—Williams

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bent of mind was homosexuality, which his lawyers have hotly denied, and the first intimation of any motive in the killings.

It also brought an abrupt change to the stately atmosphere of the courtroom, where the judge has refused to let the lawyers argue in open court. The witness have been cooperative, and the proceedings have had the feeling of an armchair mystery.

Darrell brought to the high - ceilinged room the world where the victims lived, the world of the child street hustlers — inarticulate, hostile, hopeless and threatening.

Darrell — who is 15, and by agreement between lawyers was not identified — was mulish with the defense, sparking the first loud exchanges between lawyers and forcing the judge to hurry the jury out of the courtroom.

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He was not uncooperative with the prosecution, but he frequently could not understand what they wanted, and the prosecutors sometimes could not understand his answers.

He was the second witness of the day to say he saw Williams in a shopping center with Lubie Geter the day the 14 - year - old child disappeared.

"Take your mind back to August of 1980," said prosecutor Jack Mallard. "Did you see the same subject you saw with Lubie Geter?"

"We was stealing' papers," Darrell began blithely. "A guy drove up an' ask if I wanna job. I say heah."

He said he got in the white station wagon with the man, who he identified as Williams, but who at the time "tol' me his name somethin' like Jimmy."

"He start askin' me questions, like how old are my brothers n' sisters, like do I play a musical instrument. He ask me if I got any money, an' he reach over and feel my pocket, but he didn't really feel my pocket," Darrell said — he was fondling him.

He said Williams drove him to a wooded area near a housing project, and gave him $2 and told him to expose himself. "He ask me if I have sex with boys."

Then, Darrell said, "he say he had to get somethin' outta the trunk. When he went to the trunk I jumped out an ran."

He said he last saw Williams in January at the funeral of Terry Pue, another of the victims, and a friend confirmed this in later testimony. (UPI)

Woman charged with murder being held on $50,000 bail

An Anne Arundel County grand jury indicted a 41-year-old Annapolis woman in the slaying of the woman's elderly mother, whose body was found wrapped in a plastic bag about a block away from the home the two women shared on Jan. 20.

Pearl Holland Ford, of 18 Cornhill St., is charged with the stabbing death of her mother, Muriel Luella Fleming Holland, 76, a retired cosmetology teacher.

At AFRO presstime, Mrs. Ford was held at the Anne Arundel County Detention Center in lieu of $50,000 bond.

According to Annapolis police, the two women had lived on Cornhill Street for almost 20 years. Mrs. Holland's body was found by a neighbor in a snow covered alley at about 8:17 a.m., while the neighbor was putting out the trash.

Police have said they believe Mrs. Holland was killed about two days before her body was found. A medical examiner said the elderly woman died from several stab wounds.

The incident still is under investigation, but a motive for the slaying has not yet been determined.

AFRO news sources said the Holland's neighbors have given conflicting stories about the relationship that existed between mother and daughter.

Some neighbors said the women got along fine. Others claim the other women had problems and argued with each other.

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—Legislators battle

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"If for any reason they don't or can't work off the grant, it will be denied," he said. "It's really a degrading type bill, as far as I'm concerned."

Jobs available through the workfare program will be in the public, non-profit sector, or with private, profit making businesses, he said. Brailey questioned where the jobs would come from.

He cited the state's high unemployment rate and said some state agencies, as a result of federal budget cutbacks, even have laid off some of their own employees.

Another concern of his was where would the children of welfare mothers, enrolled in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program, go while their mothers work during the day.

Brailey said as of Feb. 15, 1982, all of the state supported day care centers, also a casualty of budget cutbacks, will be closed.

My concern is, it's not going to work with all of these people unemployed. It's just a ploy to deprive these people of their welfare grants," Brailey said.

Dean, too, opposes the bill. He said it "makes women with children take a job to work off the checks ... children must be left while the mother is forced to work off her check."

Another provision of the bill is that welfare recipients "cannot be at a job that will make others (already working) lose their jobs," Dean said.

The kinds of jobs created through the workfare bill will be "make work jobs," placing people in low skill employment, he said.

Labor unions such as the AFL-CIO and AFSCME oppose the bill also, he said, but conceded the bill has a lot of support in the committee, till General Assembly and with agencies such as the DHR.

Merrill, DHR Employment Initiative Coordinator, said the Department of Human Resources supports the workfare bill, a title he dislikes, because "it will be beneficial to the recipients making them better able to compete for a job" and it will lessen the burden of taxpayers if recipients are working and off state aid programs.

Originally the bill established "make work" for recipients to pay off their grants, he said. But DHR opposed that provision because "that's not beneficial in the long run for all participants."

If the DHR supported amendments to the bill are approved, the agency would be given the flexibility and the authority to devise a program, which aim and intent "is to help welfare recipients become more competitive in the job market by developing their job skills," he said.

Presently, a similar program to the workfare bill exists in the state. It was established in 1976. The program's participants mainly are single people - nearly all of whom are men - and are "people who don't qualify for any other public assistance," Merrill said.

Jobs available through the present program, which is small and operates in a few counties, are with public, non-profit making organizations.

By opening the jobs to the private, profit making sector, the place where the jobs really are, those on public assistance would stand a better chance in the market place.

Merrill said his agency's policy is not to make anyone go to work for a private employer if they are unwilling. That amendment and others modifies the original bill, he said.

—Tenants picket

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"I've called to say what is needed. She said she would get to it but she didn't say when," Harris said. She said calls for maintenance have gone unheeded for months.

Aljerome Thomas of the 1700 block of N.Calvert St. said the buildings'owner bought oil recently but it lasted for only two days. He said also several repairs have gone undone in his apartment, including a broken stove, a minor gas leak and a plugged drain in his bathtub.

"They've never done any repairs since I've been in there," he said, reporting he had moved in April, 1981.

The buildings owner, Ms. Eileen Stevens, said heat has been supplied to the tenants throughout the heating season as far as she knew, and she had collected oil purchase receipts for deliveries made to those buildings.

But she also said the buildings were being managed by an employee responsible for day to day affairs, and she was somewhat removed from the situation.

"I wasn't paying a lot of attention because I was paying someone else to look after the problems," she said in a telephone interview Thursday. m, but that needed repairs are contracted for.

She also said tenant complaints come in randomly and seldom are in writing, making it hard for the manager to keep track of them, but that needed repairs are contracted for.

The heating problem at the buildings is a recent one, she said, resulting from problems with an oil contractor. Although the apartments were left without heat over the weekend a fuel delivery finally was made Wednesday afternoon, and more oil was on the way, she said.

But many of the tenants claim Stevens has had the buildings' oil tanks filled with token amounts of oil for the benefit of housing inspectors who respond to complaints.

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Community Relations to honor Mitchell, Rouse for service

The Baltimore Convention Center will be the site of the First Annual Outstanding Citizenship Awards Reception hosted by the Baltimore Community Relations Commission with wupport from WMAR TV 2 on Thursdy, Feb. 4 at 5:30 p. m.

Th honorees are Clarence M. Mitchell Jr. and James Rouse. Both honorees were chosen for the commitment each holds in the areas of human and civil rights.

Mitchell has and continues to be a stalwart in the areas of civil and human rights. Referred by many as the "101st Senator," he has been instrumental in the introduction and passage of civil rights legislation which helped to shape this nation's commitment in the civil rights arena.

In comparision, Rouse has also contributed to the civil and human rights field in a more unobstrusive manner. Currently, Rouse is devoting his time towards improving the quality of life for the poor and disadvantaged citizens of Baltimore and other cities through rehabilitative housing.

The BCRC is an agency to help eliminate discrimination in all areas of community life, which is the impetus for the "Outstanding Citizenship Awards" reception.

The second emphasis is to help replenish funds to the Baltimore Fuel Fund, which is a program created to help those families and individuals who are in need of financial assistance to pay their fuel and utility bills during the winter months.

John B. Ferron, director of the commission stated, "I am delighted that the commission has chosen to honor two outstanding persons as Clarence Mitchell Jr. and James Rouse and at the same time have identified a much needed program such as the Baltimore Fuel Fund to donate the proceedings that grow out of the reception.

"The recent wave of intense cold has almost depleted the Baltimore Fuel Fund and the affair will give all of the attendees an opportunity to honor two outstanding citizens and also contribute to a very worthy cause."

The keynote speaker for the awards reereception is Mayor William Donald Schaefer. Tickets for the event are $10 per person and for futhefurther information call 396-3141.

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—Community Calendar—

The following positions are available in the Baltimore area through the Voluntary Action Center of Central Maryland, Inc.:

Drivers of vans for the retarded; counselors for women's shelter Baltimore City and County; companions-big sister for mentally retarded girl.

Call 467-1600 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday to arrange an interview or to obtain more information.

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The Center for Career Development at Morgan State University will conduct a Job Interview and Resume Writing workshop, Saturday, Feb. 6, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, in Jenkins Hall, Room 104.

The workshop's purpose is to help individuals prepare for job interviews and to assist them in developing a resume.

Suggestions also will be given on how to search out and identify a position that one might qualify, as well as how to properly complete applications for employment.

The workshop is free of charge, but will be limited to 150 people. For more information, call 444-3110 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., weekdays.

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Black History Month will be celebrated at the Edmondson Avenue Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

Feb. 1 - Lucille Clifton, poet and author.

Feb. 3 - Nefertitian Queens and Princesses - an African fashion show and multi-media presentation.

Feb. 10 - Mary Carter Smith, Griot. Vonzella Murray, storyteller.

Feb. 17 - "I shall Moulder Before I Shall Be Taken," a film based upon the book, I Sought My Brother," by S. Allen Counter and David L. Evans.

Feb. 17- Les Brown - a lecture and demonstration on congo drums.

Feb. 24 - A song for you: Imani Messengers of Bethel AME Church; St. Bernadine's Catholic Choir; Youth and Sanctuary Choirs of Wilson Park CC Church; Julia Anderson; Kenyatta Howard and Hannah Ajenifuja.

All activities begin at 6 p.m. and are FREE.

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Last year's participants in Morgan State University Community Outreach classes saved $500 to $2,000.

Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursday, Feb. 9 through 25, from 6 p.m. until 9, in the Communications Building, Room, 410. Class size is limited, so register by calling 444-3156.

The fee is $30. Dr. Reginald Washington is the instructor and the registration deadline is Feb. 8.

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The Bureau of Solid Waste, Baltimore City Department of Public Works, wishes to reassure citizens the present weather conditions will not prevent regular municipal collection of mixed refuse.

If alleys are impassable due to snow or ice, residents are urged to place trash in front of their homes on the regular collection day.

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The Urban Services Agency Project Security and Action for Golden Agers will commemorate Black History Month with a musical celebration and revue at the Oliver Multipurpose Center, 1400 E. Federal St., Monday, Feb. 8.

To begin at 10 a.m., the two-hour program will feature songstress Ruby Glover, who will perform black folk music. Earl Koger, author and entertainer, will present a personalized monologue on black progress in America.

Senior citizens are invited to attend the program, which is open to the public. For more information, call 396-1668.

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Morgan State University, in cooperation with Salon Michele, present classes in Grooming and Professionalism. A one night workshop will be each week on campus, Wednesday, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, March 3 and 10.

The workshops will be in the Communications Center, Room 406, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The class is free, but registration is required. Call 444-3156 for registration and other information.

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Galler Ligon, Ltd. of Columbia, Md., presents an exhibition of traditional African Art - "African Art: Diversity of Forms and Ideas," through Feb. 16, 1982 at the Howard Community College Art Gallery. The admission is free.

For more information about hours, special tours and directions, call from Washington - 596-0020 or from Baltimore - 730-0011.

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Arabic Language instruction will be offered at Morgan State University beginning Feb. 1. The course will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays during the evening.

Included will be elementary, intermediate and advanced Arabic. They are offered in cooperation with the Middle East Institute in Washington.

For further information, Morgan's Center for Continuing Education - 444-3156 - or International Studies Program - 444-3205 or the Middle East Institute at 202 785-1141.

(AFRO Photo by Martin Evans)

"WE NEED A SMOKE DETECTOR" The Jones family of the 300 block of North Schroeder St., waited in vain with hopes city fire officials would spot their sign. The fire department has distributed 860 smoke detectors. Baltimoreans have been buying them at a record pace, perhaps because of a recent rash of fire deaths. Mary, and Alfonse Jones said their family can't afford one. Little brother Keith looks concerned.

Fire investigators believe one person set 17 fires

Fire investigators are still searching for clues in 37 arson incidents in the same area of the city.

"We think we're dealing with a pyromaniac," said Capt. Patrick F Flynn, a department spokesman.

Since Jan. 24, 22 fires were set in a 12 block area just west of downtown. There were three Sunday night, 15 Monday and four more ina 13 minute span Tuesday, Flynn said.

The department responded to 15 more fires in the same area between last Sept. 22 and Jan. 12. All were one alarmers, all arsons and all but one involved vacant houses.

The department has approved overtime for its arson investigators in an effort to find the person.

Seven fire and police department arson investigators have been working fulltime for suspects and clues since Monday night.

Flynn said most of the fires were set in vacant, boarded up houses owned by the city.

"We don't black HCD (The city department of Housing and Community Development that owns the houses). The housing inspectors have a full time job just trying to keep people out of these houses," he said. "It's an endless job and we realize people are going to break in, no matter what they do."

Police said they are still looking for a teenage youth in a green, army type field jacket who was seen running from two of the fires Monday.

Flynn said this week's fires have caused more than $15,000 in property damage and an additional $15,000 for use of Fire Department personnel and equipment.

Last weekend, the fire department gave away 860 free smoke detectors to families who did not have detectors in their home. Flynn told the AFRO the department plans to continue to distribute smoke detectors.

Any business, club, church or organization that would like to make a tax deductible contribution for the detectors can mail their checks to Baltimore City Foundation Smoke Detectors, room 432, City Hall, Baltimore, Md. 21202.

Fuel emergency plan announced

Mayor William Donald Schaefer announced the following procedures should be sed when there is a fuel emergency.

A fuel emergency exists when an individual or family is without oil or anticipates being without oil in the next 24 hour period.

If the fuel emergency occurs during the day, 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m., the individual or family should call the closest Mayor's station.

Mayor's stations are as follows:

Cherry Hill - 2429 Giles Road, 396-4683 , 4682 or 4682.

Dunbar - 1400 Orleans St., 396-8043 or 8031.

Govans - 5225 York Rd., 396-6084, 6084, 7206 or 6158.

Harbel - 5807 Harford Rd., 396-7263 or 7262.

Highlandtown-Canton - 3411 Bank St., 396-9378, 9379 or 8276.

Kirk- 909 E. 22nd St., 396-6905 or 6906.

Lower Park Heights - 3939 Reisterstown Rd., 396-0116, 0147 or 7616.

Oliver - 1400 E. Federal St., 396-5333 or 5332.

Pimlico — 3319 W. Belvedere Ave., 396-9245.

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