—Wife of NBA owner

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brothers Billy and Arthur still reside in Baltimore. A sister, Madeline Rabb, lives in Chicago while another brother Houston makes Alexandria, Va. his home.

Bert and Laura, who live in Chicago, are expecting their first child in September.

Lee made national headlines this week when he and business partner Peter Bynoe purchased the Denver Nuggets for $65 million and became the first blacks to own a professional sports franchise.

"I am fortunate to be very involved in Bert's enterprises," Mrs. Lee told the AFRO. "The reception by the people of Denver has been extremely warm. We are looking forward to making a difference not only nationally but in the lives of the citizens of Denver," she added.

Bert Lee is chairman and president of BML Associates, Inc., an investment holding company and is the majority shareholder of radio station WKYS FM.

Bynoe is executive director of the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority and president of Telemat Ltd., a real estate development and management firm.

Lee and Bynoe stressed that the NBA team will stay in Denver. The team has 14 years remaining on a lease agreement at McNichols Sports Arena.

Sidney Shlenker who purchased the Nuggets for $19 million four years ago reportedly turned down other offers for the professional basketball team in order to let Lee and Bynoe purchase the team.

—No turning back

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don't know what his intentions are."

"If Father should communicate with us, there will be no negotiations through the public media. He is reconciling with the church not with the media," he said.

Rev. Stallings could not be reached to confirm the speculated rumors. He appeared on 'The Oprah Winfrey Show' in Chicago on July 14.

Gloria Nurse, Rev. Stallings press secretary, said, "We have made a proposal to the Archdiocese of Washington about reconciliation" (but) "Neither side has met about the proposal."

Richard DeCarlo, a supporter of Father Stallings and the Imani Temple, said, "I don't think there will be a reconciliation. We will go ahead with our plans to get a building."

"Part of the problem is that this amount of support (for the Imani Temple) is embarrassing for the Cardinal," said DeCarlo.

"I think it is small of Cardinal not to come face to face to meet with Father Stallings. Hickey has to realize he is wrong. If there is ever going to be a reconciliation, then Hickey needs to say he made a mistake," said DeCarlo.

Holding his inaugural mass on July 2 at Howard University's Dumbarton Chapel, Rev. Stallings had more than 4,000 worshipers present and netted over $30,000. Prior to his suspension from the Roman Catholic Church on July 4, Stallings served as priest to St. Teresa of Avila in SE Washington.

—New Edition, Guy

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Budweiser Presents concerts.

"It would be inappropriate at this time to provide any further comment on the matter," he said.

Before the cancellations, New Edition and Guy were originally scheduled to perform together with other groups Friday in Chicago and Saturday in Detroit, and five other cities after that, said spokeswoman Mary McHugh.

No fans were involved, authorities said.

In Pittsburgh, the bands' performance was postponed Sunday, with no plans to reschedule. Fans can pick up refunds at ticket outlets, Mr. Pagano said.

New Edition and Guy are still scheduled to play at Indiana's Market Square Arena July 23 as part of another show not sponsored by Anheuser-Bush.

The dispute between the two bands first began in Greensboro, N.C., when Guy played past its time limit, police said. One member of Guy allegedly kicked or pushed some of New Edition's equipment as the group came on stage.

Four members of Guy were charged with assault in the beating of New Edition crew member Michael Clark of New York, investigators said. The suspects were Michael Floyd, 20; Gene Griffith, 39; Ronald Thomas, 26; and Vincent Rosario, 24, all of New York, police said.

Mr. Clark remained in serious condition July 11, at Allegheny General Hospital, hospital officials said.

New Edition is a five-man vocal group formed nearly 10 years ago in Boston's Orchard Park housing project. Hit songs include "Candy Girl" in the early '80s and last year's "If It Isn't Love."

Guy is a three-man group formed in 1987 by writer-producer Teddy Riley. Their hits include "I Like" and Teddy's Jam." (UPI)

—Hastings fears foul

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peach a jury verdict is really what is going on," Hastings said.

Hasting still believes that his impeachment proceeding is a personnel vendetta against him because, "if you take me and my persona out of the picture and just put X in the picture and say any federal judge who goes before trial is found not guilty and that verdict is not final, then what happens to Richard Roe and Jane Doe"?

Although Hastings could lose his lifetime appointment, the flamboyant judge has always been colorful and very verbal about his plight which has really become a one-man crusade against the system.

This very fact has caused disdain among members of Congress, especially Rep. John Bryant (D-Tex) who said this week Judge Hasting's acted in a way "which can not be tolerated in a U. S. District Judge."

There are several things about this proceeding — which is expected to last through the summer — which makes it particularly hard for the 12 senators who will decide Hastings' fate.

Hastings was accused of conspiring with two Miami brothers in the racketeering case. In 1980 Thomas and Frank Romano were convicted of racketeering.

But, since their conviction both of the Romano brothers have died and Hastings's attorneys say their testimony is critical to the proceedings.

Hastings is accused of conspiring with Washington lawyer William Borders who also allegedly conspired with the Romano brothers. Justice Department officials said they posed as the go between Borders and the Romano brothers.

Hastings lawyer, Terrence Anderson, said his client is innocent and was set up by Borders. If convicted by the Senate, Hastings would be the first black federal judge ever impeached by the U.S. Congress.

—'Do the Right Thing'

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death of a young black man, "Radio Raheem" at the hands of "New York's finest."

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—Whitten returns

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terim director for a period not to exceed 4 months.

"The board has decided to temporarily suspend the search for a permanent director during the first half of Dr. Whitten's tenure," said Murphy.

In 1979, Dr. Whitten retired from the Baltimore Public School System as superintendent for vocational education and joined the staff of CEBO as the director of CEBO's Minority Contractors' Technical Assistance Program (MCTAP).

As MCTAP director Dr. Whitten was responsible for providing professional and technical assistance to minority contractors.

In 1982, Dr. Whitten left CEBO to assume the presidency of the Baltimore Urban League, a post he held until he retired in 1988.

Dr. Whitten and his wife, Lucretia reside in Baltimore. They have one son, Benjamin Whitten, Jr.

HAPPY 100th — Mrs. Bertha Pitts Campbell, one of the original founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., recently celebrated her 100th birthday. She was born in Winfield, Kans. in 1889.

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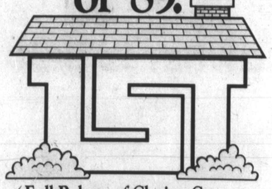

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Mandela meets with Botha; wife calls it gov't mischief

By Jack Reed

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI) — Jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela confirmed Monday he met President Pieter W. Botha last week and requested permission for public distribution of his own statement on the encounter, a family spokesman said.

Mandela told his wife, Winnie, during a prison visit that the government version of his meeting with Botha last Wednesday — the first between an ANC leader and a South African head of state — was "fairly accurate" but wanted to put it in "proper context."

The 45-minute meeting has been widely welcomed as a positive development since its weekend disclosure, and government officials say it puts Mandela a step closer to release and participation in negotiations aimed at ending the country's racial conflict.

"He did not want to convey through Mrs. Mandela the details of the meeting, he wants to release it in the form of a statement himself," said Franki Chikane, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches.

Accompanied by Mrs. Mandela, who held an 80-minute meeting with her husband at his residence on a prison farm outside Cape Town earlier Monday, Chikane said Mandela has drafted and submitted a statement to prison authorities for distribution.

Under South Africa's security regulations, it is illegal to quote a prisoner without official permission. A Prisons Service spokesman declined comment on whether they had received the statement or if it would be released.

Mandela's refusal to comment further through his family puts the pressure firmly on the government to demonstrate its commitment to negotiations by allowing him to speak. Since his incarceration, he has never released any statements to the public through official channels although some of his private letters have been circulated.

In his only major public policy announcement, Mandela rejected Botha's demand to renounce violence as a condition of his release in a letter written in 1985, which his daughter, Zindzi, read at a public meeting in the black township of Soweto.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the United States welcomed the "symbolic recognition" of Mandela's key role in the search for a solution to South Africa's racial and political problems.

"We hope the South African government will take steps to create a climate in which such negotiations can take place," Boucher said. "These would include release of Mandela and all political prisoners, the lifting of the bans on political organizations and the lifting of restrictions on other political leaders." In Lusaka Monday, ANC spokesman Tom Sebina said it was "too early to assume that the meeting between the two men signifies any possibility that negotiations are about to begin" but acknowledged the outlawed movement also had been caught unaware of the talks.

A statement Saturday by Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee said Botha and Mandela confirmed "their support for peaceful development in South Africa." He stressed no negotiations had taken place and described the meeting as a "courtesy visit."

The government has called on Mandela since 1985 to "renounce violence" as a political weapon. But the ruling National Party's new five-year racial reform program stresses a willingness to talk with any group "committed to peace."

MISCHIEVOUS — Leading Anglican churchman Frank Chikane (R) and Winnie Mandela comment outside her Soweto home on last week's meeting between jailed black nationalist, Nelson Mandela and South African President P. W. Botha, calling the meeting "political mischief" by the government.

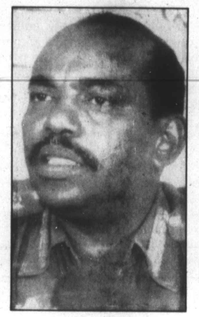
Sudan leader picks cabinet

CAIRO, Egypt (UPI) — Sudan's new military ruler announced Saturday the formation of a 21-member civilian cabinet that he will head while also leading the military junta running Africa's largest nation since he staged a June 30 coup.

The Middle East News Agency reported Lt. Gen. Omar Hassan Ahmed al Bashir told a news conference in the Sudanese capital of Khartoum that he would announce his new civilian cabinet within hours.

He again said he would head the new government and continue to double as head of the 15-man junta's high command and as defense minister. The new cabinet is expected to deal with day-to-day affairs while the Revolutionary Council is the highest authority.

Al Bashir, 45, led a bloodless coup that toppled the 3-year-old civilian rule of Prime Minister Sadiq al Mahdi. The paratroop commander declared a state of emergency, dissolved political parties and the parliament, and suspended the constitution.



Lt. Gen. Omar Hassan Ahmed al Bashir

Al Bashir said his cabinet will include 21 ministers, including a minister of state for defense.

In statements broadcast earlier in the day by the Arabic service of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) al Bashir said al Mahdi would get "a fair trial" and the ruling junta would not decree any executions. However, he said any court-imposed death sentence against a former official would be carried out.

Al Mahdi, 62, disappeared early July 1 after paratroopers took over key installations in Khartoum and announced the toppling of his government. However, he was arrested Thursday and his trial is set to begin within the next few days.

Al Bashir says his junta staged the coup to save Sudan from political and econonmic chaos created by al Mahdi's government.

Woman watched her 4 kids die one by one from '77-'88

JOHANNESBURG, GA. (UPI) — A woman suspected of systematically killing her four children over a five-year period was charged with murder in the death of one of the children.

Clayton County police said Martha Ann Johnson was in jail last Tuesday after being arrested the night before on a charge of killing her 11-year-old daughter, Jennyan Wright, in 1982.

Officers said the children, ranging in ages from 3 months to 11 years, died mysteriously between 1977 and 1982.

All of the deaths were preceded by an argument between Mrs. Johnson and her husband at the time, Earl Bowen, who moved out of the house before each death.

Authorities investigated the deaths but dropped the case in 1982 when they could find no evidence of foul play.

The case was reopened last year as a result of inquiries by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Police Sgt. Ken Stewart, who led the investigation, said Johnson's arrest was, "The culmination of an extensive and very meticulous investigation.

"This does not close it," Stewart said. It just adds some things to it. I've got good information on two of the four, and I'm not going to close the case just because I have some information at this point.

Police and medical examiners investigated the third and fourth children's deaths, but have not found conclusive evidence of foul play.

The case was originally dropped not long after Jennyan's death Feb. 21, 1982, of "probable asphyxia" of undetermined cause.

The first to die, James William Taylor, a fair-haired boy of 2, didn't wake up the morning of Sept. 25, 1977.

The Fulton County death certificate said he died of sudden infant death syndrome.

Three years later, Tibitha Janeel Bowen, 3-months-old, died in her sleep, and that death also was listed as sudden infant death syndrome, according to medical records.

On Feb. 15, 1981, Earl Wayne Bowen, 2½, became the third victim. His death was blamed on "seizure disorder of unknown etiology."

After his funeral, Jennyann told her father and a Fulton County social worker that she was afraid to remain at home with her mother.

Social workers interviewed the family but thought they had no legal justification for removing the child.

Stewart refused to comment further, but sources close to the investigation said murder charges are likely to be added soon in the death of James Williams.

Four held in con game

NEW YORK (UPI) — Federal agents have arrested four men including a self-proclaimed Haitian presidential hopeful — on charges they tried to bilk U.S. banks of millions of dollars, federal prosecutors in Brooklyn said.

U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney said the four defrauded the National Westminster Bank, several banking institutions in India, and possibly the Palestinian Liberation Organization in their scheme.

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