—Psychiatrist explains

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This denial story however led to more calls from people who curiously either wanted to know about the baby or from people who stated they have heard the story from other sources.

A few samples of the callers' statements are printed here:

A Mervo student said: "My sister-in-law works at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in the OB and she says she was there when the baby was born and he did talk."

Another said: "A woman who works at the Johns Hopkins Hospital called to report that a male co-worker called a friend of his at Johns Hopkins Hospital who informed him that the baby born at Johns Hopkins really did talk."

A young man called Wednesday, May 7 at 12:35 p.m. stating:

"The baby you're looking for is still in the hospital. It's a boy and he's still at the Johns Hopkins Hospital."

The young man stated he was going to try to take a picture of the baby and bring it in to the AFRO publication.

One caller who gave his name as Michael McKeiphan told the AFRO he has no doubt about the birth of the baby and its prophecy. He said: "The first world was destroyed by water and the Bible says our world will be destroyed by fire. Well, I believe the baby's prophecy because, look around you, what is the cause of all these fires? The child is right. Let them hide the child."

On the basis of all this, including the countless other calls, the AFRO felt obligated, as the developer of the story and the mouthpiece of the community, to find out the truth or to dispel the allegation.

In a final statement of denial by Dr. Theodore King, professor of Gynecology and Obstetrics, read to the AFRO Thursday, the hospital stated:

"A rumor has been circulating for some days culating for some days about a "taking baby" born at the Johns Hopkins Hospital who supposedly uttered a prophecy about God shortly after birth. No such event has happened at the Johns Hopkins Hospital."

—G I tells story

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vealed, "When I left Vietnam, I asked my wife to come to the United States and bring our daughter. I even went AWOL (absent without leave) and lost two stripes because I stayed over my time in Vietnam pleading with her to come with me."

All this failed and back in Baltimore, the GI said he gave up.

Then suddenly, he said, he received a phone call from the Red Cross on May 1, informing him his wife and daughter are in California and want him to be their sponsor to Baltimore.

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When asked how he felt after learning his wife was in California, and how she arrived there, he replied, "Very depressed, I am in the process of getting a divorce and my wife know its. She probably showed her marriage license which stated she is married to an American and she was allowed passage."

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After leaving Vietnam on June 4, 1972, Staff Sgt. Hines says he continued to send his wife $161 a month, which is equivalent to $644 in Vietnam.

"She kept writing me and saying it was not enough money. She wrote and said she would sell my daughter if I did not send her more money," Staff Sgt. Hines said sorrowfully.

Staff Sgt. Hines recalls when he was able to bring his wife and daughter to the United States, she was not interested. However, she waited a little too late and had to become a part of the massive exodus from Vietnam.

Again, Staff Sgt. Hines repeated, "My plans are to get my daughter, but not the whole package that came with her.

"The Red Cross told me she has two children with her. Only one of the children belongs to me. The other child is by her former marriage to someone else."

Staff Sgt. Hines says he has been upset since he learned about his wife and child.

"She agreed to the divorce and then she said she did not want it. I have not heard from her personally for over a year.

He explained his plans are to go ahead to Thailand.

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However he says he wants his daughter to live with his mother in Baltimore.

Mrs. Gloria Cooper, mother of Staff Sgt. Hines, is despondent about the situation.

"I have compassion in my heart for those people, but we can't afford to take care of all three.

"If I thought I could get my grandbaby, I would make arrangements to go to California."

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Frank Balch, assistant director of service to military families stated, "It is a decision he has to make.

"The Red Cross is only to provide volunteer support, information, counseling and family service.

"Other agencies will take care of the financial aspects. His wife has given his name as her sponsor and we act as a liaison."

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—Sniper hits

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below police went knocking on doors and occasionally searching some of the premises.

Police said about three weeks ago a mysterious gunman fired into the post office building early in the morning from a highrise on another side. The shots broke windows on two different floors but caused no injuries in the mostly vacant buildings.

Postal inspectors said snipers became a problem when they shot a security guard in 1972 soon after the building opened.

During Tuesday search, police state, a Central District policeman unaware of the search for the sniper arrested a 14-year-old youth near the post office when he spotted the youth and another juvenile carrying a sawed-off shotgun wrapped in a brown pullover jacket.

However, the other youth who allegedly had the shells for the gun in his pocket escaped. Police said that the uunloaded gun had not been fired and was not involved in the sniping incident. Tuesday's shot was fired from a small caliber weapon, probably from a rifle, according to police.

Police state the escaped youth is being sought in connection the shotgun and the high-rise sniping.

Mr. Bright has worked with the postal services for 29 years during which period he has received an award for superior accomplishment.

Born in Baltimore, he is a graduate of Douglass High School. He is a member of the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees and American Postal Workers Union.

His hobby is scale model railroads.

CHARLES BURMAN

—Burman faces

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in November, 1974, at the club.

Mr. Burman lives in the 3600 block Burmont Ave., with his two sons. City, state and Baltimore County police conducted a narcotics raid at his home on Nov 9, 1974.

He is also the owner of Burman's Records, a recording-firm and CWG Roofing Company, 3700 block Winterbourne Ave.

—Mrs. Hill

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he intends to remain on the job despite the controversy that has persistently surrounded him.

Mandel, who appointed Solomon, has expressed confidence in Solomon's medical abilities but has not offered similar support for his administrative efforts.

CORRECTION

In the Tueday edition of the AFRO, we printed a picture of a five-yearold Tyrone Easley and his speech teacher, Miss Leslie Sandick at the Furman L. Templeton Elementary School, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave.

Under that picture, we stated that Tyrone is deaf. Tyrone is not deaf, but he does suffer from a speech disability and is a member of his school Language Learning Disability Class.

CORRECTION

Ely Francis, controller for Baltimore city public schools, says he did not make the statement printed in the AFRO April 12 story on the Board of Estimates hearing. He was quoted, "We have added enough fat so when the cutting comes, there'll be some meat left." Mr. Francis says he stated, "This is a bare bones budget."

Mayor Schaefer proclaims May 18th-24th as "Diet Workshop Week". Accepting are staff members (from left), Ms. Marlene Hudley, Jerrie Watts, Sue Green and Grace Tizard, who together maintain a total weight loss 247 pounds .The diet workshop is a weight-control organization, which has benefited many citizens in Baltimore City, through efforts to educate people in proper eating habits. "Diet Workshop Week" will be highlighted with their 4th annual luncheon and fashion show on Monday May 19th, 12 noon at the Hunt Valley Inn with Guest Speaker, Dr. Neil Solomon. All proceeds will be donated to The Kidney Foundation of Maryland.

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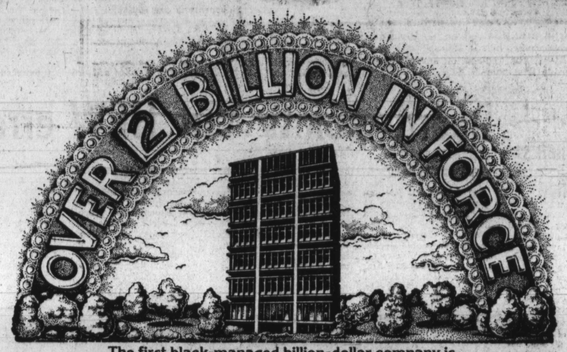

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State pays $21 million in benefits in March

Jobless Marylanders received $21,240,623 in unemployment compensation benefits, during March, according to a report released by the Employment Security Administration of the Department of Employment and Social Services.

Agency officials said that the March payments were $4,142,972 more than the $17,097,651, (which included $424,673 in extended benefits) paid out in February and $14,049,892 more than the $7,190,731 paid in March of 1974. The extended benefit program was not in effect in 1974.

During the week ending March 29, 63,728 workers were filing for regular unemployment compensation benefits and 5,487 were filing for extended benefits, for a total of 69,215. This represents a gain of 38,939 over the 30,276 filing during the comparative week of 1974.

The Employment Security Administration also paid a total $493,765 in Federal unemployment compensation benefits to recently discharged veterans. Of this sum, $52,965 were paid out for extended benefits. Federal benefits paid to former federal employees totalled $772,159; which included $65,184 paid in extended benefits.

The agency also paid $13,882 during March to individuals in training under the Federal Manpower Development and Training Act, and $45,043 to those training under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act.

Young named to education advisory council

Del. Larry Young has accepted an appointment by the U.S. Commissioner of Education to serve a term of two years to the Maryland State Department of Education Title IV Advisory Council.

As a member of Title IV Council, Del. Young will be expected to advise the State's Department of Education on the preparation of, and policy matters arising in the administration of the state's annual program "plan, including the developing of criteria of the distribution of funds and the approval of applications for assistance under Title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1974."

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In addition, the State Title IV Advisory Council will evaluate all programs and projects assisted under Title IV of the Act at least annually. Evaluations by the State Advisory Council will include the scope and quality of programs and projects for children enrolled in public elementary and secondary schools and evaluate the extent to which the objectives which were set forth pursuant are met.

Title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides for the consolidation of certain educational programs.

Del. Young welcomes assistance from anyone in the community who has an interest in this particular act.

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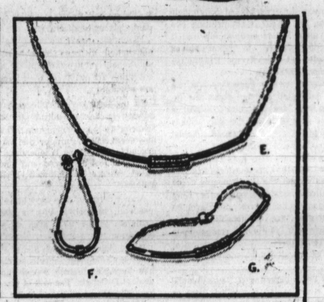

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