—Hargreaves

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Hearings on Douglass' bill may be scheduled next week before the Rules and Executive Nominations Committee which is chaired by Hattie Harrison, a co-sponsor of the bill.

get the prison built at the Continental Can site, members of the Concerned Citizens of East Baltimore called a strategy meeting Wednesday to discuss the bill introduced by Hargreaves.

Zatella Giles, coordinator of the group, who strongly opposes a prison in East Baltimore, received a hand-delivered letter prior to the meeting from Governor Harry Hughes, stating his position on the prison.

"I am reaffirming my commitment not to build a prison at the Continental Can location," said the governor in his letter to Mrs. Giles who was a recent candidate for mayor.

"I have not and I will not change my position. I definitely will veto any legislation. the purpose of which is to construct a prison at the Continental Can site."

In response to the letter, Mrs. Giles commented, "We are satisfied with the governor's position. We feel confident he means what the says.

"His letter has calmed down this community. People were upset and now we can keep people in this area who were rea-y ready to move."

In addition, Mrs. Giles quipped, "Hargreaves had better concentrate on his own conflict of interest and leave the Continental Can prison idea alone.

The legislature's ethics committee said last week that it would investigate a $144,000 interest in a trucking company held by Hargreaves who has been a strong advocate of legislation to [illegible] trucking industry.

[illegible]ves reported last year [illegible] he owned $18,000 worth of stock in the Preston Trucking Company but other reports stated that the amount far exceeded the $18,000.

Near the end of the 1979 session, in an attempt to get a bill passed increasing truck weights, Hargreaves held hostage in his committee the capital improvement plan. As a result, state aid to police and funding for Memorial Stadium were lost.

—File for election

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Convention in 1967-68. Judge Bothe was a member of the Constitutional Revision Commission and chairperson of the Advisory Board of Patuxent Institution. She has served as president of the Maryland Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and as vice president of Citizens Planning and Housing Association. She also served as chairperson of the State Bar Criminal Law Section and as a member of the Council on Correctional Reform. Judge Bothe is a graduate of the University of Chicago and the University of Maryland Law School.

Judge Figinski, appointed recently to the Supreme Bench by Governor Hughes, has been a partner in the law firm of Melnicove, Kaufman ans Weiner. He served as chairman of City Charter Revision Commission, and as chief Counsel to the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery. He is a trustee of the Enoch Pratt Library and a member of the City Hospitals Commission. A veteran of three years of service in the U.S. Army, Judge Figinski is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Johns Hopkins University and an honors graduate of the University of Maryland Law School. He received his master's degree in law from George Washington University.

Judge Figinski is a member of the American, Maryland and Baltimore City Bar Associations. He is a recipient of the 1973 SECO award, and a former panelist of "Square Off."

Judge Grady, former mayor of Baltimore, was elevated to chief judge in January after having served as an associate judge on the Supreme Bench since 1962. Judge Grady was mayor of Baltimore

—Demand federal probe

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B.) The lack of black checkers and dispatcheron the waterfront chers on the waterfront volves monitoring shipments at the docks, is considered one of the easier jobs, and the dispatchers, who are mainly white, have the duty of assigning work sites.)

C.) According to a list of hours worked by longshoremen, white and black, it was found that, while many blacks could not get assignments, several whites were working two jobs. Also, in many instances whites were able to accumulate twice as many hours as black workers.

D.) A letter on the union cards of many black workers, which was a hold-over from the days when black and white longshormen's unions were segregated, was being used to identify and discriminate against blacks.

Mitchell produced campaign literature from the recent elections of a dock union to illustrate the degree of racism evident at the docks.

He stated that, although he was sure, from past experiences, that the heads of the unions would be receptive to his suggestions, "those with lower positions tend to stick to their racism."

Mitchell also stated that the problems at the docks were illustrations of a larger phenomenon which he felt was sweeping the nation.

"More and more I see an arrogant attitude of contempt towards the courts and rules designed to end racism and sexism."

Mitchell pointed out that a pattern of nepotism prevailed on the Baltimore waterfront, and cited one instance of a man who received his union card while he was on active duty in Vietnam.

Both the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the National Labor Relations Board as well as Judge Harvey, have been contacted by Mitchell's office concerning the charges.

—State trooper

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Douglass and Mitchell charged the investigation was motivated by Porter's membership in a black troopers group that has repeatedly criticized state police hiring and promotion practices.

Mason defended the state police, saying it "ranks first in the nation for having the highest percentage of black police" and has compiled "with no repercussions" to a federal court order to hire more blacks and minorities.

Mitchell argued that it has been clearly shown that the agency had violated federal equal employment standards.

"I sugges that there is a lot of smoke and a lot of fire behind the allegations made by my colleague," Mitchell said, referring to Douglass' allegations.

Majority leader Rosalie Abrams, D - Baltimore, and Clark sought to end the argument by recommending that state police personnel policies be looked at by the Senate's policy committee.

—Ebony editor

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Police state there was no evidence of sexual assault and believe robbery was the motive since her purse was missing. The Michigan State University graduate was believed headed for Los Angeles [illegible] no [illegible]

—Cherry Hill

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reports that the bus was not being used and was costing a rental fee at the service where it was being kept. He decided to sell the bus that was purchased for between $4,000 and $5,000 to "someone from Pennsylvania for about $25 because it was in real bad condition."

Also included in the report were gasoline charges that were inappropriately included in the costs totaling $1,942.52. According to the report, an employee of the gasoline station allegedly used the provider's credit card to charge gasoline that was not used.

Funds from the program were also used to offset expenses for a fundraiser to raise money to purchase additional buses. Burge said the $1,754.23 was taken from the program because the affair was poorly attended and did not meet original costs.

His wife, Mrs. Myrtle Burge added that the affair was the idea of the Cherry Hill Coordinating Council and it was the group's responsibility.

"All of this is unfair," said Mrs. Burge. "People in this community are trying to crucify my husband when he should be given a medal for the work he's done. Seven years ago, he got this program off the ground and has carried it on."

She added that Burge worked on the program before he went to work and late at night so it would not interfere with his regular job.

"There is a whole undercurrent of activities in this community where one person wants to get back at another person. If they don't do it one way, they get them another," said Mrs. Burge who expressed resentment over her husband's suspension.

The state's audit will be finalized within the next few weeks and will determine whether the Cherry Hill Coordinating Council or Burge will be held liable for repayment of the missing $9,000 in funds.

—$Million caper

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Mrs. Blair allegedly used the computer to pay substantial sums of money to fictitious beneficiaries. Ms. Abrams and Malcolm Blair are charged with opening bank accounts in Philadelphia and Washington into which the checks were deposited and from which the money was withdrawn.

In addition, Mrs. Blair is charged with 21 counts of causing false treasury checks to be made and 21 counts of aiding and abetting in the forgery and passing of the forged treasury checks.

The conspiracy to defraud charge carries a penalty of five years in prison and a $10,000 fine. Each count of making false treasury checks carries a penalty of 15 years in prison and a $5,000 fine. The forgery charges each carry a penalty of 10 years in prison and a $1,000 fine.

Mrs. Blair resides in the 900 block of Rosedale St., and has worked at Social Security since 1973 as a $16,451 a year benefit authorizer. The indictment was the result of an 18 month investigation by several field offices of the U. S. Secret Service.

"Betty did not seem upset about anything and left my house around 10 p.m. because she said she had to work Saturday morning. "She was divorced and did not have any financial problems that would cause her to do something. She is not the type of person who would just leave without saying something," said Ms. Brogdon.

Relatives and friends describe Mrs. Toulson as a "friendly and quiet" person. When an AFRO reporter was leaving the Toulson house, Rev. Williams said, "Please say a prayer for my family."

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According to Dr. M. Lucius Walker Jr., dean of Howard's School of Engineering, the program is intended to "make young people aware of the opportunities in engineering and the space program."

Walker says that "minorities are critically under - represented in the field of engineering — much more so than in other professions, and the job opportunities available in engineering are often far greater than what's available in other areas."

At the program, Isaac Gillam, director of NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center at Edward, Calif., and an alumnus of Howard, will speak on "A look at Career Opportunities in the Space Program."

Air Force Major Frederick D. Gregory, a native Washingtonian and a graduate of Anacostia High School who was selected as an astronaut candidate by NASA in January 1978, will also present "An Astronaut's View."

Dean Eibert L. Cox, director of Metcon and associate dean of the Howard School of Engineering, will also speak on the "Mission of Metcon."

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Baltimore County Line

By Ebonie Alexander
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Baltimore County will be faced, in the '80s, with several problems and issues of major interest to its black residents. Revitalization of old established black communities such as West Catonsville, East Towson, Dundalk and Sparrows Point is one such problem.

There has been a long-standing need for delivery of loved housing in these areas alongwithimprovementi the delivery of very important services: better water and sewage disposal system, health care systems and the like.

Federal Community Development Block Grants are seen by some as a way to obtain such improvements. Just which neighborhoods will be awarded blocks grants is very much up in the air at this time. Only Catonsville has made formal request for these grants.

Newer black communities such as Woodmoor and the Liberty Road corridor are not so much concerned with revitalization as with the possibility of declining property values, resegregation of public schools, decline in county services and unstable business centers.

In the past 10 years, for example, several business establishments in the Woodmoor Shopping Center have closed. This has had an impact on employment. This is certainly an area of concern to school age youth.

There is presently scant housing for low and middle income families in the county or for families in the central city who would like to move into the suburbs eventually.

If the county census projections are correct, by the end of 1985 the Baltimore County black population will have increased to 10-12 percent.

With this increase in population in the suburbs, as in the past, when traditionally white neighborhoods become mixed, blacks can anticipate more Klan style activities, more civil unrest.

This, in turn, will require that existing black organizations be more aggressive in protecting the rights and interests of the people they serve. One such organization is the Baltimore County Branch of the NAACP which is beginning to become active.

There is only token participation by black countians in decision-making positions with the county government. This will have to increase.

Presently blacks most visible in the county government structure are James Allen, county director of personnel and Marie Henderson, Equal Employment coordinator. These two appointees, not merit employees and serve at the pleasure of the County Executive Donald P. Hutchinson.

There are few blacks in permanent civil service jobs in the county, and none is of a rank that influences policy to any degree.

Community input must be increased if the struggles of community leaders such as Dr. Theodore Patterson of Turner? Station, Hannah Lindsey of West Catonsville are not to be in vain. Their involvement on county boards and commissions must be supported

Community revitalization, neighborhood stabilization, peaceful racial coexistence, stable business and sensible use of block grants.

human rights, increased appointments of blacks to boards and commissions and positive forms of recruitment of blacks for both the private and public sector jobs, are all to be closely watched as blacks move to take their rightful place in the mainstream of Baltimore County.

Birmingham, Ala. mayor to speak here this month

Richard Arrington Jr., who set a precedent in November 1979 whenhe was elected the first black mayor of Birmingham, Ala., will appear in Baltimore this month.

He will give the main address and receive a special award at the Political Leadership Awards Banquet to be held Sunday, March 16, at 6 p.m., at Blue Crest North.

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