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SHE HAD A BABY AT 14:

Oprah tells about it

"Truth has been the foundation of my adult life, and I have always told the truth about my childhood," declared actress and television star Oprah Winfrey, confirming a recent report that she had a child out of wedlock at age 14.

"It is true that when I was 14 years old, I became pregnant," Ms. Winfrey said in a statement issued to Parade columnist Walter Scott to be published May 6 in the magazine. "The baby was born prematurely and died shortly after birth," she added.

"The experience was the most emotional, confusing and traumatic of my young life," Ms. Winfrey said.

"I had hoped that this matter could stay private until I was fully able to deal with my own deep emotions and feelings, so that I could share this experience in a way that could best help educate other young girls who are trying to cope with all the ramifications of sexual abuse."

(Ms. Winfrey has previously revealed that she was sexually abused by a relative when she was 9.)

Ms. Winfrey felt compelled to issue the statement now because her half - sister Patricia Lloyd told of the pregnancy and birth in a

"It saddens me deeply that a publication would pay large sums of money to a drug dependent, deeply disturbed individual and then publish her remarks," Ms. Winfrey said in the statement released to Mr. Scott, who had been questioned by a reader about

"My heart goes out to my half - sister, who is obviously in a lot of pain," she added.

Parade that she is a "soft-touch" who has paid in the past for some of her half sister's drug abuse treatment and who undoubtedly will help



OPRAH WINFREY — "A very painful time."

her in the future, if a cure is what Patricia Lloyd really

CCB changeover begins

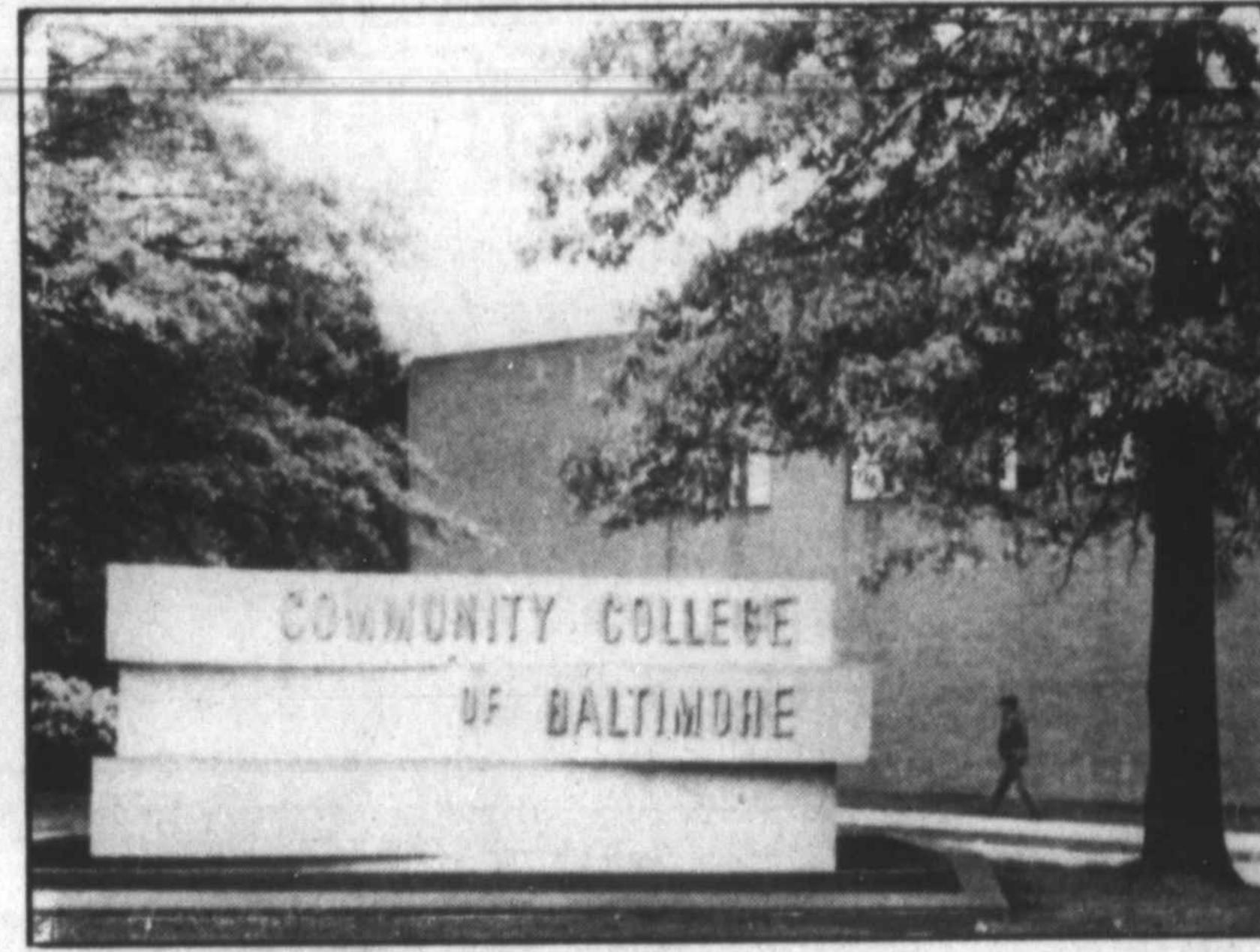
By Joy M. Tyler AFRO Staff Reporter

The Community College of Baltimore has been officially placed under the direct administrative supervision of the State of Maryland.

Governor Schaefer signed the bill Wednesday, setting a precedent by making the community college the first two-year institution in the state educational system.

The new CCB will remain an independent institution within the state system, but will come under a major review by an educational taskforce to examine the college's curriculum and viability to the Baltimore community.

The administration and staff will also be evaluated to ensure positions are



Liberty Campus of the Community College of Baltimore

Rev. Phillips files

for State Senate

necessary, and to classify those positions which will guarantee operations are consistent with state policies and are equal with other state in-(Continued on Page A3)

Chicken George files Chapter 11

Reba Patterson is Miss Black Maryland 1990

Ms. Reba Patterson, 22, the daughter of Mr. James Pat-

terson and the late Louise Patterson of Lanham,

Maryland finished 1st in the 1990 Miss Black Maryland

Changing" by Dream Girls. Reba's 1st place perfor-

mance won her a \$1,000 scholarship to the school of her

She is a 1985 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School

in Greenbelt, Maryland and an active member of the 1st

Baptist Church of Highland Park. She will represent the

state of Maryland in the 1991 Miss Black U.S.A. Scholar-

Other finalists include: Nza Riley of Largo, MD 1st

Runner Up and Stacy Pennington of Randallstown, MD

2nd Runner Up. Reba was also voted "Miss Amity" by

Reba wowed the audience with a performance of "I Am

By Helen Glover Cook AFRO Staff Writer

her fellow contestants.

Scholarship Pageant.

ship Pageant.

President and C.E.O. of Chicken George of Maryland, Meldon Hollis, says "filing Chapter 11 reorganization will give the company time to restructure and look at other options in paying its debts as well as improve its business operations over the next few months."

According to court documents filed on April, 24, when the fast-food company sought Chapter 11 protection under Federal Government statues, Chicken George of Maryland's liabilities totaled \$400,000 while its assets were listed as \$125,000.

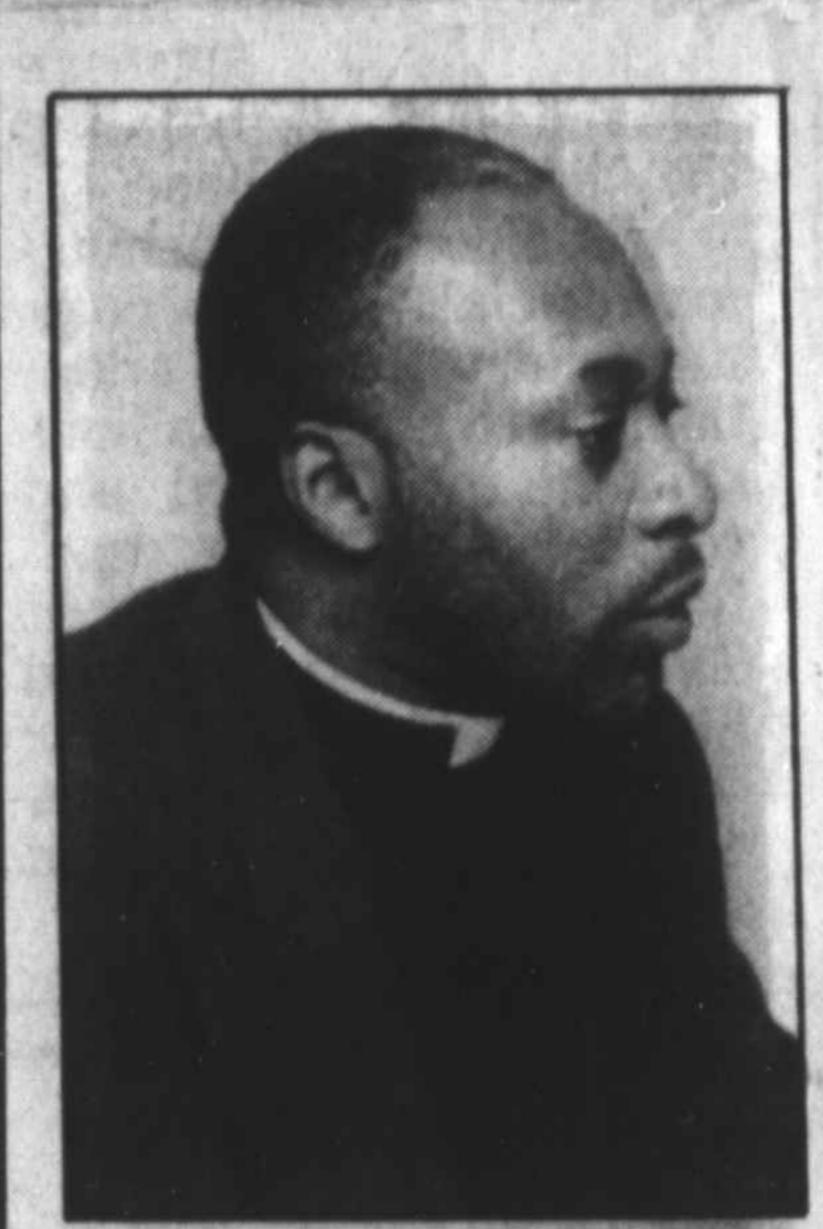
"After we filed Chapter 11, lots of people thought we were closing. In the two days that followed our business dropped 20 percent. Actually we expect to improve our business rather than close it," said Hollis.

"Under Chapter 11 we submit a business plan to our

creditors and they decide to accept or reject that plan. The process can work smoothly or take a long period of time if it is necessary to run back and forth filing motions before the bankruptcy master.

Meldon Hollis bought the fast-food chain known for its spicy chicken and biscuits in January, 1989. He said, "When we first purchased the chain from its visionary and

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"I am a man of God," says Rev. Stallings.

REV. FR. STALLINGS:

'l am a man of God!'

By Hamil Harris and Gwen Gilmore AFRO Staff Writers WASHINGTON

The Rev. George A. Stallings gave his first exclusive interview May 1st to the WASHINGTON AFRO following a series of articles in The Washington Post revealing incidents of alleged improprieties at his former parish, St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church in

SE throughout hi 12-year-tenure.

Rev. Stallings mentioned The Post only once during the taped discussion, saying that "some in the media don't understand what it means to be a Christian and what it means to work out one's salvation.

"After much prayer and consultation with my attorney I don't have any comment on the series of

articles which ran in *The Washington Post* from April 29th to May 1," said Rev. Stallings, founder of the Imani Temple African American Catholic Church. He said he returned to the District on April 26 after a 10-day speaking tour of the

West Coast.
The articles had been anticipated in the Washington journalism community

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Hunter deputy Supt. is named

By Joy M. Tyler AFRO Staff Reporter

The much anticipated decision over choosing Dr. Richard Hunter's new Deputy Superintendent of Baltimore City schools is over.

Former Montgomery County Superintendent of schools, James Edward Andrews, Jr., has been offered the position and has accepted.

Andrews appointment comes after much debate and speculation over Dr. Hunter's status with the school administration and his present duties.

Several weeks ago the Mayor made a commitment to support and retain Dr.

Hunter throughout his contractual three-year agreement with the city, and voted to continue to keep abreast of problems and progress made.

Second in command under Dr. Hunter, Mr. Andrews'

primary responsibilities will be to directly oversee day-today operation of the staff and (Continued on Page A3) By Helen Glover Cook AFRO Staff Writer

"We are here to proclaim the candidacy of Reverend Wendell H. Phillips, a man known as a champion of the underdog, the homeless and the downtrodden as well as the pastor and founder of Heritage United Church of Christ," said, campaign

chairman, George Guest.

On Wednesday evening
Rev. Phillips announced his
intention to run for the 41st
Dist. State Senate seat to a
group of supporters and cam-

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Illegal Drug Money — WHAT HAPPENS TO IT?

By Anthony Armstrong Part II of 2 parts

In the dozens of interviews conducted for this article the lack of trust inherent in the illegal drug game was the one thing that came through the most. Drug dealers don't generally trust anyone; it is the code of "the game," that if you cross someone, you're dead; that is the only leveler.

The small to medium level dealers complain about being targeted by law enforcement groups, and many people in those law enforcement agencies talk in second hand terms about all the mega-drug kingpins that they go after and hope to catch.

Yet, while the really big boys use the banking system to launder most of their drug profits, this route is usually not so available to the small and mid-level guy, ironically because so many of this group happen to be minorities.

"So, while they're (the Feds) looking to shut down a night club or a chain of grocery stores owned by us, comments one mid-level dealer, the big boys, most of whom are not African-Americans, are laughing all the way to the bank, and the Feds is busy getting its kicks off of shuting down a nightclub or some greasy spoon restaurant."

If the topic weren't drugs the indignation could almost be the cause celebre for a new economic civil rights push.

All the clothes, cars, gold jewelry, even all the gas stations, dance halls, and other "front" operations still don't account for the whereabouts of millions and millions of drug profit dollars that are generated each year in Baltimore alone. Where is all that money?

Baltimore alone. Where is all that money?

It's almost sad, but the bulk of that money usually sees only one rollover, and that's, out of the hand of dealer and into the days receipts of hundreds and hundreds of just

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Rev. Wendell Phillips and his campaigners