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(5) "Golden Needles" (1974) Joe Don Baker, Elizabeth Ashley. A valuable Chinese statue becomes the object of an international search by those who believe that it contains mystical secrets of health and vitality.
(11) "The Scalphunters" (1968) Burt Lancaster, Shelley Winters. A fur trader tracks down a band of scalphunters to regain his stolen furs and free a kidnapped Negro slave.
(HBO) "Tough Enough" (1983) Dennis Quaid, Carlene Watkins. An unsuccessful country singer, trying to make ends meet, turns to fighting for prize money. 'PG'

—4:00—
(HBO) "Dot And The Kangaroo" (1978) Animated. A young girl becomes lost in the Australian bush and is befriended by a kangaroo who gives her a lift in its pouch.

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(9) (13) MACNEIL / LEHRER NEWSHOUR
(11) STAR TREK
(HBO) MOVIE "Crackers" (1984) Donald Sutherland, Jack Warden. Down-on-their-luck characters in San Francisco's Mission district decide to ease their financial woes by cracking a pawnshop owner's safe. 'PG'

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(13) WILD, WILD WORLD OF ANIMALS
(HBO) VIDEO JUKEBOX

—8:00—
(2) (4) HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN
(5) P.M. MAGAZINE
(7) (9) FALL GUY
(7) (11) CHARLIE'S IN CHARGE
(9) HOGAN'S HEROES
(9) (13) MARK RUSSELL The popular satirist offers his latest comic views on politics and current events.
(13) TRAPPER JOHN, M.D.
(HBO) MOVIE "Metalstorm: The Destruction Of Jared-Syn" (1983) Jeffrey Byron, Tim Thomerson. An interstellar peacekeeper travels to a barren desert world, where he battles an evil warlord for possession of a powerful crystal. 'PG'

—8:30—
(5) MOVIE "Young Frankenstein" (1974) Gene Wilder, Peter Boyle. The grandson of the infamous Dr. Frankenstein attempts to create a synthetic man in this parody of "Frankenstein" movies.
(7) (9) E / R
(9) NBA BASKETBALL Washington Bullets at San Antonio Spurs
(9) GREAT PERFORMANCES
(9) JUST FOR YOU
(13) CRABS

—9:00—
(2) (4) FACTS OF LIFE
(7) (9) DYNASTY
(9) MOVIE "Murder ,With Mirrors" (Premiere) Helen Hayes, Bette Davis. Based on an Agatha Christie novel. Almeter sleuth Miss Marple investigates murder at an elderly friend's ancestral home, an ancient castle that now serves as a rehabilitation center for juvenile delinquents. ▢
(13) FROM HARLEM TO HARVARD
(13) MOVIE "The Quiller Memorandum" (1966) George Segal, Alec Guinness. British intelligence hires an American to locate the headquarters of a Neo-Nazi organization.
(13) AMOS & ANDY: ANATOMY OF A CONTROVERSY Redd Foxx and George Kirby host this look at the Amos & Andy TV series, featuring interviews with cast members.

—9:30—
(7) (4) SARA
(13) NKULELEKO MEANS FREEDOM The educational systems in three rural Zimbabwe schools are examined; interviews with the nations's prime minister, president, and minister of education and culture are featured.
(HBO) WILLIE NELSON'S TEXAS PARTY Willie Nelson is joined by Waylon Jennings, Jessi Colter and B.B. King in this concert.

—10:00—
(2) (4) ST. ELSEWHERE
(7) (9) HOTEL
(9) NOVA
(HBO) MOVIE "The Golden Age Of Comedy" (1958) Ben Turpin, Will Rogers. Memorable film clips focus upon Hollywood's all-time great funny men.

—10:30—
(5) NEWS
(13) UNTIL THE LAST STROKE Interviews of elderly black Washington area artists in a showcase of their work and lives is presented.
(HBO) NOT NECESSARILY THE NEWS

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(2) (4) (7) (9) (13) NEWS
(9) BENNY HILL
(9) ELLINGTON: THE MUSIC LIVES ON Cicely Tyson hosts a tribute to Duke Ellington, featuring clips of his performances, interviews with his peers, and selections of his works performed by Carly Simon, Treat Williams, Sister Sledge, Karen Akers, Ken Page and others.
(9) BUSINESS REPORT
(11) RITUALS
(13) SCTV
(HBO) MOVIE "Blame It On Rio" (1984) Michael Caine, Joseph Bologna. A businessman vacationing in Rio de Janeiro succumbs to an affair with his best friend's teen-age daughter, then tries to keep it a secret. 'R'

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(2) BENSON
(4) (5) TONIGHT
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(7) ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
(9) MAGNUM, P.I.
(11) M*A*S*H
(13) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
(13) ALL IN THE FAMILY
(13) LATENIGHT AMERICA
(13) SEEING THINGS

—12:00—
(2) WKRP IN CINCINNATI
(5) KOJAK
(7) MOVIE "Klute" (1971) Jane Fonda, Donald Sutherland. A detective gets involved with a pathetic call girl and tries to find the person who attempted to murder her.
(9) MAGNUM, P.I.
(13) ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
(13) ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS

—12:30—
(2) (4) LATE NIGHT WITH DAVID LETTERMAN
(9) MOVIE "Goodbye, My Fancy" (1951) Joan Crawford, Robert Young. A female politico returns to her alma mater to receive an honorary degree, but instead becomes an object of gossip when her past misadventures are recalled.
(9) JIM BAKKER
(13) INDEPENDENT NEWS

—12:40—
(9) MOVIE "The Girls In The Office" (1979) Susan Saint James, Barbara Eden. Four young women working at a huge new department store must choose between love and success. (R)

—12:45—
(HBO) MOVIE "D.C. Cab" (1983) Mr. T, Adam Baldwin. Drivers of a nearly bankrupt Washington taxicab operation become heroes when they rescue two kidnapped children. 'R' ▢

—1:00—
(13) MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE
(9) MOVIE "That Tennessee - Beat" (Premiere) Ned Beatty, Kathleen Quinlan. A guitar player makes it big after being guided by a lady preacher and confesses past indiscretions publicly.

—1:10—
(13) MOVIE "Die Laughing" (1980) Robby Benson, Charles Durning. A songwriting cab driver is aided by a smart monkey in proving himself innocent of a murder charge.

—1:30—
(7) MOVIE "Color Him Dead" (1974) Gayle Hunnicutt, Stephen Rea. A husband-and-wife private-eye team try to catch a killer before he can murder their client.
(4) FAMILY FEUD
(9) JIMMY SWAGGART

—2:00—
(4) HERE'S LUCY
(5) NEWS
(7) CBS NEWS NIGHTWATCH
(9) INDEPENDENT NEWS

—2:30—
(5) MOVIE "Three Sons" (1939) Edward Ellis, William Gargan. A wealthy man with three sons discovers that his hopes are wasted on one of them.
(HBO) MOVIE "Betrayal" (1983) Ben Kingsley, Jeremy Irons. A man looks back through the nine years of his wife's affair with his best friend, culminating in his recollections of the relationship's origins. 'R'

—3:50—
(5) MOVIE "Cracked Nuts" (1931) Bert Wheeler, Edna May Oliver. A pretty young girl has her prissy spinster aunt intercede in her romantic entanglements with two rival kings.

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DAYTIME SPECIALS

—9:00—
(HBO) TUCKER AND THE HORSE THIEF Disguised as a boy for protection when her family moves westward during the California Gold Rush, a young girl (Sarah Boyd) learns some valuable lessons through her friendship with the son (Hadley Kay) of a Jewish shopkeeper.

—12:00—
(HBO) BRAINGAMES Viewers are invited to test their mental skills in a series of fast-paced animated games.

—2:30—
(HBO) DAY TO DAY AFFAIRS James Coco, Jessica Walter and Ron Leibman star in comedy sketches based on the humorous aspects of human relationships. Written by Neil Simon, Jules Feiffer and other masters of the art. Host: Jack Gilford.

DAYTIME MOVIES

—6:00—
(HBO) "David Copperfield" (1983) Animated. Voices by Ross Higgins, Philip Hinton. In Charles Dickens' classic tale, a poor orphan boy survives a cruel childhood to become an author.

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(HBO) "Timerider" (1982) Fred Ward, Belinda Bauer. A motorcyclist unwittingly travels through a time warp and winds up among 19th-century Western outlaws. 'PG'

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(HBO) "Hammett" (1982) Frederic Forrest, Peter Boyle. In 1928 San Francisco, mystery writer Dashiell Hammett's former detective agency boss talks him into investigating the disappearance of a missing Chinese girl. 'PG'

—12:30—
(HBO) "Second Thoughts" (1983) Lucie Arnaz, Craig Wasson. A young lawyer discovers her banker husband to become involved with a musician whose sensibilities are hopelessly mired in 1960s. 'PG'

—1:00—
(5) "The Moonshine War" (1970) Richard Widmark, Alan Alda. A federal agent uses questionable tactics to confiscate a batch of moonshine from a backwoods brewery.
(13) "Good News" (1947) Peter Lawford, June Allyson. A college campus comes alive with the excitement of football victories and joyful celebrations.

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(13) WILD, WILD WORLD OF ANIMALS

—8:00—
(4) COSBY SHOW
(7) MOVIE "The Black Marble" (1980) Robert Foxworth, Paula Prentiss. After working on an emotionally exhausting child-murder case, a heavy-drinking police detective is teamed with a police-woman to find a malicious dognapper.
(7) (9) MOVIE "Deadly Messages" (Premiere) Kathleen Beller, Michael Brandon. The discovery that a murder occurred in her apartment 10 years ago leads a young woman to believe an antique Ouija board's ominous predictions of her own death. ▢
(9) (13) MAGNUM, P.I.
(13) MOVIE "Battlestar Galactica" (1978) Lorne Greene, Richard Hatch. A space fleet carrying the last remnants of human life embarks on an epic search for a new planet to colonize.
(9) NATURE OF THINGS
(13) TRAPPER JOHN, M.D.
(13) WILD AMERICA
(HBO) MOVIE "Escape From New York" (1981) Kurt Russell, Donald Pleasence. In 1997, a hardened criminal is offered a pardon if he can rescue the president of the U.S. from Manhattan, now a prison city. 'R'

—8:30—
(4) FAMILY TIES
(9) NEW TECH TIMES
(9) NEWTON'S APPLE

—9:00—
(4) CHEERS
(7) (13) SIMON & SIMON
(9) (13) MYSTERY!
(9) COMMON CENTS
(13) MOVIE "Drums Along The Mohawk" (1939) Henry Fonda, Claudette Colbert. Pioneer farmers along the Mohawk Trail find themselves caught up in the Revolutionary War.

—9:30—
(4) NIGHT COURT
(9) SNEAK PREVIEWS

—10:00—
(4) HILL STREET BLUES
(5) NEWS
(7) 30 / 30 (R)
(9) KNOTS LANDING
(13) BACK OF THE BOOK
(13) COLOR A portrait of two Black women that reveals how color-class discrimination in their community shapes their emotional lives.
(9) MOTORWEEK
(HBO) MOVIE "Brady's Escape" (1984) John Savage, Kelly Reno. A downed American bomber pilot finds unlikely wartime allies in the rugged Hungarian casbah, including an orphan boy who comes to hero-worship him.

—10:30—
(13) HOZAN'S HEROES
(9) HANDS THAT PICKED COTTON An examination of black politics in the rural South, featuring a look at two Mississippi elections and a profile of a Louisiana city where blacks have been in power for over a decade.
(9) IN SEARCH OF MARCUS GARVEY
(9) WORLD WAR II GI DIARY

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(13) MATINEE AT THE BIJOU

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(HBO) MOVIE "Lassiter" (1984) Tom Selleck, Jane Seymour. A high-class jewel thief is blackmailed by the FBI to liberate $10,000 in Nazi diamonds passing through London. 'R' ▢

—12:00—
(2) WKRP IN CINCINNATI
(7) MOVIE "Dracula" (1973) Jack Palance, Simon Ward. A vampire terrorizes the countryside, searching for blood to sustain him.
(9) NIGHT HEAT
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(9) JIM BAKKER
(13) INDEPENDENT NEWS

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(7) MOVIE "Dead Wrong" (1983) Winston Rekert, Britt Ekland. Drug smugglers plan to use an unsuspecting Canadian fisherman's vessel to transport marijuana and cocaine out of Colombia, so authorities plant an attractive undercover agent aboard.

—1:00—
(13) MOVIE "Belles On Their Toes" (1952) Myrna Loy, Jeanne Crain. The Gilbreth family carry on in the tradition begun by their famous father.

—1:10—
(13) MOVIE "The Omega Man" (1971) Charlton Heston, Anthony Zerbe. A scientist who has survived a devastating germ war tries to perfect an antidote for the remaining survivors, while beset by vampire-like victims of the holocaust. (R)

—1:25—
(HBO) MOVIE "Doctor Detroit" (1983) Dan Aykroyd, Donna Dixon. A timid college professor is recruited to take the place of a pimp, and soon finds himself enjoying his new occupation. 'R'

—1:30—
(13) MOVIE "Kiss, Kiss, Kill, Kill!" (1974) Michael Jayston, Helen Mirren. A master of disguise who marries and murders wealthy women for their money finds himself falling in love with his next victim.
(4) FAMILY FEUD
(5) NEWS
(9) MOVIE "My Forbidden Past" (1951) Ava Gardner, Robert Mitchum. When a girl from the "wrong side of the tracks" comes into a financial windfall, she discovers that money cannot buy her love or social acceptance.
(9) JIMMY SWAGGART

—2:00—
(4) HERE'S LUCY
(7) CBS NEWS NIGHTWATCH
(9) INDEPENDENT NEWS

—2:55—
(9) MOVIE "Twelve Crowded Hours" (1939) Richard Dix, Lucille Ball. A girl's reporter-boyfriend clears her brother's name.

Jim Brown accused in sex triangle

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Jim Brown, one of the most bruising fullbacks in pro football history and a member of the Hall of Fame, was arrested on suspicion of raping a 33-year-old woman with a female accomplice, police said.

The alleged victim said Brown and Carol Moses raped her after Brown had hit her several times at his home above the Sunset Strip Tuesday night, Sgt. Richard Beardslee said Wednesday.

Moses, 22, and Brown, 49, were both arrested at the Hollywood Hills house on suspicion of rape and sexual battery.

Brown, a record-setting fullback with the Cleveland Browns, was later freed on $17,500 bail. Moses was released on $1,000 bail. The District Attorney's Office will decide if formal charges are to be filed.

The arrest was the third of a major sports figure by Los Angeles police this year.

Olympic track star Edwin Moses was arrested last month for soliciting an act of prostitution from an undercover policewoman. He was acquitted of the misdemeanor charge last week.

Texas Rangers' pitcher Dave Stewart was arrested several days later while having sex with a transvestite prostitute in his car in a Skid Row alley. He pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor count.

This is not Brown's first brush with the law.

During a period of three months in 1985, he was accused of beating and sexually molesting two teenage girls. One later dropped the charges and the other went to court and lost. She filed a paternity suit and also lost.

Brown was arrested again in June 1968 and charged with assault with intent to commit murder when his 22-year-old girlfriend was found semi-conscious under the balcony of his apartment.

Those charges were dropped when the woman said she had fallen while trying to leave the apartment when the police showed up. Brown was charged with resisting a deputy and fined $300.

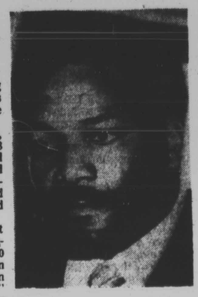
He also was fined $500 and jailed for one day in Inglewood, Calif., in 1978, after being convicted for beating up a golf partner.

One of the toughest and most durable players in National Football League history, Brown was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1971 - his first opportunity - after amassing a record rushing 12,312 yards in nine seasons for Cleveland.

He was the league's top pusher for eight seasons and never missed a game in his pro football career. His all-time rushing mark was finally surpassed this year by Walter Payton of the Chicago Bears.

Brown, a native of St. Simons, Ga., scored 106 touchdowns in 108 regular season games and piled up 15,459 total yards. He also led the Browns to the NFL Championship in 1964, was named Rookie of the Year in 1957 and MVP in 1958 and 1965.

Brown, who starred at Syracuse University before turning pro, retired at the age of 30 after the 1966 season to pursue an acting career. He appeared in such films as "The Dirty Dozen," "Ice Station Zebra" and "Three The Hard Way."



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An AFRO exclusive!

Patrycia Duncan

Fired cable exec tells all to the AFRO

By Racine S. Winborne
AFRO Staff Reporter

Patricya Duncan was the top ranking local black management officer representing United Cable Television of Denver, the firm awarded the city's cable television franchise last December.

In the wake of her recent dismissal on February 8, Ms. Duncan — a key figure in the year-long cable negotiations — agreed to discuss the circumstances surrounding her firing and the dynamics of last year's proceedings during an exclusive interview with the AFRO at her home on Wednesday.

AFRO — How did you discover you had been fired by United Cable Television of Denver?

P.D. — I received a letter from Sam Street telling me that it was so nice working with me and that I had done such an excellent job though there were some misunderstandings along the way ... and hopefully that I would chose to remain ... with cable television. It was not quite what I expected.

AFRO — So you were told in the letter that your services were no longer needed.

P.D. — On February 8th I received a call that my grandmother had died and shortly thereafter I received a call from Denver from Sam Street and I said 'Oh I'm glad you called me because I need some death time, time you know to see to the death of someone very important in my family, and he said well you're on your own, you don't have to report to me.

AFRO — What happened next?

P.D. — He asked me to take my car down and leave it in the garage of the office ... and he said to send my credit card to him and that's what triggered me to ask him 'What are you saying, why would I send you my credit card I'm still a management employee', and he said 'No you're not you've been terminated as of Feb. 1'.

AFRO — So the initial letter did not say you were fired?

P.D. — It was almost a personal letter because I knew he was leaving ... (and it explained) that the franchising operations was being turned over to Operations.

AFRO — So you thought that it was simply the end of that phase of your responsibilities and that something else would open up?

P.D. — Right. When I talked to Sam Street about my position, because Fred Vierra, the president of the company, is the Chief Operating Officer, Sam just recommended that I speak to Fred.

AFRO — Has Mr. Street left United Cable?

P.D. — No I still contact him at The United office ... I think he said he was tying up some loose ends, he had some other business that he had to check into.

AFRO — What did Vierra say to you regarding the job action?

P.D. — It just so happened on Feb. 1 I was in the office and on Feb. 4 I was in the office and I attempted to call Fred Vierra and they were getting ready for the annual board meeting. I knew that could take a couple of days ... so I told the secretary to let him know I understood that I was looking to hear from him about my reassignment because no one had told me exactly what else to do.

AFRO — What were you doing in the meantime?

P.D. — I was continuing to operate the (Baltimore) office and keep everything tidy.

AFRO — How much was United paying you in salary?

P.D. — Thirty thousand (annually) plus expenses. Had I known what the job would have entailed I probably would have asked for more.

AFRO — What were you hired to do?

P.D. — I was named the Director of Franchising for United Cable Television Corporation. I had to fly to Denver and go through all personnel procedures.

AFRO — Was anybody else from Baltimore interviewed for the position?

P.D. — I don't know. I was told there were a couple of people

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Postal workers suing over the use of mail sorting machines

By Valerie Smith-Madden
AFRO Staff Writer

Every time Sharon Thomas tries to do something simple like comb her hair, wring out a washcloth or even pick up a letter, the pain rips from her hand to her shoulder.

She has difficulty doing everything these days, from buttoning her blouse to driving a car. She can do with ease, none of the things which your hands enable you to do.

And the pain — it is a constant fact of life.

Ms. Thomas and eight other women have filed a $27 million-dollar class action suit against the U.S. Postal Service and others, alleging "product liability."

The women allege that certain injuries they received, are directly related to the machines which they use to sort the mail.

One of the machines used, the Multi-Position Letter Sorting Machine, is manufactured by Burroughs Corporation, a manufacturer of Data Processing and office equipment in addition to computer systems for small and larger businesses.

Burroughs has been named in the suit as well as Federal and Special Systems Corp., former U.S. Postmaster General William F. Bolger and the U.S. Postal Service.

The women allege "negligence and recklessness and willfulness and wantonness in the design, order, and specification of the machinery which they used.

The lawsuit was initiated by several workers in the Baltimore Post Office, but it was filed as a class action suit on behalf of all postal workers nationwide. The suit was filed February 14, 1985.

The nine women, all employees at the main branch of the post office on Fayette Street, are suffering from Carpal Tunnel Syndrome and other hand disorders which they feel is a direct result of the machinery used to sort mail.

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome is a debilitating hand disease which is the result of irritation or compression of the median nerve at the wrist.

It may be in one or both hands, but it's usually more severe in the hand used most often.

Local causes of the affliction are the aggressive or excessive use of the hand and wrist with repetitive motions.

Thomas Keefe, general president of the local branch of the American Postal Workers Union, said that Carpal Tunnel Syndrome is a common affliction among postal workers.

Keefe said that congressional hearings were held last year in Washington to address the

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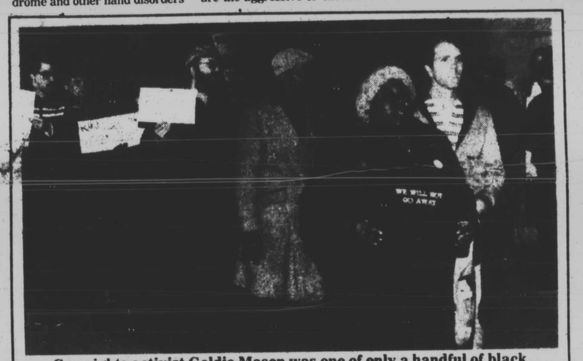

Gay rights activist Goldie Mason was one of only a handful of black gays and lesbians on hand for Wednesday's pro-gay rights rally outside City Hall.

ASALH council trying to oust Samuel Banks

The president calls move 'farcical'

DR. SAMUEL L. BANKS

By Carolyn Dennis
AFRO Staff Writer

The executive council of the Association for the Study of Afro - American Life and History (ASALH), in a recent meeting voted to remove Dr. Samuel L. Banks as the national president of the 70-year-old organization.

The council then sent letters to ASALH members urging support for its decision. According to ASALH first vice - president Jeanette L. Cascone, the outcome of membership voting will determine the organization's final decision concerning Bank's removal.

Cascone as first vice president of the organization will replace Banks as acting national president of ASALH if the membership supports the decision.

In a telephone interview from his Baltimore office where he serves as the city's Supervisor for Social Studies for the public school system, Banks called the executive council's actions "farcical."

"Those persons purporting to speak for the council have no standing or constitutional authority to speak for the council or for the Association," stated Banks.

According to Banks, as national president, he is the "only

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Provident Hospital 15th week

The physicians' boycott at Provident Hospital has now entered its 15th week at the troubled institution with no progress to report.

The group of boycotting doctors, who initiated their actions the third week of November last

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Controversy over Northwestern still

City funds to aid NAACP move here

By Tea Montier
AFRO Staff Writer

The decision of the national office of the NAACP to relocate its entire operation to the Baltimore area has been met with a good deal of enthusiasm throughout the community and city government.

"Mayor Schaefer is very satisfied, very pleased with the NAACP decision to move to Baltimore," said Pat Berstein, press secretary to the mayor. "It's a positive statement for the city and a vote of confidence since Baltimore was in direct competition with other major cities."

For the past 2½ years the national office of the NAACP has been searching for a permanent residence to call home and to own. The civil rights organization which is now headquartered in Brooklyn, New York, has been renting national offices for the past 76 years.

The local chapter of the NAACP, located at 26 W. 25th St. has also rented its offices for the past 73 years.

Although, according to Bar-

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The question is athletics, home economics, wood shop and print shop. Should these programs be traded for academic excellence? Northwestern Principal Boyse Mosley thinks so. He feels that academic excellence can be had by getting six reading teachers, a mathematics teacher, and a math aide in return.

Charles Cook, state vice chair of Jesse Jackson's "Rainbow Coalition," thinks so. "We feel that his proposal is a very viable program with regard to black kids."

But Mrs. Sharon Roberson Pinder, a 1971 graduate of Northwestern and president of its alumni association, does not.

Those in support of and in opposition to Mosley's proposal got their chance to voice an opinion at a recent meeting held at the school.

The minority of the audience was clearly against Mr. Mosley's proposal.

"That radical of a change in the educational philosophy should not occur in a vacuum; it should have all people involved, in particular," said Ms. Pinder.

In January, Mosley went before the City Board of School Commissioners with a proposal to establish a reading lab and a mathematics lab in his school.

Knowing that additional funds were hard to get, Mosley structured his program to work within his given budget. However, to ac-

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