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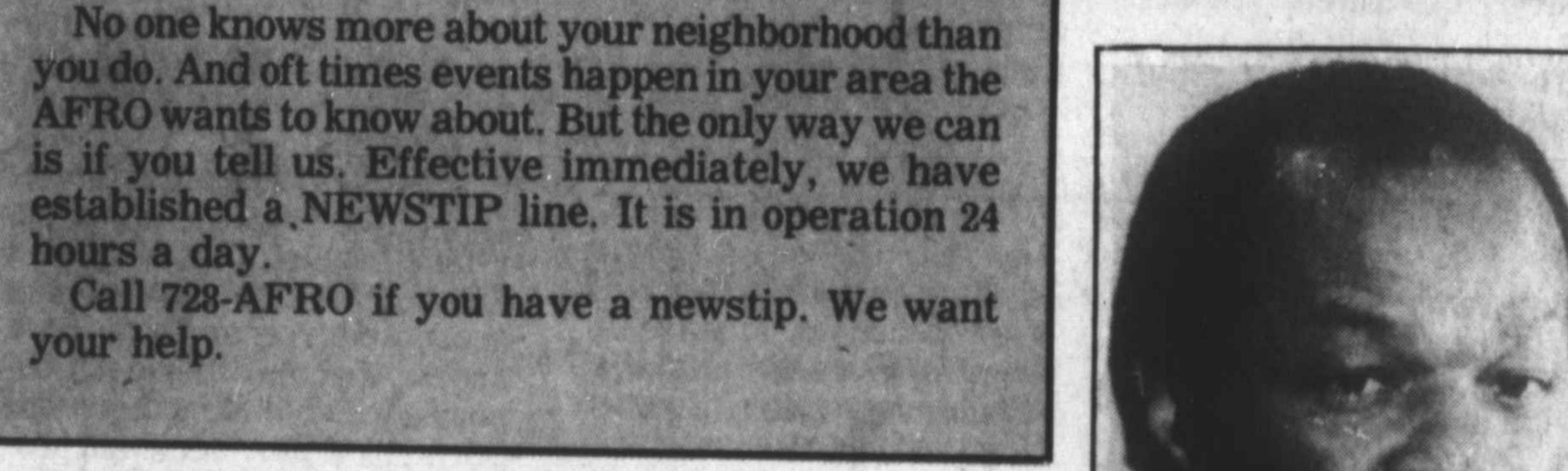
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#### D.C. MAYOR MARION BARRY:

# Indicted on 14 counts!



ANNAPOLIS POLICE CASE:

## Called 'a raw deal'

By Will Marshall

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**AFRO Staff Writer** In October 1988 former An-Mayor Dennis Callahan, formed a task force, which was later named the Delta Force, to eradicate street-level drug sales that were plaguing the Harbor House Apartments in the Maryland's capital.

This unit was composed predominately of African-American officers, and was led by Sgt. Robert Beans, a 19-year veteran with the Annapolis Police Department. Sgt. Beans told the Mayor he could clean up the drug problem in 30 days and set out to make good on his promise.

According to Ms. Rosalie Mitchell, President of the Harbor House Tenants Association, "Delta Force virtually eliminated the open-air drug markets, and made the housing projects a much safer place in which to live."

Although the Delta Force significantly reduced streetlevel drug sales in the "Harbor House Apartments," it became the focus of an investigation that led to Sgt. Beans, and Officer Chandler Powell, being reassigned to administrative duties in October 1989.

The issues of the investigation concerned: contact and release of information to the media; contact and report of information to the Mayor's office; procedures of chain of command; formal complaints made within the Annapolis Police Department; statements and questions responses provided by Sgt. Beans to the State Prosecutor's Office; and administration handling, and direction of subordinates within "Delta Force."

These charges came as the result of an investigation ordered by Mayor Callahan, based on a complaint he received from Sgt. Beans, after a major drug suspect roundup operation, during the spring of 1989, failed to accomplish its objectives.

According to Sgt Beans, the "spring roundup was not effective because information about drug violations were deliberately withheld from

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**Mayor Marion Barry** 

WASHINGTON — A federal grand jury Thursday indicted Washington's embattled Mayor Marion Barry for the second time in three months. charging him with 14 counts involving drugs and perjury.

The 14-count indictment includes eight counts from a Feb. 15 indictment against the mayor but adds six new misdemeanor counts.

It charges Barry with 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession, three felony counts of perjury and one misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess and use cocaine and crack.

The earlier indictment included the three felony perjury counts and five counts of misdemeanor possession.

The new indictment

charges Barry possessed illegal drugs on numerouos octhe Vista International. casions from November 1987 to January 1990, and con-

back as 1984. It charges Barry obtained, possessed and used cocaine and crack with "more than 10 persons at more than 20 locations including private residences, hotels, business establishments and government offices, both inside and outside the United States."

spired to possess drugs as far

Barry was arrested Jan. 18 and initially indicated Feb. 15 The earlier charges of cocaine possession dealt only

with Barry's meeting with former city worker Charles Lewis at a downtown Ramada Inn in December 1988, and his arrest in an FBI sting operation Jan. 18 at another hotel,

While the mayor was scheduled to stand trial June 4 on the eight earlier charges. it was not immediately clear whether the new counts would be joined — delaying the trial - or if Barry would face two separate trials.

"The United States Attorney's office is charged with the responsibility of fairly enforcing the criminal laws without regard to the position or status of the offender," U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens said in a statement.

"Following Mr. Barry's arrest on drug charges this past January, this office expeditiously and thoroughly in-

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#### JESSE ENTERS THE HARVARD DISPUTE



Rev. Jesse Jackson addresses protesters outside of Harvard University Law School who have joined forces with Harvard Law Professor Derrick Bell (2nd from left) who has pledged to take an unpaid leave of absence until the school hires a tenured Black woman professor. Professor Bell says he is aware of the sacrifice he is making because his wife is seriously ill and his absence will deprive him of much needed health insurance benefits..

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. -In a hall bearing the inscription "show them the way they must walk," the Rev. Jesse Jackson told

more than 300 Harvard Law students Wednesday that the character of the university is "on trial" in a dispute over hiring more

minority faculty. Students at the Ivy League university have

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#### WHATEVER HAPPENED TO: St. Geo. Crosse

By Helen Glover Cook **AFRO Staff Writer** 

Last year Baltimore area Housing and Urban Development Director, Rev. St. George Crosse became disenchanted with the agency's decision to transfer him to HUD's Washington headquarters office as a special assistant to Secretary Jack

Now it looks as though the agency and Crosse have reached a compromise.

HUD has agreed to reassign Crosse once more to the City of Baltimore -- this time as a consultant to the Morgan State University Built **Environment Studies Depart**ment, chaired by Anthony Johns. Crosse will report directly to Morgan President, Dr. Earl S. Richardson.

As part of the federal government's Intergovernmental Personnel Assignment Program--a contractual agreement effective for a two year period -- St. George Crosse will assist instructors and students in the practical aspects of community concept planning.

The Built Environment Studies Department assesses



Rev. St. George Crosse

the building needs of a community and then transfers those needs from theory into concrete renovation, landscaping and building blueprints. The newly developed business community in the Liberty Garrison section of the city is a recipient of the surveys and work conducted by the Built Environment Studies Program.

The offices of Morgan President, Dr. Earl Richardson and Executive Assistant to the President, Dr. Rich had no information on the assignment of Rev. Crosse. Public Relations Director, Fred Douglass issued a statement outling Rev. Crosse's assignment to the Built Environment Studies Department.

When the AFRO telephoned Built Environment Studies Department no one in the department was familiar with Rev. Crosse's new role at the university.

When asked for information about the duties and assignment of Rev. Crosse, Built **Environment Studies Depart**ment Chairman, Mr. Anthony Johns said, "This is the first time that I have heard

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# Council bill to focus on funeral parlor practices

By Joy M. Tyler **AFRO Staff Reporter** In times of grief, many emotionally stressed people experience major decisions about many aspects in deal-

ing with a loved one's death. Unfortunately many do not think about funeral arrangements with an adequate amount of information and objectively. Pressure from

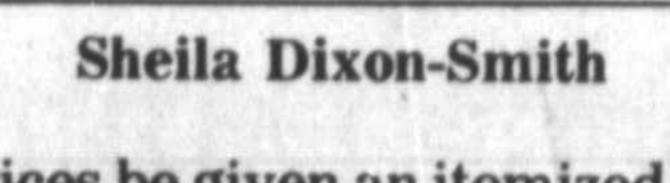
coping with the person's death, finances, family, friends, and the future cloud their normal decision making.

For many funeral costs is a taboo subject; most don't take the time to shop around for the best service. They rely on reputation or any means to get the business out of the

The average cost of a complete funeral is approximately \$3,500, and most families are not familiar with the laws. pricing policies or customary funeral practices surrounding this purchase.

Because of this lack of sound decision-making on the part of many Baltimorean's Councilwoman Sheila Dixon has introduced a funeral costs bill to tackle the problem.

Currently, federal law requires that funeral home operators must give information over the phone regarding individual services and further requires that persons who contract for funeral ser-



vices be given an itemized list of charges. Dixon stated that this bill

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#### SCHOOL BOARD TO ACT ON:

### Dress code recommendations

By Joy M. Tyler

**AFRO Staff Reporter** Baltimore City public school students may be granted a reprieve of the exclusionary dress code resulting from the student meeting with schoolboard members last month.

The school board commissioners were presented with the recommended modifications by an ad-hoc committee on school safety which was commissioned to review and make adjustments to the present code.

Students from all area mid-

dle schools and senior high schools, brought their concerns about the dress code to board members in an effort to overturn some of the policies which were thought to be extreme or ambiguous.

The following recommendations will be voted on by the school board. Before the board is handed the final recommendations, parents will have a change to examine

Targeted for change includes areas of popular clothing, jewelry, shorts, and sweatsuits. The torn or used

clothing look, which is presently the most popular among students, is targeted removal by the schoolboard.

The committee has recommended to allow the fashion, only if the rips in the jeans have patches covering any areas that reveal flesh.

Currently, policies on jewelry states that no visible (precious metal) chains, ropes, or necklaces; no multifingered rings and no precious

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