—Schools open peacefully but....

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transfer requests were not sparked by the tion plan but were sought for either hardship reasons a change of address.

Four Week Delay

Even though the transfer procedure is not a complicated one, the large amount of requests, placing a burden on the 16-member staff, may cause a three to four week wait for a new assignment.

The present plan, which has been rejected by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, does not shift students out of their immediate communities but assigns them to schools within a specified zone.

Transfers will be granted if a student leaves the majority of one school and is in the minority at another, has a change of adress, requests a special program offered at a particular facility or has a special hardship.

Students urged to stay in school

Requests can be filled out by the parent or student at his assigned school. The principal of that school will then forward it to the Student Placement Office who in turn, notifies the pupil of the change.

However, school officials urge students to attend their assigned school until the transfer has been granted.

Desegregation Conferences

The peaceful school opening culminated after detailed preparations by administrators and staff.

Several workshops and conferences involving the total community, have been held since last spring in order to prepare detailed plans for a smooth opening.

During a three-day desegregation workshop in August, Positive Intervention Teams were formed to help prevent and mediate any crises. But these community volunteers found few problems caused by racial tensions.

Dr. Crew Satisfied

Dr. John L. Crew, interim superintendent, stated, "I am satisfied, pleased and very grateful for what appears to be a very smooth opening of our schools."

Last year's attempt to desegregate the elementary and seventh grades received advance notice of protests by parents in several communities. However, these same parents worked within the schools to ensure an uneventful opening of the 1975-76 term.

Trouble Spots Watched

Despite school officials optimism that there would be little or no disruption, several facilities that had been trouble spots were watched closely on Thursday.

Police officers were assigned and patrolled the area throughout the day.

Some 35 additional security officers were added to the school system's Security Division, totaling 126 officers this year.

And to allow the security officers more mobility, they were equipped with walkie-talkies for the first time.

Robert Poole

In the Hampden area which has experxienced some racial tensions over the past few years, Robert Poole Junior High opened on a quiet tone.

"We've had a very nice opening. There was a peaceful gathering of students who quietly entered the building," stated Assistant Principal Mrs. Louise Lassiter.

Robert Poole which was 17 per cent black two years ago, increased its black enrollment to 33 per cent this year.

Mrs. Lassiter reported that the attendance was nearly 100 per cent on the first day.

City/Eastern

A majority of the white ninth grade students of Robert Poole were assigned to City College and Eastern High to alleviate overcrowding at that school.

Miss Betty Williams, principal of Eastern stated that the majority of the 200 expected white students attended on opening day.

And City College Principal Marvin Wells said that his school had normal enrollment for the first day opening, unmarked by disturbance.

Lake Clifton

The same held true for Lake Clifton Senior High which received some 400 white students who attended class at the $13 million facility, unaffected by the desegregation order.

Boyce Mosley, principal, told the AFRO, "Most of our students have not stayed away. On the contrary, we are getting requests from students in other zoned and city-wide facilities who want to come to Lake Clifton.

Hampstead Hill, Hamilton, Canton and Rock Glen also opened their doors on a peaceful attitude.

Mrs. Betty Deacon, leader of the Southeast Desegregation Coalition who led her community in boycotts of Lombard Junior High last year, worked in the reverse urging parents to accept the new plan and keep their children in school.

AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE—parents were lined up in the hallways seeking transfers for their children. In AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewyez are from left Larteni Jackson, 14, 8th grade, Calverton Jr. High who wants to transfer to Lemmel Jr. High; Donald Knight, 16, 10th grader who want to go from Carver to Southwestern. Their parents are further down the hall.

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Juror charged with committing perjury in Burman drug case

A 28-year-old woman and the only white juror that heard the Charles Burman narcotics case in June, was indicted by the grand jury Aug. 29, for perjury and obstructing justice.

Ms. Naomi Gould of the 900 block E. 30th St., was arrested Wednesday morning and later released on her own recognizance pending trial.

The perjury indictment papers state Ms. Gould violated her oath as a juror, by which she swore to speak the truth to certain preliminary questions asked by Judge Charles D. Harris.

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She is also charged with committing perjury when she swore "that she would not give more or less weight, one way or the other to the testimony of a police officer merely because he is a police officer moral reasons, of personal thoughts or convictions regardinng the use of a wire-tap by the police, and would accept it as any other evidence one way or the other."

CHARLES BURMAN

The obstructing justice charges state Ms. Gould attempted to force the other jurors in reaching a verdict.

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The 10 - day narcotics trial ended in a mistrial because the jury was unable to agree on a verdict after eight hours of deliberation.

The jurors agreed 10 to two for conviction. Prosecutors state they learned of the alleged perjury through the other 11 jurors who complained to the court about Ms. Gould's statement, when she asserted that she would not believe the testimony of a police officer or wire'tap evidence.

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Mr. Burman and his two sons, Michael, 18 and Charles, 19, were on trial and charged with heroin distribution and possession with intent to distribute as well as conspiracy to violate state narcotics laws.

Also on trial with the Burmans were Elmer Gross, Edward L. McClain and Harry Chase Jr., all charged with possession with intent to distribute heroin and conspiracy.

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Witnesses that are expected to testify for the state are the other jurors who heard the case.

The witnesses are Ms. Anna M. Spencer, Ms. Donna Hollie, Ms. Geraldine Walker, Glen C. Bennett, Ms. Inez J. Robinson, Ms. Muriel J. Smith, Ms. Gertrude J. Guy, Allen Baugh, Ms. Grace Lowery, Ms. Joan Amos, Ms. Amanda Guillard, Ms. Beulah S. Scott, Samuel Brittan and Judge Charles D. Harris, who presided at the case.

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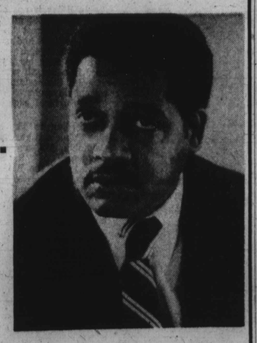

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Mrs. Mildred Forehand
Haverford Road

When our community was presented with the plans for Walbrook Senior High School, Norman reviewed the plans and saw that it was to be a general vocational school. With his help we were able to get a fine academic school to prepare our children for the future. As a result of his help as a resident of the Walbrook community with knowledge of educational programs and community organization, we now have a fine high school which has had a positive impact upon our community.

Sidney Hollander
Talbot Road

I have known Norman's family for many years, and had heard of his work with civil rights, equal employment, fair housing and other community activities for some time. I got to know him best when he worked with the Peace movement, at a time when it was not a popular thing for a Black man to do. Norman realized, however, that the war and the ever-increasing defense budget took money away from the poor and Black communities where housing and jobs were needed. He is a dedicated person with great perception, whose thinking is always geared to solving problems, not just talking about them.

Mrs. Georgine Edgerton
Clifton Avenue

Our neighborhood and the ones around us have had many problems with people trying to open bars or pool rooms or other businesses that will hurt the neighborhood. Whenever we have had to fight against those establishments, Norman was there with us, and his knowledge and way of speaking helped us to win.

Mrs. Helen Smith
Barrington Road

"Transfer station" doesn't sound like a very destructive thing until you realize that what they want to transfer is garbage. The community waited for a councilman or any elected official to come forth on our behalf. Norman Reeves was the only public figure willing to work with the community. He was there at planning meetings and he was there at public hearings, speaking out for us.

Dr. William Lockwood
Chelsea Road

When he first moved into the neighborhood, he helped us stop the expansion of a nursing home. For 3 years he was our neighborhood president, the editor of our newsletter, fought for better police protection, and was our councilman. Some people get so busy in their work and personal lives that they forget about their own neighborhood. Not Norman Reeves.

Dr. Lucy Mason Jones
W. Lanvale Street

As Norman's mother, the most that I could have asked is love, respect, and that he would be a responsible individual, who would love the values that I tried to instill in him. I think I can say that he continues to surprise me with all that he does. I don't think a mother could ask for more.

AUTH. LUCY M. JONES

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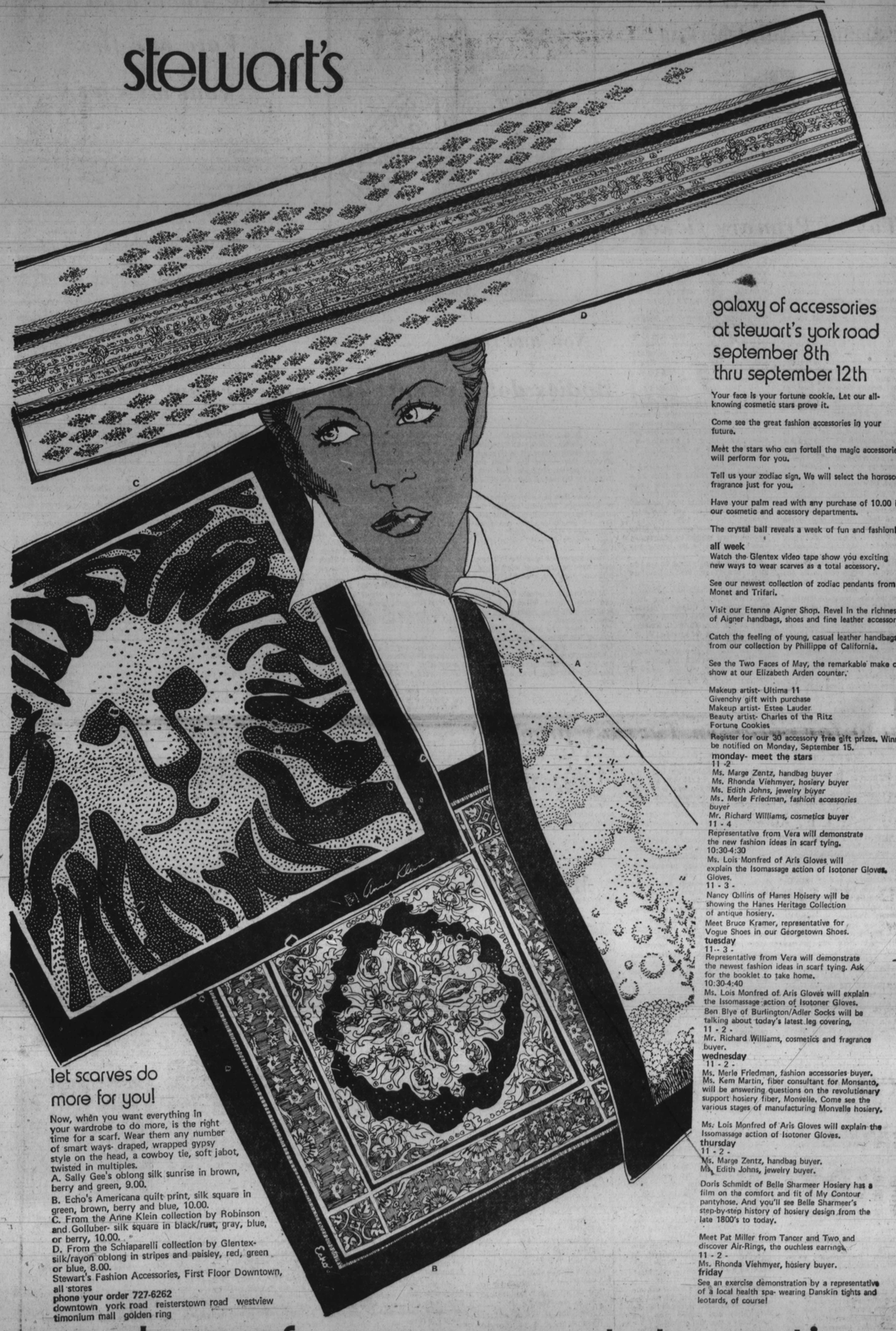

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monday- meet the stars
11 -2
Ms. Marge Zentz, handbag buyer
Ms. Rhonda Viehmyer, hosiery buyer
Ms. Edith Johns, jewelry buyer
Ms. Merle Friedman, fashion accessories buyer
Mr. Richard Williams, cosmetics buyer
11 - 4
Representative from Vera will demonstrate the new fashion ideas in scarf tying.
10:30-4:30
Ms. Lois Monfred of Aris Gloves will explain the Isomassage action of Isotoner Gloves. Gloves.
11 - 3 -
Nancy Collins of Hanes Hoisery will be showing the Hanes Heritage Collection of antique hosiery.
Meet Bruce Kramer, representative for Vogue Shoes in our Georgetown Shoes.
tuesday
11-- 3 -
Representative from Vera will demonstrate the newest fashion ideas in scarf tying. Ask for the booklet to take home.
10:30-4:40
Ms. Lois Monfred of Aris Gloves will explain the Issomassage action of Isotoner Gloves.
Ben Blye of Burlington/Adler Socks will be talking about today's latest leg covering.
11 - 2 -
Mr. Richard Williams, cosmetics and fragrance buyer.
wednesday
11 - 2 -
Ms. Merle Friedman, fashion accessories buyer.
Ms. Kem Martin, fiber consultant for Monsanto, will be answering questions on the revolutionary support hosiery fiber, Monvelle. Come see the various stages of manufacturing Monvelle hosiery.

Ms. Lois Monfred of Aris Gloves will explain the Issomassage action of Isotoner Gloves.
thursday
11 - 2 -
Ms. Marge Zentz, handbag buyer.
Ms. Edith Johns, jewelry buyer.

Doris Schmidt of Belle Sharmeer Hosiery has a film on the comfort and fit of My Contour pantyhose. And you'll see Belle Sharmer's step-by-step history of hosiery design from the late 1800's to today.

Meet Pat Miller from Tancer and Two and discover Air-Rings, the ouchless earrings.
11 - 2 -
Ms. Rhonda Viehmyer, hosiery buyer.
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