—Rev. Coates case

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him and that the minister, allegedly partially dressed, Coates when he pursued threatened him with a broken bottle.

Coates' day in court was an unusual one with the final compromise decision made long after the other judicial sessions had ended.

Arriving early Tuesday morning, Coates and two unidentified male companions searched for the proper courtroom and for Coates' attorney, Harold J. Rogers.

Dodging reporters for the rest of the day, Coates did not appear again until late in the afternoon.

A little later in the morning Murphy, an attractive man in his early thirties, arrived with his attorney, King David.

Clutching a large cardboard box, allegedly holding Coates' abandoned clothing, Murphy sat sullenly outside the second floor courtroom.

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Murphy did not move or acknowledge the presence of his wife, Carrena, an attractive woman, dressde in a conservative two-piece purple suit, as she — equally as sullenly — sat alone diagonally from him.

When the case finally was called in the late morning, Rogers asked Circuit Court Judge James H. Taylor to pass the procedure until later.

After his request was granted, Rogers, too, vanished from the corridor. During the noon recess, Mrs. Murphy left the courthouse and did not return for the afternoon session.

As the afternoon progressed, Rogers, David and the assistant State's attorney were seen conferring periodically in the hall and the cardboard box Murphy once held disappeared.

The case had been postponed at least three times since it was first brought to court and the state's attorney said he was seeking immediate disposition.

At approximately 4 p.m. Judge Taylor called the case and in a courtroom filled only with news reporters and a photographer, the state's attorney stated his position.

With Murphy and David seated to his right, the state's attorney cited a provision in the county code calling for a "compromising of charge" under certain circumstances.

He stated Coates was an "active member of the cathe of substantial character" and that in light of the publicity, he was asking for a dismissal in the compromist statue.

Judge Taylor after questioning both Coates and Murphy as to their agreeing to their attorneys' decisions, granted the dismissal.

Coates and his companions — evading questions —scurried from the courtroom onto an adjacent parking lot.

Asked his feelings about the outcome of the case, Coates sneeringly and sharply, "no comment. There's my lawyer, ask him."

Coates, minister of Bethlehem Baptist Church, has served on the school board since 1968. Although he is not up for re-election this year, he has been a close ally to board president Mrs. Anita F. Allen, now an incumbent candidate for the at-large seat.

King David said the court had in fact declared no winner or loser in the case and that in light of "certain evidence" he and his client felt it best to reach a compromise.

Neither side indicated any money settlement had been made.

-Student shot

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College.

City College Principal Pierre Davis told the AFRO he did not have sufficient details to determine all circumstances but he did reveal he was told the injured youth walked to the nurse's station after he was wounded.

When the AFRO arrived on the scene, students disclosed they witnessed the Blue youth roll down the steps and it appeared to them he was unconscious.

Young Blue is the son of Mrs. Alta Blue and Leman Blue who is confined to the hospital.

His relatives told the AFRO the 19-year-old City College student has just come from an appendix operation at the hospital a month ago. He has three brothers and sisters.

An aunt deplored the incident saying, "We have had enough trouble. We feel badly about this."

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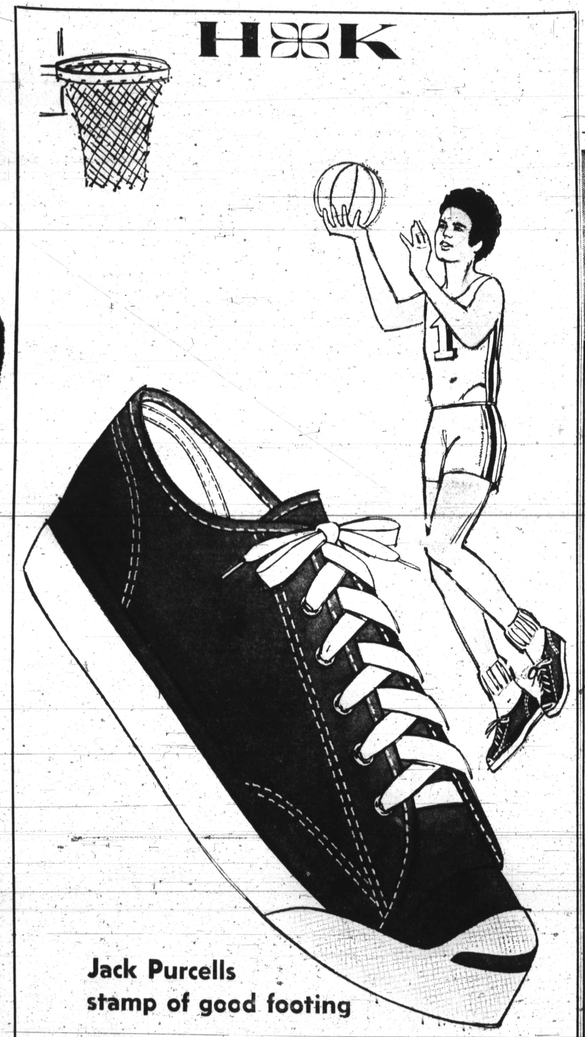

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which Samuel T. Daniels is grand master.

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And that's real good news for Mrs. Santa who has to conduct her annual fund-raising drive at home because of a throat ailment.

The doctor says I'm getting better because AFRO readers have cheered me with their gifts for my charity project.

Here is more good news which reached my bedside this week. I have two $100 contributions. One is from Miss Hattie R. Smith, the pretty beautician and her Hattie's Head Hunter Shop.

The other comes from another fine fraternal group which annually supports my drive, the Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge of Masons of which Clarence Wycoff is grand master.

Other new contributors: $50 from the Morton and Dyett Funeral Home; $25 from Morgan State's Dr. Roland C. McConnell and Mrs. McConnell; and $10 from Mrs. Marion Banfield, the well-known civic worker.

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You, too, can help Mrs. Santa prepare to help needy families at Christmas.

Simply call me on the special phone the AFRO has installed at my bedside. The number is 383-1400.

Or, you may mail your contributions to AFRO Charities Inc. Mrs. Santa P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21201

Remember, all contributions are tax deductible.

Mrs. Santa knows the need is great this year. Already, letters from the needy are pouring into Mrs. Santa by the dozens.

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Last year, thanks to AFRO readers, she was able to raise $10,231.80 which enabled her to help 1,000 needy families have a Merry Christmas. This year she hopes to triple that amount.

Mrs. Santa is conducted by AFRO Charities, Inc., a non-profit organization. All contributions are tax deductible.

NO organization may collect money in her name without first getting written approval from AFRO Charities Inc.

If you are planning to help this worthy cause, please call Mrs. Santa on her special line at 383-1400 between 10 a.m. and noon and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. She is sitting patiently by the telephone waiting for your calls.

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NOTE: Don't forget Mrs. Janie Sanders and her Wonder Workers are still conducting their candy drive.

Also, the cocktail sip which is being sponsored by Miss Mildred Johnson and the Vandells at the Blue Gardenia on Sunday, November 7 from 6 to 8 p.m.

For ticket information call Miss Johnson at 945-1505 after 6 p.m.

Plans are in the making for a tea which will be given by the Gay La Sell's Charity Club in early December.

More details on this later.

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In the next two weeks, Mrs. Santa will begin to print those letters she has received thus far.

As usual, AFRO readers will be encouraged to adopt a family of their choice.

Once a family has been adopted Mrs. Santa will pull the letter from the files and consider the case helped.

It is therefore imperative that once you take a family you must stick to your word or else you will make someone very unhappy at Christmas time.

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PLEASE: All requests for help MUST be in writing. Mrs. Santa will not take any information over the phone and do not have your children call her.

She is now extremely busy trying to raise money to help you. All letters will be screened before help is given. Address your request to: Mrs. Santa, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Remember, the sooner you get your letters in the better your chances are for getting assistance.

Here is the complete list of contributions to date:

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Ms Frances Murphy
$10.00
Mrs. Marion M. Banfield, Ke'th Butler, Saul Glickstein
$1.00
Anonymous

-HU student

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called, but he was pronounced dead at the scene about 7 a.m.

University officials said the death was not violent, but it becomes a case for the coroner's office because it occurred so suddenly.

In Los Angeles, his father is president and chairman of the Board of the Julian RossMedical Center, and serves on the staffs of several hospitals.

Having earned his bachelor's and medical degrees at Howard, Dr. Weekes established a practice in Los Angeles in 1948. He is clinical professor in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Southern California.

When in 1968, Howard University presented him with the Alumni Achievement Award at Charter Day Convocation, he announced establishment of a scholarship fund for undergraduates and medical students.

NOV. 6

Jazz pianist, Dave Brubeck and his trio will be featured on the Baltimore Symphony's November 6 Saturday Pops concert. Sergiu Comissiona, the Orchestra's Music Director, conducts. The program begins at 8:30 p.m. and includes: William Grant Still's Festive overture.

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