Couple found dead in room

A man and a woman both in their 80's, were found dead in the 800 block W. Saratoga home of the woman last Tuesday evening, according to police.

Police records show Mrs. Lucille White, 84, and John Elmer Powell, 82, of 800 block Mosher St. were found at 7:33 p.m. after neighbors noticed Mrs. White's disappearance all day. Neighbors told the AFRO they were friends.

Medical examiner's reports show their deaths were accidental.

When police arrived they found all doors and screen doors locked from the inside. They report with the permission of the custodian of the apartments, they forced open the window.

Upon entering the apartment, police state, they smelled a strong odor of gas and later found the gas on but there was no flame.

According to police report Powell was found in pajamas and was in kneeling position with his head on the living room chair. Mrs. White was lying on her bed with her night gown on.

The bodies of the couple remain at the city morgue at AFRO press time Thursday.

Overtime dispute explained

Limited time to complete work on a new program is the reason for hiring of contractual clerks at the Department of Social Services, Mrs. Maude Harvey, acting director said in explanation to protest marches by workers Thursday.

She stated the new program which is for the disabled and the aged has necessitated a "monumental clerical task." To complete this in the required time the department, with federal government approval, is hiring extra hands.

"This does not deprive regular workers of usual overtime schedules. We're *making arrangement to include all categories of* workers in the usual overtime schedule," she explained.

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Workers of the department, Thursday, staged an all-day protest against what they described as "discriminatory overtime hiring practices."

Carrying placards some of which read "Equal opportunity for overtime; that is what we want," the workers charged that the new administration has been partial in its overtime hiring practices.

President of Local 112, Mrs. Carolyn Murray, told the AFRO the new administration had turned deaf ear to all their appeals and has refused to negotiate with them.

"We're only dramatizing our grievances to the outside world in protection of our workers but if they refuse to listen we'll be compelled to take more serious action" the lady president stated.

The protest march was most of the workers from the Greenmount and other department branches in the city. Not to disrupt work, they took turns during lunch hours.

Last rites held for Mrs. Briscoe

Funeral services were held Thursday at St. Ambrose Church for Mrs. Evelyn A. Briscoe, 54, 5826 Derby Manor Dr. Burial followed at Baltimore National Cemetery.

Mrs. Briscoe, a Douglass High graduate, died Sunday in Good Samaritan Hospital of a prolonged illness. She had been a member of St. Peter Claver's Ladies Auxiliary for the last three years.

Mrs. Briscoe, the widow of James Briscoe, is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Sylvia Williams and Mrs. Shirley Fenwick; two sisters, Mrs. Eileen Johnson and Mrs. Anna Savage; a brother, Charles Wilson and seven grandchildren, all of Baltimore.

LEARNING WEEK PROCLAIMED—Witnessing Baltimore Mayor William D. Schaefer, center, proclaim this week sa Early Childhood Learning week are from left: BACK ROW, E. Robert Umphrey, Administrative Assistant for the City Public School System; Dr. Rebecca E. Carroll, Acting Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Alice Pinderhughes, Supervisor Area E; Mrs. Ann Wilson; Mrs. Pearl Blanchard, Mrs. Sharon Hall, Mrs. Yvonne Penn, Mrs. Mary B. Velsa, principal School No. 238; Dr. Percy Williams and Clarence Gettings, assistant superintendent. Children standing in FRONT, (L-R), Wayne Blanchard, Dennise Blanchard, Cynthia Wilson, Audra Thompson, Howard J. Green and Del-Rico Leeper.

(AFRO photo by I. Henry Phillips)

Friends School grads to hear Dr. E. Davis

Dr. Elaine C. Davis, Acting Educational Assistant to Superintendent Dr. Roland Patterson of the Baltimore City Public Schools, will address the Friends School graduates at their commencement exercises, Tuesday, June 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the school on North Charles St.

Dr. Davis is a parent of a Friends 9th grader and a distinguished nationally known educator and board member of many educational institutions and associations.

Among the 53 graduating seniors from Friends, a college preparatory-co-educational country-day school is Miss Marjorie M. Styrt, winner of the Chrysler Corporation sponsored National Merit $1,000 scholarship.

Other outstanding graduates include Misses Michelle Helena Dix and Jacqueline Harriette Ross.

Coin collectors must beware Baltimore Better Business Bureau says some ads offering high prices for old coins are just "come ons" to sell coin catalogs and appraisal services. Sometimes the appraisal fee costs more than the coins are worth.

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PRESIDENTIAL GREETING—Liberian President William R. Tolbert received a warm welcome from President Nixon at the White House, Tuesday. Tolbert, 60, who heads the government of the West African nation founded in 1822 by freed American slaves, is on a 20-day tour of the U.S. designed to promote business investment in Liberia. (UPI Telephoto)

Tolberts greeted warmly by Nixons

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President and Mrs. Nixon put their Watergate troubles on the shelf Tuesday night and warmly entertained their old friends, Liberian President and Mrs. William R. Tolbert Jr.

Her arm in his, the first lady walked up to reporters with Tolbert, who was dressed in his flowing native garb, and said, "I want you all to meet my boyfriend."

It was that kind of evening, with Tolbert giving black singer Johnny Mathis a big hug after his soulful singing in the east room and Mathis kissing Mrs. Nixon on the cheek.

The Tolberts were on a private visit to Washington, but the Nixons owed them a lot of hospitality from their previous journeys to the African nation, which was settled in the early 1800's by freed slaves from the United States.

"It really is absolutely thrilling for me," Mathis told his audience. "I really am in a daze to be here."

One high-ranking Liberian official told a White House wife that it was time for the United States to stop "belaboring Watergate" and to recognize that Nixon was the "man of the century for peace."

President Tolbert met with President Nixon at the White House for an hour Tuesday, reviewing African and world problems. Tolbert had been expected to ask for increased U.S. aid.

Deputy press secretary Gerald Warren said the two presidents renewed their friendship and reviewed bilateral relations between Liberia and the United States.

"They reviewed their common interest on various African and world problems," Warren said. "The President expressed the importance we attach to the ties between the United States and Liberia and the good relations we enjoy with it."

Warren said that Tolbert explained to Nixon the new initiatives that he has introduced in Liberia since taking office in January, 1972. He added that Tolbert stressed the spirit of self-reliance and self-help which has characterized Liberian policies.

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Warren said that Tolbert also briefed the President on last week's 10th annual meeting in Ethiopia of the Organization of African Unity (OAU). Tolbert, who is vice president of the OAU, played a leading role in the conference.

President Nixon waited on the steps of the west lobby to welcome Tolbert when he drove up to the White House for their meeting. Nixon shook hands warmly with Tolbert and said, "Well, my friend, how are you?"

While they posed for pictures, Nixon admired the cool-looking white safari jacket which Tolbert was wearing. As they sat in the oval office for another picture session, Nixon recalled Mrs. Nixon's visit to Monrovia to attend Tolbert's inauguration.

THEATRE PROJECT

INDIAN SUMMER, a new acoustic guitar duo from Michigan will give two late night concerts at the Theatre Project, Baltimore's free theatre at 45 W. Preston St., at 10:30 June 9 and 11:00 p.m. on June 10.

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