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Essex prexy exposes causes for quitting

By David E. Sloan

In an exclusive interview with the AFRO this week Dr. Moses S. Koch, presidecent of Essex Community College since its founding in 1957, revealed the reasons for his conflicts with the school's board of trustees and resignation to become effective August 30.

Summing up the man who has built the college into a model atmosphere of student governance and freedom told this reporter that he has come to be regarded by the board as not a team member with them, not a "buddy-buddy" of theirs.

Several administrative events have led to this condition.

The first was one in which he joined with the faculty council in recommending a salary policy which was not looked upon with complete favor by the board.

For this, according to Dr. Koch, the trustees accused him of being too persuasive in controlling the faculty.

The second involved a conflict of attitudes between the faculty council and the board on the appointment of an executive director for all three colleges in the country

The board wants to appoint a director and two new presidents of county colleges before it resigns in favor of a new board.

Because both he and the faculty council took the position that the board ought to resign first and permit a new board to make such and appointment, he was accused of the diametrically opposed activity of exercising too much control over the faculty.

In another instance when the faculty council restored funds to the budget which the trustees had eliminated — and this on the advice of Mr. Koch, who had advised the board of his attitude — he was accused of poor leadership in advising the council.

Dr. Koch said that in April, the regional accrediting agency has invited delegations from 12 regional colleges to visit Essex to observe the academic climate on the campus.

"This is a signal honor," Dr. Koch said, "and one which results from the climate of academic freedom and student governance here on the campus."

Dr. Koch revealed that Baltimore County is the only one in the state in which the Board of Trustees of the schools of higher learning is also the board for control of local secondary schools.

In order to separate these two functions, with their limted time and resources, the board has been considering resigning from the function of overseeing colleges, so that a separte unit can take over.

Dr. Koci is in favor of this move.

The veteran educator is not certain of what he wil be doing after August

He was educated at the City College of New York where he grew up, at Columbia University and at the University of Maryland.

JULY 20 — First U. S. victory in Korea won by Negro troops of the 24th Infantry Regiment. 1950.

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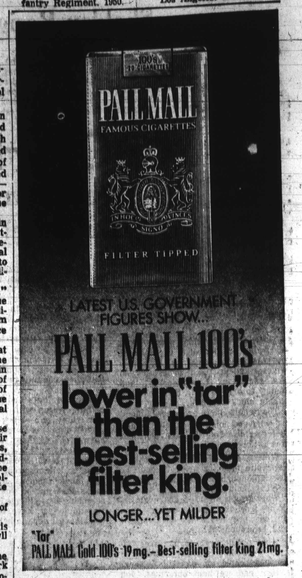

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Car death of parents, two children, shocks residents

By MELVINA EDWARDS

Miss Victoria Sprigge of Dunkirk is a patient at Hopkins Hospital.

Mrs. Isabelle Randall will enter Hopkins Hospital this week for treatment.

Mrs. Harriet Smith, wife of William Smith Sr. of Dunkirk, who was a patient at City Hospitals for three years has returned.

Say a prayer for Mrs. Harriet Franklin, who was rushed to Hopkins recently.

Raymond Thomas has returned home and is improving.

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In addition to those who paid final respect to Clarence Gray were the Rev. William Edwards, who assisted in the service, and a grandson, Steven Diggs.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. Mabel Thomas, wife of Ralph Thomas of New York and a niece of the writer.

Residents of Calvert County were shocked at the sudden death of Mr. and Mrs. (Alma) Mallory and their two children who met with a car accident after leaving their home in New York. They were on their way to visit Mrs. Mallory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Ray of Breezy Point Rd. in Huntingtown, Calvert County.

Mrs. Mallory, the former Alma Ray, was a graduate of Brooks High School and a member of a prominent family.

Funeral services were held at the Bible Way Holiness Church in Huntingtown, Md.

Hundreds of friends attended and flowers were numerous.

Eulogy was by the Elder Green, pastor of the church. Interment was in the church cemetery. Funeral arrangements were handled by Pinkney and Spencer Sewell.

Mrs. Ruth Reid, wife of Mr. Reid, and daughter of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gray underwent surgery for a nose ailment. She has returned home from Arundel Hospital.

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—The writer will enter Md. General Hospital in two weeks for eye surgery. Continue your prayers for the sick.

The WSCS of Piers Church presented $47 to Adams Church. Mrs. Gelen Creek, sponsor.

Double funeral services were held for Mrs. Hazel Gray, former resident of Calvert County on Friday at 8 p.m. at Payne Memorial Church. The body lay in state and eulogy was by the pastor of the church.

The Rev. W. P. Mitchell who spoke of her great service to the church and many organizations in which Mrs. Gray was a faithful member.

On Saturday, funeral services were held at Cooper United Methodist Church where she joined at an early age. Eulogy was by the pastor of Cooper United Methodist Church, the Rev. William Edwards.

Mrs. Gray is survived by a devoted daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, a son-in-law, three brothers, the Rev. Joseph Gray, Albert Gray and the Rev. Everett Gray, three sisters and one grandson.

Pallbearers included, John Henry, Gray, Wesley Contee Jr., Harold Wills, Julius Gray, Edward Gray, Calvert Gray.

Joseph Russ funeral director.

Mrs. Fanny Clanton of St. James Apartments visited Delaware with friends.

Madison Ave. Y sets mountain trip for May

Programs and events to suit a wide range of ages and tastes have been announced by the Madison Avenue YWCA.

For the entire family or for adults alone a unique tour is being arranged to "The Boat in the Mountain" near Berkeley, Pa., on Saturday, May 2. The tour will include a visit to the model boat built on the side of a mountain, and transportation and dinner.

Tickets for adults are for $13.50 and for children, $12.50. There will be a breakfast and snack break in Gettysburg, and a surprise stop on the return trip. The bus will leave the YWCA, 4912 Madison Ave., at 8 a.m., May 2. Edna Smith is the trip chairman and Beatrice Hall is committee chairman.

A "Weight Watchers Club" is being organized which will meet Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at the Madison Avenue YWCA. The club is for anyone interested in losing weight the safe and easy way with the encouragement and competition of a congenial group of people with the same problem. Belonging to a club makes losing weight fun.

A Charm and Modeling class for teens began on Feb. 19 at 6 p.m. and will continue for ten weeks. The instructor is Miss Maureen Jones, a graduate model. Fee is $10 plus YWCA membership.

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The Y-Pixie Club has been organized for elementary school girls. The Pixie Club meets Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 3 p.m. in School No. 21.

The girls have a wonderful time with their friends and learn good grooming, arts and crafts, and games. Every June a "Y-Pixie Day" is held at the Madison Ave. Y. Pixie leader is Estella Gambrill. For information, ask at school or phone NO. 8-1861. Dues are twenty-five cents per meeting plus YWCA membership, $2 per year.

Marines Held For Murder

DA NANG, South Vietnam—Five U.S. Marines have been charged with murdering 16 South Vietnamese civilians, 11 of them children, during a patrol through the village of Son Thang on the northern coast, one week ago.

The five accused Marines are in custody, in a military brig near Da Nang, sources said. They added that no Americans are now operating in the area of Son Thang.

War Warning Heard By Govs.

WASHINGTON — Senate Democratic Leader Mike Manstield warned the nation's governors Thursday that an obsession with national security could lead the United States into more wars like the one in Vietnam.

The Montana senator did not mention Laos by name but he and others have been clamoring for President Nixon to reveal completely the U.S. involvement in Laos warfare.

Belvedere workers win wage increase, benefits

The long strike at the Sheraton-Belvedere Hotel, Charles and Chase Sts., ended recently when representatives of union Local No. 36, Bartenders, Hotel, Restaurant, and Cafeteria Employees Union, and company officials negotiated a three-year contract covering about 125 employees.

The hotel dispute gained notoriety when the Sheraton imported labor to maintain operations of the large hotel owned by the New York firm, Gotham Hotels, Inc.

According to Anthony Glorioso, Business Agent and Secretary, for the union, the three-year contract was signed Friday, Feb. 13, and gave the workers the following benefits: an immediate pay increase from $1.40 per hour to $1.55 per hour for a 44 hour work week; In September the workers will receive $1.70 per hour, and work 40 hours; Improvements in sick benefits hospitalization, life insurance, and surgical benefits; the employee's birthday will be considered a holiday with pay; and all workers will receive time and half after eight hours.

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"Now we have to recuperate the business," stated Mr. Glorioso, as he reported that the hotel had loss "70 percent" of its business due to the boycot and picketing.

He further stated: "the temporary people were terminated last Saturday, and the regular remployees resumed on their jobs Sunday."

Local No. 36 is affiliated with the Hotel, Restaurants Employees and Bartenders International Union (AFL-CIO), and according to the business agent, the contract negotiations were conducted in New York and included the Director of Organization for the International, Charles Paulles.

Mr. Glorioso also announced that contract negotiations with the Lord Baltimore Hotel, which is reported to have 130 workers will commence on March 6.

"We will have the same demands and we expect to finalize the agreement shortly after that," he stated.

When contact at the Belvedere hotel, Mr. Toppler, the General Manager stated that terms of the contract will be honored and that the operations of the establishment are black to normal. He declined to make further comment.

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