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Cong. Mitchell On White House Blacklist

By Charles Ludlow

A blacklist of more than 200 prominent Americans labeled 'political enemies' of President Nixon is the latest bombshell to explode on the Watergate scene.

Twenty-three blacks are included in the 'Who's Who' list supplied by former White House counsel John W. Dean II Wednesday to the special Senate Watergate Investigating Committee

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Congressmen, journalists, celebrities, heads of national organizations, labor leaders and prominent figures in the business and academic worlds are named in the two lists.

Maryland Congressman Parren J. Mitchell, New York Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, Michigan Congressman John Conyers Jr., Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) head, Ralph Abernathy, syndicated columnist Carl Rowan, comedians, Dick Gregory and Bill Cosby and labor leader, Frederick O'Neal are just a sampling of blacks named in the list.

The most incredible allegation involving a black was directed toward Cong. Conyers of Michigan. The 1971 memo said Conyers was "emerging as a leading black anti-Nixon spokesman. Has shown weakness for white females."

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A startled national TV audience listened to Dean testify that senior White House officials considered ways to "screw our political enemies" by using "available federal machinery."

Available federal machinery, Dean explained, included the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the Secret Service and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Parren's Statement

"I am honored by having my name on the WHITE HOUSE ENEMY LIST.

"The surveillance, the bugging, the intimations, pressures and the existence of this list—all suggest that we who have fought the Administration have been right.

"These aforementioned tactics smack of fascism. I would not be greatly concerned about the list if I could believe that it was to be used for purely pragmatic political purposes. However, that was not the purpose of the list nor the tactics I refer to.

"The purpose was to achieve absolute power, to crush dissent and to mute voices of criticism."

—Statement Thursday by Cong. Parren J. Mitchell

Reactions by blacks named to the list ranged from "I'd feel insulted if I'd been left off" to "It smacks of fascism."

Bill Cosby retaliated by saying, "Nixon was on my list long before I was on his list."

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The White House quickly issued a denial that the lists were used for political purposes.

Charles W. Colson, former special counsel to the White House, said the lengthy lists prepared by George T. Bell in 1971 were kept solely to insure that those named weren't invited to the White House for dinner.

In a counter attack Wednesday, the White House called Dean "the principal actor" in the Watergate cover-up and John N. Mitchell as a conspirator from the start.

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Comedian Dick Gregory in response to being named on the list said, "That's how Hitler got his start. . ." Referring to the lists of political enemies.

"Pretty soon, the list will become a credentials list for knowing who are the right people and Bob Hope and Billy Graham will be saying, 'Are you sure I'm not on it?'" Gregory, a leading antiwar spokesman added.

Congresswoman Chisholm said Thursday from her Washington office, "I'm not surprised at being named on the list. It seems that anyone with influence and a national following who dares speak out against the President can expect to find him or herself on the list.

"I would be affronted not to be included on the list."

When asked if she planned any retaliatory ac-

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39th Clean Block kickoff is today

The 39th Annual Clean Block Campaign sponsored by the AFRO American Newspapers opens today (Friday) with an organizational meeting slated for the McCulloh Homes Auditorium, Dolphin and Druid Hill Ave.

Excitement is running high in the Clean Block office as already 120 blocks have pre-registered with the names of the captains, co-captains and advisors already on record.

Surprisingly, most of the blocks pre-registered are new blocks. Model Cities Council Area B has registered all of the blocks in their area and are already hard at work.

They will bring their captains to the meeting in a bus.

At the meeting representatives from the various city departments will advise Clean Blockers about their services.

Captain's flags, stickers and requests for trash cans will be taken.

Meetings will be held every Friday at the McCulloh Homes at 11 a.m.

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ON WHITE HOUSE BLACKLIST—Pictured here from 1971 are nine members of the Congressional Caucus. All were named Wednesday along with 14 other blacks as part of a White House blacklist by John W. Dean III during the special Senate Watergate hearing. The congressmen, standing from left, are: Parren Mitchell, D. Md.; Ralph Metcalfe, D. Ill.; the late George Collins, D. Ill.; William Clay, D. Mo.; Charles Rangel, D. N.Y. Sitting, L-R, John Conyers, D. Mich.; Chares Diggs Jr., D. Mich., Mrs. Shirley Chisholm, D. N.Y.; and Louis Stokes, D. Ohio.

NAACP off to Naptown confab

Under a theme of 'Lest We Forget Our Fallen Heroes', thousands of NAACP members, nationwide, will descend upon Indianapolis, Ind. July 2-6, for the 64th annual convention and commerce and industry show of the nation's oldest civil rights organization. Mrs. Enolia McMillian, president of the Baltimore Branch NAACP reveals a group of 27 from Baltimore will attend the week - long convention.

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AFRO Reporter Fletcher Roberts will record the event in the scene coverage with photos and stories.

The conference will feature an opening night keynote address by Bishop Stephen G. Spottswood, chairman of the national board of directors.

Later on Tuesday will follow the awarding of the Spingarn Medal to the individual who has made the outstanding contribution to the advancement of black people. Past winners included: statesman, Ralph Bunche, singer, Marian Anderson, civil rights worker, Walter White and prominent minister and businessman, the Rev. Leon Sullivan.

A Life Membership luncheon Wednesday will honor NAACP branches who have made outstanding achievement in attracting

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Guards To Patrol Lafayette Courts Around The Clock

ALL DECKED OUT in medals and the right military garb, getting ready for the 4th, is Sgt. Lawrence Green, Baltimore's most famous of all the old soldiers.

Town's most decorated soldier

By Brenda J. Wright

A soldier in three wars who joined the U.S. Army in 1917, retired Staff Sgt. Lawrence Green has many tales to tell and eight medals to prove each of them.

One of the few veterans of the U.S. Army's old 10th Cavalry, Mr. Green, 78, remembers fighting Poncho Villa's men in Mexico in 1920 as well as incidents of World Wars I and II.

The 10th Cavalry, an all black unit formed in 1880, were called "buffalo soldiers" by the Indians who were amazed at the "new pony soldiers" dressed in buffalo robes.

Remembering the Mexican campaign, Mr. Green said, "Poncho Villa was on the rampage with 15,000 men and he was supposed to be robbing the rich and giving to the poor."

Saying his infantry troop of 350 men stayed in Mexico three days, the decorated veteran added, "I was more scared of rattlesnakes than of getting shot."

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Mr. Green and three other buffalo soldiers were honored last month in Philadelphia at an Armed Forces Day ceremony. The four men were the only survivors found, although about 20 are thought to be alive.

The other three honorees, who live in the U.S. Soldiers Home in Washington, D.C., are MSG John B. Lloyd, MSG James J. Smith and SSG Augustus Ballard.

Following the presentations of engraved sabers and the Seal of Pennsylvania, the veterans compared memories of cavalry activities.

During their weekend visit to Philadelphia, they were presented gifts, a chauffeured car and treated to all meals and accommodations.

CW2 Charles Presberry,

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Jail warden is young and white

By Brenda Wright and Bill Rhoden

The newly appointed warden, soon to become administrator over more than 1,000, 99 per cent black City Jail inmates, is young, experienced and white.

Gordon C. Kamka, 34-year-old Baltimorean with 11 years of law enforcement experience, was selected by the City Jail Board Wednesday, over four candidates including one black, Capt. Merle J. Fitzgerald, an acting deputy warden at the jail.

The 10-month "wardenless" spell the jail has experienced ended as members of the 9-man jail board unanimously approved the appointment.

The board, which includes four black members, Mrs. Elaine Davis, Mr. Linwood Jennings, Mrs. Irene Harvey and Dr. Bernard Harris, made its decision after conferring in private session for a half-an-hour.

Earlier in the day, it was reported by various sources that Deputy Warden Merle Fitzgerald would be appointed as the new warden.

Statements by Mr. Fitzgerald himself served to buttress speculation that he would become the jail's

GORDON C. KAMA, new jail warden

first black warden.

Board President H. Mebane Turner stated, however, that such reports were not factual and were unfounded.

"It was a regrettable and unfortunate mistake," he said, adding that the rumor probably was the result of persons getting "caught in comments."

When asked about the se-

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Dope gang shootings irk tenants

Recent criminal activity at Lafayette Courts Apartments has caused local housing authorities to make immediate plans to seal off the 1101 Orleans St. high-rise building with a one-entrance wall.

An authority told the AFRO a guard will be on hand to see all persons who enter and persons not registered as tenants will not be admitted.

The move comes as "tight screening," a policy requested by the 110 families residing at 1101 Orleans who urged something be done following last weekend's mass shooting of five persons and dangerous situations from drug traffic.

The housing official told the AFRO the agency will do everything to see that residents live in peace in the project. Some 3,200 persons reside in the whole project now under 24-hour guard.

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A second shooting came to the Lafayette Apartment project in the 1101 Orleans building in three days this week. Both occurred in a lobby near an elevator in the high rise building.

Police report Lamont Burley, 26, 2200 block Aiken St., remains in fair condition at Hopkins Hospital after he was waylaid by a gunman who fired a volley of shots at him as he came off an elevator last Monday

A 10-year-old girl, Patricia Jones, 1100 block Orleans St., who was struck in the left leg by a stray bullet was treated and released at Hopkins.

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Detectives are looking for a man identified by passengers in the elevator as "Smitty." Police believe it was a lover's quarrel. However, a woman in the neighborhood stated she believed the shooting is narcotics oriented.

Thus police are trying to find a possible link between Monday's shooting and Sat-

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LAFAYETTE COURTS, the city's largest public housing development, finds its 3,800 residents locked indoors and afraid to use the elevators. Steps taken by authorities this weekend will bring them safety and peace the rest of the summer.

Apartment fined $250, humiliated man's family

The Maryland Human Relations Commission's first compliance has been obtained in a housing case following public hearing.

The case, Mosely v Aldon Management Corp., involved a black man seeking an apartment in Montgomery County.

After hearing, the Commission found Mr. Mosely the victim of a discriminatory practice and awarded him $250 humiliation damages and ordered the respondent to give him consideration for an apartment.

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The firm has complied with the Commission's order and the Mosely family is now a tenant under lease in the Montgomery County apartment project.

Citizens are shocked

Delegate Lloyal Randolph states "That's really a shock! Mr. Fitzpatrick's name had been mentioned so much lately that I thought he would be appointed. The mayor's a hard man to figure out."

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Delegate Walter Dean: "I hope that Mr. Kamka is a creative type person who will bring freshness and some originality to the problems within the city jail.

"Mr. Kamka will need all the creativity and originality at his command.

"It is strange and peculiar that the jail board has consistently refused to acknowledge that over 90 per cent of the jail population consists of young urban black males and that the guard population is composed of over 80 per cent young, black, pretty well educated men.

"The chances are pretty slim that he will be any more successful than his predecessors."

Although he did not feel that just any black man should have been given the wardenship, Del. Dean did feel the board did not go out of its way to find one.

"They should have tried harder," he stated.

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Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, legal counsel to Freedom

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Grandma delivers baby, ambulance crew assists

Enroute to Johns Hopkins Hospital, Mrs. Vivian Marsh delivered her granddaughter 7:59 p.m. June 26 while the ambulance was in 2700 blk. of The Alameda.

She was assisted by Gunther H. Triester; ambulance attendant.

The teen-aged mother gave birth to 6-lb., 4½ oz. baby girl and both are at home doing fine.

Mrs. Marsh, 1500 block E. 28th St. told AFRO reporter how she reacted when she realized the baby was coming, "I was very excited and very proud, but calm."

The father resides in 1700 blk. Homestead St.

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The baby's arrival marks the family's 5th generation.

Relatives are Mrs. Virgey Strong, great-great-grandmother; Mrs. Rachel Strong, great grandmother and Charlie Moore, grandfather. The family attends Fountain Baptist Church at Monument and Gay Sts.

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TENTS convention brings 2,500 ladies to Baltimore

MINISTERS WIVES convention sees 600 ladies in town.

JUDGE SOLOMON BAYLOR sits in Northwestern in July.

INSIDE TODAY

FOOD COSTS find hot dogs gone from 4th picnic menu.

ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL tries to save Mt. Moriah church

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY may have a chance if Nixon doesn't veto it

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