—You betrayed us.... Bell foes tell

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Court reversed Bell and ordered the Georgia legislature to reseat Julian Bond.

When Bell became a federal judge, appointed by President Kennedy to fulfill a political debt, Bell sent down a number of decisions to slow down desegregation of the schools.

CASE AGAINST BELL

Bell met with NAACP plaintiffs in the Atlanta school desegregation suit, out of the presence of their lawyers and engineered a compromise settlement of that case to slow down school desegregation contrary to the NAACP's objectives.

The Atlanta Branch was suspended by the National NAACP Board for acting in violation of NAACP principles. New NAACP leadership had to be recruited. Bell split the blacks and broke up the branch.

In extensive hearings before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Bell apologized and said he had reformed.

He admitted that he still retained membership in private clubs which excluded blacks and Jews but promised to give them up if the Senate confirmed him.

Clarence M. Mitchell, veteran NAACP lobbyist, contended that the U.S. Attorney General's spot was the worst place for President Carter to put a former segregationist. All the civil rights laws are implemented and policed through that department.

NOT QUALIFIED

Senator Mathias called on the Democratic U.S. senators to rise above political partisanship and vote against Bell's confirmation because of his lack of qualifications for the high post of U.S. Attorney General.

Congressman Parren J. Mitchell of Maryland, speaking for the Congressional Black Caucus, testified in opposition to Bell at the Senate hearings. Cong. Mitchell declared that Bell, even though he may have reformed, did not have the qualifications to be the chief lawyer of the U.S.

Senator Paul S. Sarbanes, new U.S. senator from Maryland, ignored the pleas of NAACP leaders and Congressman Mitchell, and voted to confirm Bell.

SHOCKING

Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, longtime NAACP leader and veteran of many civil rights battles in the State of Maryland praised Senator Mathias and protested to Senator Sarbanes.

Mrs. Mitchell declared, "We are shocked over Senator Sarbanes' vote for Bell. We must speak out and tell these elected officials who come after our votes that they can not betray us and sell out our children's birth rights.

"We are in the most dangerous period of our history. We can lose the gains we have made. The pressure is on to silence us," she added, "Let us stand up and speak out".

PROTESTS

John R. Peters, president of Freedom House Board of Directors, told the AFRO, "We are tired of promises. Bell is not the man for the job. His past record disqualifies him. We want to know who is advising Pres. Carter. Senator Sarbanes let us down. Senator Mathias is a great human being".

Mrs. Frances Marshall, former president of Local 422, AFSCME, joined the protest against Senator Sarbanes' vote to confirm Bell as attorney general. "In a city over 50 per cent black population, we want to know where Senator Sarbanes is coming from. The NAACP is the watch dog of our civil rights. If he doesn't listen to the NAACP, who is he listening to?"

SARBANES' ANSWER

Sen. Sarbanes told the AFRO Thursday:

"I agree with Senators Kennedy and Byah and other Civil Rights leaders in the Senate that Mr. Bell was selected by President Carter with the direct idea of implementing and carrying out President Carter's strong commitment to Civil Rights programs.

"I realize that many fine people who I deeply respect raised important questions in opposition to this appointment, but I believe that during the Judiciary Committee hearings that Mr. Bell made definite and specific commitments to enforce vigorously Civil Rights programs and legislation in the area of housing, school desegregation, jobs and voting rights.

"As a member of the Senate, I will be closely following the administration's commitment to these important and vital goals of bringing about social and economic justice and I will work tirelessly for their achievement.

TELEGRAM SENT

Senator Paul Sarbanes
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Freedom House board of directors and Neighborhood Council strongly protest your vote to confirm Griffin Bell for U.S. attorney general. We voted for you. You betrayed us! — JOHN R. PETERS, president, Freedom House, Inc.

PRAISE FOR MATHIAS

Senator Charles McC. Mathias
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Freedom House Board of Directors and Neighborhood Council sends you our deep appreciation for your leadership in protecting our civil rights and your courageous leadership in the battle against the confirmation of Griffin Bell for U.S. Attorney General. God bless you. — John R. Peters, president, Freedom House, Inc.

Spanish class at Dunbar

For the first time in Maryland, a bilingual (Spanish) class in typing will be offered at the Dunbar Adult and Community Center at 500 N. Caroline St. The Adult and Community Education area of Baltimore City Public Schools is initiating this program to meet the needs of the many Spanish speaking residents.

The Spanish Apostolate at 204 E. 25th St. reports there are some 40,000 Spanish speaking people residing in this area.

Adult Education is cooperating with Frank Jimenez, coordinator.

Another bilingual auto mechanics class (Spanish) started last term with enthusiastic response, and will continue on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Dunbar Adult Center.

The bilingual typing class (Spanish) is set for Monday and Wednesday evenings. For information call Bernard Master, 396-6704 or Frank Jimenez, 235-7449.

—Jesse Jackson to bring

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an idea that grew into a national organization.

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Most recently, he has made numerous visits to urban school systems, bringing the message to young people that they must "push for excellence" in their educational pursuits.

The recipient of 15 honorary degrees, he lists 10 basic principles for educational excellence. He states that educational systems must define what they believed in and stand for. He believes in "community commitment for each school."

Principals, he insists, must produce "written codes of conduct," in order that students understand what is expected of them. He suggests that students take responsibility for learning and stop offering excuses for their inability to learn. Parents, he states, must support both student rights and responsibilities.

Teacher performance, he says, should be reviewed by unions and low performance teachers should not be protected by unions.

Students, he urges, should be required to do things which are" — beneficial to them. They should not be allowed to show disrespect or disrupt learning."

Principals and teachers must take charge in this area, Jackson feels, and additionally, principals and teachers who are able to establish good learning environments should not be promoted out of their classroom, but should be rewarded in other ways.

The final point of his "push for excellence" theme is that an ethical climate must be established in the school system as a whole and for each inset the ethical standards for young people.

The PUSH leader's schedule here includes a City Hall welcome and press conference at 10 a.m. Feb. 7, at 1 p.m. meeting with westside high school students at Frederick Douglass High and an open convocation at 9 p.m. sponsored by the School Board to be held at Poly-Western.

On February 8, the Push For Excellence program calls for a principal's breakfast and work session at Lake Clifton High beginning at 8 a.m. with a student convocation following at 1:15 p.m. The Project Excellence wrap-up session will be held in the Morgan State Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. that day.

For detailed Project Excel information, students and parents are asked to call 396-6655.

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For All We Know

By Elizabeth M. Oliver
AFRO Staff Writer

SIGHTS SEEN—Christmas tree fully decorated outside the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

HUGE BILLBOARD advertising a Howard County group's fight against abortions.

LITTLE TOTS loaded down with mittens, scarves, caps, tagging along with mother, only their noses showing.

MANY DESTITUTE persons basking in Gas and Electric Co. Park in the Thursday afternoon sun while it lasted. Wonder where they go when the mercury dips and the sun is gone?

THIS COLDEST WINTER in memory has been chased by scientists who remind us that the last quarter of the century always witnesses deep, long-lasting cold and torrid summers. Summer 1977 is forecast very dry, unprecendented high temperatures with no lush crops.

THE PHENOMENON will last until 1999 and may overlap. Things like that slip up on us and gradually reach a point where we feel it.

SENATOR ROBERT DOUGLASS, head of the General Assembly Black Caucus reports that 18 out of the 19 members voted Wednesday night to support Elmer Harris for the post of clerk of the Court of Common Pleas. The absent member had to be in town on business. The Black Caucus' message has been sent to the Supreme Bench, the body which will select the man to succeed Paul Chester.

VETERAN JOURNALIST and former AFRO employe Ralph Matthews Jr. has returned as City Desk Managing Editor and a great asset.

He is the son of Ralph Matthews Sr., many years one of the AFRO's most widely known editors and writers. Those were the days of the grand journalists whose byline was "gospel". Gallant and smartly dressed, AFRO editors in "Matty's" day were on the front row across the nation.

Ralph Sr. resides in Washington. Is retired from newspaper business he lived so well.

POPULAR in spite of the cold is the Zoo where animals have not suffered from cold but rather seem to enjoy it. The Big Cats, Tigers and Leopards, romp and play and roll more than ever, showing off.

AS USUAL, birds keep flying. In the blizzard-like snow storm this week, the countless birds who fly over in the morning to the parks to feed, came back in a black cloud at the same pace they use in summer—zipping like arrows.

FORMER AFRO REPORTER Dennis Shatzman is engaged to wed his sweetheart soon, met her at Bethel AME Church.

FORMER AFRO photographer, Matthew Lewis, the Pulitzer Prize winner, has been named assistant managing editor/photo of the Washington Post. He's been employed there a longtime as the No. 1 photographer.

HOLIDAY BOOZE BUYING totale $30,112 for December. From January, 1976 to June 1976, Maryland purchased $9,340,275 in wine, beer, liquor.

JAN. 25 marks the date when the Central Maryland Health Systems Agency (CMHSA) held a successful public meeting on the draft Health Systems Plan. Many citizens attended the 7 p.m. session at the Cultural Arts Auditorium, Dunbar High School, 1400 Orleans St.

AIR FORCE RECRUITERS signed up 76,000 men and women in 1976.

STAFF SERGEANT Bruce A. True, a native of Baltimore, has been assigned to the 421 Howard Street office. He's father of three.

MISS POSTAL ALLIANCE will be crowned at the annual dinner dance at the La Fontaine Blue, Feb. 26. Candidates are Tony Wright, Gilda Jackson, Martha Pennington, and Shelly Savage.

POSTAL ALLIANCE folks getting get-well wishes are Allen Davis, Carey Shaw, Ethel Danley and Shely Savage.

WEDDING BELLS rang recently for Mary Adamson and Dewitt Matthews and now they are getting congratulations from Postal Local 202 for all the happiness.

CLIFTON HARRIS is president of the Alliance Local 202 which has the most interesting newspaper.

A HISTORY OF FELLS POINT is the subject of the Feb. 14 8:15 p.m. lecture at the Maryland Historical Society. Feb. 13 is the Chinese New Year celebration at the Museum's Jacob and Annita France Auditorium. This is the Chinese year of the snake.

FEB. 1 opens Black History Month with Carroll Greene's Commission on Afro American History and Culture holding the spotlight with an unusual exhibit.

SPRING BEGINS March 20, 12:43 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY is Feb. 23 with Easter coming late, April 10

SEED-CATALOUGES are arriving in the mail for pleasant winter garden planning and browsing. Many new roses are available.

PRESIDENT CARTER'S horoscope by AFRO's Moby Dick says Nixon, David and Julie Eisenhower and Gerald Ford will bob up again with some success to oppose Carter in four years.

However, Jimmy will have a second term. His solar chart shows him becoming very powerful and therefore a potential for assassination attempts.

A violent death will never happen but there are three or four attempts and some narrow escapes forecast. "Nothing to worry about."

SADNESS and the depression that come with the U.S. president's career will

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(AFRO photo by Benny Phillips)

REV. DR. AND MRS. STUART TURNER are shown holding the chrysantheum they received from President Carter following the inauguration. The Rev. Dr. Turner said, "We will always treasure this flower."

"My Daddy Opened An Advance FEDERAL Savings Account For Me"

EARLY START in thrift was given 7-year-old Malcolm Cardrew Griffin, an Edgewood Elementary 2nd grader, by his parents, James and Cardrienne Griffin of Winterbourne Rd. They opened an Advance Federal savings account of over $1,000 in his name. Now he's an Advance saver like his parents, his sisters, Cheryl, 16; Debra, 14; and Jewel, 10. The youngsters are grandchildren of Dr. Horace C. Perrin and the late Mrs. Louise Perrin, and Richard Griffin of E. Eager St., and the late Mrs. Rosa Griffin.

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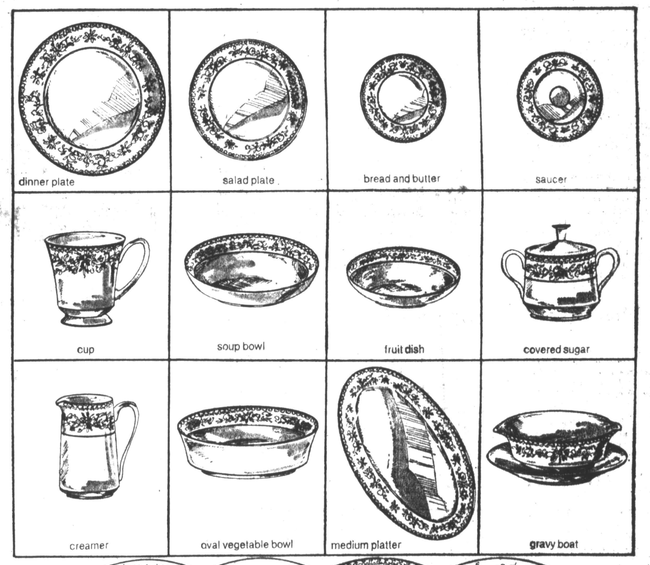

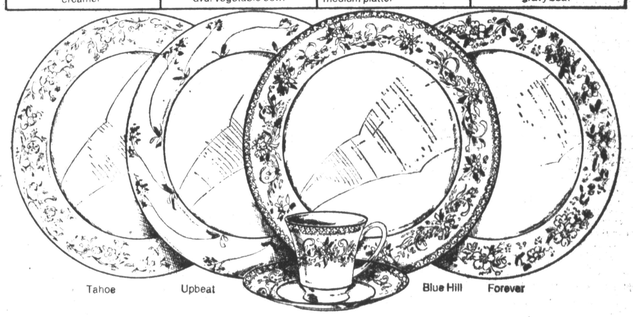

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