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—To search or not to search

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you want, you get, even if there were a few stray perch in the catch."

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Deputy States Attorney Benjamin Brown told the AFRO he believes searching a reporter is wrong but the whole idea of the device and guards is not that of his office.

States Attorney Milton Allen said how far to go and how far not to go is unknown to him as are the security rules and who makes them at the Court House.

He stated that he supposes the effort is to protect Court House personnel, but he really does not know since it is not his department which handles the matter.

However, a Supreme Bench judge is concerned as to the danger that arises as black citizens look around and surmise they are the ones who are subjects and objects of the searching procedure.

Here is the statement of Judge Joseph Howard:

"I have felt for some time that the system of searching citizens entering the Court House is such that it could cause more problems than it is designed to correct.

"Few would seriously contend that the Supreme Bench does not have the right and duty to take necessary steps to secure the Court House against the kinds of attacks and terror which have been experienced in some sections of the country.

"However, when the method of accomplishing this purpose creates unnecessary conflict and confrontation, then perhaps it should be reexamined.

"As I see it, the danger is not so much in the search itself but in what appears to be a discriminatory practice in the minds of many who find it necessary to use this facility.

"Obviously one who is forced to submit to a search of his person and packages is offended in others are permitted to pass in his presence.

"This, of course, is precisely what occurs every day.

"I know that those permitted to pass are Court House employees, practicing attorneys and others who transact business in the building on a regular basis, but the person being searched does not.

"He feels he is being subjected to some kind of special treatment.

"This procedure of searching some and not others is aggravated by the fact that with the exception of the Juvenile Division and Probation Department employees, most of the personnel working in the Court House are white; while the majority of those appearing in the Courts and their subdivisions are black.

"Therefore, it appears to one visiting the Court House that blacks are being searched and whites are not.

"Further, the whole matter is complicated by the fact that only four of the 45 security guards are black.

"This in and of itself arouses certain emotions seething in the city.

"Finally, numerous complaints have been made regarding the taking of bush combs, Afro picks and other articles as dangerous weapons.

"These items are now being returned upon one's leaving the building, but the practice in taking these items still persists.

"It is apparent to me that if all segments of the citizenry are expected to cooperate in these invasions of privacy, and the Supreme Bench is to maintain the confidence of the total community, then:

(1) All should be treated alike and if anyone is to be searched then everyone should be searched;

(2) The hiring practices of the Supreme Bench generally and those of security guards specifically should be reexamined; and

(3) Some additional thinking should go into what we are trying to secure in the Court House and what in fact constitutes are under strict security.

"Further, it might be worthwhile if all of us, particularly those in positions of power, would look at what is happening to our halls of justice and raise some basic questions. Not only has fear and frustration brought about searches and seizures, but in addition:

(1) Our judges have been armed with mace and provided with a guard to protect them in the courtroom from those upon whom they pass judgment;

(2) The State's Attorney's office and Bench meetings are under strict security; and

(3) All permanent personnel have been issued identification cards and are obliged to sign in and out before and after regular business hours.

"The question is not whether these precautions are justified or whether these fears are real or imaginary.

"Rather the questions we should be considering are: Where do we go from here? How long we can afford to deal with superficial symptoms and ignore critical courses?

What prices are we willing to pay to prevent others from participating in their own destinies?

"And finally, how, when and where will we face up to the fact that our fear is of the Frankenstein we made yesterday who may be beyond our control tomorrow?"

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Joseph Bruce rites Thursday at Emmanuel

Funeral services for Joseph Bruce, were held Thursday at Emmanuel Christian Community Church.

Mr. Bruce, who died on Saturday, was born in Baltimore. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Mrs. Amanda Bruce.

He is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. Doris B. Owens and Mrs. Susie Settle; and four sons, George, Joseph H. Charles and James Bruce.

Also, 8 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, 3 sisters, 4 sisters-in-laws, one son-in law, Ernest C. Owens.

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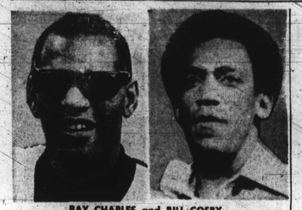

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Nearly half of new voters are under 21

The Supervisors of Elections reported at AFRO press time, that nearly half of the 493 persons who registered to vote at the People's Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts. were persons under 21 (181).

No figures were available for neighborhood locations, and no breakdown of race or sex for under 21 was available.

Here is a breakdown of that registration this week:

Monday, July 12

	Total	Male	Female	Black	White
Rep.	14	7	7	9	5
Dem.	144	61	83	95	49
Ind.	5	4	1	1	4
(Und. 21	(39)				

Tuesday, July 13

	Total	Male	Female	Black	White
Rep.	14	9	5	4	10
Dem.	149	75	74	97	52
Ind.	0				
(Und. 21)	(58)				

Wednesday, July 14

	Total	Male	Female	Black	White
Rep.	19	13	6	12	7
Dem.	143	67	76	104	39
Ind.	5	4	1	0	5
(Und. 21)	(84)				
Totals	493	237	153	322	171

(Und. 21, included in total: (181)

—Ben Robinson

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lumbia University School of Architecture as adjunct assistant professor and in its Urban Action Center as a director since 1970 and as schoo asd guide it toward sociated officially since 1968.

Since he began as a public school teacher in Baltimore, in 1958, he has taught on the graduate level at the University of Wisconsin and has served as an official of the New York Housing Authority.

As a youngster in Baltimore, he was an AFRO news carrier, a fact his father says he has always been proud to admit.

Mr. Robinson was nominated for the position of dean of the School of Architecture by a Columbia University board of trustees member, Franklin Thomas.

In the administrative position, he would be first of his race to hold a deanship in any one of the university's 20 schools.

All Columbia University knows Mr. Robinson as "Ben."

For close to 12 years he has administered projects and programs which involve the problems and needs of urban communities.

Mr. Robinson, in one of the few Black consultant firms on the East Coast, has conducted planning studies and designed development programs for black communities in most of the major cities in the United States.

Ben's expertise in this area is especially important in the School of Architecture where the realization of the present significance and future impact of modular building systems technology on the professions of architecture, architectural technology, and urban planning is generally understood, but as yet not reflected in the school's curricula.

He is a member of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, the Congress of Racial Equality, the National Urban League, and a board member of the Scholarshio Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Inc.

In summary, Ben Robinson's philosophy and perspective in the urban university focuses on the concept and redefinition of the "new" professional roles in urban communities.

He is able to teach from continuing experience and study, to prepare "new types of professionals" for work with the "new forms" of urban communities.

His supporters say, "advancing beyond traditional educational procedures, beyond static research and studies to a new phase of innovative and realistic education, he embraces the concept that the university must become a knowledge and information center for learning and research that relates directly back to the problems of the urban centers and the society as a whole."

—Lenny Scott

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PROMOTED — Carvin Cook, a 1964 graduate of Morgan State College who attended the Atlanta University School of Business (1965), has recently been promoted by the U.S. Department of Labor to Labor Economist, GS-14 at a starting annual salary of $21,000. Mr. Cook is responsible for conducting economic research and providing litigation assistance in a number of areas affecting the workplace, including wage, fair employment and other labor standards.

uins Team. He became the pitcher for the Kelly's Post 12-14 year old's team and then threw the ball for the Rockets and the Woodlawn teams.

Lenny was "discovered" at the age of 14 by a Pittsburgh Pirate scout, Joe Consoli.

His father, mother, Mrs. Daisy Scott and his five brothers and two sisters used to be residents of the Greenmount area when the youngsters were growing up.

Acknowledging Lenny could have "turned out wrong," his father says he and his son are both proud that he has proved, "If you have talent, you can use it and become a good citizen."

Happy they represent the Greenmount area "that is supposed to be bad," the family states they feel Lenny is a good example who will return one day to inspire his boyhood past.

"He's a good, kind, friendly kid, never aloft and never will be — regardless of how much success he has anytime anywhere," Mr. Scott states.

The Scotts come from a long line of athletes.

Mr. Scott, the father, was athletic director for the St. Ann's Catholic Church CYO which attained a name for itself in his day team.

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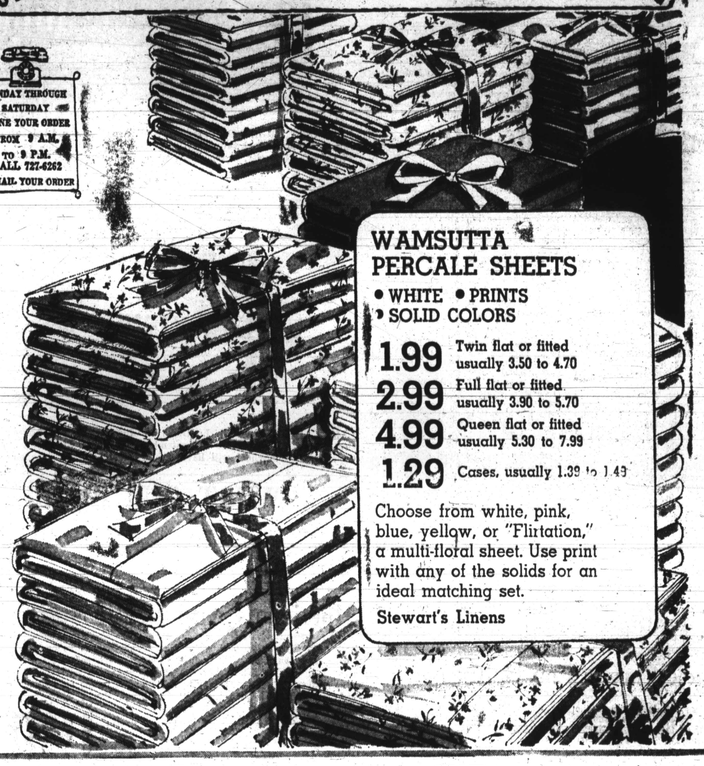

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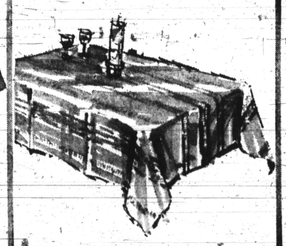

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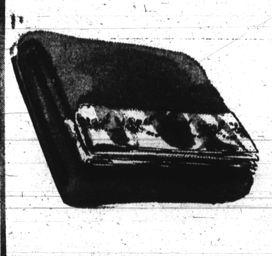

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