—Mitchell blasts lottery

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"To - complete my analysis, I request that you provide me with the number of every state lottery machine in the city of Baltimore. I would like to receive this information as soon as possible," the letter says.

Also attending the state's legal lottery this week was "The Committee," an organization of young men and women which has been operating for several months.

The group wrote to the Maryland Human Relations Commission requesting the Commission investigate what they believed to be a pattern of racial discrimination in the state lottery operations.

"Based upon hard data, we conclude that blacks are considered to the lowest levels of employment in the state lottery operations and are generally denied opportunities for promotion," the Committee's letter says.

In their letter they request more detailed information about where blacks are positioned in the commission.

This was the highest amount in any one week and the total amount of sales contrasted sharply with that of more affluent neighborhoods such as Timonium where sales during the week averaged slightly more than $10,000.

Lottery officials argue that 50 percent of the money taken in will eventually reach the wallets of lottery players as winnings, and they maintain that the other 50 percent goes to the state for use in its general fund.

But "The Committee" doubts that to be true. The group said that they did not believe "the amount of money returned to these black communities by the state is in any way proportional to the amount of money drained from them."

(Courtney photo)
MIGHT AS WELL enjoy a snow storm is the opinion of Theresa "Peaches" Herrion. So, last Monday, she did.

—Douglass bill

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During an interview with the AFRO, Douglass spoke out on such areas as property tax relief, financing of higher education as well as public education and the mounting problems of the correctional system.

He labeled the D.C. amendment "very important" and said it has "a good chance of passing." This amendment, gaining as much controversy as momentum, would give Washington, D.C. full voting rights if ratified by 38 states.

Serving on the House Appropriations Committee and chairman of the Joint Budget and Audit Committee, Douglass sees himself as a "dollars man" who is very interested in bringing money into Baltimore.

However, he said he has not introduced many bills during this session because he is giving a lot of attention to his upcoming campaign.

Douglass plans to run against Hyman Pressman for the city comptroller's seat in September.

He ran unsuccessfully against Pressman for the seat in 1975.

"I've been working for two years on this campaign and I'm very well organized," Douglass reports. "I've developed certain strategies to gain sufficient black support that will guarantee the election."

He also said that 1979 would be a "critical year for blacks" and although they represent 65 percent of the registered vote and 60 percent of Baltimore's population, "blacks lack a voice in City Hall".

"Black Baltimoreans need to resolve themselves to take action to make sure that our concerns are being represented in policy making decisions. This is not going to occur unless we're there speaking to those issues," Douglass asserted.

Currently, only five of the 19 city council members are black and there are not any blacks holding the major elected city - wide positions.

—Board

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Other school districts that have challenged the school finance system and won are in California, Connecticut, New Jersey, Washington and Ohio.

Aside from the suit that was filed on Thursday morning, Sheila K. Sachs, outspoken member of the school board announced her resignation from the board to avoid a conflict of interest.

Mrs. Sachs' husband, Stephen H. Sachs, newly - elected attorney general, would be representing the state in the litigation over school funding.

Mrs. Sachs' resignation came as no surprise since it had been hinted last fall that she would be leaving the board.

Mrs. Sachs has served on the board longer than any other member.

—Brailey case

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Del. Brailey, who was in a funeral procession at the time he was attached, had stopped his car on Monroe Street when the suspect allegedly "came up in the left side of the car, opened the door and began beating him for no apparent reason."

When Assistant State's Attorney Larry Dean called the defendant Boykin for trial, his mother Mrs. Ernestine Boykin appeared before Judge Motsay.

The judge stated, "Is Mr. Boykin here?" Mrs. Boykin answered, "I am his mother and I am only doing what I was told to do by his attorney. He (the attorney) is trying to get here from Westminster.

Judge Motsay told Mrs. Boykin, "Get in contact with your son's lawyer and tell him the judge is not considering you as his messenger."

After not being able to contact Daneman, Boykin, his mother and three other friends stood before Judge Motsay along with Det. Brailey and his family. The prosecutor told the court, "When the trial comes up again, it will possibly be a jury trial."

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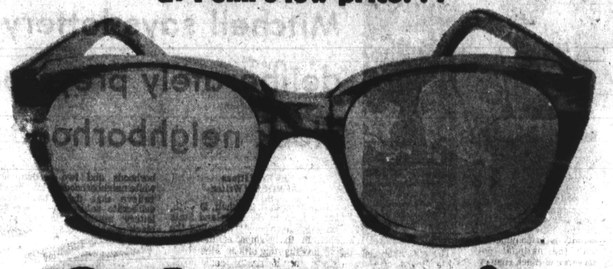
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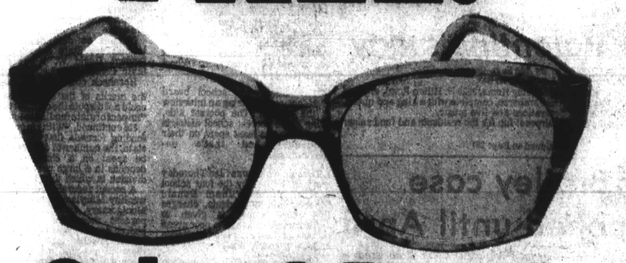
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NW youth services plans black history special events

The Northwest Baltimore Youth Services Program is featuring a weekly series of special events throughout February in observance of Black History Month.

The series opens Feb. 15. Panelists representing Leadership positions in Baltimore City will discuss "Issues Concerning Black Children and Youth."

"Music as an Expression of Black Soul" will be held Feb. 22 with presentattions by Baltimore musicians of a variety of black musical forms.

The series will close with "Black Poets, Writers and Story Tellers," an exhibit of black books and a special black history musical drama called "Pride in the Past" prepared by the Creative Drama Youth Group of Northwest Baltimore Youth Services.

All events are free, open to the public and begin at 7 p.m. at the Pimlico Multi-Purpose Center, 3319 W. Belvedere Ave.

For more information call 578-8100.

Hopkins studies teenage pregnant mothers

More than three - fourths of pregnant teen - agers enrolled in a Johns Hopkins clinic for young mothers in the last 2½ years returned to school and only 8 percent became pregnant within a year after delivery, a study revealed.

Dr. Janet B. Hardy, professor of pediatrics and co - director of the Johns Hopkins Center for School - aged Mothers, attributed the increas in teen - age mothers returning to school to a follow - up care program begun by the center.

She said that before the program was established a study done at Hopkins showed 10 percent of teen - age mothers in the Baltimore metropolitan area returned to school after delivery and 47 percent became pregnant again within a year.

Hardy said the follow - up care program has pushed the return - to - school rate up to 85 percent in the last two years.

Enrollment by adolescents in the prenatal clinic increased from 76 in 1973 to 350 this year.

About 1,100 Baltimore metropolitan teen - agers become pregnant annually, compared to one million nationally, Hardysaid. She said pregnant teen - agers require good prenatal and follow - up care because they are at a high risk for medical complications.

Hardy said the Hopkins study of its teen - aged mothers showed the young mothers suffered fewer obstetrical complications, and the number of premature deliveries has dropped from 16 percent to below 10 percent.

She said the teen - agers' babies have been born bigger, healthier and the rate of low birth weight dropped from 22 percent in the first study to 10 percent.

Hardy said teen - agers are taking their pregnancies more seriously, shown by the "kept appointment rate."

She said 63 percent of young expectant mothers keep their first appointment, 82 percent return for repeat visits and 80 percent for postpartum visits.

Hardy attributes the mothers' satisfaction with the program to the close relationship developed between patient and staff members, who provide both medical and psychological services and hold classed from the first prenatal visit through labor, delivery and for the first three years of the child's life.

Bill would weaken Censor Board powers

ANNAPOLIS — A Senate Committee voted against abolishing the Maryland Board of Censors, but sent to the Senate without a recommendation a bill that would reduce the powers of the board.

Maryland is the only state in the country with a statewide censor board.

The Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee sent a bill reducing the Board's powers to control over only peep shows and hard - core pornography to the Senate floor without a recommendation because it could not break a tie vote on the bill.

Under the bill, Board review would be required for peep shows and other unrated films, but would make review of standard commercial films optional at the request of movie distributors of theater owners.

The measure is supported by the motion picture industry, but opposed by several board members, principally Mary Avara, who has served on the board 18 years.

The bill to abolish the State Board of Censors received an unfavorable report from the committee, meaning it probably will not reach the floor of the Senate.

Similar measures have been introduced in the past and have fared no better. This year's bill was sponsored by Sen. Patrick Welsh, D - Baltimore County.

Dr. Banks to lecture at CCB

Dr. Samuel L. Banks, coordinator of social studies of the Baltimore City Public Schools, has been invited to address the Middle College Program of the Community College, Harbor Campus, on Monday, Feb. 26, at 1 p.m. on the topic, "Black in Baltimore and the Nation: At the Edge of the Precipice."

The address will be given in the Forum of the Harbor Campus. This activity is in conjunction with the national observance of Black History Month.

Call 396-1529 for more information.

12 die on state highways

Sixteen persons lost their lives on Maryland highways according to 2nd Lt. M.L. Morgan of the Maryland State Police.

Of the persons killed, nine were drivers, six were passengers and one was a pedestrian.

Alcohol was a known contributing factor in six of the deaths, speed in 13 and driver error was present in all 16 of the fatalities.

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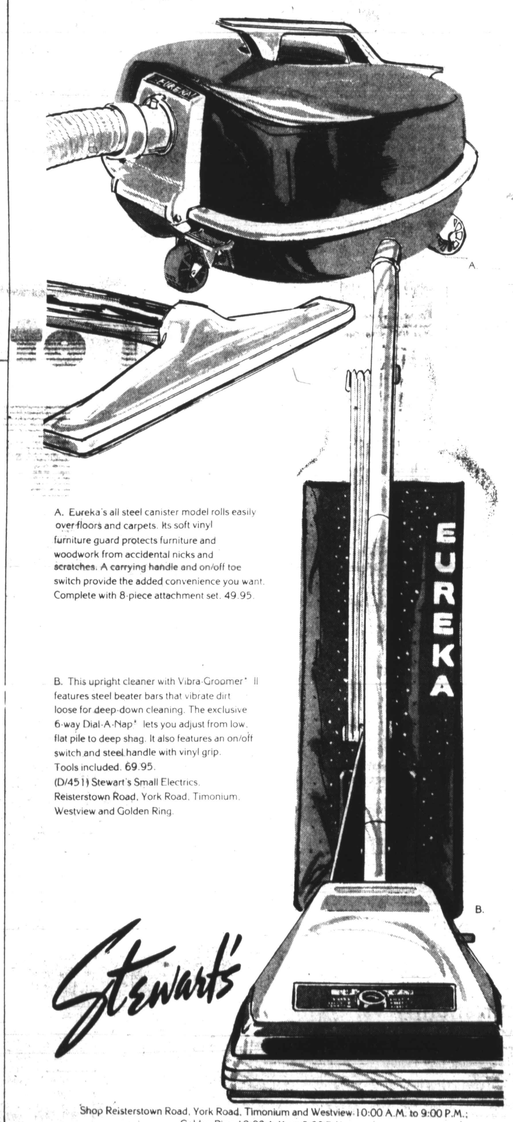

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