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ALSO — Jennifer Alford, Jamell Johnson, Kimberly Johnson, Linda Johnson, Ivy Lee, Nancy Lee, Julie O'Connell, Catherine Pruitt, Cheryl Saylor, Michelle Williams, Lolene Wright, Ellis Basnight, Robert Brown, Dance Bryant, Eddie Hampton, Kevin Jefferson, Marvin Lamkin, Shawn Lewis, Clarence Martin, David McCray, Kyle Reiman, Freddie Savage, Edward Taylor, Kennard Taylor, Manning Trotter, Michael Loeffler, Donald Tackett, Timothy Crockett, Sam Smith, Ronald Sprall, teacher.

AND — Eric Blackwell, Herbert Bonds, Gregory Brown, Preston Brown, Thomas Dukes, Craig Easter, Jeffry Herriott, Samuel Jones, Earl Laws, Darryl Lemon, Daniel Moore, Darrin Neslein, Charles Powell, Eravice Sibles, Ira Taylor, Scott Walker, Marvin Whitney, Brenda Darden, Joann Godwin, April Griggs, Cynthia Hess, Sharon Hicks, Tanya Mayer, Hope Mills, Paula Phillips, Sandra Smith, Christine Smith, Kim Stamper, Audrey Stancil, Latanya Swett, Edith Taylor, Glenda Washington, Ms. Lillian Hawkins, teacher.

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1st black assembly seeks answers

COMMENTARY

In what direction are we black Marylanders headed?

Obviously fed up with a system that moves too slowly if at all and anxious to chart a positive course, some 900 residents in this area met last weekend to map out a five-year course of action — a black agenda for Maryland as it were.

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Lawyer still missing

How gas plan works

Gov. Harry Hughes has imposed an odd-even gas rationing plan for Maryland. Here's how it works:

[illegible] in effect indefinitely [illegible] does not apply on Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays, the 31st of the any month, or the 29th of February in a leap year.

MARYLAND PLATES

Motorists whose cars license plates end in even numbers may buy gasoline only on even-numbered calendar days, such as June 2, 4, or 6.

Zero is considered an "even" number, as are personalized plates that end in letters rather than numbers.

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MAKING HER INTENTIONS KNOWN — Mrs. Marguerite Carroll, who has been a mayor's aide since 1968, stands in front of City Hall to announce that she is retiring from a career in city government to run for a seat in the sixth council district. Full story on Page 3.

AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz

Wife fearful for McAllister

"Each day that goes by it bothers me a little more. At this point, I suspect foul play."

Mrs. Shirley McAllister, wife of James McAllister who disappeared Thursday, June 14, told the AFRO of her fears as the mystery surrounding her husband entered its eighth day.

On the other hand, Baltimore City and County police who are investigating the whereabouts of McAllister, a former assistant [illegible] states attorney at this point [illegible] despite the many rumors that anything serious has happened to him.

Meanwhile, Baltimore remains abuzz with rumors about McAllister and investigators say that they have been following upon each rumor as it surfaces no matter how far-fetched the reports.

Some rumors report McAllister dead or a kidnap victim or the victim of a gangland execution.

The McAllister mystery began when Mrs. Shirley McAllister, his present wife, reported her husband to police as missing on Friday, June 15. He had failed to appear to keep a court appearance something Mrs. McAllister said was most unusual for him.

She told police her husband left his law office around 7:40 p.m. [illegible] June 14, apparently on his way to his ex-wife's home in the 2600 block of Ridge Ave., to see his children by that first marriage.

Police quote Mrs. McAllister as saying her husband was supposed to have arrived at the Ridge Avenue address by 8 p.m. that evening.

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THE WATKINS TRIAL

Undercover cop disputes Burman

By Pam Widgeon
AFRO Staff Writer

A city police officer, who has worked as an undercover agent, testifying on the fourth day of the second trial of police Lt. Col. James H. Watkins, said he never saw convicted dope dealer Charles R. Burman with Watkins and "at no time during two wire taps on Burman's phone, dif I hear Col. Watkins name mentioned."

Det. Joseph Jennings, was lead-off witness for the defense on Thursday, June 21, after the state rested its case against the career officer Thursday morning.

A crimincal court jury of eight men and four women, with Judge David Ross presiding, had since Monday heard prosecution witnesses testifying that Watkins and Burman were involved in pay-offs to protect Burman's narcotics activities.

In this hearing as in the first Watkins trial last November, Burman was again star witness for the prosecution.

Watkins, a 27 - year police veteran is charged with accepting $15,000 in bribes from Burman and for failing to arrest Burman from 1963 to 1978.

In November 1978, Watkins was convicted on two corruption charges but the jury verdicts were overturned by Judge J. Harold Grady, who presided at the trial, on the ground that the prosecution withheld important evidence from the defense.

Watkins has been taking notes at his trial and has been sitting on the front row with his wife, directly behind his attorneys George L. Russell Jr., and Kenneth L. Thompson.

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Assistant State's Attorneys Charles Lamasa and Neil J. Ruther are the prosecutors.

Det. Jennings, who has been on the force for nine years, told the jury while working undercover he purchased drugs from Burman on two occasions while in the Lorman House in 1972.

"I observed Burman numerous times and have never seen him with Watkins."

Witnesses for the state had earlier testified that Watkins was often seen in the 1500 block of Pennsylvania Avenue in 1972 through 1974 with Burman in the Alhambra Bar accepting money.

Det. Jennings testified that members of the narcotics squad and city police officers would follow Burman in police vehicles and a helicopter.

"We worked 12 and 18 hours shifts following Burman and we had no success in keeping up with him.

The witness also told the jurors that Burman would always have a third party with him and was hard to approach because he was "snobbish."

The detective stated that when Burman was arrested in 1974 "Colonel Watkins had nothing to do with it."

Earlier, Burman had testified that he was "under an umbrella" of protection and if a raid was going to take place he would find out about it from Watkins.

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Things peaceful now

Lawyers picket The Ritz

A group of black attorneys, all members of the Monumental City Bar Association Inc. picketed The Ritz Club late Wednesday after first staging a walkout.

They were protesting what they called the club's involvement in a plan that would have limited black patronage on special "gay" nights at the swank Inner Harbor restaurant on the site of the former Playboy Club.

Some 35 lawyers walked out of the club about 6:45 p.m. where they were holding their monthly bar association meeting. The meeting was in honor of seven black law school graduates who passed the bar.

"We couldn't morally have a meeting there in light of the situation," said Ed Smith, president of the Monumental Bar Association. "We don't agree with their (The Ritz) stance and we decided to make our position known."

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Dr. Julian won't seek re-election

By Clarence W. Hunter
AFRO Staff Writer

Dr. Emerson Julian Jr., 28-year-old resident physician at the University of Maryland Hospital who took over his father's City Council seat after the elder Julian's death last December, has decided not to seek re-election.

Julian's announcement not to run for the 4th District post came on the heels of strong speculation that he had been holding conversations with Del. Larry Young, D-38, and Isaiah "Ike" Dixon III about possibly establishing a seperate ticket.

The Julian slate would have gone against another ticket being discussed by three political organizations in the district.

That first ticket includes incumbent councilpersons Michael Mitchell and Victorine Adams and challenger Kweisi Mfum'e.

Young Dixon, son of the 38th District assembly man, who will make his formal announcement of his candidacy July 3, neither confirmed or denied speculation about another ticket but did state he had gotten in touch with several candidates and political groups.

Julian told the AFRO he chose not to run for re-election because he wants to devote more time to his medical career.

Emerson Julian Jr.

"I put a lot of time and investment into my medical career," he said. "I feel I can do my best work in curing the community's medical ills rather than their political ones."

Julian has a year to go in his residency.

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Young Mt. Zion pastor alleges cop mistreatment

A Baptist minister, charged by the Baltimore County police with disorderly conduct while interferring with a traffice officer's job during a neighborhood parade in the Garrison section of the county last week, in turn has charged county police mistreated him.

The Rev. Walter Jones jr., associate minister for the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in the 2000 block of E. Belvedere Ave., was arrested Wednesday, June 13 when he allegedly refused to heed the traffic officer's instructions to continue moving and not turn into the parking lot of an apartment complex where the parade was forming.

According to police reports, the parade was forming in the parking lot of the Sandelwood Apartments on Reisterstown Road about 7:15 p.m. when Rev. Jones worked as a counselor for the Baltimore Council for Retarded Citizens (BCRC)

BCRC operates a halfway house for patients from the Rosewood Mental Hospital in the complex.

Police said Rev. Jones wanted to turn into the parking lot despite the traffice officer's instruction and as a result blocked traffic which was heavy at the time.

The report states that Jones was arrested at the scene and taken to the Garrison View headquarters where he was held until the parade was over then taken to the Woodlawn station for processing later that evening.

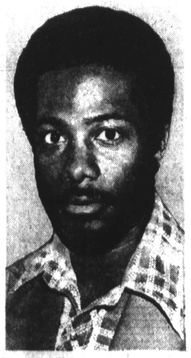
He was released on his own recognizance the following day.

Jones charges that police did not inform him of his rights and that he was mishandled and pushed around during the arrest, procedure.

His attorney, Ned Rodeck, refused to comment on any aspect of the case but did say that a complaint had been filed with te Maryland Human Relations Commission.

County spokesman Jayy Miller, however, said no complaint has been filed with his department.

A hearing date has been tentatively set for July 24.



Rev. Walter Jones

Desegregation lags in state colleges

Desegregation efforts of the state's colleges and universities have fallen short of expected goals for 1980 according to a review of the desegregation status being conducted by a House of Delegates subcommittee.

During a hearing this week, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Human Resources listened to testimony presented by representatives of the State Board of Higher Education.

The subcommittee will be meeting during the summer to review the desegregation status of Maryland institutions in order to determine how these schools will be funded in the 1981 budget.

Speaking for the State Board, Dr. Monte P. Shepler, deputy commissioner told the committee, "I feel we have made substantial progress.

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—The TV news rat race—

With the recent departure of WMAR-TV Channel 2 News anchorman Dennis Holly from the Baltimore television news scene, the media rumor mill began working overtime this week concerning the status other black news anchorman and two top black television news reporters.

Speculation has been flying fast and furious that Stan Stovall, new anchorman for WBAL-TV Channel 11 News, has been sacked from his job.

Flying equally fast and furious are rumors that Dwight Smith and George Gross, both television news reporters for Channel 2 news no longer have their jobs.

Stovall, late Thursday, told the AFRO laughingly the rumors are not true.

"I'm still here," he said. "As far as I know I'm still in there pitching and I'm going to be around for a while."

As far as Smith and Gross are concerned, sources said their contracts are not expected to be renewed and are expected to be on their way out the door before the year is out.

Dave Emery, spokesman for the station, said "I cannot confirm or deny any personnel rumor."