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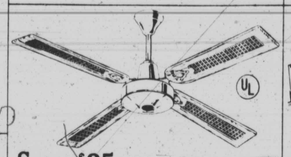

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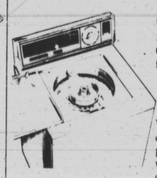

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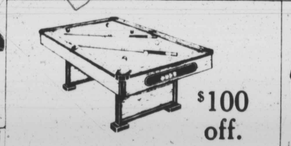

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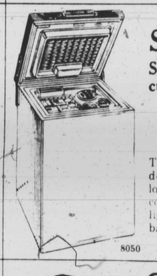

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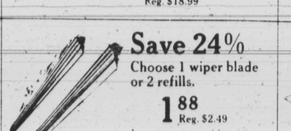

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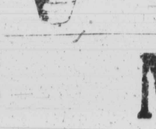

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MONTGOMERY WARD

Harlem Park residents vow they'll get the rapist

By Fay Wilson
AFRO Staff Writer

Residents of the Harlem Park Community area vowed Wednesday, July 16 to catch the rapist who has been terrorizing their community. His victims have been 8 and 9-year-old girls.

Members of the community packed the meeting room at the Lafayette Multi Purpose Center at Lafayette Avenue and Gilmor Street to demand that the Police Department step up its efforts to apprehend the rapist.

There have been three reported rapes in the area and all have taken place in vacant houses.

Sgt. Cello Oliveras said the fourth rape occurred in Southwest section of the city. Officers still believe that the man is the same one who raped three girls in West Baltimore.

He is described as being a black male between 25 and 35 years old. He is of slim build, and has a medium to dark complexion and brown eyes.

He reportedly wears thick eyeglasses with light color frames, has a moustache and medium beard and a right front tooth which is either broken or missing.

According to descriptions given by the children, his teeth are greenish yellow in color. Albert Corbin, coordinator of the group opened the meeting and introduced Agent John Broaddes of Western District.

Broaddes told the audience the department is utilizing various methods to catch the rapist and additional officers are now assigned to the area.

The audience became impatient and did not want to hear what Broaddes had to say.

A young male seated in the back of the room, jumped up from his seat and said, "I'm going to try to get him (the rapist) myself. I am not going to call the police if I see him.

"We feel we are not getting cooperation from the Police Department How many more rapes do we have to have before anything else will be done?"

In response to his question, Broaddes stated he was sent to the meeting to hear the complaints from citizens and try to answer their questions and offer help.

Mrs. Chrystal Belle, mother of two children who liv in the Harlem Park area told those attending the meeting, "The police don't care. If you mothers would stop watching 'One Life To Live' and 'All My children' on the television, we could get together and do something."

SUSPECT, WRONG MAN — The photo at left is a reproduction of a police sketch of the rapist terrorizing Harlem Park. Photo at right is of Robert McQueen, accused by police and later released.

A tall slim male dressed in blue jeans and a light blue long sleeve shirt, who wore eyeglasses, had a full mustache, a beard and his hair braided walked to the front of the room.

He faced the crowd and said, "We got to do something. That man attacks once a month. Being hateful and mad won't bring this man to us."

The unidentified man, who later told the AFRO his name was Robert McQueen said, "Two little girls hate me because I have a beard and wear glasses."

While pacing the floor and holding a black cap in his hand, he told the Harlem Park residents he spent 15 days in jail because two little girls pointed him out and told police he was the man who raped them.

"We got to teach each other not to attack each other. My people and friends pulled me through what I had to go through," he told the audience.

McQueen says he was released from City Jail after taking a lie detector test. McQueen an artist, lives on McCulloh Street and is often seen walking in the area.

Sgt. Oliveras told the AFRO police have questioned 74 men who have been in the area where the rapes occurred. He stated his concern is that the citizens in the area will not take it into their own hands because they might hurt an innocent person.

"If anyone thinks they see the rapist or someone who fits the description, they should call the police immediately," said Sgt. Oliveras.

Additional officers are now assigned in the area 24 hours a day and will continue until police catch the rapist. Sgt. Oliveras stated, "We have been getting a lot of suspects and follow up on calls we receive but still come up with negative results."

The rapes occurred in vacant houses located at 12 N. Carey St., 1328 Smithson St., 812 N. Calhoun St., and in a vacant building in the 200 block Smith St.

Shouting from the back of the crowded room, Mrs. Geraldine Miller, of the 600 block Pulaski St., and mother of nine children responded, "Why can't someone repair those vacant houses in those neighborhoods. If they can build the Inner Harbor, they can repair those houses. We can't even afford to go to the Inner Harbor and eat."

County exec wants census recount

Baltimore County Executive Donald Hutchinson this week vowed to challenge preliminary U.S. Census data showing the county's 10-year population increase is 38,000 less than predicted by local planners.

Hutchinson said the census data indicates the county's population is 644,000 — 24,000 more than in 1970. But the county executive said local planners had predicted the county's population had increased to 672,000.

Hutchinson said he would challenge the figures. He also invited Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer and the executives of Harford, Anne Arundel, and Howard Counties to form a coalition to challenge census figures.

Schaefer and the heads of the five Baltimore-area counties have all expressed dismay over the preliminary census figures for their respective jurisdictions. Schaefer said census takers missed as many as 60,000 people.

Officials of the U.S. Bureau of Census said last week they had added 13,000 persons to their tally of Baltimore's population. The 13,000 "missing" persons lived in East Baltimore. The new figures brought to more than 750,000 the Census Bureau's count of the city's population.

VIOLENT CRIME DOWN IN THE CITY

Violent crimes fell 9 percent in the first half of 1980, leading a 2.7 percent drop in all reported crimes, city police said.

Police spokesman Dennis Hill said this week statistics showed a drop in all types of crimes, except rape, which increased 8 percent in the six-month period.

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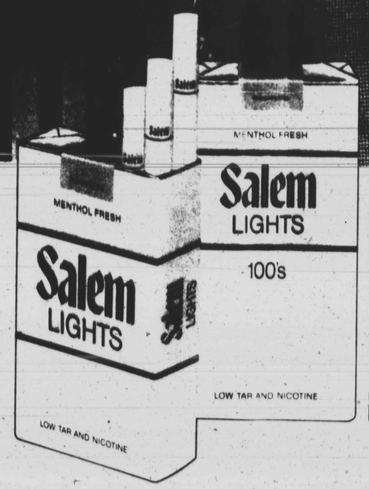

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