

Senate panel approves track disclosure bill

ANNAPOLIS (AP)—The Senate Finance Committee approved unanimously Friday legislation intended to force disclosure of the true owners of all Maryland tracks.

The bill would require the tracks to file with the Maryland Racing Commission the names of any persons holding 2 per cent or more of the track's stock.

It would, additionally, require any person owning, directly or indirectly, at least 2 per cent of the interest in any Maryland track, to file an affidavit setting forth the extent of his holdings.

And to make sure the real owners are disclosed, the committee voted to give the commission authority to delve into corporate ownership records to discover the names of individuals owning race track stock and to require any suspected owner to file an affidavit explaining his track holdings.

"I think we have got a bill now that we really will know who owns the tracks," Sen. James Clark, D-Howard, chairman of the committee, said.

The General Assembly enacted a bill two years ago which it thought would require the racing commission to find out who owns the tracks.

But James Callahan, executive secretary of the commission, told the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee earlier this session that his agency had failed to carry out the legislative mandate.

His testimony drew a flood of angry complaints from committee members.

"The Commission has been derelict, that's the best word," Sen. Julian Lapidus, D-Balt., complained. "We get absolutely no cooperation from the industry and the Racing Commission."

The 1974 bill was passed after legislators learned that associates of Gov. Marvin Mandel had secretly bought into Marlboro Race Course, when since has merged with Bowie.

That involvement with the Marlboro ownership is the basis for part of the federal in-

dictment returned against Mandel, W. Dale Hess, Harry Rodgers, William Rodgers, Irvin Kovens and Ernest Cory.

The most complicated ownership among the Maryland tracks appears to be Bowie. Much of the stock is owned by a multi-level corporate pyramid with ties in the United States, Canada and England.

CBS newsman admits leaking House CIA data

WASHINGTON (AP) — CBS News Correspondent Daniel Schorr confirmed Friday that he was responsible for newspaper publication of most of the Select House Intelligence Committee's still-classified secret report.

"I decided that with much of the contents already known I could not be the one responsible for suppressing the report," Schorr said in a detailed statement.

"That decision was entirely mine," he said.

Schorr gave no indication who leaked the report to him.

He said only that "the report became available to me — and apparently not to me alone — at a time when its general release was expected within a few days."

He said he reported highlights extensively on CBS

news, but the situation changed when the House ordered the intelligence committee by a vote of 246 to 124 Jan. 29 to keep the report secret.

Publication of the report in 21 pages of The Village Voice was arranged by an intermediary provided by a Washington organization that provides legal defense in press freedom cases, Schorr said.

He said he made that arrangement to provide additional protection for his own source and because "I considered it unthinkable that there would be any personal profit for me."

Schorr accused the organization — The Reporters Committee for the Freedom of the Press — of breaching confidentiality.

"I am fully aware of the irony

of my complaining about leaks," he said.

But he appeared to blame the Reporters Committee for public disclosure of his role in the publication of the report.

"I deeply regret that the Reporters Committee has not been able to maintain the confidentiality of the arrangement because there are delicate matters involved that journalists should want to protect in their common interest."

Bartered Brides

A man belonging to the Guajira Indian tribe in Colombia barter with his prospective mother-in-law for a bride. An attractive girl is worth about 300 goats, but if she later proves unfaithful, her husband can return her and collect a fine, also payable in goats.

Funny Valentines

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justs likes her teacher, that's all.

The old "guess-who" Valentine is still around, senders say. Linda Swartout, 17, hadn't decided whether she was going to sign her card or pull the "guess-who" trick.

Valentines Day is nearly as old as time. According to legend, tradition was started by St. Valentine, a Christian who lived in Rome.

St. Valentine gained the reputation as the patron saint of lovers because he continued to marry young men, despite Emperor Claudius II's warnings not to do so, one story reports.

around. "It's a tradition," said Miriam Parks of Annapolis, as she weeded through cards for her husband, sons, daughters, and friends.

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