Off-campus evening centers taking students for Feb. 1

By Dr. Sidney Kobre

The Off-Campus Evening Centers, sponsored in every section of the city by the Community College of Baltimore for working men and women, are celebrating their first birthday.

The bouncing infants are robust and strong.

Sponsored January a year ago by the Division of Continuing Education of CCB as the first off-campus centers of a community college in the city, the branches have caught on. The classes are conducted in high schools and at Pratt library branches.

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"These educational infants are here to stay," Counselors Walthall Berry and Adele Fing told this correspondent in a special interview for AFRO-AMERICAN readers.

Men and women are signing up now for the Spring semester. Classes begin Feb. 1. AFRO readers who want to broaden their educational backgrounds or to prepare for better jobs should join with other residents and enroll now, the counselors emphasized.

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The off-campus centers are located in Dunbar, Patterson, Southern, Northwestern and Northern High schools.

Courses are also offered at the Broadway, the Walbrook, the Reisterstown Road and the Northwood branches of the Pratt Library.

In explaining the enthusiastic response of AFRO-AMERICAN newspaper readers to the new educational centers, Dean Herman E. Westerberg, of the Division of Continuing Education, said that people tell him that they don't have to travel across the city to take courses.

Besides, they have no trouble in getting parking spaces next to the high schools or Pratt libraries.

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At the Dunbar Evening Center, where Howard Spencer is head counselor in charge, residents asked for a course in Afro-American History and this is taught on Monday evenings.

Others enroll in the "Introduction to Psychology" course in "Introductory Sociology."

At Patterson center, a number of courses are offered for those who wish general background, or want to know more about business. In East Baltimore, residents may enroll too at the North Broadway branch of the Pratt Library, taking such courses as "Criminology Psychology" or "The Community and Its Organization." In South Baltimore, area residents enroll at Southern Center.

In the Northwestern area, residents may study similar cultural and business courses at the Northwestern High school. At the Walbrook library they may be interested in "Introduction to Composition," as well as courses in psychology and sociology.

For further information call Division of Continuing Education, Community College of Baltimore, 462-5800.

Milady won't be working in these jeans

NEW YORK (UPI) — Denim, that strictly American fabric, has lost its blue image, its rough touch and its utilitarian fashion role.

The Denim Council, showing spring and summer denim fashions at the 56th national "Press Week" of the New York Couture Business Council, put all of those standard uses for denim to pasture.

Bib overalls in dark blue were the nearest thing to the denims of the workhorse era. They were shown with a horizontal striped blue and navy jersey.

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Drawing applause in the collection was a one-piece gaucho outfit in avocado brushed denim with zip front. At $90, it was one of two of the highest priced items in the show.

The other $90 offering was short shorts and jacket in gold denim with multi color striped trim, a la awaning stripes.

Fringe benefits, came via an $85 ankle length gypsy dress in patches of denim in all colors.

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Also for the less hectic spaces in one's life was an outfit described as a "leisure vestment" — long vest in purple striped denim with purple pants. Designed by Ruth Graves, this was priced at $95.

The blue jean cut pants in the collection were mostly hip huggers and came in patch, striped and plain paintbox colors.

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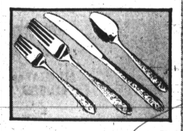

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Teacher Hearings Jan. 25

NEW YORK — According to Mrs. Eleanor Holmes Norton, chairman of the City Commission on Human Rights, hearings on the Board of Education's recruiting and hiring of minority teachers will begin Jan. 25.

Mrs. Norton, who said the New York school system was the only major one in the nation that did not have a "significant number of minority persons in the position of teacher and supervisor," indicated that the purpose of the hearings was to gather facts, not disseminate accusations.

She said the commission wanted to find out the reason for the situation, whether recruitment, examination procedures or a poor supply by the city's teachers' colleges.

The hearings will be held at the New York County Lawyers Association Headquarters.

Organized Crime Probe Due

WASHINGTON — The first major Senate investigation of organized crime in seven years will begin this spring with hearings on syndicate traffic in stolen negotiable securities.

Chairman John J McClellan, D-Ark., of the Senate Investigations Subcommittee, said the hearings "are expected to disclose in detail how organized crimin'n'l — including but not limited to members of the Cosa Nostra — operate in gambling, labor racketeering, credit card theft and fraud, the pornography traffic, smuggling and distribution of narcotics, and a number of other criminal fields."

McClellan's subcommittee last looked into organized crime during hearings in 1963-64.

Cuba's Birth Rate Drops

MEXICO CITY — A sharp decline in births has begun to slow Cuba's population growth, according to first published results of Cuba's 1970 census.

The figures, appearing in "Granma," the official organ of the Cuban Communist Party, indicated that the total population of Cuba as of last September was 8,553,395.

The census results show that a high birth rate prevailed from 1962 to 1966 but that there has been a sharp decline in births since then.

Children of less than one year of age through 14 make up 3,140,760, or 36.7 per cent of the island population. Persons from 15 to 64 — the working population — constitute 57.5 per cent and people 65 or older less than 6 per cent.

McGovern Quits Reform Unit

WASHINGTON — Sen. George S. McGovern of South Dakota resigned as chairman of a Democratic Party reform commission as a first step toward becoming an active candidate for President.

McGovern told newsmen that it was "a fairly accurate" assumption that he would announce for the Democratic presidential nomination later this month. He also was a candidate for the nomination in 1968, entering the race after the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y.

The reform commission that he headed — and which generally was referred to as the McGovern Commission — was one of two created by the Democrats as a result of the tumult at the 1968 national convention.

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