MOURN SLAIN BOY—Photos made at Wednesday morning funeral for 10-year-old Bryan Spencer Holmes, Edgewood Elementary pupil and Forest Park Little Leaguer, who was found beaten to death Jan. 11. Left panel, white doeskin casket is carried from St. Pius Catholic Church. Pallbearers were Arndra Van Diver, Donald Holmes, Robert Smallwood, Leon Robinson, Roland Moore and Nicholas Browder. Center panel, slain boy's mother, Mrs. Rita Holmes, center, walks with her mother, Mrs. Martha Holmes and Leroy Dyett, mortician. Right panel, Mrs. Winifred Ashby, left, family friend who knew youth as "fine boy", chats with Mrs. Norman Reeves, wife of owner of Winterbourne Rd. home where dead boy lived with his mother. Her son, Norman 2nd, a pal of dead youth, is at left.

(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

—10-Year-old Pupil Tortured

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AFRO. "It was just frightening. My son, Norman, is just his age."

Norman Reeves, III, who often played with Bryan, stood with his mother and said, "I can't understand it."

Another mourner described Bryan as "an ordinary American boy who loved sports and things. He wasn't the type of child who was allowed to roam the streets. Whoever killed him had to be sick."

A classmate added, "I can't think of any reason why anyone would want to hurt him."

Mrs. Winifred Ashby, 1113 W. Lanvale St., shook her head sadly and said, "There ought to be an investigation. It's really bad when something like this happens to a child." Mrs. Ashby is a neighbor of the victim's grandmother, Mrs. Gladys Holmes of W. Lanvale St.

Mrs. Emma Arrington, Sunday School teacher at Metropolitan United Methodist, where Bryan went regularly after mass, recalled, "he was a very nice boy. This shows you never know when you are in trouble."

Young Holmes, reposed in a 5'6" white, doeskin casket, wore a white turtle neck sweater, burgundy jacket and plaid trousers.

A 23-car procession drove up Edmondson Ave. to King Memorial Park for burial.

In addition to his mother, the child is survived by his father, Spencer Holland; a brother, Eric Holland; sister, Miss Rona Holland; the grandmother, Mrs. Gladys Holmes.

Also surviving, paternal grandmother, 2 aunts, 2 uncles and a great grandmother.

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amount of cash that can be contributed to any single campaign.

"And in the same measure, I will request that you strengthen, by closing loopholes, the existing law that requires firms doing $10,000 or more worth of business with the state to report campaign contributions," he said.

Citing that the governor's campaign chests are already bulging, Del. Bos well, said Gov. Mandel was reminiscent of politicians who say, "Well I've got mine now."

"How about the politicians who still have to get funds," the legislator asked.

Del. Boswell says she is not a politician who throws a fund-raiser each year. "I only try to raise campaign funds during an election year," she said, adding that she is finalizing plans for this year's affair.

Although she said she thought the governor's plan "merely touched on campaign reform," it is "laudable," she concluded.

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Other accomplishments cited by the governor's message include:

Maryland's maintaining "the highest bond rating of any state in the nation," and it's having kept "the state property tax level at a gate lower than it was during the Civil War."

The Assembly's having adopted "the strictest handgun control law in the nation."

And, the fact that, "This is the fifth consecutive year that our budget is balanced without an increase in general taxes."

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use the name James Wesley Carter because that is my cousin's name and I would drive his car when I did not have a license. The name was just stuck with me. My real name is Bernard Lee Carter."

Our conversation lead into what the police are now trying to accuse him of being "a distributor of drugs."

Brother stated, "If I was the No. 1 man, why would I work in a store?"

Mrs. Katie Pearl Williams has bought two guns across the counter and has her receipt for the guns.

She and Brother were arrested on charges of illegal possession of firearms on Jan. 11.

Brother told the AFRO, "I turned myself in because I did not have anything to hide. The (police) have been following me for 12 months. If I had done something wrong, they would have known where to pick me up. One time when they arrested Pearl Street Red, I asked him if he wanted a bonds man and the police charged me with conspiracy."

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Brother's mother, Mrs. Mamie Lee of Fernhill Ave., is the chief operator

Slouched down in the chair with legs crossed Brother revealed he has been working at Pen Dol three years.

He said, "I am in and out all day long.

The other newpapers say I walk with body guards. I have never had a body guard."

Brother mentioned his girlfriend also spends most of her time working at Pen Dol.

According ot Brother, police have charged him with distribuiton of drugs.

He said, "It is nothing but harassment, every time they see me on the street they search me."

Brother works 16 hours a day. He was previously employed at Bethlem Steel.

-'Distorted'

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within the next 30 to 60 days.

It has not heretofore been released because of the need for certain editorial changes which are now in the process of being completed.

I assume that those persons who have seen the report received copies from the author, Richard Monk.

In December, 1971, we received a federal grant for approximately $15,000 to develop standardized quantitative means of measuring effectiveness in our training schools programs. Mr. Monk was employed by this department in January, 1972 for this purpose, having had an adequate background in social psychology research.

He remained employed by this department for one year until January, 1973.

During this one-year period, he visited all the training schools to observe the program in order to help develop the evaluative tool for which he was employed to do. After leaving our employ in January, 1973, he submitted a draft of his final report.

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We found the draft to be unacceptable for final distribution as more than at substantial portion was related to his critique of training schools rather than the development of the tool to measure program effectiveness.

In addition, much of it was anecdotal in nature, and the entire draft report was in need of editing before final release.

While it is true that our training school programs are in need of change, as are many other programs, change is being effected now and I feel quite confident in saying that the publicity created by the recent reporting is not only a disservice to the department and its many dedicated employees but is totally unjustifiable and indefensible.

I invite any member of our community to visit any of our programs or our facilities and see for yourselves exactly what is going on.

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Old Plot, New Showdown

By Don and Val Hymes

When the 1974 session first galloped over the horizon, it looked like a rerun of a very old and dull western.

By the end of the first half-week, it had been "rode hard and put away wet."

Dull doesn't necessarily mean slow. There was plenty of action from the very beginning — 748 pieces of legislation jammed into the hopper, a couple of good verbal fistfights over delegation chairmanships and scattered gunfire over House and Senate rule changes.

But there were surprisingly few dead bodies littering the countryside after those battles, considering that the Senate killed off what is believed to be a 300-year-old sacred cow that allowed unlimited filibustering, and the House allowed (as a trial) unlimited taping and filming of floor debates.

The House even opened up conflict-of-interest records, although it did back down (citing the time factor) on a demand for roll calls on all committee votes.

When it came down, however, to the issues before this lawmaking body, the plot seemed to be a repeat of last year's and the year before, except maybe for the energy crisis.

Senate President William S. James had described the session as having "caretaker" qualities because of the matters to be cleaned up from past sessions.

Land use, that elusive mother lode that James has been prospecting for over the past several years, is one of them. If the special committee laboring over a bill does not come up with one, he and House Majority Leader John Arnick and other legislators on that task force will "look better than motherhood this year," Arnick said.

James says he always shies away from predicting major issues because the General Assembly always surprises him, but he does know land use will be one of them.

He hinted that one sleeper could be a plan to restructure the state's attorneys' offices, a hot potato in any year and one guaranteed to provoke a shout in an election year. James has already introduced that bill.

NOT HO-HUM

The new speaker, John Hanson Briscoe, is not looking for a ho-hum session either. He predicts excitement and "certainly controversy."!

"Anytime you have the property tax and assessments, land use, rent control, mortgage rates and the energy crsis, you're talking about the folks back home," said Briscoe, "and then top it off with the corruption issue and you have all the ingredients for one heluva session."

Briscoe was talking about "meat and potatoes" issues rather than the routine "bread and butter" controversies like the budget, schools', hospitals and roads.

Whether they have the appetite for them or not, these legislators are facing gut issues that will bring out more than the usual town meeting crowd of concerned constituents, PTA, AAUW, common Cause, NDC or League of Women Voters.

These meat and potatoes issues are fightin' words pardner, to those citizens who never show up in Annapolis but are pretty quick on the draw when they get into the voting booths. And that showdown begins with a September primary.

As usual, the pros and cons of the death penalty, pornography, no-fault divorce, sex discrimination and a new one — taking adultery out of the criminal code — will have the legislators pulling their covered wagons into a circle to avoid the slings and arrows.

MANDEL READY

Even the governor, who has already hit the campaign trail himself, will keep his gunslingers (or arm-twisters) at the ready when the budget committees start to get nosey about those figures in his department budget, especially where they may relate to those expense accounts.

And Senate Majority Leader George E. Snyder is waiting at the pass to ambush him — if not over the scholarship issue then over questionable contributions.

As Sen. Steny Hoyer put it, the flavor of this session "depends on just how political it gets." Already, concern caused by the k.k. propaganda leaflets has set buddy against buddy, as many suspect (but aren't sure) they'll be running against each other.

If nothing else, that federal corruption probe following a trail from Agnew to Anderson to Alton to cronies of Mandel, add now listing one state senator as a link, will keep the horizon dark and forbidding. The session could become so politically sensitive that many will not speak on any issues and may get out of politics altogether.

So the good guys and the bad guys are all keeping so far under cover that you can't tell who's wearing the white hats or the black hats, or who doesn't have any to throw into the ring.

While it may be a rerun, therefore, it could still be packed with drama.

When this one gets to its high noon mark, as always, no matter who is shooting it out, the showdown will be tense and crucial to the future of Marylanders.

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