—Man shot

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child when she heard a brief argument and then two gunshots.

The second gunshot was to have supposedly hit the second man witnesses reported.

Although police believe Dixon was the only person injured during the shooting, they did find a second bullet in the wall of the dining room.

Miller said the second bullet does not necessarily mean another person was wounded.

Police do not have a motive or a suspect yet as they continue their investigation. They have not ruled out the possibility the homicide was drug-related.

Darrell, as he was called, liked music, dancing, basketball and football. He labored hard at the Overhead Door Co. in Prince George's County to meet the financial needs of his family.

"He was a good guy and a fun-loving type of person," said Fredericka Pollard, a friend of Dixon's, who also attended his funeral.

Miller, of the county police, said a small white or beige car was seen leaving the apartment complex after the shooting.

Police did not recover a gun in the incident. Miller said the person responsible for Dixon's death will be charged at least with first-degree murder.

Anyone with information on the shooting can call county police homicide at 886-3943.

Dixon was a member of the Union Bethel A.M.E. Church in Randallstown. He is survived by his parents, Charles and Vecchionia Dixon; brother, Dayon Montay; daughter, Ariel; fiancee and her son, Karen and Corey Gasque; grandparents, Thomas and Amelia Tabron and Charles and Rosa Dixon and a host of family and friends.

—School dress code

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code policies when enforcing the dress codes.

Each school will establish a committee to determine its own clothing guidelines Ashley said. Fifty percent of the committee will be students and the remaining percentage will be parents and faculty.

Erma D. Turner, 37, who has a daughter attending Southwestern Senior High School, said she favors the dress codes, because there is too much competition among students' attire.

"I wouldn't want someone to come to me and tell me my daughter was found dead in an alley because of something she wore to school," said Turner, 37.

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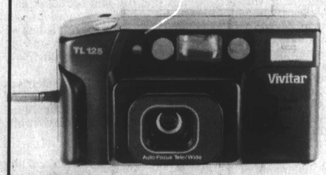

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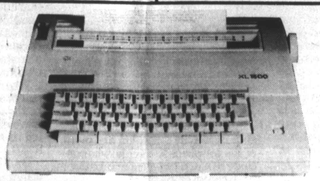

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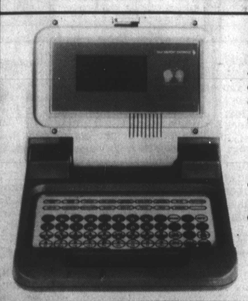

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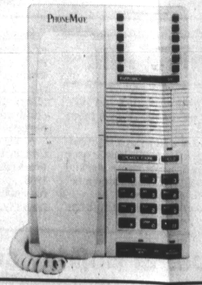

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BARBARA BOSTICK—Baltimore City Jail's New Warden.

Barbara A. Bostick:

Former teacher now corrections commissioner

By Helen Glover Cook
AFRO Staff Reporter

Everything about the looks and actions of the Baltimore City Jail's new Commissioner of Corrections remind you of a first grade teacher. She has a soft pleasant face and is always willing to give individual attention to those students in need. It is impossible to imagine the 5'4" Barbara Bostick raising her voice, in fact teaching first grade students was the first job of the single, 35-year-old new warden when she graduated from the University of Tennessee.

Now she has a new position, one which requires her to interact with a totally different sort of pupil. These pupils form a captive audience composed of prisoners who are older and are present for punishment and rehabilitation rather than learning reading and writing skills.

In her new position Barbara Bostick overees a budget of $32 million, and a staff of 800 correctional officers and civilian employees, as well as an institution with eight facilities and an inmate population of 3,000. A 500-bed facility is now in the planning stages.

Her new administrative policy includes changing guard assignments to include men as guards in the Women's House of Detention. In the past, men always have been prohibited from guarding women. An even more controversial move is Barbara Bostick's directive to change what has been two traditionally separate facilities for men and women into co-educational facilities for both guards and inmates.

Bostick attributes her entrance into the field of corrections to accident rather than being a planned career move. While a student in her home state at Tennessee State University in Nashville, Bostick offered to accompany a cousin to the Jail where she worked, the cousin put Barbara to work as a volunteer working in the recreation department.

Since that fateful first encounter with the correctional system Barbara has changed departments and jobs within the system but she has never left corrections and does not intend to.

Seated in her feminine looking office, located in the Old Warden's residence, Bostick recalled her beginnings in the little town of Montford, Tennessee, situated 26 miles north of Memphis. She was the third of eight children born to Juanita and Levi Bostick on February 23, 1953.

While in Nashville attending Tennessee State University Barbara visited her brother in Washington, D.C. She fell in love with the atmosphere and soon moved to the area to attend Bowie State College, where she obtained a M.A. in Political Science.

She later bought a house in Baltimore situated within easy distance of the Baltimore City Jail. At the time she purchased the house she had to commute long distance to work each day in Montgomery County at the National Institute of Corrections. Her next job was at the Women's House of Detention which is a component of the Baltimore City Jail. Bostick's next step on the promotional ladder led to her present position as Commissioner of Corrections.

Right now Bostick is in the process of settling into her job. Everyday she meets with various correctional departments or community groups mapping out a strategy for eliminating the overcrowding in the City Jail.

Hard work and planning do not keep Barbara from taking a little time off in pursuit of her favorite pasttimes, swimming and scuba diving. Sometimes Barbara will go out to the firing range to practice and add to her already considerable knowledge of weapons and firearms. Barbara as well as her guard staff are weapons qualified, a criterion that she insists upon for all of her staff.

Barbara's future plans include completing the two years she has left studying law at the University of Maryland, and some day receiving a law degree.

Barbara says "Although I want to some day have a law degree, I don't think that it would make me change my career objective within the penal system, I don't want to make a lot of money or become a courtroom litigator, I just would like to earn the degree."

There is "no one, special man in her life at this moment" says, Barbara, who is single. Her thoughts right now are centered on "becoming one of the best wardens the Baltimore City Jail has ever seen."

Barbara Bostick was appointed to this position by Mayor Schmoke on October 27, 1988, and the rare approval of the inmates with whom she has interacted as well as the City Jail's correctional guards and civilian staff who know her. She explains her success by quoting Abraham Lincoln "Prepare yourself and your opportunity will come."

Barbara Bostick has prepared herself well and is ready to offer new insight into the problems within the correctional community; she has the support of her employees and is ready to listen to their ideas. This is the formula that has brought Bostick to this position and will help her to a successful warden.

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BARBARA BOSTICK—Signs New Policy Regulations

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