—Dobson Kin Hint Police Frame-up

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Place Apartments where the delegate resided.

UNMARKED CARS

The jury was dismissed and out of the courtroom while the defense and the state discussed the motion in open court.

Young Dobson's clergymen relatives (father and uncle) were called to the witness stand to testify and in doing so hinted that police may have "planted" certain evidence in the house of the accused youth when they came to arrest him.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson, uncle of the defendant, testified he was called to his brother's home, the home of the Rev. Harold Dobson, on July 19 around 11:50 p.m.

The Dobson youth resided at the home of his father, 3600 block Ellamont Rd.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson told the jury upon his arrival he observed unmarked police cars in front of the house and noticed police were in the bushes near the house.

Rev. Vernon Dobson told the court, "When I got in, my brother said there are police all over the place. One in the back keeps going under the porch.

"We opened the back door and this fellow who looked something like a boxer with a pug nose was there. We were in conversation in the living room, the dog began to bark. The same guy was coming from under the porch and looked stupid again."

IN THE BASEMENT

The witness stated Det. Furrie Cousin then came in and said they had a warrant.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson testified he took the officers to the basement and he watched what appeared to be a search.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson told the court, "The pug nose fellow came down, went into another part of the basement and turned on the light. The officer looked around and said, here it is, don't touch it.

"In a neat pile was a ski cap, bullets, handcuffs and wrapped in a cloth was a shot gun."

The Rev. Harold Dobson, father of the accused youth testified police recovered a gun, holster and shells from the defendant's bedroom.

The Rev. Harold Dobson revealed the hinges on the door under the porch which leads to the basement were coming off.

Earl Arbun, a legal investigator, said he went to the Dobson home to inquire about he porch door.

Mr. Arbun sated defense attorney asked him to look at the door.

"The door was leaning against the furniture. It had been forced open," Mr. Arburn testified.

BLACK GUITAR CASE

The jury heard this testimony Wednesday:

A black guitar case was found on the floor in the living room of Dobson's home when homicide Det. James Ozazewski arrested him July 15.

Detective Ozazewski told a Criminal Court jury of nine black and 3 white citizens, Dobson was arrested in his second floor rear bedroom where he lives with his parents, Rev. Harold and Mrs. Mildred Dobson of 3600 block Ellamont Rd.

CAB NO. 999

Sutton place residents testified they saw two men standing near the basement garage Friday, July 13 when Det. Scot was killed.

Witnesses stated one man was carrying a guitar case. The men were seen leaving in a red cab No. 999.

Witness have given the jury description of the accused 20 - year old Dobson but have not been asked to identify Dobson.

Another Sutton Plave witness, Robert J. Seaby, told the jury he hear a "loud explosion" and saw a red cab leaving the parking lot.

IN THE WOODS

Mrs. Dionne Carpenter a counsel at Lemmel Junior High school told the jury the defendant attended Lemmel and was familiar with the wooded area behind the school.

Steve Brown, a taxicab driver, told the court he was taken to the wooded area behind the school and handcuffed to a tree for several hours.

Dr. Russell S. Fisher, chief medical examiner for Maryland, testified that seven bullet or pellet wounds were found on the victim's neck and below the belly button and on the bottom of his right foot was a bullet wound which went through the sole of his shoe and lodged in his ankle. Dr. Fisher stated on the back of his thigh were three pellets.

BLACK OCTOBER

Officer Don Holbert testified a newspaper, four 22 caliber bullets and two shot gun shells were recovered from the murder scene.

The Black October pamphlets found on the floor next to Del. Scott's body were shown to the jury. In bold black print on yellow and blue sheets of paper were "These persons are known drug dealers. Selling drugs is an act of treason. The penalty for treason is death."

Another told the jury the leaflets were in a "straight line."

The defendant seated next to his attorney seemed to stare in space. He never turned his head to see who was in the crowded courtroom. Occasionally one of his attorneys, Kenneth Johnson, would lean over and place his arm around Dobson's shoulder for a brief conversation. Gerald A. Smith is also defense attorney. Mrs. Sandra O'Connor is prosecutor. The case is expected to last another week.

THE JURY

Members of the jury are Mesdames Esther E. Mackey, Florence Brill, Arline P. Hall, Joyce Jernigan, Vivian B. Snead, Rita M. Lebatell, Daisy L. Hall, Dorothy Phillips, Kathy Owens, Willie Mae Johnson.

Other jurors are Ralph W. Shipley, Garland M. Garrett, Nicholos Mannone, Irvin M. Lewis, William A. Armstreng and Richard E. Park.

State witnesses are listed as Mesdames Catherine Dorsey, Peggy Johnson, Gail Murwick; Frank Marr, Robert Seaby, Thomas Marshall, John Murray, William Turk, John G. Meredith, Steven Brown.

Also, police officers C. Fetehouse, R. Owine, J. Mitchell, Gean Hi[illegible]ns, James Cantre, Detec ves Walter Egger, Howard Cerbin, Joseph Mon, John Jurinc, Joseph Thomas, Leonard Willis, James Ozazewski, Sgt. Gerald Brander and Lt. Steve Tabeling.

Dobson Case Sidelights

A black judge, court clerks both white and black, three attorneys, two of whom are black, 2 law clerks and a jury of 9 blacks and 3 whites.

These are some of the main principals in the murder trial of Delegate Turk Scott which is currently being heard in Criminal Court with Judge Robert Watts qcesiding.

Sherman Dobson, clean-shaven with his hair cut exceedingly close, sits facing the judge now and then pushing his heavy eye glasses up on his nose or putting his hands over his mouth. One hand usually dangles on the arm of a chair, both feet are firmly on the floor.

The 12 jurors are 7 black women and 2 men; and two white women and 1 white man. They sit in various positions sometimes watching the attorneys and sometimes appearing to stare in space.

All of he black jurors, except one have short hair. One has a bush. All of the blacks men are clean-shaven. There are four alternates, 3 blacks and 1 white man with long flowing hair.

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A case is covered auite well by newspaper and television reporters from around the metropolitan area. In the group, however, are two blacks. Miss Pam Widgeon from the AFRO and Mrs. Jacqueline Bolder from the WASHINGTON STAR.

During the opening statement by a young white woman attorney, Mrs. Sandra O'Connor, Sherman Dobson looks sideways pas the jury barely moving as Mrs. O'Connor got to the description of the gunning down of of Delegate Scott, not even a shoulder muscle in young Dobson's body moved.

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However, during the opening statement of his attorney, young Dobson turned to watch his every movemen. All jurors also looked directly at this young black attorney.

The first witness reach the stand, Miss Peggy Johnson, of 4062 Edgewood Road, a Westinghouse employee, drew only minor attention from young Dobson.

However, during the testimony of Dr. Russell Fisher, chief medical examiner for the State of Maryland who performed the autopsy, Mr. Dobson kept his eyes glued to Dr. Fisher's face.

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On the day in which the opening statement and the first couple of witnesses were called the courtroom was fairly empty. Among the spectators was young Bernard Brooks, a University of Baltimore law student, who was a 1969 Morgan State College graduate.

R. Peed, the guard who is assigned to Mr. Dobson, has been with the Baltimore City Jail some nine years and assigned to the court house, for almost five years.

Off and on when there was a recess in the court hearing Mr. Peed would lean over and whisper to young Dobson who in turn would shake his head.

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-Prophet Eli

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ington's urging his church membership, Timothy Baptist, 3710 Dorchester Rd., to put their money into Advance following the refusal of a white bank to give the church a loan.

"I'm following the Rev. Carl Washington and hope this will open the eyes of other preachers, churches and black businessmen," said Prophet Eli.

The pastor said that some of his estimated 150 members made the transfer this week and that others will make it next week.

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—Yule loans

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were waiting a chance to lay-off employees anyway, he asserts and adds, "And we know black citizens will be the first to go. We are at the bottom of the job ladder."

LAY-OFFS DUE

Del. Brailey, a longtime labor leader and authority, notes that when black citizens are laid-off, some of them never get their jobs back, and, "That means we end up on Welfare.

He accents also that a slump in the economy such as the experts predict within the next six months, means great suffering for most Americans, "much less those chained and bound with unnecessary bills."

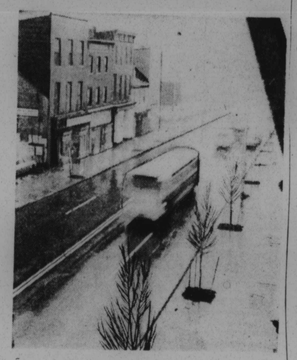
About Black Market, Del. Brailey points out, illegal fuel is not only dangerous but just plain "risky business."

FUEL OIL

A man who says he will deliver oil to your door for cash may not be established. His fuel could explode and burn your house down.

"It will better to be cold than homeless," Del. Brailey says.

For fuel oil, call the Fuel Number, 383-6810 which is under government control and reliable.



FOG AND RAIN plus 70-degree weather helped the new trees planted recently (left) along Eutaw St. in the AFRO block.

(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz)

Student, 15, shot in Murphy Homes project

A 15-year-old eighth grade student of School Number 451 was shot and critically wounded while he was playing with friends in the Murphy Homes apartments 700 block George St., at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Police report Daniel Leroy Walker, 700 block George St., remains in fair condition at the University Hospital with gunshot wounds of the lower back.

The states attorney's office, according to police, is withholding charges against 28-year-old David Gill, 1700 block Abbotson St., a security guard o the highrise apartment, until police reviews the case.

Police claim the youth and his friends were fired at after repeated warnings by a guard to clear away from the lobby of a house located in the building.

Police quotes witnesses as saying a security guard aproached the youths and ordered them away from the lobby. After they moved to some distance the guard approached them a second time and without saying a word pulled his revolver and fired one shot at the fleeing youths.

Witnesses said the youth was helped by friends from the spot he fell to where police found him.

Angry with the shooting neighborhood residents told the AFRO "Our children are being harassed. We want this to be investigated."

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Mrs. Ethel Walker, mother of the victim, told the AFRO: "I don't think he did anything wrong. If anything the guard should have asked them to move. Donny is not an impossible child and I know he could have obeyed."

Mrs. Walker, a mother of four, further added: "I didn't expect it. I had gone to a neighbor's house twenty minutes when I heard about it."

Neighborhood youths described young Walker as "friendly and popular." His mother states he likes people and playing with children.

Aid sought for poor during energy crisis

"I further believe that special oil reserves under oil allocations, which begins with the Governor, should be set aside for the thousands of oil users among the poor."

Frank Pettaway, director of the Greater Model Community Council, Inc., made the statement by calling upon officials "to intensify their efforts in arriving at a solution to eleviate the effects of the fuel crisis on the poor and indigent of our community."

He said, "In our area, thousands of people are heated by space-gas heaters which consume excess energy because of the poor condition of housing (streets are heated instead).

"I believe that steps should be taken before this crisis really gets in to compell landlords and homeowners to adequately repair such deficiencies for conservation purpose."

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Pettaway charged that the only office he has read of that is taking adequate steps to insure the welfare of the poor is the Mayor's Office of Human Resources, headed by William Sykes.

"It would be grossly negligent on the part of government officials to wait until a wave of deaths resulting from over-exposure, fires, gas leakages and related catastrophies occur before taking adequate precausionary steps," he declared.

"Such was the case with lead poisoning. Thousands of children were affected by it before the lively and effective legislation was considered," he said.

Old school to be used as center

Old school buildings never die, they just fade away — and such was the case with former Public School No. 123 located at Barre and Ridgely Streets.

At a recent meeting of the Board of School Commissioners, the historic 96-year-old building was officially transferred to the Department of Economic Development for use by the Industry and Community Together (IACT) Program as a multi-purpose neighborhood recreation center.

The center will be sponsored by South Baltimore Industries under the supervision of the Economic Devision of the Economic Development Department.