—Hunger

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The complaints centered on a group of inmates serving sentences longer than the 90 days they received for participating in a dispute pitting rival groups of prisoners against one another.

In all, 21 men were cited under administrative rules for refusing their transfer orders. Bartlow said one man pleaded guilty and was given probation while a decision on another has not been handed down.

Each of the 19 prisoners involved in Tuesday's decision has three days to appeal the sentences, and penitentiary Warden George Collins has five days to act upon any appeals.

Prisoners in the punitive segregation area are denied packages and daily showers. Exercise and visting privileges are also restricted.

After a demonstration Wednesday by 100 of the prison's 750 inmates, Collins freed up space for the detained inmates by moving others from the general prison population to other prisons.

Some of the prisoners have protested the prolonged sentences by staging an off and on hunger strike that entered its ninth day Tuesday. Sixty five prisoners participated in the first day of the hunger strike, but the number dropped to eight Wednesday.

—Kidnap

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Bass stated Butler was arrested because he had an open assault by shooting warrant and it is unrelated to the kidnapping.

Baltimore county police received a call from the 21-year-old woman's mother who said she received a call from a male around 11 p.m. Wednesday night informing her that her daughter had been kidnapped.

According to police, the woman had gone to the Judas Priest show with several friends. Her friends told police and her family they became separated in the crowd and went home after waiting for the woman who never showed up where the car was parked.

Police are not releasing the woman's name because she was allegedly raped by one of the kidnappers. According to police, two black men and a white woman kidnapped the woman and no charges had been placed at AFRO presstime because police were still investigating the case.

At 8:15 a.m. Thursday one of the suspects called the victim's mother and told her to go to a phone booth near the Sutton Place apartments. After arriving at the phone booth, the caller gave her additional instructions and she was told to drop the money in a phone booth at Maryland Avenue and Preston Street.

The area was under surveillance by city police officers when the woman left the money in the phone booth and walked away. Shortly after she left the booth, police report an unidentified male entered the booth and was later seen walking in an alley near Preston Street.

The suspect escaped and the money had not been recovered at AFRO presstime.

Police searched an abandoned building and arrested a male vagrant, who was questioned and later released.

Around 2:30 p.m. Thursday, police report they received a call telling them the victim was at the North Avenue Motel and had been sexually assaulted.

At AFRO presstime, the victim was being treated at Mercy Hospital and police were continuing their investigation.

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Meritocrats host eighth annual picnic

MERITOCRAT OFFICERS AND MEMBERS pictured during their 8th annual picnic held at Conrad's Ruth Villa in Benjies, Md. Saturday, July 25 are Earl Banks, president; Clarence Harris, vice president; Jim Edwards, secretary; Harry Peaker, treasurer; Rick Palmer, sgt.-at-arms; Cleve Brister, business manager; Loyd Mitchner, president emeritus; Members are Charlie Robinson, Midkey Addison, Jack Alston, Henry Caraway, Clarence Hawkins, Armstead Jenkins, Ernest Murphy, Henderson Neal, Claude Parker Jr., Claude Patterson, Alonzo Rodgers, David White, Vernon White, Rufus Handy, John Donaldson and Randy Edwards.

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ERNEST SANDERS AND MILDRED ROSS took time out from their card game to pose for the AFRO photographer.

OOH, DELICIOUS — Enjoying roast beef sandwiches which they described as simply delicious are (L to R): Zerita Thornton, Barbara Earl and Jeanette Williams.

CHECKING OUT THE PICNIC SCENE are (L to R): Arthur Grier, Horce Simms III and Michael Flowers.

The rain did not stop more than 1,000 folks from attending the Meritocrats 8th annual picnic (proceeds of which are used for scholarships) held for the third year at Conrad's - Ruth Villa in Benjies, Md., Saturday, July 25.

There was plenty of food, fun, music and drinks for all who attended.

Even though it was cloudy, several people were seen swimming, while others we dancing in the barn and others played cards, games or just spent time talking with their friends.

Dressed in their white pants, blue shirts and blue caps, those handsome Meritocrats were the perfect hosts. They made sure all of their guests enjoyed themselves.

Their picnic is an annual one for all ages.

The wives and sweethearts of the Meritocrats were presented with Meriotcrat T - shirts during the festivities.

In spite of inclement weather, guest came at noon and lingered till 6 p.m.

Meritocrats officers are Earl Banks, president; Clarence Harris, vice president; Jom Edwards, secretary; Harry Peaker, treasurer; Rick Palmer, sgt.-at-arms; Cleve Brister, business manager; Lloyd Mitchner, president emeritus.

CLEVE BRISTER, Meritocrat business manager, raps with Eddie Burrell, who lives in Las Vegas, and was visiting friends in Baltimore.

HOSTESS SHIRLEY ROBINSON (seated center) poses with guests during the annual Harbor City Appreciation Cook-Out. (L to R): are Marsha Robinson, Steven Robinson, Andrew McNeil and Brenda Reynolds.

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MAURICE ROBINSON (Far right) host and principal of the Harbor City's four-site school watches as guests enjoy a game of pool. (L to R) are John Walker and Bill Chappell.

Partyline

Las Amigas host swinging boatride

By Pattie Hodges,
AFRO Women's Editor

The Baltimore Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc., a social - civic organization with ten chapters up and down the Eastern seaboard, hosted a boatride to end all boatrides Saturday, July 18.

More than 300 Las Amigas members and their guests boarded the Port Welcome which stood ready and waiting near Phillips, (in Harborplace) from 8 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., then cruised out for a zesty, fun-filled evening for all.

There was action on all three decks as folks snacked on fried chicken and other meats, potato and other assorted salads and munchies.

There also was lots of beer and cocktails on hand for sippables.

Many strolled the top deck, enjoying the balmy bay air— just perfect for a boatride.

And ooh, that music—the latest popular disco tunes played by Wood's Sound and Light Co. of Baltimore—hardly anyone could resist it.

There was continuous dancing throughout the evening while the boat crusied as far as the Key Bridge before returning to Baltimore at midnight.

So lively were the sounds that a crowd gathered on the sidewalk near Phillips as the boat returned, many dancing where they stood to the tunes they heard from the boat.

It was almost as if the Las Amigas and guests were being welcomed home after a voyage abroad.

Everyone had so much fun they were reluctant to leave the boat—many getting in their last dance to the final disco set for about 10 minutes after the boat docked.

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Harbor City principal entertains staff

By Pattie Hodges,
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On Sunday, July 26 Maurice Robinson, principal of the four-site Harbor City School under the umbrella of the Baltimore City Public Schools and his wife Shirley (a sixth grade Baltimore City teacher) entertained his Harbor City Staff and their families and friends at his fifth annual Harbor City Appreciation Cook-Out.

Held at the hosts' lovely Minna Ct. home in Woodlawn, the affair, which lasted from 5 until 9 p.m. was attended by nearly 100 guests, who enjoyed a delectable menu (prepared by Shirley) of barbequed ribs, chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, assorted salads, string beans, baked beans, deviled eggs and all kind of sippables.

Guests also danced to disco music and tried their hand at pool and cards.

Though the rains came they did nothing to dampen the lively conviviality of the occasion.

Harbor city staff members who attended were Chicora Lee, assistant principal; Gary Unfried, assistant principal; Margaret Allen, Katherine Armstrong, Ray Bains, John Barber, Audrey Brooks, Lillian Campbell, William Campbell, Lisa Cole, Carol Coleman;

Also Dennis Gray, Ruth Hargrove, JoAnn Harvin, Veris Lee, JoEllen Lofton, Bernard Leneau, Regina Lowman, Charles Matthews, Wilveria Riddick, George Theksekara, Loretta Thornton, James Toney, Deborah Williams, John Walker, Ernest Reed.

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