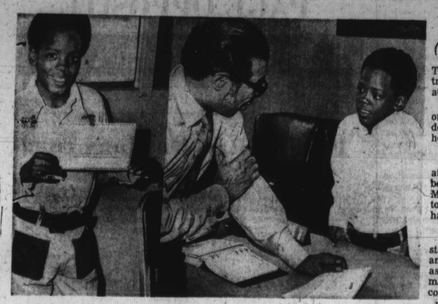

HERBERT EATON proudly displays his Pleasure Reading award which he captured last week during a reading test. At right "Herble" chats with AFRO Chairma of the Board John H. Murphy III about the award and the possibility of becoming an AFRO paperboy. Herby met Mr. Murphy when his class toured the Baltimore Art Museum where Mr. Murphy is a member of the board.
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—Mello

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The three-week nightmare trial ended for Capt. Mello at 5:20 p.m. Tuesday.

Mrs. Mello wept openly on her son, Earl's, shoulder as he tried to console her and keep from crying.

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Other relatives who had attended the trial since the beginning and given Capt. Mello their support, began to jump up waving their hands and screaming.

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Judge Joseph Young stated he realized it was an emotional moment but asked the spectators to remain quite while in the courtroom.

It seemed as if the spectators paid no attention to Judge Young, when the foreman continued to read the not guilty verdicts for the four other policemen, the screaming and crying continued.

Other than the judge and reporters, there was not a dry eye in the courtroom.

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Also acquitted was Gilbert Berrenberger, 48, a suspended western district sergeant; Calvin M. Cason, 46, another suspended sergeant and Willie A. Cheeks, 50, suspended western district officer.

John (Flathand) Dobbins, 57, 3300 block Kelox Rd. was found guilty of conspiracy to pay off police.

The jury was unable to agree on a verdict for Herman Clayborne, owner of Club Astoria, 1300 block Edmondson Ave. The decision will have to be made by the government if Clayborne gets another trial.

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Capt. Mello still faces charges under another indictment accusing him of accepting money from another group of gamblers.

Asked about his future plans Capt. Mello stated he has not made any plans. "I will just sit back read and relax." said Capt. Mello

The 5'10 captain told reporters after Tuesday's verdict, "This is a wonderful glorious jury system we have. I feel very relieved and have no immediate plans."

Following Capt. Mello's retirement last August, he accepted a job with Pre-Trial Release Program where he continued to work until he was indicted and decided to resign.

"I always had confidence in myself throughout the trial. I just wanted to be heard. I want you to recognize that I am a very humble person."

Capt. Mello said after he left Federal Court Tuesday, he became emotional because people in the street were blowing their horns at him.

Several employees from various office buildings were smiling and waiving were smiling and waiving as Captain Mello walked down Calvert St. with a smile on his face, accompanied by several members of his family.

During the interview, Capt. Mello received several calls from well-wishers. One caller said, "The boys at the club said congratulations."

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As this reporter left the captain's home, he remarked "It is a good feeling when you recognize people are with you. There's no way I am going to break any law.

"I don't need the money, it is not right and you can't get away with it."

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$1.4 million pact signs Len Elmore

A "fantastic offer"—of which money plays only a small role—is what led Maryland University's Len Elmore to the fold of the Indiana Pacers of the American Basketball Association.

The 6-foot-9 all-ACC center chose the ABA club over the Washington Bullets Thursday because, as he put it, the latter "were not in the same ball park."

Elmore, expressing disappointment at not being able to remain in the area where he became a collegiate hero, signed a Pacers contract in Indianapolis which he described as "fantastic."

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Afterward he said by phone that the agreement he reached with the ABA team was far and away better than anything even suggested by the Bullets.

The fantastic" contract involves a $14 million guarantee over six years, but that is but one facet of the total package.

Elmore is assured no-cut status, life insurance, educational opportunity should he wish to do graduate work, and other things that his agent, Len Snyder, said were almost as important as the dollar value."

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Bob Ferry, general manager of the Bullets expressed disappointment over not being able to land the talented young New Yorker. But, he said the Bullets were not prepared to match the Indiana offer. Ferry said the no-cut provision was one stumbling block.

He pointed out that the Washington people were familiar with Elmore's unusual injury problems" while he was playing with the Terps—broken bones in each foot and a broken

Ferry said that he and head coach K C Jones were convinced the risk of a no-cut, guaranteed pact

SAM LACY

Coppin vice-president at Harvard University

William Mumby, vice president of Institutional Planning and Development at Coppin State College, is attending the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University.

The six week institute consists of courses in programs designed to improve the quality of educational management in institutions of higher education.

The institute selects some 130 college and university administrators from all over the country and 17 foreign countries.

Mr. Mumby was among three participants from the state of Maryland chosen because of their expertise in the field of institutional development within the college system. The others are from Hood College in Frederick and Johns Hopkins University.

WILLIAM MUMBY

The course, which commenced on June 16, 1974, will end on July 26, 1974.

-Detroit busing

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proceedings. The court held that prison authorities must give prisoners advance written notice of charges and a statement by impartial fact-finders of evidence against him.

Ruled in a Kentucky case that a judge must hear evidence personally in suits brought by prison inmates seeking their freedom.

Held that a judge, before sentencing a youthful offender as an adult, must state that ... would not benefit from counseling and other special treatment accorded under the Youth Corrections Act.

Ruled that a jury trial is required to settle contempt charges if the sentences on all counts add up to more than six months.

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Ruled that ex-felons who have served their prison sentences can be barred from voting in state and local elections.

Ruled that prison inmates have no right to demand interviews with newsmen, nor do newsmen have any first amendment right to demand interviews with specific prisoners.

Ruled that the film "Carnal Knowledge" was not obscene, and said that juries may be instructed to apply their own "community standards" rather than broader standards in dealing with obscenity cases.

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Unanimously struck down a Florida law granting political candidates the right to free reply space in newspapers in which they are criticized.

Narrowed the protection publications have against libel suits, giving private citizens a better chance to defend their reputations.

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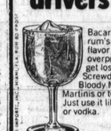

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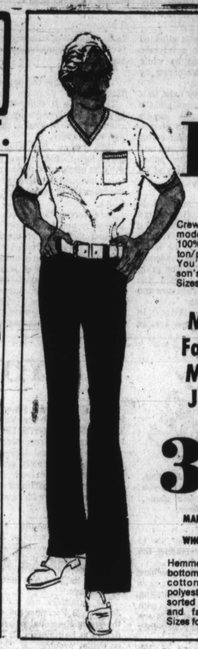

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 122 — was a typical graduation like most others in the City. Due to the large number of graduation in the Baltimore area, the AFRO regrets that it was unable to handle all of them.
(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz).

500 attend Concord Baptist banquet

Edgar Mayo and Winston Highsmith were honored last Sunday at a banquet given by Concord Baptist Church in which 500 friends attended.

The banquet concluded the celebration of the 27th annual Men's Day. For the 11 a.m. services, Dr. Windoll P. Russell of Virginia State College was the speaker.

The Rev. Carl L. Washington Sr., pastor of St. Timothy's Christian Baptist Church, presided at the affair.

Among speakers for the occasion were State's Attorney Milton B. Allen, Samuel T. Daniels, Mrs. Marguerite J. Campbell who represented the mayor; Pringle Tindal, the Rev. Samuel B Redd and the Rev. Montague Brackett who told the honorees, "Keep on climbing the mountain. There is still work to be done."

Mr. Mayo, a trustee has been a member of Concord since 1937. When something needs to be repaired in the church, Mr. Mayo is the man the members will call. He has become the painter, carpenter and plumber of the church.

Mr. Mayo is self employed and operates a barber shop at Edmondson and Fremont Ave. His wife is Mrs. Ozella Mayo.

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Mr. Highsmith, a longtime deacon of Concord, has been a member of Concord also since 1937. He is chairman of the Deacon Board; a Sunday School teacher and a member of the Pastor's Aid. Mr. Highsmith is the father of four children and is married to Mrs. Aleiha Highsmith.

Mrs. Campbell presented the two men with plaques from the mayor's office. Harlow Fullwood Jr., chairman of the banquet also received an award from the mayor.

Other awards and gifts were given to the honorees from members of the church. According to the financial report for Men's Day, the men of Concord have raised more than $11,000. The Rev. Matthew R. Silver is pastor of the church.

STOCK GIFT — James Johnson, retiring Baltimore Contractors Inc. employee, right, gets gift of several shares of firm's stock on his retirement, from Victor Frenkil, chief executive of company.

Speed reader urges friends to read more

"If you can't read, you're lost," says 11-year-old Herbert Eaton as he proudly displays a reading achievement award he recently earned.

"Herby," as he is called by his partners, is one of 100 fifth graders at Robert W. Coleman Elementary School to be awarded a city certificate for speed reading and comprehension.

But Herby's interest in reading goes far beyond classroom activity.

Each day he spends at least three hours of his leisure time reading the latest news or browsing through books and magazines.

Asked why he reads so much, Herby stated: "Well, if you don't learn how to read, something may happen that you should know about and you won't be able to read about it. It's something everyone should be able to do."

Herby says that although he does a lot of independent browsing, he gives much of the credit to his mother, Mrs. Rachel Eaton and sister Ms. Cecelia De Ford.

Cecelia, a recent Harvard University graduate, speaks 26 foreign languages and will serve as the dean of women at the University of California this fall.

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"My sister gives me a lot of books, teaches me new words and has me read things back to her," says Herby.

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Besides being an avid reader, little Eaton is also a top flight mathematician and a rough and rugged football player.

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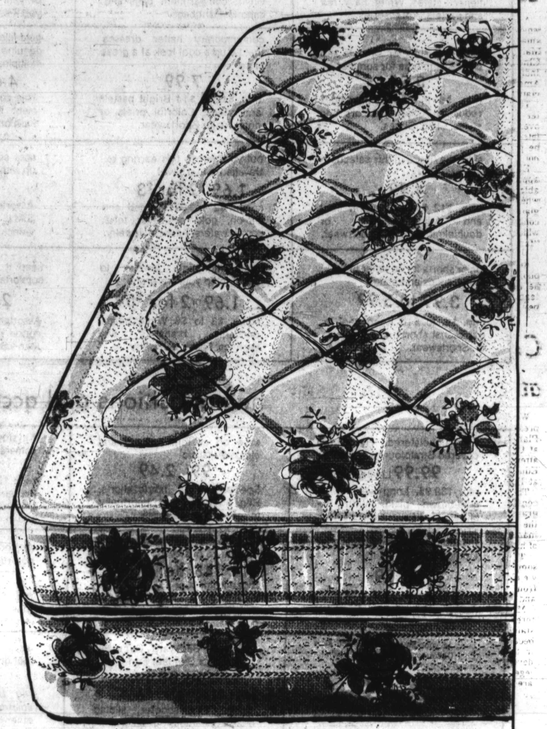

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