walker Moore