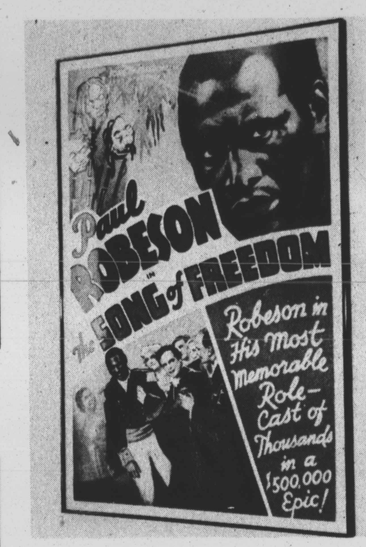
A local news wrapup in pictures

Mayor Burns and U.S. Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski called a press conference at City Hall Wednesday morning after they had met in private for about 90 minutes discussing ways to fight proposed cuts in federal education funding and to speed the delivery of federal transportation money. Present were School Superintendent Alice Pinderhughes and City Transportation Chief Richard Trainor. Sen. Mikulski said she received a five-point program that the city administration has urged she pursue in the Senate. (UPI Photo).



Scene above is at the Baltimore Museum of Art as part of the Black History Month observance. Movie posters from the past depicit black actors and actresses in starring roles. Paul Robeson is shown above in scenes from 'Song of Freedom.'

Woman viewing a scene from one of the posters during February exhibition at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Staff photos by Paris Gray

Harlow Fullwood and Mrs. Enolia McMillan are pictured as Mr. Fullwood pays $500 for his life membership with the local branch of the NAACP. Recent scene is at the AFRO building.

Shown above is a shot of a recent fund raiser sponsored by the Schmoke for Mayor Campaign. The fund raiser at the downtown Power Plant was on Jan. 29. A cross-section of Marylanders and Baltimoreans attended.

Birthday cake picture above was the center of activities recently at the Eubie Blake Culture Center and Museum. Baltimoreans of all races gathered to honor the late, great ragtime composer and entertainer. The 104th birthday celebration took place on Saturday, Feb. 7 at 409 N. Charles St.

Consider God's Servant, Marion

'Consider God's Servant, Marion' is the title of a recent book by Mrs. Dorothy Brown Bascom. The book sells for $6 and is a biography by his wife of Rev. Dr. Marion C. Bascom, long time pastor of Douglas Memorial Community Church. Mrs. Bascom is shown in inset and may be reached at 523-7923.

I AM SOMEBODY I AM ME

A BLACK CHILD'S CREDO

VIVIAN E. WASHINGTON

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'I Am Somebody. I Am Me' is the title of a children's book, now into its second printing, and written by Mrs. Vivian E. Washington, former teacher and administrator in the Baltimore Public Schools. Her books retail for $6. Mrs. Washington, shown in the inset, may be reached at P.O. Box 67457, Baltimore, Maryland 21215 or call 542-8163.

Dr. John Bonas and Dr. Linwood Ivey chat during recent festivities at the Eubie Blake Cultural Center in honor of the late Baltimorean's 10th birthday.

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Kurt Schmoke

By R. B. Jones

Unless you knew who he was, Kurt Schmoke would not stand out in a crowd. He is of average build, which belies his history as a football and lacrosse star during the days when City College was an athletic jauggernaut.

His dress is conservative, with a touch of Ivy League preppiness; his glasses plain, unadorned by designs, gold trim or any embellishments, give him the appearance of being a scholar.

The voice is soft, almost soothing without a trace of condescension or pomposity, despite Schmoke's graduation from Yale University, Harvard Law School and Oxford University in England.

Schmoke is by his admission a pretty dull guy although he

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4th District now has two new councilmen

By P. A. Tatum,
AFRO Staff Writer

It was over so fast it made your head spin. City Councilwoman Agnes Welch presented two names to the City Council as replacements for Michael B. Mitchell and Kweisi Mfume who left the Council last month to assume high political office.

The motion was seconded. The vote was taken and suddenly Sterling Paige and Dr. Claude Hill were the city's two newest councilmen.

The Council members then trooped downstairs to the second floor mayoral Ceremonial Room where amid much joking and laughter Paige, 69, and Hill, 63, were sworn in by Mayor Clarence H. "Du" Burns.

The Council's two newest members are a West Baltimore gynecologist and the former chief inspector for the city Liquor Board.

Paige is a known entity in West Baltimore. He is a native of Pheobus, VA, and said he has lived in Baltimore more than 40 years.

He has been married to his wife, Josephine, 37 years and the couple has nine children. The Union Baptist Church has been his church home for about 40 years.

He told the AFRO he joined the liquor board about 11 years ago as an inspector. He later was promoted to assistant chief inspector and assumed the chief inspector position about five years ago.

Effective Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1987, Paige said he resigned from the liquor board.

Before joining the city, Paige was a columnist and reporter with the Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN for five years. He

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Fr. Fisher installed Monday

The AFRO will be there

When the Rev. Carl A. Fisher, former head of East Baltimore's St. Francis Xavier Church, is formally installed Monday night as auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles, he will be the first black ever to occupy the position in that city.

The AFRO will accompany a group of Baltimoreans who will be traveling to Los Angeles to witness the historic event. Look for that coverage, the full story with photo, in next week's AFRO.

Father Fisher, a Josephite priest, also was the first black pastor in St. Francis Xavier's history. The charismatic leader has been highly praised by Baltimore's religious community.

Until a new pastor is assigned by the Josephite Order, Rev. Lawrence Schmidt will act as administrator of St. Francis.

The Most Rev. John Ricard, Baltimore's auxiliary bishop and one of the nation's 10 current black bishops, called Rev. Fisher's appointment a mixed

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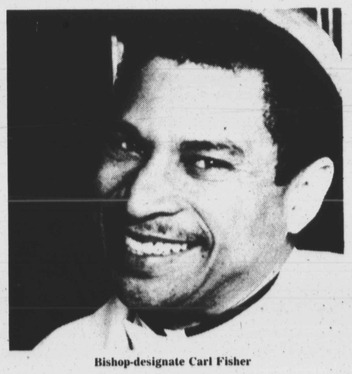

Bishop-designate Carl Fisher

Chicken George sale comes in at $201,000

By P. A. Tatum
AFRO Staff Writer

With the re-opening of five Baltimore Chicken George fast food restaurants up to 75 jobs may be created later this year, according to vice president of the firm which recently purchased the chain for $201,000.

Wilkins McNair, Jr., vice president of Hill and Sons Management Co., Inc. told the AFRO that at the Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1987 settlement the company paid about $9,000 less than the earlier reported selling price of $210,000.

Last month, Jerry Hill, chairman of the board and president of Hill and sons, announced his firm had successfully bid on the Chicken George Company.

During an interview at the firm's headquarters in the 2300 block of Garrison Blvd., McNair told the AFRO the final selling price had been adjusted by the court appointed trustee handling the Chicken George bankruptcy sale.

"The price was adjusted because we were unable to remove the fixtures from two of the stores," McNair said. "The trustee made the adjustment ... it all belongs to us."

The next step for Hill and Sons is to assemble a new management team to operate the food chain. It probably will include some of the people who worked for Chicken George when it was owned by Theodore Holmes, he said.

At the same time, Hill and Sons will be accepting bids from suppliers — for chicken, soft drinks and other goods — and it will be negotiating leases for four of the

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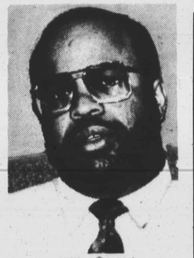

Wilbur McNair

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Fr. Carl Fisher installation Monday

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Her purse is snatched, $32,000 cash . . . pffft!

Police are still investigating many unanswered questions, after India Artis, account executive for the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, was apparently robbed of $32,000 in cash, while she waited for a friend in the 600 block of N. Collington Ave., last Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Artis told police that on the day in question, she had withdrawn half the proceeds of a house sale which totaled $16,000 from the Provident Bank at Lexington and Calvert Sts.

She combined the cash, which was mostly in $100 bills, to $16,000 already in her purse and drove to meet a friend, Raynard Jackson, 29, of the 2400 block of McElderry St. to discuss whether to give her sister, Jescina Artis half the cash or deposit the entire amount into an account.

Earlier that same day, Miss Artis said she had walked around in the downtown area for about an hour, then kept an appointment with the Charles Young Tax Service.

Artis then drove to N. Collington Ave. to meet with Jackson. According to police, she parked her car on a parking lot near the Northeast Market at about 3:30 p.m.

As she got out of the car, two men in their twenties ran up from behind and grabbed her leather purse, then fled on foot, said police.

Jackson, who witnessed the incident, pursued the two, but said he lost them once they ran inside the projects.

When police arrived, the area was canvassed from a patrol car by Jackson and Artis, however the two men were not found.

"The police department is currently looking into all of the unanswered questions of the case," said Maj. Charles DiPino, of the Southeast District.

"We have not surmised that the

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India Artis

Saturday rites set for basketball star

Fuperal services are set for Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Morris Hill Community Center in Glen Burnie for Jon Ausby, a 17-year-old high school basketball player from Andover High School who collapsed at half time in the locker room of Brooklyn Park High School Tuesday.

Public viewing of the popular prep athlete, who was termed "an All-America type kid" by Andover football coach John Appelt, will take place Friday from 3-9 p.m. at the Singleton Funeral home in Linthicum, MD.

Ausby was pronounced dead at South Baltimore General Hospital about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday night. The cause of death according to the state medical examiner's office was hypertensive

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Robinson appointed Secretary of Safety

By Roz Hamlett
AFRO Bureau

ANNAPOLIS Newly appointed secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections Bishop Robinson smiled and assured the AFRO that the city was "still in good hands," but refrained from speaking about his replacement, during the governor's press conference in Annapolis, Thursday morning.

Robinson said questions about personnel were better asked of Mayor Clarence Burns, however, no announcement of Robinson's replacement has been made as yet. According to Stephanie Esworthy, spokesperson for the mayor, the decision will be made in counsel with the outgoing commissioner.

Del. Larry young, who has expressed mixed emotions about Robinson, leaving the city, said that Dept. Commissioner Edward Tilghman and Col. Edward Woods, Chief of Special Operations, should be the frontrunners for the opening.

BISHOP ROBINSON

Gov. Schaefer appointed Robinson to a $95,000 a year post after the General Asembly repealed legislation that had prohibited Robinson from accepting the post without resigning as commissioner for six months.

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POLITICS '87

By P. A. Tatum
AFRO Staff Writer

One of the busiest nights of an election year for the city's Board of Election Supervisors staff is June 30 when political hopefuls make their final mad dash to file for office before the 9 p.m. deadline.

A courageous few do file early: undaunted by politial posturing and Maneuvering. A recent trip to the Board of Education Supervisors office, on the corner of Gay and Fayette Streets, revealed four people have filed for office. This is in light of the dozens of folks who have talked about seeking political office in the 1987 city elections.

Thomas Waxter, the 5th district city councilman, has filed for comptroller seeking Hyman Pressman's job.

Former state delegate Andrew J. Burns has filed for president of City Council. Herbert J. DuBerry, of the Sheriff's department is seeking a3rd district council seat and Leonard A. Ballentine is running for city council in the 4th district.

Several groups of people also have organized political committees to work on behalf of certain individuals who may have political aspirations.

On file is the "Friends of Mary Conaway Committee." Mrs. Conaway, city Register of Wills, has mentioned her desire to be city council president.

The aforementioned Thomas Waxter also has a committee on

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