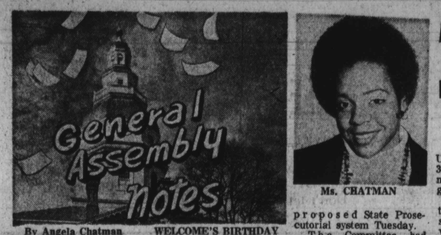

By Angela Chatman
(AFRO Bureau)

Annapolis — Members of the New District Democrats of the 41st District visited Annapolis Monday night. In the group of 25 were members of Union Memorial United Methodist Church Civic Club who were the guests of Del. Pinkney A. Howell, (D-41).

With the group was Mrs. Sara Howell, Del. Howell's wife, and her mother, Mrs. Rosetta Paige.

The visitors toured the State House and the House of Delegates Office Building and also sat in on hearings in the Environmental Matters Committee of which Howell is a member.

"I enjoyed it. It was a beautiful day. The trip was delightful, "said Mrs. Helen Beverly, of Thoga Parkway.

Other visitors were, Mrs. Mary B. Jones; Langston Talley; Miss Lucy Talley; Miss Mildred Lewis; Mrs. Elsie S. Fantt, Mr. and Mrs. Burney T. Kene; Mrs. Mildred L. Gambrill; Mrs. Laora R. Cornish;

Also, Mrs. Rosemary H. Douglas; Darren Douglas; Keith Kene; Mrs. Blanch Bell; Mrs. Thelma Murray; Mrs. Florence R. Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Neal; Powell Sheffrey and Miss Toby Douglas.

DUNBAR STUDENTS

Students from Dunbar Community High School in east Baltimore were guests of Delegates Hattie N. Harrison and John W. Douglass (D-45) in Annapolis Wednesday.

The 40 students were members of Nathaniel McFadden's Social Studies class.

The students toured the State House and sat in on Senate Committee hearings.

They were also served lunch in the City Delegation meeting room in the House of Delegates Office Building.

After lunch, the students participated in a question and answer period with the delegates

WELCOME'S BIRTHDAY

Sen. Verda F. Welcome (D-40), celebrated her birthday on Tuesday. The senator received flowers for the occasion and was taken to dinner by fellow members of the Senate Finance Committee.

When asked how old she is, she said, "39".

POLICE BILL

The House of Delegates passed Bill 411 that would return the control of the Baltimore City Police Commissioner back to the Mayor of Baltimore.

The vote was 99-8 with 34 delegates not voting. Black legislators voted solidly for the bill with the exceptions of Delegates Kenneth L. Webster and Lloyal Randolph (D-40) and Larry Young (D-38), who missed the vote.

Six Baltimore City delegates vote against the bill. They were delegates Troy C. Brown, (D-39); Henry J. Hergenroeder Jr.; John P. X O'Brien (D-43); and Gerald J. Curran, Dennis McCoy, and Frank Robey (D-44).

Other city delegates who also did not vote were Charles Avara, John Rutkowski and chairman of the city delegation, Paul Weisengoff, (D-37).

The bill has now been sent to the Senate where it was referred to the Budget and Taxation Committee, of which Sen. Clarence W. Irodoued by Del. Walter of living increase for payment to juvenile residential care homes and public proved House Bill 895 introduced by Del. Walter Dean providing for a cost of living increase for payment to juvenile residential care homes and public assistance to juveniles.

PROSECUTORIAL SYSTEM

The Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee voted in favor of Gov. Mandel's

Morgan U. passes Senate, may face trouble in House

Ms. CHATMAN

By Angela Chatman
(AFRO Bureau)

Annapolis — The Morgan University bill, Senate Bill 345m, has passed and is now in the House of Delegates

The bill sailed through the Senate with little opposition. With the final vote was taken Tuesday, it passed overwhelmingly, 36-4, with 7 members not voting.

Ironically, Sen. Verda F. Welcome, (D-40), who introduced the bill with 31 co-sponsors, missed the vote because she was off the floor.

So did another supporter, Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell, III, (D-38).

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The measure is now in the House Ways and Means Committee. Since the bill has just passed the Senate, the hearing date has not been set, if there is to be a hearing. Delegates may simply review the testimony given in the Senate. If the bill does not pass the House, then it is dead. If it does pass, it will go to Mandel to be signed and made into law or to be vetoed if he doesn't want it.

The bill is expected to encounter trouble in the House, because the chairman of Ways and Means Del. Benjamin L. Cardin is against it.

proposed State Prosecutorial system Tuesday.

The Committee had adopted amendments which would have destroyed the intent of the bill which provides for a chief state prosecutor to investigate cases of political corruption.

However, the vote which adopted those amendments which were introduced by Sen. Jerome F Connell, was reconsidered and the governor's bill is now intact.

JUVENILE CAUSES

The House Judicial Committee voted favorably on an administration measure which would reform the Juvenile Code in the State of Maryland.

The measure was accepted by a voice vote after 29 amendments were proposed. The bill is expected to come to the floor today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A free excursion to the Maryland State Legislation's Monday evening session is being sponsored by Delegates Arthur G. Murphy Sr., Walter Dean and Pinkney Howell on Monday, March 24.

The trip to Annapolis is designed to give the citizens of the 41st district an opportunity to see the democratic process in action.

The busses will leave Mondawmin Shopping Center promptly at 6 p.m. and reservations for the trip can be made by calling 367-6134 today, Friday.

Those who wish to drive may do so.

BUDGET

The House Appropriations Committee approved the governor's $3.1 billion budget on Wednesday.

Senate Bill 110, which provides $3,124,600,000 on Tuesday. It was then budget passed the Senate sent to the House Appropriations Committee which approved it with amendments but with no fiscal changes.

It is expected to be brought to the floor of the house and passed next week.

Young people urge marijuana reforms

By Angela Chatman
(AFRO Bureau)

Annapolis — Some 50 young people sat in on a hearing on the proposed discriminalization of marijuana.

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The Tuesday hearing was held by the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee on Senate Bill 755, introduced by Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell, III (D-38).

A companion bill has been introduced in the House by Del Larry Young (D-36).

Senate Bill 755 would reduce the penalty for the possession of an ounce or less of marijuana to a fine of $10.

At present, the penalty is not more than one year in prison and/or a fine of $1,000.

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Proponents of the bill listed the following reasons for their support:

1. That smoking marijuana is a victim of crime.
2. That marijuana is no more a dangerous drug than alcohol.
3. That alcholoism is more of a danger in this country than the buse of marijuana.
4. That interested youngsters are unfairly hurt by marijuana arrests.
5. That is is unfair for a person to be imprisoned for using marijuana.

Proponents also pointed out that people of all walks of life smoke marijuana and that scientific studies have not shown it to be more harmful than alcohol.

Among those testifying in favor of the bill was Robert Carr, senior program analyst for the Drug Abuse Council, who noted that, "The use of punitive criminal sanctions to control the use of marijuana has not been effective Most people who want to smoke marijuana do so anyway.

"Alcoholism is the number one killer in the country . . . it is hypocritical to punish other drug users, said Moses Durham representing Legl Cam, the legislative council of the University of Maryland.

He maintained that it was unfair that persons should be sent to jail for minor use of marijuana and be subjected to the bad conditions in our prison system.

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Also supporting the bill was Mrs. Laura L. McCall, who is a social worker and runs a drug treatment for Baltimore city.

"I am asking you to help us help the families of the kids who have been arrested," she said.

Others who favored the bill were, Keith Stroup of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, (NORML); Attorney Michael Isaacson; Lou Curran, a senior at Johns Hopkins University; Paul Cavanaugh, University of Maryland; Richard Blum, representing the governor's Youth Advisory Council of the Department of Employment and Social Services; Ms. Kathleen Ferguson, University of Md. and Patrick McCann, student activist.

One opponent of the bill was Lt. Frank Mazzone, Maryland State Police, Pikesville, who maintained that not very many actually go to jail for possession or use of marijuana.

Another opponent, Alfred V Milliman, declared, "The regular use of marijuana causes a brain syndrome and thought disorder. an organic syndrome is caused by heavy use."

Milliman, who h conducted a crusade against the use of marijuana, blamed drug abuse for the actions of Pattie Hearst.

Because the decriminalization of marijuana is a very sensitive subject most legislatives are said to be afraid to touch, the bill is expected to die in committee.

APRIL 21

The next meeting of the Advisory Board of Juvenile Services to the Department of Juvenile Services will be held on Wednesday, April 2, at Boys' Village in Cheltenham, Marryland. The meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m.

REGISTER now so you can vote for the next mayor and city councilpersons. Do so today at Supervisors of Elections, People's Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts., next election is Sept., 1975. Get prepared NOW.

Social workers take concerns to Caucus

By Angela Chatman
(AFRO Bureau)

Annapolis — Members of the Baltimore Chapter of the National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW), met here with members of the Legislative Black Caucus on Monday night.

The social workers expressed their concern over House Bill 931, which would require them to have licenses.

The group discussed strategy and plans to defeat the bill. Members of the Caucus stressed the need for the group to work closely with them

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The social workers contend licensing is a means to limit people interested in the profession. They claim black social workers will suffer most.

However, the group does not object to licensing of private persons who act as social workers.

Representing the NABSW were Edward Chance, president of the Baltimore chapter; Ms. Rosetta Jolley, first vice president of the NABSW; John E. Manning, treasurer; Ms. Donna Hollie, financial secretary; Mrs. Alice Lee, recordinc secretary; and H. J. Gilis, executive member at large.

Also, Ms. Dorothy Miller, National Committee; Ms. Rosetta J. Keane, Child Welfare Committee; Ms. Norma Doney, Corrections Committee; Mrs Carolyn Markus and Albert Dowdell.

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Members of the Caucus prevent were Delegates Isaiah "Ike" Dixon, (D-39); Lloyal Randolph, Troy F. Brailey, Kenneth L. Webster (D-40); Walter R. Dean, Arthur G. Murphy Sr., and Pinkney A. Howell, (D-41); John W. Douglass and Joseph A. Chester, (D-45) and Nathaniel Exum and Decatur Trotter, (D-25), Prince Georges County.

Sen. Welcome's bills would curb smoking

By Angela Chatman
(AFRO Bureau)

Annapolis — "There is ample evidence to prove that smokers pollute the air for non-smokers, as well as for themselves.

"In a poorly ventilated place, this pollution can reach levels that are not only uncomfortable for many, but, also produce harmful effects of both temporary and permanent nature."

Sen. Verda F. Welcome (D-40th), made this statement before the Senate Finance Committee as she opened her testimony on a series of bills which would provide for regulation of smoking in public places.

Senate bills 503 through 506, introduced by Sen. Welcome, are companions to a series of bills introduced in the House of Delegates by Del. Steven V. Sklar, (D-42).

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The measures provide for regulation of smoking in public buildings by the Secretary of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Hygiene; prohibition or regulation of smoking in elevators in restaurants, supermarkets, busses, hospitals, nursing homes and health clinics.

Sen. Welcome explained, "The individual who stopped smoking or never takes up smoking has a right to be protected from the side effects of smoking which can be equally as hazardous

"This series of bills would protect people from exposure to the harmful effects of cigarette smoking in certain confined and sensitive places."

Among those supporting the bills were Del. Sklar; Dr. James Flynn, Department of Health and Mental hygiene; Mrs. Julie Hamos, Action on Smoking and Health (ASH); Mrs. Leslie Olsur, president of the Baltimore chapter of ASH;

Also, Mrs. Clara Govin, coordinator of Group Against Smokers Pollution (GASP); Willard K. Morris, program director of the Lung Association of Southern Maryland; and E. P. Maugans, chief of Division of Food Control, State Health Department.

Opponents were attorney Paul McHenry, representing the tobacco industry; and Jack Miller, Maryland Farm Bureau.

Happiness is break fast at school

By Pam Widgeon

If all students received a well prepared breakfast in school, like the students at Lexington Terrace Elementary School, they would eat all the food, not complain to their parents and would look forward to coming to school.

School 19, located at Lexington St. and Myrtle Ave., where Delmas Milbourne is principal and Paul Antetomaso is vice principal, has a very unique program from 8:15 to 8:45 a.m.

Children in the E.S.A. program are served breakfast daily before attending class.

When the AFRO visited the school Monday, the breakfast hostesses were setting the tables for the 150 students who get a free breakfast.

Monday's menu included a half pint of milk, a bowl of cereal and a grilled cheese sandwich.

By simply observing the youngsters, you could see they were enjoying their meal.

When asked if they liked the food, several students said, "It is real good, I like it. It is free and we get something different each morning."

The breakfast menu has scrambled eggs, apple sauce, toast and butter, spiced ham, cereal, milk, juice and hard boiled eggs. Lunch is also served in the cafeteria to students. Some get free lunches through the ESA program while others must pay.

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Several schools are now having problems with students eating lunch because the food is pre-cooked and heated in a micro-wave oven, after arriving at the schools.

Schools that receive lunches that are pre-cooked are mostly schools without cafeterias. Other schools in region I that serve breakfast are Schools 1 and 1A, 16, 32, 122, 125, 161, 250 and 309.

Breakfast hostesses at school 19 are Mrs. Gladys McCullough, Mrs. Jessye Belfield, Mrs. Cornelia Coleman, Misses Patricia Loving, Ms. Lucille Wally and Ms. Renae Ball.

M'M'M'M GOOD say the students at Lexington Terrace Elementary School as they eat breakfast before attending class. AFRO photo by Robert Robert Matthews IV shows from left, Billy Sherrod, Earl Mills, Lynnette Gaither and Rita Anderson.

ENJOYING THEIR FOOD are from left Gary Washington, Daphene Shines, Lisa Bradley, Lisa Reed and Tracy McKenzie.
(AFRO staff photo by Robert Matthews IV)

'You got to like people'

By Pam Widgeon

"You have got to like people in order to be in law enforcement. You will never be rich from this job, but you will receive an internal feeling that you are accomplishing something not only for yourself but the community."

Officer Harlow Fullwood Jr. made the above statement to the AFRO. The 34-year-old officer is described as a "model of excellence in the home, in the church and in the community." His contributions to the community are numerous enough to fill the pages of a volume.

Officer Fullwood was named to the 1973 AFRO Honor Roll for distinguished public service above and beyond the call of duty. The award is the highest given to a citizen by the AFRO.

Officer Fullwood joined the Police Department in 1964 and started out as a foot patrolman in East Baltimore.

In 1966, he was asked to join the Recruiting Unit of the Police Department. Officer Fullwood states he joined the recruitment force because he saw the need for black officers.

"Benefits and working conditions were poor in 1966. When Commissioner Pomerleau came, I saw positions opening up for blacks," said Officer Fullwood.

Officer Fullwood is often seen driving around the city in his blue and white police van, trying to recruit citizens to join the force.

He often goes to schools and gives the Civil Service Examination to students who are interested in joining the force.

"We haven't been too successful in recruiting women because their height must be 5'7'. I spend a lot of time at the State Employment Office talking to men who are looking for jobs," says Officer Fullwood.

What Officer Fullwood wants is men and women 18 to 35-years-old with a high school diploma. He is an active member of Concord Baptist Church and serves as a trustee.

Born in Asheville, N.C. Officer Fullwood is married to Mrs. Elnora S. Bassett Fullwood and has one daughter, Miss Paquita Tara.

Officer Fullwood has received numerous awards and letters from the public commending him on police recruiting.

He received his A.A. Degree from the Community College of Baltimore. Upon completing his senior year at Virginia Union University, he became the first union football player to be defeated by both the Baltimore Colts of N.F.L. and the Buffalo Bills of the A.F.L.

His proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harlow (Louise) Fullwood Sr.

Security stepped up for Pimlico opener

WAITING FOR BREAKFAST are Lexington Terrace Elementary Stacy Dowdy and Yvette Williams of School.
(AFRO staff photo by Robert M. Matthews IV)

A crowd of nearly 13,000 race horse enthusiasts was on hand for the Monday opening of Pimlico. Officials claim the figure was the largest for a weekday in the 105-year-old history of the track.

In an attempt to handle the large crowd and deter crimes, extra plain clothesmen, uniformed officers and track security were assigned.

Pimlico is an "in city" track that attracts all kinds of people from businessmen to housewives and children to senior citizens.

The track, located at Park Heights and Belvedere Aves., can easily be reached by car, transit bus, cab and for some, a short walk.

At the same time, it makes it convenient for pick-pockets, purse snatchers and men to "walk right to the track" and perform a day's job on unsuspecting prey.

Interested persons, eager to bet on their favorite or lucky numbered horse, carry various amounts of money that is "big game" to nick-pockets A total of $1,332,036 was wagered on Monday and $956,138 on Tuesday.

Wednesday's rainy weather didn't stop nearly 7,000 fans from attending the track.

However, the extra security provided by the police department was designed to make any con man or purse snatcher stick to betting on the horses.

Aside from the sector patrol cars for the area, additional forces were provided from the Northwestern District, supplemented by forces from Western and Northern Districts.

Officers on motorcycles cruised around the grounds and side streets to the track to prevent any car thefts or traffic problems.

Under normal conditions the track assigns 39 men who work on three shifts, patroling the grounds day and night.

The Thoroughbred Racing Protection Bureau also sends a crew that serves as plain clothesmen who work within the immediate areas near the grandstand and clubhouse.

HURRY TO THE RACES — Crowds of spectators and betters, blended with plain clothes officers, rush to the grandstand just before the beginning of the first race.

SPY PROBE

Russell delivers police records

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (UPI) — The State Senate Committee investigating alleged spying by Baltimore police has received records subpoenaed from the city police department.

The records, it has been learned, were delivered to the committee's lawyer early this week, apparently from George L. Russell Jr., the former city solicitor who is serving as the attorney for the department and Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau.

Although the documents were provided as early as Tuesday, committee members said they still had not seen the subpoenaed material and some said they did not even know that the committee's counsel had obtained them.

Committee Chairman Edward T. Conroy, D-Prince George's, said the members would get a briefing on the subpoenaed documents from the committee's lawyer before Friday's scheduled public hearing.

It could not be learned what the documents are but Conroy hinted strongly there is no crucial evidence involved.

"You try to get all the evidence, like pieces in a puzzle, to make a complete picture, just because you don't get all the evidence doesn't mean you can't get the entire picture," Conroy said when asked about the significance of the subpoenaed material.

The subpoena for Commissioner Pomerleau requested only certain documents and not the commissioner's personal appearance at Friday's hearing. The subpoena for the police records was one of seven issued last week by the committee, the other six going to present and former police officers.

Committee members questioned Thursday said they are gradually becoming more convinced about some of the spying allegations that have been made so far, both in private and in open committee sessions.

Most declined to be specific, but Sen. Elroy G. Boyer, D-Upper Shore, probably the most conservative committee member, said he had heard evidence within the past week that is convincing.

"When this all began, you could say I was a minority of one," Boyer said. "But after first seeing smoke, I've seen fire. Now we've got to blow the smoke away and take a good look at that fire."

FLASH DOWNPOURS Wednesday, drenched the city in an unprecedented one and a half inches of rain. About 2:30 p.m. at the floodtide, streets were empty except for one man spotted at the foot of Druid Hill Ave. near the AFRO home office building by photographer Robert M. Matthews IV.

William Carter confined to hospital

William (Bill) Carter, an authorized field representative for the Department of Housing and Community Development, is confined to Union Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Carter had a stroke and heart attack on March 3 and is listed in "critical Condition." He is known for his dynamic performance as a community organizer advisor.

He is also affiliated with the Homestead Montebello College Center of Antioch. He is looked upon as a father by most of the younger students and a big brother by the older students.

Summer school teachers due back pay

Some 200 city school teachers will receive a total of $58,000 additional pay as an adjustment to last year's summer school wages.

The adjustment was in response to grievances filed by the Public School Teachers' Association last October to the School Board because the summer school teachers were paid based on a bachelor's degree scale for 1969.

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Oscar Jones, PSTA director of staff relations told the AFRO, "The applications for last summer's teaching positions said that the teachers would be paid according to the current pay scale."

However, Mr. Jones pointed out that the specific scale was not included with the application.

He added that although the board argued that the pay for summer school item, the pay scale had teachers was a negotiated

The decision to make the been negotiated.

adjustments was handed down by a special committee selected by the board. A hearing was held on the case Feb. 28.

Members include Mrs. Sheila Sachs, Howard E. Marshall and Oscar Helm.

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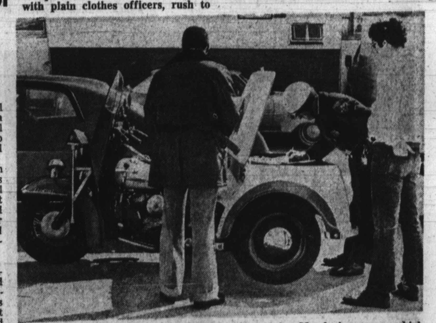
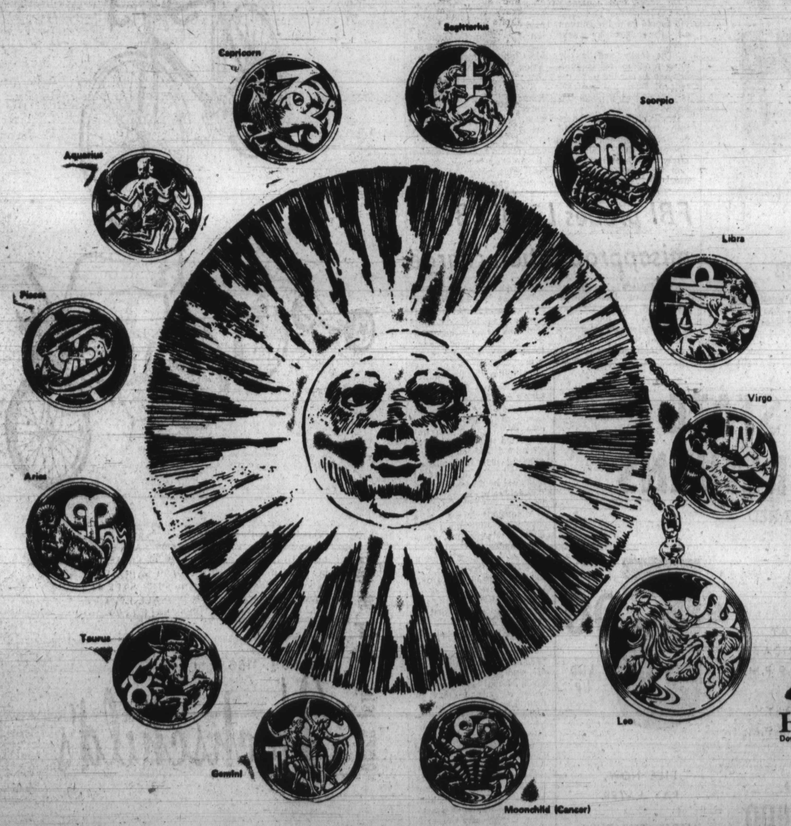

ADDED SECURITY — Extra motorcycle officers and plain clothesmen were assigned to Pimlico Race Course for Monday's opener which drew an overwhelming crowd of horse enthusiasts.

RACE TRACK PARAPHENALIA — Eager persons stand in line to purchase racing books, one of the many items used to determine what horses are running throughout the nine races and what horse has a chance to win.



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