(AFRO staff photos by Robin McGinty)

POE OPERA FIRST NIGHTERS (attending Monday at the Mechanic Theatre) included (L to R) Peabody Professor of Piano, Thomas E. and Mrs. Morris; City School Administrator Mrs. Margaret Armstrong; Morgan U History Professor Dr. Roland C. and Mrs. McConnell and O'Neill Hammond, art instructor and Dean of the Maryland Institution of Art, Leslie King Hammond and more opera enthusiasts will be present tonight (Friday) as the East Coast premiere goes on stage to a full house of Morganites and guests. The university's famed choir and its director, Dr. Nathan Carter, are featured in the fantastic and haunting production of the last days of Edgar Allen Poe's life and leading up to his death in Baltimore in 1849.—(See story on page 2)

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WE ARE IN OUR 85th YEAR

Avon Long comes 'Bubbling Home' (See entertainment)

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Schaefer sued for black worker cuts, charged with hiding $ millions

Tuesday, June 7 in unprecedented action, the AFSCME Local 44 and four other city employe unions hit Mayor Schaefer with a suit demanding that he stop eliminating employees' merit increments.

Filed in Baltimore City Court, the petition for declaratory decree and injunctive relief concerns nine out of every 10 black city workers including teachers and employees in sanitation, water and sewers, highways, hospital and health departments.

The suit follows on the heels of an official AFSCME (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees. AFL-CIO) news release this week warning black city workers, "If Schaefer goes through with his threat to reduce the city's work force by nearly 1,000 employees, be prepared for the worst."

AFSCME union leaders Raymond H. Clarke and Ernest Crofoot also accuse Schaefer of dishonesty, hiding of city funds, wasting money, reckless spending and "a phony budget."

Clarke, Local 44 president, says:

"Our city employee union's brought a joint suit against the mayor and the

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5th Council seat may go to Ken Wilson

Kenneth O. Wilson

Kenneth O. Wilson, AFRO vice president-Advertising, is slated for the 5th District City Council seat left vacant this month by the appointment of Allen B. Spector as judge of the District Court.

Reliable sources say the fact that Wilson is "set" for the Council seat thus far witnesses "no problem" and the arrangement has been "run by" everybody concerned with "not one objection."

Wilson, a dynamic and busy advertising executive, was not available for comment at AFRO presstime today Friday.

Reliable word reveals the nomination came after meetings with 5th District Councilmen Thomas J. S. Waxter and Reuben S. Caplan, settled reported disagreement on other possibilities for the seat.

Among those previously mentioned was Mrs. Rikki Spector, wife of the newly named Judge Spector.

In a statement last week, Councilman Waxter said he was not interested in "black or white" but a person who can represent the interests of the citizens in the 5th District. He told the AFRO Thursday, "Kenneth Wilson is a man who can fill the bill and do the job."

(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz)

TIME TO EAT—An unidentified city office worker takes time for a sandwich and drink as the noontime crowd gathers in Hopkins Plaza. When the sun is out and the lunch bell sounds, hundreds fill Baltimore's plazas getting away from the office grind.

CCB shell game?

Will the next president of the Community College of Baltimore (CCB) be white?

Reliable sources at CCB have expressed concern the school's Board of Trustees may pick the lone white candidate by offering the black candidates low salaries.

According to the sources, the search committee completed its interviews April 23 after almost five months of consideration. It presented five finalists from an estimated 150 applicants April 25 to the board for final consideration. Four of the final applicants are black, none from the Baltimore area.

(There had been rumors late last week and early this week that Dr. John L.

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VALEDICTORIAN CALLS PRINCIPAL DICTATOR

Black parents, students turn on Mosley at graduation

There were plenty of fireworks at the Lake Clifton High School graduation last Saturday as black parents and students in the audience cheered the valedictorian for her critical views of the school and its principal, Boyse Mosley.

Donna Stewart, 18, of the 5100 block Sedgate Rd., received a standing ovation from the black peers and their parents for referring to Mosley as "a dictator."

The events that led to Miss Stewart being applauded in such a way are as follows:

About one hour prior to the graduation ceremony school officials called Miss Stewart aside and confiscated her speech telling her it was "inappropriate"

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OUTSPOKEN AMBASSADOR IN DANGER?

Is Andy in assassin's sights?

Is UN Ambassador Andrew Young next on the list for the assassin's bullet?

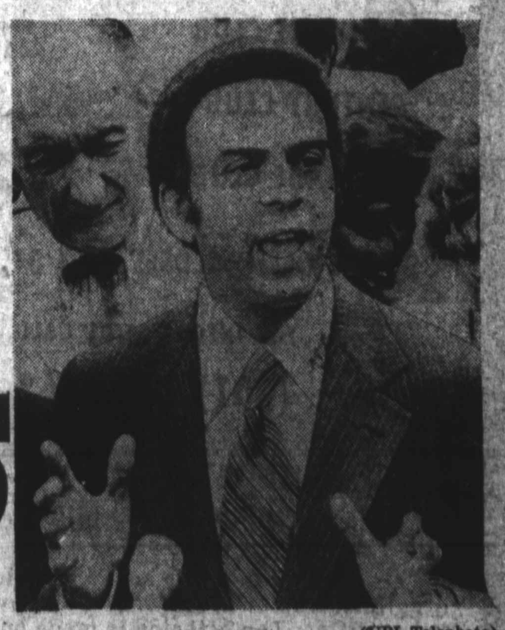
This is the question traveling the silent grapevine around the globe, in the United States and especially abroad where people remember the murders in this country of President John F. Kennedy, Dr. Martin Luther King, Robert Kennedy and other outspoken citizens.

The question becomes viable due to the fact that U.S. secret service agents connected with the White House daily investigate reports of threats against President Carter, UN Ambassador Young, Mrs. Coretta King and other persons on the human rights scene today.

Radio "Conference Call" programs across the nation have recently aired citizens' comments that "Somebody ought to shut Young's mouth, forever."

Others have openly termed him "a n—— who has no right to be an ambassador" while some have actually called upon President Carter to fire him outright.

The AFRO was unable to confirm reports that this week Ambassador Young has received extra official protection by federal police agents.



(UPI Telephoto)

WASHINGTON — UN Ambassador Andrew Young, under criticism for his outspoken comments on racism, emerges from a 30-minute meeting with President Carter at the White House June 7 and tells reporters, "The President understood what I was trying to say."

954 is winning $100 'Fro' number

$110 AFRO WINNER—Michael Tony Dorsey (C) can't believe his luck as he gazes into the camera, accepting his $100 check from the AFRO's Robert Rea (L) Antoinette Dorsey, (R) Tony's sister, smiles at his side.

The cheers were still going strong Wednesday as Michael Tony Dorsey waved his $100 check to the crowd, backed by the rhythm of Mr. Fro's flash bulb. Dorsey had just thrown the dart into the number board, hitting his chosen number 954, making him the first grand prize winner in the AFRO In Your Home Contest.

The 304 Whitmore Ave. resident was also one of the five $10 winners this week as Mr. Fro revved up his 'Fromobile' and toured three East Baltimore neighborhoods.

At 324 E. 21st Street, Sharon Stern picked off Mr. Fro's first $10. She was waving her AFRO in the air before her mother's home address was drawn from the Fro number cage. Pat Barr, a friend of Sharon's, who drew the number, remarked happily for her neighbor, "It's all because of me."

Sharon came very close — two squares to be exactly becoming Wednes-

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Mr. Fro will be visiting [illegible] Lucky Stickers as he gives away $ Dollars $ in the AFRO-In-Your-Home Contest.