—School mix-tool

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cial balance will not be required."

But Burger, whom the President advertised as a "strict constructionist" of the Constitution, demolished those notions in plain language.

"All things being equal, with no history of discrimination, it might well be desirable to assign pupils to schools nearest their homes," he said. "But all things are not equal in a system that has been deliberately constructed and maintained through enforced racial segregation."

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The court's specific suggestions were made to school boards. But the opinion said if the boards don't act, federal courts have broad power to work out necessary remedies.

On the highly controversial matter of busing, Burger said, "Desegregation plans cannot be limited to the walk-in school."

He recalled, "Bus transportation has been an integral part of the public education system for years" and 18 million children or about 38 per cent, were bused to their schools.

As for racial quotas, Burger said every school need not reflect the racial composition of the community. And a one-race school does not necessarily mean state imposed discrimination. But courts may consider black-white population ratios and they must look hard at all black schools.

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The court did not focus on what has become known as "de facto" segregation — the kind that springs from neighborhood residence patterns.

The justices have not touched on this subject. The decision of lower courts, some of which the Supreme Court has refused to review, in general hold that school boards may attack the problem if they wish but are not constitutionally required to do so.

Government figures show 97 per cent of southern school districts have accomplished some desegregation but in many instances it is minimal.

Health, Education and Welfare Department statistics show 18.4 per cent of the black children in the South attend all-black schools and 23.1 per cent attend schools that are at least 80 per cent black.

In the North, 27.7 per cent of the blacks are in schools with a white majority and 11.9 per cent attend all-black schools.

CPHA committee to investigate code inspector

At the request of both the Northeast Community Organization (NECO) and the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development, the Citizens Planning and Housing Association is studying the circumstances surrounding recent allegations directed against a housing code inspector in Northeast Baltimore.

The CPHA Executive Committee in response to the requests from NECO and HCD Commissioner Robert C. Embry Jr., recently charged a special subcommittee, chaired by Thomas H. Jaudon Jr., to ascertain the facts in the case and prepare a full report for presentation to the CPHA Board of Governors on May 6.

So far the subcommittee has not made any determination concerning this specific issue and is continuing to study the matter. Both HCD and NECO have been cooperating fully with the study group.

"Any efforts by either public or private groups that serve to improve the city's code enforcement process — and thus our critical housing situation are now, as always, welcomed by the Citizens Planning and Housing Association," explained the executive director, Christopher C. Hartman.

Mitchell backs veterans' right to camp on Mall

Congressmen Parren J. Mitchell, D-7th, Md., and Don Edwards, D-Cal., spoke out Wednesday against the reversal of the U.S. Court of Appeals ruling which permits veterans to camp on the Mall during the week of protest in Washington against the war in Southeast Asia.

The two Congressmen released a telegram sent Wednesday to Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, which reads as follows:

"Strongly object to reversal of U.S. Court of Appeals ruling which permits veterans to camp in Mall. Urge that Supreme Court favorably reconsider this action. We and other colleagues will join the veterans on the Mall at 4:30 p.m. in protest.

"If the Supreme Court refuses to modify your order, we are prepared to open our offices as sleeping quarters for these patriotic young men who served their country well and now ask only to be heard.

"Cong. Don Edwards is organizing the effort to convert Congressional offices into sleeping quarters for veterans.

"Signed, Parren Mitchell and Don Edwards."

Mrs. Bernice Brooks buried last Monday

"She enjoyed being a nurse and was very dedicated to Provident Hospital."

Merrick L. Brooks Jr., was speaking of his wife, Mrs. Bernice Brooks, 44, 4502 Springdale Ave., who died April 14 at Provident Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Brooks was graduated from the Provident Hospital School of Nursing in the class of 1948, and as a member of the Provident Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association, she became the Alumnae Advisor to the Student Association to whom she gave guidance and counseling.

She was president of this association from 1953 until illness forced her to relinquish her post. The Association wrote this of her:

Following her graduation from the Provident Hospital School of Nursing, she studied O.R. technique at Cook County Hospital, coming back to Provident as a staff nurse and being promoted to O.R. Supervisor. Continuing her studies, Mrs. Brooks received her B.S. degree from Boston University in 1955.

She returned to Boston University in 1957 to earn the M.S. degree, and upon returning to Provident Hospital was appointed to the position of Associate Director for Nursing Service, which she held at the time of her death.

After a prolonged illness, during which she was hospitalized both at Provident Hospital and the Greater Baltimore Medical Center, she died on Wednesday, April 14, at Provident Hospital where she had reported for treatment.

Along with her husband, Merrick L. Brooks Jr., she is survived by two daughters, Cheryl and Alyssa Brooks, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Christian (Ruth); two daughters, Lisa, 4 and Shirley, 2; two sisters, and four brothers.

Funeral services held at All Saints Catholic Church, were attended by other 500 nurses from Provident Hospital. Burial was in Arbutus Memorial Park.

—Youth slain

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ing to attend the funeral.

Father Joseph Connolly of St. Katharine's, a good friend of the Johnson family, told the AFRO that the scripture readings for the funeral services were chosen by the family.

He added that there had been "a constant stream of people" to view the body as it lay in state in the church. He also mentioned the family's insistance on forgiveness for the youths involved in the incident, echoing Mrs. Johnson's remarks.

"They don't want those lives ruined," he emphasized.

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The shooting prompted reactions from several city councilmen as their Monday night meeting, as well as a request from William Donald Schaefer, president of the City Council, that a review of the city's gun control laws be made and presented at next Monday's meeting.

Police say a .22 caliber pistol was recovered in their investigation of the incident.

Further, officers report their investigation in the immediate area revealed that several persons had heard the shot but none had seen who fired it.

Specifically how officers got information on the two youths charged is not spelled out in their reports.

In addition to relatives named above, the slain youth is survived by his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson of the 2700 block E. Federal St., the same block of the cemetery where the youth is buried.

He is also survived by his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brooks of Montpelier Ave.

Both families are longtime residents of East Baltimore.

There are also 17 uncles and aunts, including Miss Peggy Brooks, assistant youth coordinator in Mayor D'Alesandro's office.

The Ludlow Carroll Funeral Home was in charge.

Haiti's president is dead at 64

PORT-AU-PRINCE, (UPI) — Francois "Papa Doc" Duvalier, lifetime president of Haiti, died Wednesday night after a three months illness, the government radio announced Thursday he was 64.

The radio announcement said Duvalier's 20-year-old son, Jean-Claude, would succeed the gray-haired president who had led the black republic since 1957.

Although it has long been said that Duvalier's death could bring a bloody revolution, the situation in Port-Au-Prince was "the same as usual," according to U.S. embassy spokesman Robert Jordan.

—Ft. Meade

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tary Police entered the area with sawed-off shotguns and .45's loaded and cocked. Each black man was asked if a part of the "Black Power Movement." After this each black was singled out, taken into the barracks, searched after being handcuffed and chained to bedposts, with all personal belongings searched.

SHOTGUN wielding detectives search two men arrested in the 800 Blk. W. Fayette St. yesterday (Thursday) afternoon who are suspected of participating in the murder of Mrs. Gloria Taylor, a 22-year-old mother of two who was slain last Monday. A third suspect Wanted for the same crime is still at large. AFRO photo by staff photographer I. Henry Phillips.

—Phone tip

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shirt. Another wore an orange short and was about 6' 1". The third wore jeans and "had a black pistol in his hand."

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Brown related one of the men asked him "Do you have my money?" When he answered no, they threw him on the bed, "rolled me over and searched my pockets."

When they found no money, he continued, one of the men said, "You've got to give me something" and began to search the room.

At one point in the search, Brown said "someone asked me if I had any dope and that's when Gloria started for the door and I jumped one of them."

The police reports shows that Mrs. Taylor who had not been involved in what was happening had started for the door to get help.

"The three of them started beating me," Brown said and, "then I heard the shot go off."

The three men broke for the door and escaped.

Mrs. Taylor's body was found laying face down, "in front of the door in a pool of blood."

She had been shot once in the back of the head.

Felipa, who witnessed the entire incident, advised police that "when they came in they told me to stay seated and that's what I did."

Mrs. Amanda Jenkins, mother of the victim, told the AFRO, "I had just left Gloria. She had spent the night with me baby sitting for one of her sister Betty's children and I had just taken her home. It was a little after 5 o'clock," she concluded.

Mrs. Jenkins, who lives in the 2000 blk. Kennedy Ave. has taken custody of Mrs. Taylor's two children. They are Angela, 4, and Twilla, 5.

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Installation ceremonies set for new Demo club

There will be installations ceremonies for officers and board members of the Five In Five Democratic Club Inc. of the fifth district to be held at Brice's Hilltop Inn, 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Special guest will be introduced. Invitations have been extended to Gov. Marvin Mandel, Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, and other top state and city officials.

Chairman of the organization is State Senator Clarence W. Blount. Pinkney A. Howell is president, Delegate Kenneth L. Webster is vice president.

Divorces filed

Barbara McCoy vs. Raymond McCoy; Miriam Chavis vs. James A. Chavis; Deborah Ann Garland vs. Charles L. Garland; Linda C. Stanton vs. Edward J. Stanton.

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Nora A. Parrish vs. Roger A. Parrish; Fred Clark vs. Arline Clark; Juanita Beverly vs. Mack Beverly; Sheila Diane Angel vs. James Luther Angel; Johnetta Joyce Lee vs. William Edward Lee Sr.

Bessie Mae Jones vs. Daniel Jones; Juanita Delores Winner vs. James Edward Winner; Elizabeth Jane Atkins vs. Emerson Joseph Atkins; Wendy Morris Bragg vs. Timothy Bragg; Odell Brock Jr. vs. Della Casandra Brock.

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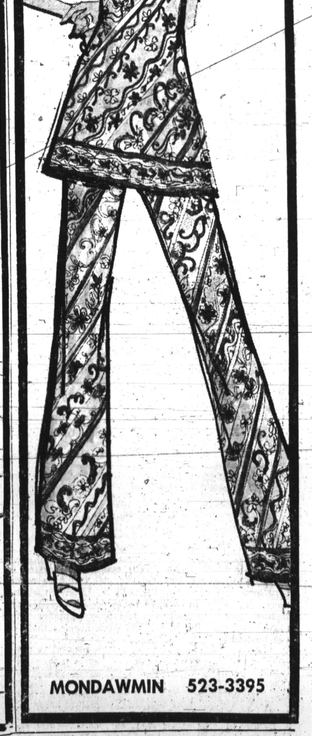

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Lee warns community colleges

Maryland Lieutenant Governor Blair Lee III Wednesday warned officials of the state's community colleges that the colleges may lose their independent status unless escalating budget costs are brought under control.

In a speech to the annual meeting of the State Board of Community Colleges and the Local Boards of Trustees at Friendship International Inn, the lieutenant governor also proposed a re-orientation of the role of the community college in Maryland.

He urged that emphasis be placed in a two-year course of occupational training rather than preparation for transfer to four-year institutions. He also called for increased services to the communities in which the colleges are located.

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Mr. Lee reviewed the strong financial support given by the state to its community colleges, including an amendment in the funding formula approved by the 1971 General Assembly that will provide for 50 per cent state funding of community college operations.

The recently-adjourned Legislature also made possible a substantial increase in the per-student limit on state support —from $1,200 to $1,600, he noted.

"This change will mean many hundreds of thousands of dollars for the colleges, and may enable a number of the institutions to ward off a rise in tuition," the lieutenant governor said.

"Overall, the state will be providing nearly $3 million in additional funds to the community colleges next year," he said.

Mr. Lee stated that the financial commitment of the State to its community colleges is not "open-ended."

He pointed to what he termed "skyrocketing" salaries paid to community college faculties and administrative personnel and warned that this trend would lead to demands by the General Assembly for greater control over community college budgets.

Lieutenant Governor Lee described his comments as "cautionary notes, offered only in order to prompt some searching thought" as to the fiscal problems of the community colleges.

Mr. Lee praised the community college officials for their "wisdom, leadership, and energy" — qualities which he said would be sorely needed in the coming decade.

'More applause than boos; will see Russell'—Mitchell

"First of all, I felt the applause was overwhelmingly greater than the boos, and I think there were only two calls by two individuals out of 7,000, so that was not of great concern."

Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell 3rd was speaking Wednesday, giving his reaction to his reception while giving some remarks to the audience at the Dionne Warwick concert at the Civic Center Sunday.

"I felt it was a very good concert," he continued, "very favorably received. There has been no final accounting. We hope to get around $10-15,000."

Sen. Mitchell said it was "not a political concert," but a concert "some of my friends, James (Biddy) Wood and others, gave to assist in eradicating some of our concert debts from the November election."

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In answer to a query concerning his intentions regarding the mayoral race, Sen. Mitchell stated:

"I haven't made any decision yet. What I am doing is talking to people. I intend to sit down with George Russell, something could be worked out in terms of some kind of unified effort.

"Results of some of the polls taken by other candidates indicate one leading, and that certainly would be among my considerations. It's my understanding that (William D.) Schaefer took a poll, and (Robert C.) Embry before he withdrew.

"There were girls during the concert dressed in Mitchell banners. It was an effort to encourage me to consider favorably a mayoralty candidacy."

Sen. Mitchell said he had not yet taken his own poll, having been in Annapolis taking care of legislative business. He said he expects to discuss the matter with Mr. Russell within the next couple of weeks.

He said further that if he does not run for mayor he would not run for any other office.

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"My deep concern," he stated, "is that the first black mayor, in fact, be a representative of the black community, and that the aspirations, goals of our community not be further frustrated in the disappointment of electing someone who is not responsive."

An AFRO reporter then asked this question:

"Are you saying Mr. Russell is not responsive?"

Sen. Mitchell answered:

"At this point I have no indication of such responsiveness, but I am planning to meet with him."

The senator spoke at the Black Culture Seminar at South Carolina State College in Orangeburg Thursday night. He spoke on minorities and the U.S. Constitution, outlining the background as it related to black progress and effect of federal spying can have on progress in the civil rights movement.

Sen. Mitchell said President Nixon's initial inauguration promise of "bringing us together" did not include black folks. He said his judgment is made on the basis of his record since he became President.

He said his is an administration whose political strategy is built on polarization and conflict.

TJD issues call for summer jobs

Mayor D'Alesandro this week made the first telephone solicitation of area employers to find summer jobs for disadvantaged youths.

The Metropolitan Baltimore National Alliance of Businessmen is conducting its annual phone-a-thon on this week and April 27.

In addition to the mayor, some 30 area business executives will call over 2,000 employers requesting summer job pledges for youth between the ges of 16 and 21. Jobs to be counted must last at least 100 hours.

Young persons eligible for the program include those living or attending school in a depressed area or those who are members of a monority group.

Donald S. Jones, chairman of the local NAB, said "the objective of the drive is to provide an opportunity for students to learn the responsibilities of a work relationship. We trust this year's goal will be met even in light of the current economic climate."

KAPS to hold open house

Project KAPS will hold its second annual open house 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Thomas G. Hayes Elementary School, 601 N. Central Ave.

Tour groups will follow of the KAPS cluster of schools, and after that a question and answer period at 3:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Judicial Selection lay members named

Gov. Marvin Mandel announced this week the appointments of lay members to the Judicial Selection Commissions for the five Judicial Circuits in the state, who will make recommendations to the governor for appointments to district and circuit courts.

Announced also were the five lawyers elected by the Bar Association to each circuit.

Baltimore City is the Eighth Judicial Circuit, and its chairman is Henry P. Irr, an official at the Baltimore Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Mrs. Pearl Cole Brackett, 3600 block Calloway Ave., an assistant superintendent of community schools, and Warren Weaver, 2100 block Bryant Ave., Housing Authority relocation manager, are among the five other lay members.

Others are Merrill L. Bank, official of the Maryland Cup Corporation; Willard Stackerman, a contractor, and Col. Tighman G. Pitts Jr., an insurance man and former president of the Legal Aid Bureau.

City lawyer members are Frederick J. Green Jr., Max Roth Israelson, William B. Kempton, William B. Somerville, and W. Hamilton Whiteford.

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