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THE HOMELESS As Baltimore's homeless population increases so do the burdens which the homeless must face each day in their quest for shelter and food. Many private and government agencies have originated food pantries, soup kitchens, and clothing drives in an effort to alleviate some of the hardships that go hand and hand with not having a place to call home. Those who help the homeless. Part II of three part focus on the

YOUTH ON THE BEATH: A Way Out is the title of the prize winning essay by Lonette DeLeon an 8th grader at Lombard Middle School. It is the story of growing up in the projects of West Baltimore. Story on ......... Page B7.

BUSINESS PULSE

PICKING UP a statewide program and turning it around would seem an almost impossible feat. Meet Leonard Blackshear.

After winning the contract for Minority Business Development Centers, Enterprises, Associated under the leadership of Blackshear, is re-aiming the program. Straight up. Story



THANK GOD I WAS NOT ON THAT

FLIGHT: A long awaited vacation, with plans all made and bags all packed until suddenly everything meets a last minute detour. The account of a Baltimore minister, Rev. Rev. Dennis Golphin, who once again experienced "Saving Grace." Story begins on ... Page D1.



DESIGNING WOMAN: South African fashion designer Nandipa Madikiza combines the elegance and rhythm of her native homeland with the pulse and verve of her adopted London and produces clothing with an international accent. Story

INSIDE: Friday Plus and the artistic Innovators Awards for 1989.

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#### Max Robinson:

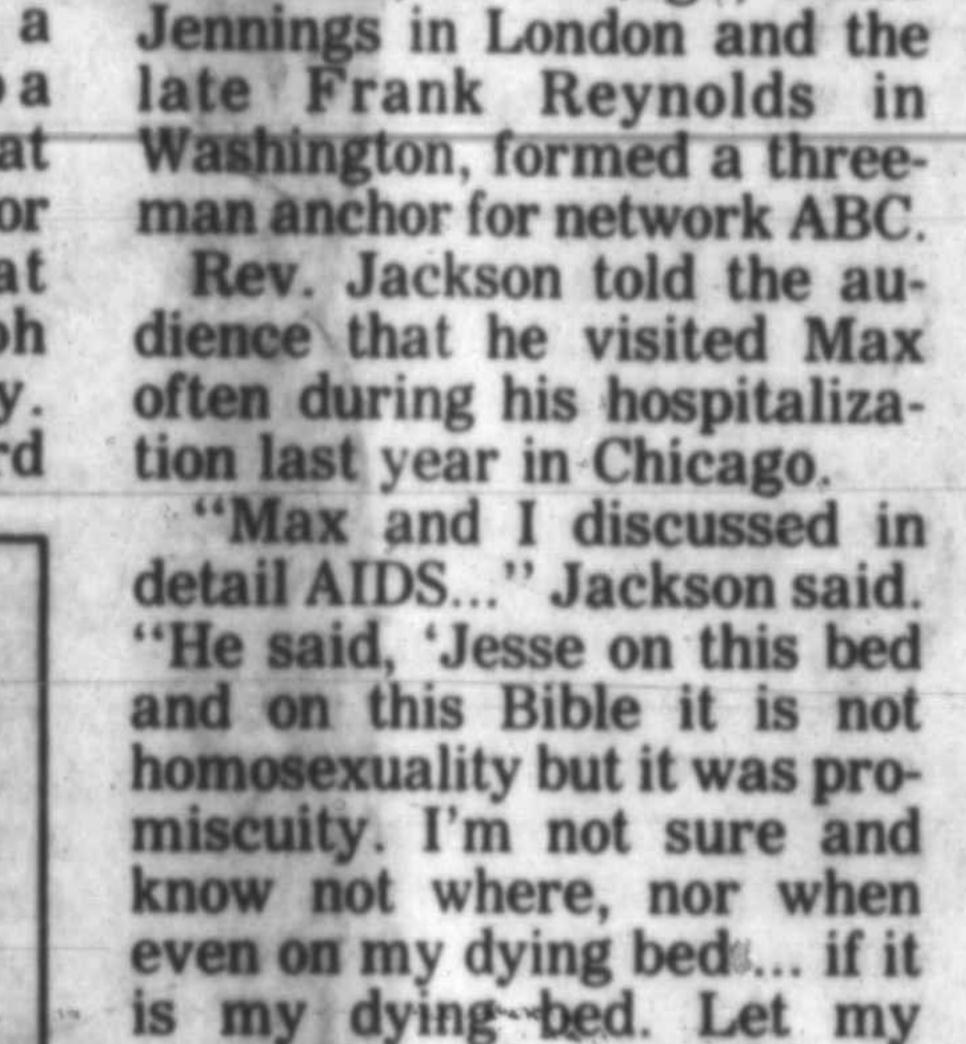
# How he got AIDS

By Chester A. Higgins, Sr. NNPA News Editor

Washington, DC - A year before he died of AIDS complications, pioneer black TV network anchorman Max Robinson confessed to the Rev. Jesse Jackson in Chicago that he didn't acquire the disease through homosexual activity but "from promiscuity".

The Rev. Jackson related Robinson's statement - a testimony that amounted to a "death bed confession" - at the memorial service held for Robinson Washington, D.C.'s Shiloh

Baptist Church recently. Robinson, 49, died at Howard



disease.

education for my people'." Jackson said Robinson obtained a measure of peace and serenity in the year

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University Hospital of com-

plications from the dread

In a moving memorial, the

Rev. Jackson talked about the

troubled life of Max Robinson,

a handsome, smooth, dashing

figure who rose from perfor-

ming as a disk jockey in his

native Richmond, Va. to

become the nation's first

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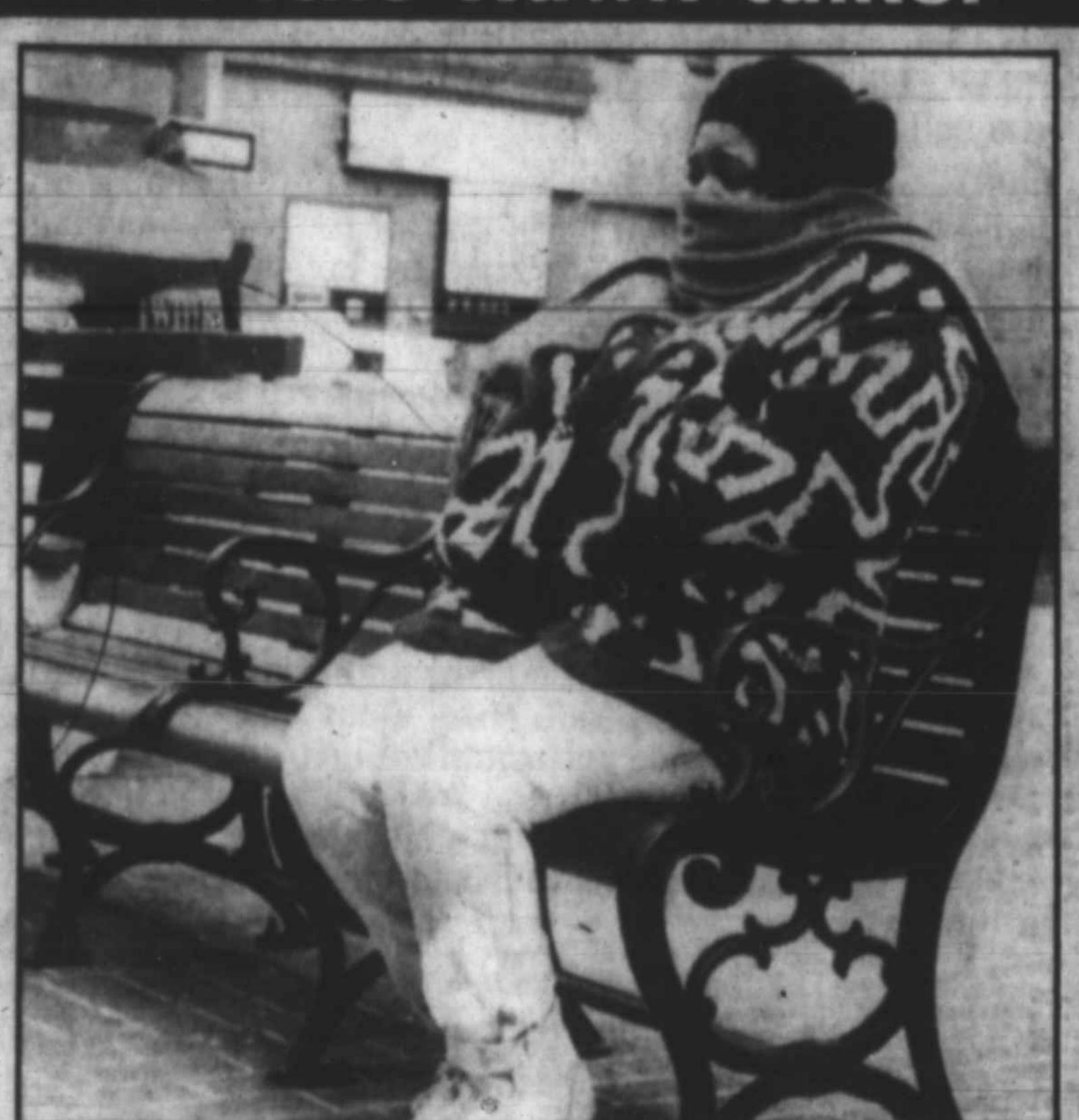
Afro-American history and

culture because he felt a rootless people were a

fruitless people." He described Robinson as a "seven-foot giant in a five-foot

cage," and declared that although he suffered from AIDS, there "was no deficiency in intellect and courage. Max could not adjust."

#### ...the Hawk talks!



BRR.! - Darlene Coates faced up to the wintry wind, and sub-freezing temperatures while waiting for the No. 3 bus at Lombard and Charles Sts. Thursday. A warming trend is on the way . . . whew!

#### SOCIAL SERVICES DEPT

### Shirley Marcus is interim director

Exclusive to the AFRO

By Phillip G. Dantes

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all. Mayor Schmoke presented the City

By Alisa Samuels **AFRO Staff Writer** 

Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke Thursday appointed a former city school social worker as the interim director for the troublesome Baltimore City Department of Social Services, the mayor's press secretary said.

Coleman, Clinton Schmoke's press secretary, said Shirley Marcus was named acting director of the city's Department of Social Services, Jan. 5.

Marcus, currently the deputy executive director for the Maryland Department of replace the controversial

director, George Musgrove, whom Schmoke removed in the summer. Musgrove was transferred to a position in state government.

City officials have been critical of that department's foster and day care services programs and a newspaper said a federal judge last year said the foster care program had allowed children to be victims of sexual and physical

"I am confident she will provide fresh leadership and stability that is necessary for the Department of Social Services during this transitional period," the mayor said in a



Shirley Marcus

Coleman said the city and the State Department of Human Resources will conduct a joint search for a permanent director.

Musgrove, who was paid \$59,600, was appointed by William D. Schaefer-then mayor of Baltimore.

Controversy has since developed regarding who should appoint the director.

The state pays the director's salary, although the mayor can and did make the appointment.

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## Help minority businesses get more international trade

MD. LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS WILL:

By Alisa Samuels AFRO Staff Writer

The Maryland Legislative Black Caucus Wednesday announced a proposed advisory council to foster international trade between local small and minority businesses and African and Caribbean markets.

"What we are trying to do today is to bridge the gap," said Del. Elijah E. Cummings, chairman of the Maryland Legislative Black Caucus Business Roundtable.

"We're trying to open some doors of wisdom, so that you can see how you, as minority businesses can participate in all-American, Maryland and the international dreams," Cummings

The legislators made the caucus' second annual

business roundtable conference at the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel downtown Jan.

The five-committee council, to be called the Maryland International Trade and Exchange Council, will act as a liaison between the black Maryland caucus, Chamber of Commerce and the federal, state and city governments, to improve minority small and businesses participation in in-

ternational trade. The body would only have advisory powers and no enforcement powers.

"What we are doing is creating a marriage — a mar-

riage between minority businesses, Baltimore and businesses in Africa and the Caribbean," Cummings said later on.

committees of MINTEC are: culture and tourism, education and training, import/export processes, research and development and capitalization.

The council members will discuss and disseminate business information to the African and Caribbean countries to match their products and service needs with Maryland small and minority businesses.

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#### announcement at the black

### ew Federal setasides

Exclusive to the AFRO

By Frank S. Turner and Delroy L. Cornick, Sr.

President Reagan signed, on November 15, 1988, P.L. 00-656 referred to as the Business Opportunity Developgram which is of importance to minority, and particularly

usiness legislation of the small business program the deals with socially and economically disadvantaged

The 8(a) program, in existence since 1953, currently some \$3 billion in U.S. government contracts for

e technical corrections legislation currently

1. requires a business mix including 8(a) contracts and on-8(a) contracts: 2. requires competition within the 8(a) program if con-

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WINNER PLANS SUIT IN:

### Contest payoff hassle

By Helen Glover Cook AFRO Staff Reporter

Hakim R. Farrakhan competed with over 300 males on February 19 to become the 1988 V-103-5C-Remy Martin "Man of the Year," winning a \$20,000 shopping spree at Mondawmin Mall.

He made plans to donate a portion of his winnings to Baltimore's needy children as well as invite several relatives on shopping trips. plans These never materialized.



Hakim R. Farrakhan

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