—Cambridge citizens

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"Suspending him with pay is like they're saying to him, 'you did us a favor.'"

The Rev. Howard Camper, pastor of Bethel AME Church in Cambridge, agreed, saying that if "justice" is not done, meaning that Mears is taken off the police force completely, the residents will boycott businesses in that city, and "other measures will be taken."

The underlying current of fear of injustice in the incident stems largely, leaders say, from the recent treatment of a white Denton youth, who was convicted of killing a black classmate.

Clayton Robinson, 17, is to be sentenced for manslaughter early next month in the shooting death of Leonard Pope, also 17. In the trial, the sought-after first-degree murder conviction was replaced with manslaughter after the white youth pleaded he had shot Pope in "fear and self-defense."

Leaders in Denton fear that the sentence for Robinson will get her be very light or will be suspended entirely.

"We don't want what happened in Denton to happen here," said Mrs. Sarah Nichols, president of the Concerned Black Citizens Awareness Committee.

Police Chief Russell Wroten was under fire for much of the mid-week meeting held at the church, insisting that the "ongoing investigation" in the incident prevented him from answering many of the questions presented to him.

Explaining that the rights of the accused man had to be respected, Wroten told the crowd that results in the investigation would not be known for at least two weeks.

What did come out of the meeting, however, was that if he recovers, Sampson will be charged with "a series of traffic violations." That statement from Wroten drew a series of angry responses from the crowd. Meanwhile, Mears will continue to draw a paycheck.

"I would like to see him go to jail, just like everybody else," said Sarah Nichols. "He's no different. He's just a man. He (Mears) has gotten a reward for what he's done, working with gay."

"He (Mears) must have meant to kill him (Sampson) because he aimed for his head. There was no need for him to draw his gun. The young man had stopped running," Nichols said.

Cambridge police have released only sketchy details surrounding the incident, pending the results of the investigation.

But residents, both black and white, are hedgy about the delay in answers.

"This case," said the Rev. Tom Welsch, a white minister of a Cambridge church, "disturbs me. My concern is...the possibility of having an officer in the community inclined to shoot for nothing. It's an indication of a trend in the entire country."

Responding that he, too, was afraid of a remake of the Pope-Robinson situation in the handling of the incident, Rev. Welsch admitted that that case showed that there are inequities in the system," adding, "I'm feeling very frustrated."

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Courses in nursing, criminal justice, rehab. counseling and other academic disciplines are offered.

For information contact the office of admissions at 383-5990.

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Three Iyengar-style Hatha Yoga Workshops will be offered Saturday, Aug. 15, from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. and from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.; and Monday Aug. 17, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

All workshops will be in the gymnasium of Notre Dame College, LeClerc Hall, 4701 N. Charles.

Cost of each workshop is $10. Call 433-6036 for more information.

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Goodwill Industries is holding back-to-school sales Aug. 14-15, at its thrift stores located at 1923 West Pratt St., and in Waverly at 3101 Greenmount Ave.

For information about sale items and store hours call 247-3500.

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Registration for a wide selection of University of Maryland College fall evening courses being offered in Baltimore and Catonsville will be 5:30 until 8 p.m., Aug. 26 through Sept. 3, at the University's Catonsville campus.

For a free copy of the Schedule of Classes or details, call 455-3167 in Catonsville or 454-5825 in College park.

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Fall registration at the Community College of Baltimore, Liberty Campus, 2901 Liberty Heights Ave., will be Aug. 24 through Aug. 27, from 9a.m. until 7 p.m.

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Youngster's can experience the biggest little circus imaginable when the New World Theather Company brings "The Hot and Cold Running Circus" to the Harry D. Kaufman Pavillion, Aug. 19, for two shows at noon and 7 p.m.

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A 30-hour course in advanced coronary nursing care for R.N.'s with one year's experience, who have completed a basic course in coronary or critical care nursing, will be Thursday evenings from Aug. 27 through Nov. 5, at St. Joseph Hospital's School of Nursing.

For further information, contact The Health and Education Council at 686-3610.

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Meeting four times during the fall of 1981 semester will be six new non-credit Short Courses covering a wide range of subjects and studio experiences. They are part of the Maryland Institute, College of Art's Continuing Studies program.

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Drugs seized

State police Wednesday seized $55,000 worth of marijuana and arrested three people who they say were trying to set up drug dealing operations on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

State police spokesman, Dan McCarthy, said Albert Walton, 43, and Geraidine Meadowas, 51, both of Warathon Keys, Fla. and Leonard Washington, 31, of Federalsburg had 114 pounds of Marijuana in their possession at the time of their arrest.

"The three appeared to be trying to set up marijuana operations on the Eastern Shore," McCarthy said. "This should put a sizeable dent into the marijuana market in that area."

The three were charged with transporting marijuana into the state, conspiracy to transport and distribute the drug, and distribution of marijuana, McCarthy said.

Police also said they confiscated two cars during the arrests, which concluded a year-long investigation by undercover officers.

Trashmen cleared

No evidence of wrongdoing was found in an investigation into an alleged scheme by trash men to collect money from Korean shopkeepers for garbage collection, the state's attorney's office said Wednesday.

Published reports indicated trash collectors were demanding money from the store owners to pick up the garbage, a service provided free to city residents and businesses.

State's attorney William Swisher said the inqury showed "there was no sinister plot on the part of either trash men or shopkeepers."

Investigators interviewed about 50 people and concluded trash collectors did not extort funds from the merchants and Swisher said investigators did not find any evidence that shop keepers tried to bribe trash men to collect their garbage.

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