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655 parents threatened with jail

Rent hearings begin

By James M. Abraham
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The City Council's series of hearings on the controversial rent control bill, no. 232, opened Wednesday with little of the confrontation and verbiage which accompanied the year-long struggle to enact such legislation.

Instead, a sort of blunt eloquence was evidenced by those speakers who testified for the bill, and those speakers represented a cross-section of city voters from all walks of life.

Council Judiciary Committee head Frank Gallagher, D-8, opened the proceedings by warning that the hearings would be terminated in the event of unruliness, but his warnings proved unneeded.

Councilman Kweisi Mfume, D-4, spoke initially, and told those assembled that "this must not be a charade."

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Councilman Kweisi Mfume (2nd from left) listens attentively to statements on rent control at hearings this week. Mfume is flanked by (L - R) Council members Curran, Gallagher, Schaefer and Hammer.

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City taking tough steps to enforce health codes

By Portia E. Badham
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Some 655 parents will be receiving letters from Baltimore city school officials informing them that they face court charges within the next week for failure to have their children properly immunized.

Students who did not meet city heath immunization requirements by the Sept. 26 deadline have been excluded from classes and will not be admitted until proper verification of shots can be provided.

Robert C. Lloyd, assistant superintendent of pupil services, stated, "We're taking a stronger stand this year. It's our desire to have these children in school not out, but that does not supersede health regulations.

School officials in cracking down on the number of students kept out of class are only waiting two weeks past the deadline before initiating court proceedings. Last year officials waited six weeks before initiating court procedures.

But as a result less than 200 parents were taken to court and by the time of the court hearings, the parents had proof that students met all the necessary regulations and not one parent was fined.

Lloyd reported that last year's number of students who were kept out of class far exceeded this year's total and he along with the school superintendent are "very pleased" with this year's showing.

After parents have received their letters, suits will be filed in District Court on charges of child neglect and parents could face stiff fines and sentences for contributing to the delinquency of students.

Dr. Anne Emery, public information director for schools, stated that most of the students who have been excluded from classes since Sept. 26 are in secondary grades and only need one shot for measles to be re-admitted.

Students in elementary grades need four doses of vaccine for diphtheria, tetanus and pertusis, three oral doses for polio, one for measles and one for rubella.

"At this point we are 99.5 percent compliant when you compare the number of children still out of class to the total enrollment of 132,000. But we want to be 100 percent compliant."

Mayor's alma mater falling apart

Another broken-down elementary school

By Portia E. Badham
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Parents at Lyndhurst Elementary School are upset. Their children must be crowded in portable buildings used for classrooms, eat cold lunches on the carpeted hallways, smell the odor from garbage that is left in the hall and stay inside because the playground is filled with weeds, broken glass and cracked concrete.

But these are just the beginning of the problems at School 33 in Edmondson Village where Mayor William Donald Schaefer was once a student.

Renovation was proposed for the school nearly 10 years ago but the community has had to wage a never-ending battle with the city to see the plans come into fruition.

In 1979, students who were in open space classrooms, were moved out of the main building into portables on the school grounds. The school was then boarded up and the situation has remained the same since then.

Parents of the community were out in full force at the Oct. 9 meeting of the school board to air their views and find out when they would get their school repaired.

However, the current costs of the project far exceed the original proposed funding by the state under the capital improvement plan and the city now says it cannot afford to match the cost difference.

"I don't see how the city can turn it's back on this school because it's tied up in a 25-year project," said James Traynham, past president of the PTA.

Traynham told the board members that the condition of the school was not "fit for rats" and that the portables "were not conducive" to the children's learning process.

Quentin Lawson, the mayor's education assistant, stated that the decision by the state not to provide any additional funding would be appealed within the next two weeks and the appeal could be granted.

In the meantime, parents will be canvassing the neighborhood talking with the community to get its support and sending letters to city and state elected officials.

In addition, parents plan to meet with city and state officials within the next few weeks.

POLITICIANS IN TROUBLE

Delegate Hargreaves charged with driving while drunk

By John W. Frece

ANNAPOLIS — Delegate John Hargreaves, D-Caroline, one of the more powerful members of the Maryland General Assembly, was arrested early Wednesday on charges of driving while intoxicated.

JOHN HARGREAVES

Hargreaves' car was pulled over about 2:15 a.m. on the outskirts of Annapolis by state police who had observed the legislator's car "allegedly making improper lane changes and driving irregularly," said Dan McCarthy, a state police spokesman.

Hargreaves, 66, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, which oversees every aspect of the state budget, was taken to the state police Annapolis barracks where he was booked on two charges driving while intoxicated and changing lanes improperly.

He was released on his own recognizance after being taken before a court commissioner at approximately 3:20 a.m.

No trial date has been set.

McCarthy said the police report showed Hargreaves was apparently driving southbound on Route 2 near West Street in Annapolis when he was pulled over by Pfc. Dennis Bieda near the

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Bauman says he's finally learned

RISING SUN, Md. — Rep. Robert E. Bauman, R-Md., said his personal problems have helped him learn what is most important in his life, his wife and children.

The First District congressman faced his Democratic challenger, Royden P. Dyson, in Rising Sun

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Served in Haiti, Africa, Paris

Dr. Clinton E. Knox, retired ambassador, dies

SILVER SPRING — Dr. Clinton Everett Knox, 72, retired U.S. Ambassador to Haiti, died suddenly Thursday of cardiac arrest.

Dr. Knox had served as Haitian Ambassador from 1969 until his retirement in 1973. His retirement came shortly after his ordeal with Haitian terrorists who demanded the release of 31 political prisoners, a $500,000 ransom and safe passage out of the country.

Dr. Knox and the U.S. Consul to Haiti were held hostage for 18 hours before being released unharmed in return for a government promise to fly the gunmen, 12 political prisoners and $70,000 ransom money to Mexico.

Before his Haitian assignment he served as ambassador to the Republic of Dahomey in West Africa in 1964 and won a State Department Superior Honor Award in 1966.

He had been with the State Department since October 1, 1946, when he was appointed a research analyst. His assignments took him to Western Europe as deputy chief, and then chief of research, 1948-1950; to Paris in 1957 to attend the NATO Defense College; and to Honduras in 1960 as deputy chief of mission at the A. S. Embassy in Tegucigalpa.

DR. CLINTON E. KNOX

While working with the State Department in Washington he also served several years as a visiting lecturer at the Johns Hopkins University School for Advanced International Studies.

A native of New Bedford, Mass., Dr. Knox received his bachelor of arts from Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., in 1930, and his master of arts from Brown University, Providence, R. I., the following year.

He attended the University of Paris in 1938-39 and went to Harvard University for his Doctorate of Philosophy in 1940. Dr. Knox was on the staff of Morgan State College, Baltimore, during the years 1931-35 and 1939-43. From 1943 to 1946 he served in the U.S. Army.

Dr. Knox earned respect as an outstanding diplomat with an enviable record both within the United States and abroad and as one who worked to strengthen the bonds of friendship between Haiti and America.

His survivors include his wife, Mrs. Clementine E. Murphy Knox of Silver Spring, Md., granddaughter of AFRO founder John H. Murphy, Sr. and sister of AFRO Chairman of the Board John H. Murphy, III; two children, Karen and William Knox of Philadelphia; a brother, Dr. William J. Knox of Rochester, N.Y., and a sister, Mrs. Alverta Knox Eatmon of Burlington, N.J.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at AFRO prestime.

Insurance exec acquitted of assault on partner

Roger Walker, owner of Walker Insurance Agency in the 5300 block of Reisterstown Rd., was found not guilty of assault and battery, after a Criminal Court jury deliberated for an hour.

Ms. Gloria Avery, 31-year-old licensed insurance agent and broker, formerly employed at the Roger Walker Insurance Agency charged Walker with assault and battery, false imprisonment and intentional infliction on mental and emotional distress.

Judge Marshall A. Levin presided at the one day trial and Richard Johnson was the attorney for Walker. Ms. Avery, of the 200 block Diener Place filed the complaint through her attorneys Cummings and Smith on July 9.

According to court records, Ms. Avery claims that on May 19 when she reported for work, Walker without cause, justification or provocation hit Ms. Avery several times in her face, head, neck and body and threw her against a wall and a sofa.

Ms. Avery stated in the court records that Walker placed his arms on her and touched her on various parts of her body, causing her to suffer injuries.

She says she was placed in fear of immediate harmful offensive contact and in fear for her life and as a result of the attack, she suffered injuries to the head, face back shoulders and severe headaches.

As a result of the alleged assault and battery, her suit also claims that Ms. Avery was hospitalized and Was Prevented from pursuing her normal occupation and the normal pursuits of home life.

She stated she was forced to expend large sums for doctor bills and medicine and her health has been permanently injured.

LEAVING CRIMINAL COURT — Roger Walker (C) is shown leaving court with his wife Mrs. Walker and his attorney Rick Johnson, after he was found not guilty of assault [illegible] Ms. Gloria Avery, a former [illegible] pigeon.

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