—Adams case

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dismiss charges against Adams because the charging document in which the defendant was charged was legally insufficient in that it failed to contain the signature of a peace officer or judicial officer authorizing the filing of same.

Motions filed in Criminal Court state, "The defendant was charged with conspiracy to violate the gambling laws which is a misdemeanor and for which the district court has exclusive original jurisdiction.

Judge Perrott fpund that the charging document in Adams' case violates Maryland District rule in that it was not signed by a police officer or a judicial officer.

In the state's answer to motions o dismiss charges against Adams, Assistant State's Attorneys John N. Prevas and Floyd O. Pond said, The summons was issued simultaneously with a search and seizure warrant signed by both the peace officer and the judicial office.

Adams, and 13 others were arrested in September 1979. Along with Adams, his nephew, William B. Simpson was also charged with conspiring to operate an illegal gambling operation.

The gambling operation which was estimated to have done in excess of $100,000 a week was allegedly run by Simpson, of the 3200 block Vickers Rd. No trial date has been set for Simpson.

Three search warrants were executed on Adams, David Benjamin Miller, 6200 block Buckingham Manor Dr., and Joseph Puryear, 4000 block Eldorado Ave. Miller is charged with being the person to whom all local illegal lottery organizations forwarded or "laid off" wagers they are unable to cover with their own operating capital. Puryear is alleged to be a money courier in the organization.

Others arrested in September and awaiting trial are Kenneth Bass, 4600 block Chicory Hill Lane; George A. Brown Jr., 2300 block Edmondson Ave; Carl Hitchens, 4200 block Edmondson Ave; George Boone, 2300 block Brighton St; Lillie A. Turner, 1500 block Mountmore Court; Roy Bates, 4000 block Eldorado Ave; Frank T. Reddish, 3600 block Cedardale Rd;

Also, Odell Rosenborough, 2600 block Allendale Rd; Harriet Madison, 2900 block Windsor Ave; Vincent Halsey, 1700 block North Ave; Hoit Brice, 5400 block Reisterstown Rd; Askew Gatewood, 2700 block Pennsylvania Ave; James Burley, 4100 block Bedford Rd; Leslie Thomas, 800 block Madison Ave.

Also, Karen Bennett, 1300 block Winston Ave; Cola Bolar, 3300 block Edmondson Ave; Earl Waddel Bunn, 1200 block Longwood St; Agnes D. Wilson, of Beaubridge Court.

—Park Heights

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McDaniel, head of the Park Heights Anti-Crime Consortium; and Howard Young, head of the Park Heights Community Corporation.

In a letter to Rev. McDaniel, Marion Pines, director of the Manpower program, explained why he felt the area had been left out of the agency's 1980 budget.

"Unfortunately, the Youthworks Demonstration funds were inadequate to include all the needy areas of the city...The recent limited expansion of the demonstration area allowed for only 800 additional youth slots, and had to be adjacent to the original research area as a condition for funding. Thus, we were prevented from expanding into an area of substantial need such as Park Heights with its much greater number of potential eligible youth than the funding."

Crosse, however, said that he and several other representatives of the community met with Pines, and that 1200 jobs were identified. He expressed the hope that many of those jobs would be given to Park Heights residents.

The protest, which lasted from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m., was held to commemorate the 51st anniversary of Martin Luther King's birthday.

—Council

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ciples. He should have looked in the black community for people qualified to serve," Mitchell said.

Fifth District Councilman Norman V.A. Reeves, who voted approval of Ramsey, said he shared his 4th District colleagues' concerns but that "Ramsey should not be held hostage on this issue."

Reeves also said he would talk with Schaefer on the racial composition of boards and commissions in the city.

In other legislation, a billwas introduced which would provide for free toilets, hand washing facilities, air, water and hand towels in new gas stations.

Ethel Phillips Rich was reappointed for another four-year term as a member of the Baord of Municipal and Zoning Appeals.

—McMillan

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"The board has been willing to keep quiet," she stated. "They just aren't willing to accept the responsibility of getting the facts and acting."

Last year, state auditors found $18,500 was diverted to the foundation. A private audit of the foundation is currently underway.

—Morgan

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days to see to it that no legislation comes through on Morgan, at least that we don't know about."

While the controversy over Morgan President Andrew Billingsley continues, opposing and supporting factions of the administrator rallied together in a unified effort supporting the school which became a university in 1975.

Mrs. Enolia P. McMillan, president of the Baltimore NAACP, has been very critical of Billingsley and his administrative handlings of the school. In addition, she has strongly criticized how the private foundation, set up to raise outside funds for the school, has used it money.

Mrs. McMillan has charged that the foundation misused the funds it has received and that the group has not actively been seeking money from the community.

When asked by the AFRO if she thought her insistence on Billingsley to account for the foundation money has weakened Morgan, she replied, The things that he has been doing certainly weakens Morgan, but I think trying to hide the problem is even worse."

But, Mrs. McMillan stepped on Dr. Billingsley's side at the meeting Wednesday night at First Apostolic Faith Church in East Baltimore to workwith him to preserve Morgan as one of the oldest black institutions in Maryland.

"We want to keep Morgan and make it best available. Make it perfect so that nobody can point a finger at us for anything.

And we've got to decide what tactics we're going to use to defeat this merger."

One plan of action suggested was to submit letters stating opposition to the merger to the governor and other elected officials. A sample form letter was handed out that could be used.

Another course of action is attendance at a public hearing scheduled by the State Board for Higher Education Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 9:30 a.m. at the Baltimore Hilton Hotel. This hearing will allow the community to have input and help the board with its determination on whether to go ahead with the proposed plan. In addition to the proposed merger, the Knorr memorandum also stated that the 1980 fall freshman classes at all four-year institutions should be cut by 15 percent.

However, several panelists at the program pointed out that the students who would be affected must by the 15 percent cut would be black students. They sug'ested that this issue be rejected along with the merger.

Nathaniel K. Smith, president of the Maryland branches of NAACP stated that the 23 chapters would also help fight the consolidation efforts and would be corresponding with their legislative representatives in the General Assembly.

Agencies get CPB grants

The Corporation for Public Broadcasting, CPB, has awarded $433,000 in minority training grants to 14 radio and 12 public television stations, and to five public telecommunications entities.

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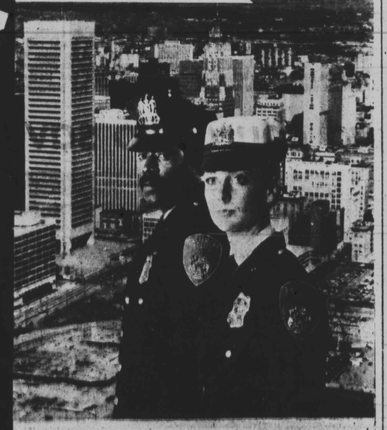
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AFRO Street Interview (AFRO photo feature by Milton Williams)

Question: Do you think Martin Luther King Jr's birthday should be a national holiday? If so, why?

Tuesday, Jan. 15, the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was celebrated in the District and some states as a holiday. Efforts are being made in Congress to make the day a national holiday. AFRO staff photographer Milton Williams asked persons attending a parade in King's honor in Anacostia if they thought the day should be a national holiday, and if so, why.

Here are some of the answers he received:

EUGENE B. WILLIAMS — "Yeah, it should be a holiday. It should have a been a holiday a long time ago. Because for one thing he is a great man and he stood for freedom for all; black, white, it didn't matter to him."

GWENDOLYN STEWART — "Well, I think he deserves a holiday named after him because he put forth a great effort and he has done a lot of wonderful things. He's deserving of it."

GRACIE R. BRACKSTON — "Yes, because he is a great person and I think he should be like any other person, you know. At least we should have. . .I think it should be a legal holiday."

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ANGLES JORDAN

LORENZIA GRAHAM — "Sure, of course. . .We recognize other famous leaders and I don't see why he don't get proper recognition."

MELVIN JORDAN — "Yes. I think Martin Luther King's birthday should be a legal holiday because he fought for our civil rights and he helped fight for peace on this earth and he helped get better jobs, housing and freedom."

ANTONIO PERTERSON — "Yeah. .because he helped us to get what we need. We needed the rights to catch the bus and don't sit in the back, and go to public places where you can sit down to eat and nobody tells us to move."

EDWARD MABRY — "Yeah. . .I think it should be a legal holiday because he helped us. . .people respect us now as human beings and like it ought to be. He won a Nobel Peace Prize.

If it was a white man, it would be a holiday or anything else like that, so it just ought to be a holiday for us and anybody, you know."

STEVE HOWARD — "Because he helped us get an education, and helped us get the rights. Like when we go somewhere, whites don't tell us what to do and where to go, like that."

ANGLES S. JORDAN — "Yes. I think his birthday should be a National Holiday because he fought for civil rights and he fought for freedom. He did the best he could."

History Month

If your organization is planning various activities for Black History Month (February) 1980, please inform the Black History Observance Committee. Each year the committee publishes a CALENDAR OF EVENTS which is circulated widely throughout the metropolitan Washington - Maryland - Virginia area.

Send a brief description of each event — giving the date, time, when and location, etc. — to: Bill Cunningham, Chairman; Post Office Box 235; Washington, DC 20044.

Alcoholic treatment center trying to stay alive

By Ann Sagi
AFRO Staff Writer

Maryland's only treatment and rehabilitation center for female alcoholics is in such dire financial need that it may be forced to close.

Alpha House Foundation Inc., 828 N. Eutaw St., must raise $13,000 by Feb. 1, according to James Allen, a member of the advisory board and Pat Rowland, chief of Volunteer Fund Committee.

The deficit, which Roland attributes to mismanagement, is a severe setback for the treatment facility. Even without the $13,000 debt, the funds allocated by the city Health Department and from United Way are never sufficient to guarantee smooth operation on a day-to-day basis, he said.

"We wish the government would do more. We need money for day-to-day operations.

"Most alcoholics go to the brink of destruction. When they come to Alpha House they have nothing," Rowland said.

He has contacted 24 major area businesses asking for funds. So far, only four have responded. Two divisions of Western Electric, Union Trust and Gino's offered encouragement and lauded the program, but said they could not contribute any money at this time.

About $2,000 has been raised so far to pay off the original $15,000 debt, mostly five and 10 dollar checks, Rowland said.

Clients are referred to Alpha House by Provident or Universi ty of Maryland hospitals. The center, which has treated several thousand women since it opened in 1967, has 12 beds and a staff of 21 counselors, nurses and maintenance personnel.

The program includes detoxification, education, counseling for both the client and her family, job placement and after-treatment counseling.

It is important for Alpha House to remain open, Rowland said, because women addicts need a place of their own where they can seek treatment.

"Women were formerly known as 'closet drinkers.' Now that more women are in the job market has the incident of alcoholism has become more noticeable.

"There is a double stigma attached to women alcoholics. If we are forced to close, that would be a tragedy." Rowland said.

Area colleges receive Sears grants

Ten area colleges have received grants totaling $28,300 from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation. The grants went to Howard University, American University, Catholic University, Gallaudet College, George Washington University, Georgetown University, Mt. Vernon College, Trinity College, Southeastern University and Washington International College.

In all, 44 privately supported colleges and universities in D.C., Maryland and Virginia received grants totaling $63,100.

The area colleges and universities are among over 1,000 private accredited institutions across the country which are sharing in $1,500,000 in Sears Foundation funds. Funds may reportedly be used unrestrictedly as the colleges and universities deem necessary.

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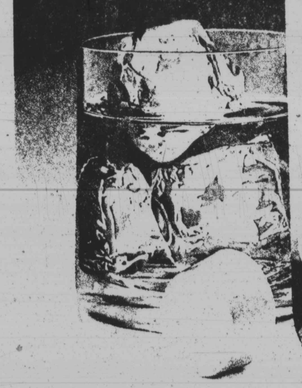

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