Race no issue in Koch resignation

"One thing we do not have any argument over is the desire to increase the number of black students at the Essex Community College."

"Dr. Koch, I believe, knows what the issues are, and he knows why he was asked to resign.

"If you had been clashing with your board for five or six years about something, and then they told you they were fed up that you pulled the same thing again, you would know why they wanted you to leave."

T. Bayard Williams Jr., an attorney of Dundalk and chairman of the Board of Trustees of Essex Community College, was commenting to the AFRO on the mystery surrounding the reasons for the forced retirement of Dr. Moses S. Koch as president of the college.

Earlier Dr. Koch had told this writer that he had no objection to discussing any aspect of his service, but he would not unless the board gave him permission or unless the board discussed the reasons first.

"You may be sure, though, that the board and I are in agreement on the need for more black students.

"This issue had nothing to do with my resigning.

"We have so few black students that whenever the matter comes up I feel compelled to respond to it, Dr. Koch said.

"Of the 3,000 students on our rolls, we have 5 per cent, or about 150 blacks.

"We were fortunate, however, to acquire a black full professor, Dr. Reid Jackson, a psychologist with a tremendous background."

From other reliable sources, the AFRO learned that the board felt that Dr. Koch has maintained too close ties with some "political figures" in the county.

Dr. Koch took the position, sources said, that it was part of his job to appraise local political leaders of the college's affairs.

He was also accused of failing to provide adequate leadership of the advisory council and of the faculty, sources said.

Despite the fact the resigned president and the board of trustees seemed to be together on their silence and on his resignation to be effective in August, students seemed not to be resigned.

Some of them paraded around the campus Wednesday declaring that they would work to keep the president on the job after his August deadline.

IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE Afro-American History Week was officially proclaimed as Feb. 8 through 14. Shown from left, TJD; Reginald Lawrence, associate director of the Center For Afro-American Studies; Norman V. A. Reeves, chairman of the William L. Moore Foundation, and Mrs. Barbara Ferguson, member of the foundation's board.

Suspended sentence for Panthers arrested during street fight

It took a jury of 10 women and two men five and a half hours to reach a verdict in Baltimore's latest Criminal Court proceedings involving Black Panther Party members early this week.

As a result of an incident which occurred last September 5, at Chase and Eden Sts., Panthers: John L. Clark, 32; Sherry L. Brown, 21; Raymond Jones, 34; Steve McCutheon, 20 were charged and cited as follows:

John L. Clark, disturbing the peace, guilty; disorderly conduct, guilty; resisting arrest, not guilty; interfering with an officer, not guilty.

Sherry L. Brown, disorderly conduct, not guilty; disturbing the peace, not guilty; interfering with an officer, guilty.

Raymond Jones, disturbing the peace, not guilty, disorderly conduct, not guilty; resisting arrest, guilty; interferring with an officer, guilty.

Steven McCutheon, disorderly conduct, not guilty; disturbing the peace, not guilty; resisting arrest, guilty; interfering with an officer, guilty.

From the Tuesday morning outset testimony in the case was as conflicting as the results are confusing.

Officer Jerome Minnix, Eastern Dstrict told the court, that about 11 p.m. on the night of Sept. 5, he received a call that a fight was in progress at the corner of Chase and Eden Sts.

"When we arrived there," he said, "I observed four males fighting in the middle of the intersection."

Officer Minnix testified that "after I couldn't get them separated and sent on their way I called for assistance."

The officer further told the jury that while waiting for the wagon "a crowd of 75 to 100 people or more had gathered and Mr. Clark was saying 'let's take the prisoners, rise up against the Fascist pigs and drive them from our neighborhood.'"

In arresting Mr. Clark, Officer Minnix said, "I touched him on the arm and he resisted. Jones and McCutheon tried to pull him away from me."

The policeman further testified that Mr. McCutheon "swung at me but did not strike me. I never used my stick but kept it under my ar mduring the entire my arm during the entire

Officer Francis A. Lippa who assisted Officer Minnix echoed the policeman's statements and added, "one of the four men who were fighting in the street had a knife.

"There was also a girl in the crowd who was throwing shoes and stones just as the group of 114 to 120 began to move in."

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In his defense, Mr. Clark denied having exhorted the crowd to "take the prisoners." Instead he said, "I spoke louly because what I was saying needed to be heard.

"I was asking the people if they knew who the young boys were or their parents.

I said someone should tell their parents so they would't have to go to jail."

Mr. Clark mildly shocked the jury when he revealed that "it wasn't Officer Minnix who arrested me as he said but it was a rookie dressed in khaki who walked up behind me, grabbed my arms and said 'you're under arrest.'"

Officer Minnix later revealed that there was "trainee assisting in arrests." The trainee was identified as John Vespa.

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According to the defense, the four Panthers were at the scene because after the fight broke out and the police arrived, someone came to the headquarters and told them there ws trouble down the street.

Police officers and Black Panthers also failed to agree on what happened after the assisting officers arrived. Policemen said no one was struck or maced.

Panthers, Brown and McCutheon, claim they were both beaten with sticks and, according to Mr. McCutheon, "one police officer said, 'we finally got you Panthers' and when he got us in the truck he threatened to kill us."

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Prosecuting attorney John Griffen told the jury in his summation that "what this case boils down to is who you really believe. Testimony by the defendants is unbelievable.

"They are antagonistic towards the police, no more than that they hate the police."

Defense attorney, Harold Buckman pointed out to the jury that "this case stems from deep seated sociological wrongs. It is no accident that the Black Panther organization exists. And because it exists white police officers who go into the ghetto areas are apprehensive. They resent it that these young men have the courage to stand up and express themselves, and their beliefs.

"They believe that the community should handle its own problems not outsiders who cannot relate to the needs.

"This isn't wrong. If the community feels that white officers on the whole are not relating to the black people we may well look all across this country and see how things really are."

After the jury returned its verdict Judge Basil A. Thomas pointed out that he would punish all of the offenders alike.

"Since Mr. Clark," he said, "has spent 79 days in jail, Mr. McCutheon, 62 days, Mr. Jones, 62 and Mr. Brown 26 days and because there were no injuries or weapons involved in this incident, I sentence all defendants to 90 days in jail, suspended on the condition that you pay court costs."

Attorney Buckman asked the court to give the four 30 days to make the payment which amounted to $356.50. Judge Thomas agreed.

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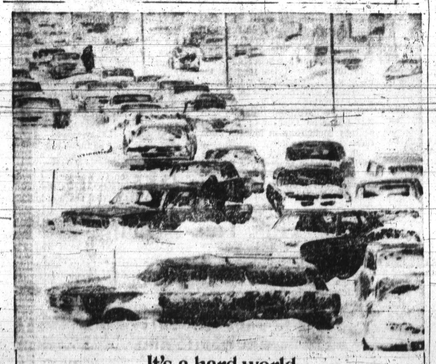

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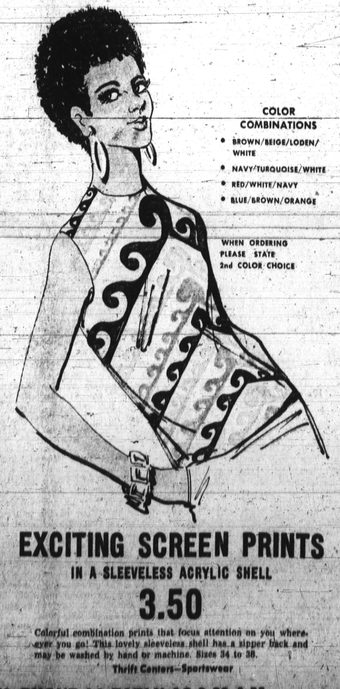

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VIOLATIONS CHARGED:

TJD sets team to investigate city's Purchasing Bureau

Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd has named a three-man team to delve deeper into the alleged irregularities in the city's Bureau of Purchases.

The three are George L. Russell Jr., city solicitor; William D. Schaefer, City Council president, and Hyman A. Pressman, city comptroller.

The mayor acted after Mr. Pressman made public a report by Daniel Paul, city auditor, which charged violations.

This is the same agency which Mr. Pressman ordered Mr. Paul to investigate in November of 1968, and evidence of favoritism, bid-splitting to avoid formal bidding and other violations were found.

As a result of that investigation, the assistant purchasing agent resigned and two senior buyers were fired.

Mr. Paul's latest report revealed a shortageof over 1,000 new and/or used city batteries.

"It was found that a large percentage of the buying was not done on a competitive bid basis," Mr. Pressman said of the Paul investigation.

"Items which were available at lower prices were purchased at higher prices. Favoritism toward one company was reported. Items purchased at sole source items were available at more than one source.

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"Requisitions were altered," Mr. Pressman continued, "and sometimes used once again in order to purchase more items than those properly requisitioned.

"Large orders approved by the Board of Estimates were increased far beyond the amount approved, and the excess purchases were never approved by the Board.

Many additional instances of bid-splitting were uncovered. Numerical controls were abused.

"Senior Buyer Alfred E. Hocking Jr. was quoted as saying that he is oopposed to competitive bidding. He made 2909,000 of purchases which had no identity to any bid.

"Even though the auditor was unable to check all the records because of the tremendous volume involved and the great length of time needed to make a partial check, irregularities which turned up involved almost $3,000,000.

"This large amount includes purchase orders only, without involving service orders and was discovered by sample examination only."

Mr. Pressman termed Mr. Paul's report "shocking" and pointed out that the Bureau of Purchases is "a sensitive agency which requires not only absolute integrity but the complete confidence of the public."

He told the AFRO the mayor's investigating team would begin delving into the situation at the agency immediately.

ROBERT C. MARSHALL 4TH DISTRICT Councilman Marshall has been named by Mayor Thomas J. D.Alesandro 3rd to the Commission on Problems of the Aged. He will serve a six - year term, and will be the City Council representative on this commission along with Councilman Clement J. Prucha (2nd D.)

Drug education asked in schools

ANNAPOLIS — A program of drug education will be taught in Maryland's public schools beginning this fall, if a bill now before the General Assembly is passed.

The SB 239, introduced in the Senate Tuesday, provides that the program be taught in the fifth and subsequent grades. The bill does not deal in any specifics, as to what type of drug education program.

Nor is there stated in its original form by whom the program will be taught, that is, whether by regular teachers or by specialists.

The bill was introduced by Sen. John W. Sheffy (R. Anne Arundel-Calvert) and has been referred to the Judicial Proceedings Committee headed by Sen. J. Joseph Curran Jr. (D. 3rd Balto.)

Asks state-controlled gaming, gambling setup

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — Two delegates introduced a bill in the House of Delegates Wednesday asking generally that Maryland be opened to state controlled gaming and gambling to produce more revenue, as a buffer to higher taxes.

The HB 499 calls for the establishment of a Gaming Policy Board, a Maryland Gaming Commission, and a State Gaming Control Board to supervise the business.

These agencies, among other duties, would provide for a casino entertainment tax, the licensing and regulation of dissemination of horse racing information, including off-track betting, and the licensing of corporations engaged in gaming.

In short, they would license and control such gaming and gambling in Maryland.

The bill was referred to the House's Judiciary Committee, headed by Del. Martin A. Kircher (D. 3rd Balto.)

It was introduced by Delegates Allen M. Spector (D. 5th Balto.) and Eric I. Weile (D.-Prince George's).

Meanwhile, Baltimore's Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro 3rd is preparing to ask for a city lottery.

Ask LSD be nuder narcotic drugs

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — A bill to include LSD under the definition of narcotic drugs with attending penalties for use was introduced Tuesday in the House of Delegates.

Sponsor of the HB 483 is Speaker Thomas Hunter Lowe (D. Talbot). It was sent to the Judiciary Committee, headed by Del. Martin A. Kircher (D. 3rd Balto.).

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Nuclear power plants may face moritorium

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — Gov. Marvin Mandel said Wednesday that a moritorium on future construction of nuclear power plants may be necessary unless extensive research is undertaken to assess their possible damage to the environment.

"I am advised that the research may be long and costly," Gov. Mandel said, "but we must start now. Otherwise we will soon come to the point where we cannot accept the logic presented by my advisers.

"They have told me that the first plant isn't much of a risk because the potential insults to the environment are small compared to other risks that now exist. But, the addition of each plant will bring us closer to some danger point, and without research we can neither define that point nor can we design to avert it."

Appearing as the lead-off witness before the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, chaired by Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, Gov. Mandel also stated that he intends to establish a Council on Maryland's Environment to coordinate the actions of all State agencies charged with regulating air and water pollution.

At the same time, Gov. Mandel disclosed that he has instructed Maryland's Secretary of Health to represent the state before the Atomic Energy Commission in all power licensing cases affecting Maryland.

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The subcommittee hearings were held in the Francis Scott Key Auditorium, at St. John's College, in Annapolis. They were scheduled by Sen. Muskie to review environmental problems that might arise from the construction of nuclear power plants such as the one at Calvert Cliffs.

In his testimony, the governor outlined for the subcommittee Maryland's progress and programs to control air and water pollution and criticized the Federal Government for failing to fulfill its obligation to the states.

"The under-funding of the federal grant program is a flagrant breach of promise," Governor Mandel told the subcommittee members. "It has placed our program in financial jeopardy and it has raised grave questions in the minds of our legislative leaders concerning the reliability of implied promises in Federal legislation."

Gov. Mandel added that "Billion dollar authorizations and million dollar requests give us little reason to believe that the Federal Government will be a predictable and dependable partner."

Asked to back Judge Carswell

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — The controversial appointment of Judge G. Harrold Carswell to the Supreme Bench reached out to Maryland's General Assembly Wednesday!

Sen. Robert P. Dean (D. Eastern Shore), considered a conservative by his colleagues, introduced Senate Joint Resolution 30, which asks that the Assembly endorse the Carswell appointment.

The resolution to be adopted must be adopted by both the Senate and the House.

It was referred to the Judicial Proceedings Committee.

Bill would abolish all pay toilets

AFRO BUREAU

ANNAPOLIS — If there is any doubt that the members of this General Assembly do not have the welfare of the public in mind, one need only to look at HB 511 introduced here Thursday.

The bill would prohibit the installation of pay toilets and it also provides for the elimination of all pay toilets now in operation.

The bill was introduced by Donald P. Hutchinson (a democrat from Baltimore County.)

Calvert wants bingo, racing

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — If Sen. Edward T. Hall (R.-Anne Arundel-Calvert) has his way, there will soon be legal bingo and greyhound dog racing in his Calvert County.

Sen. Hall introduced SB 232 and SB 233 Monday evening in the Senate, asking General Assembly authorization for both. The bingo bill was referred to the Judicial Proceedings Committee, headed by Sen. J. Joseph Curran (D. 3rd Balto.)

The bill in the matter of greyhound racing, would empower the county commissioners to authorize the operation of a track with parimutuel betting, requiring creation of a racing commission.

It was sent to the Finance Committee, headed by Sen. Harry R. Hughes (D. Eastern Shore).

Turtles get day in State Senate

AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS — Snapping turtles in Maryland waters are about to be given a measure of recognition and protection by Maryland's General Assembly.

At least this was the case Wednesday, when the Senate gave tentative approval to a bill to prohibit persons outside the state from fishing for them in Maryland.

The SB 98 originally would have applied only to Calvert County, but was amended by the Senate's Economic Affairs Committee, headed by Sen. James A. Pine (D. Baltimore), to include all of Maryland waters.

It seems the snapping turtle is a delicacy to a lot of people, and the Assembly is off to preserve them for folks in Maryland.

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