—Crowded jobs meeting

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chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) will start its job-searching. Wednesday-meeting program on September 21 at 4 W. 26th St.

The meeting is part of CORE's Job Placement program (JPP) and begins at 7 p.m., JPP director Geneva Cannon, told the AFRO. The meetings will be "ongoing," and are open to the public, she said.

Freedom House's meetings, are also continuous. Mitchell said the House will use an "individual" emphasis as a means to secure jobs for Baltimore's unemployed black youth.

Scheduled for 2 to 7 p.m. daily, that concept takes the form of "free job screening" to "match the right person with the right job," Mitchell explained.

To handle the expected large turnout, Mitchell said, the House uses interns from Towson and Morgan Universities. Mitchell said the weekly meetings are a symbolic nod of agreement with Baltimore's churches, which last week publicly demanded more black jobs in Baltimore.

"We decided to respond to the ministers' " efforts, Mitchell told the AFRO.

A special aspect of Freedom House's job program, Mitchell said, is the "advocates:" community volunteers, who will "accompany applicants to the job" so they won't get "the run around," she said.

Mitchell said this feature is a response to the complaints by the jobless youth at the Tuesday meeting, that they were constantly given the old don't call-us-we'll-call-you rountine when applying for jobs.

The Baltimore chapter of the NAACP, is also in limbo. It is still waiting some response from the Mayor's office to a letter requesting a meeting from president Enolia McMillan.

"We've had no reply," McMillan told the AFRO Wednesday. "We're giving them a little more time then I'll call the mayor." The letter sent to the AFRO, requested also the "racial breakdown and general assignments" of the personnel in the mayor's Office of Manpower Resources.

Paul Samuels, Mayor Schaefer's spokesperson also failed to return AFRO calls asking for a response.

The Freedom House meetings, supported by Bethel church, will take place in the church's chapel, every Tuesday from 7:30-9 p.m.

Mitchell said, "We are serving notice" on the city that "our young people" need jobs, she said. "And we're not taking no for an answer."

Manpower has been charged with federal money mismanagement by the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (IMA) in its press conference last week. The Manpower office is in the research stages for another federally funded program, which would increase training and jobs in Baltimore area private businesses, its public information officer said.

Jay Harris said Baltimore City is "going to apply for the funds" set aside for Skill Training Improvement Program (STIP), "its just a matter of how much." It has to be done before an October 17 deadline, he said.

STIP requires that private businesses demonstrate willingness to hire people who are out of work or train a company's employees for a higher intra-firm position.

Using the Baltimore Economic Development Corporation's (BEDCO) 2,000-member mailing list as one source for contacting area private businesses, manpower has gotten favorable response from a "half dozen major corporations," Harrison said.

Surprisingly, William Boucher, president of the Greater Baltimore Committee, which merges with Baltimore City's private sector organization, the Chamber of Commerce, said "I don't know" about the STIP program. GBC assistance has not been sought to his knowledge, Boucher said.

Despite the low turnout of private businesses, Harrison insists that a program such as STIP is one answer to the area's unemployment, close to 40 per cent among young black adults.

Contrastingly John Weakland, the Manpower Office's contact person for businesses inquiring about STIP, says "in the last 10 days" 35 to 40 smaller firms have called his office expressing an interest in the program.

In an interview, Weakland also explained that:

— when Baltimore applies for STIP money it must specify how many people would benefit from jobs created.

— Baltimore's applications would compete against other cities in what is called, by the federal labor department, Region III—the Middle Atlantic States.

—Baltimore businesses must submit a "written commitment" to manpower, indicating how many jobs they would be willing to create. The jobs figure logically depends on this number.

—STIP money awarded to Baltimore could not exceed "25 per cent of" money already granted to Baltimore for jobs under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), which amounts to approximately $3.8 million. Baltimore's CETA grant is $13.8 million, Weakland said.

—STIP is primarily for "sophisticated training" computer operators or nursing for example; jobs that'd have a future and pay well," Weakland said.

—Seek dope probe

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examine thoroughly the circumstances under which the 15-year-old girl was held at a motel three days and questioned by the state's attorney's office, "without her mother or an attorney presen, all contrary to law as to minors."

The letter expresses dissatisfaction of the handling of the teenage girl and requests protective custody by federal authorities "especially in the light of the fact that her life is in danger as things are."

The Rev. Mr. Vaughn also referred to the Sept. 2 report the teenager herself gave Congressman Parren J. Mitchell, "just 24 hours before Davis was slain."

Accompanied by her mother, the girl is quoted as saying on a date some months before, she handed over $1,000 to a Baltimore city police department detective "to protect Elijah Davis' business."

Davis was present when the officer accepted the cash, the teenagers said.

Records show Cong. Parren Mitchell immediately passed on the teenager's information to the offices of Maryland Attorney General Francis Burch and the office of the State's Attorney in Baltimore.

It was the next day, Sept. 3, about 7 p.m. when Davis was killed while sitting in his Mark V, 1977 car.

Subsequently, under questioning, the 15-year-old girl was asked to "change her story." However, still later, a polygraph test shows the teenager's first report was not false.

Pointing out the need to examine the facts on "who most needed Davis killed after the payoff was exposed," the ministers ask the federal probe go in that direction.

The letter states, "Since reports on the suspected killers and motives seem to change from day to day, it is necessary that the probe seek accurate information."

Copies of the "Baltimore Baptist Ministers In Action" letter have gone to U.S. Attorney General for Maryland Jervis Finney, Maryland Attorney General Francis Burch and Congressman Mitchell.

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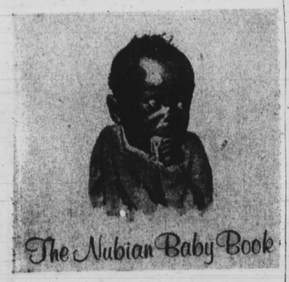

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"Our 50-cent and $1 games are dead or dying," said Commission Member Herschel R. Pachino. "But they can come back if we play our cards right."

Lottery agents around the state claim the daily numbers game is causing the problem because it diverts money that would have been spent on the weekly game. The daily game began in July 1976.

Commission figures showed 969 agents — nearly one-third of all licensed agents — could not reach a weekly sales average of 30 $1 tickets during June, July and August.

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By Elizabeth M. Oliver
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ONE - OF - A - KIND celebration is the coming Saturday noon 50th Anniversary of the 1927 Douglass High School graduating class. The event at Blue Crest North will witness 64 members present including Robert Pack Diggs, class president; Agnes Watson Patterson, salutatorian; Helen Alfreda Holt Williams, New York, Valedictorian; Dr. Albert Burwell, vice-president; Juanita Elizabeth Jackson Mitchell, the nationally noted attorney and many other now famous persons.

Sunday the group worships together in impressive rites at Union Memorial United Methodist Church. James Mebane is reunion chairman; Dr. Lucy Mason Jones, secretary and Walter Braxton, treasurer. Coordinating is Mrs. Patterson. Cab Calloway, member of the 1927 group, is on one of his music cruises and won't be here.

MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE (JUANITA) Mitchell Jr. marked their 39th wedding anniversary Sept. 7 with all their famous family including their sons and grandchildren. The last time the Douglass 1927 class celebrated, Mrs. Mitchell was accompanied at the party by her mother, Dr. Lillie Mae Jackson.

MRS. SELMA PETTAWAY, newly elected president of the Maryland Licensed Practical Nurses Asso., will attend the 28th annual convention of the National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses Oct. 1 through Oct. 6 at the Fountainebleau in Miami, Fla.

JAMIN L. HUNTON, America's senior black officer in the Army Reserve, received last Saturday at Fort McHenry, the Army's highest peacetime award, the Legion of Merit.

He became our first armed forces reserve general in the U.S. in June, 1971 and promoted February, 1974 to the rank of major general, the highest available to a reserve officer.

The grand occasion came at Fort McHenry after Acting Gov. Blair Lee declared Saturday as U.S. Army Reserve Command Day in Maryland.

ANNE ARUNDEL Community College has courses that range from Yoga to astrology this term. Scuba diving is included as well as skin diving.

MRS. HELEN HOLT WILLIAMS — valedictorian

MRS. JUANITA JACKSON MITCHELL — honored graduate

COUPON RIPOFFS by some firm is cashing in on the $6.5 billion market which finds citizens redeeming 250 coupons each during the year. The worst feature is that the illegal business gets coupon customers to donate to charities and submit them enmasse to the manufacturers or the clearing houses.

LUXURY HOUSING is going to bloom in the Inner Habor area. The property South of the McCormick building, already cleared, will accommodate 250 rental units, 60 condo apartments or townhouses and parking for 700 and 40,000 sq. ft. for retail outlets.

WEST OF McCormicks will be 454 low rise apartments, 200 apartments for the elderly under subsidized rent and some townhouses for sale. The townhouses will be in the $70,000 price range; the apartments renting for about $300 a month and above.

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