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WILL HE, OR WON'T HE?

HE DID! — It happened in Kansas City, MO, where this off-duty policeman was suspended from the force. Overcome by grief, he kept police at bay for 3½ hours as he repeatedly placed his .357 Magnum service revolver in mouth. Negotiators tried to talk him out of doing anything rash... they failed. The man was unidentified by police at the time this picture was taken.

11-year-old raped:

Mother tells of nabbing attacker

By Ejike Obineme
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If Orlando Bailey, 27, of the 2800 block of Ridgewood Ave. is convicted for raping an 11 year-old-girl and gets the maximum sentence of life imprisonment, he may have only himself to blame.

Wednesday, the third day of his trial in a Baltimore City Circuit Court, he decided to discontinue with the jury trial and plead guilty of first degree rape and burglary charges.

At the last moment of the plea process, Baily changed his mind and the jury trial resumed.

The prosecutor, Gregory Ruthwell is trying to prove that on March 10, Bailey broke into the house of the victim's family, went into the rear bedroom and raped an 11 year-old girl, whose name we cannot use in the story, because she is both a juvenile and a rape victim.

During Wednesday morning session of the trial, the rape victim testified that Bailey got into their room, forced her to strip naked, and after taking off his own clothes, he raped her.

After allegedly committing the rape, Bailey was said to have fallen asleep on top of the victim.

When she testified, the mother of the victim, said that she was reading when sh

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Summit ends, rights issue ignored

The Fourth summit conference has ended, and the results are mixed, to say the least. One of the major sticking points was the issue of human rights.

One of the accomplishments of the meeting was the activitation of the INF Pact, which will eliminate intermediate range missiles. However, the limited progress made on reaching an agreement on longer-range missiles diminishes any immediate solution to the problem.

The human rights issue was played down by President Reagan, who insisted that the Soviet leader couldn't understand what we do in this country.

Reagan told a news conference Wednesday that Gorbachev probably would not comprehend the case of Joyce Brown, a homeless New York woman who challenged the city's policy of forced hospitalization of homeless people who are mentally ill.

"I don't think he quite could understand a recent situation — a young lady living on the sidewalks of New York, living out there on the sidewalk winter and summer," Reagan said.

Brown was the first person picked up by New York City police under the new policy late last year. She was hospitalized for 12 weeks before a state judge ruled in January that she could not be forced to undergo treatment.

"She took her case to court and won her case in court that she should be allowed to go back and sleep on the sidewalk where she had been, because that's what she preferred to do," Reagan said.

He added that the central question in the case is difficult to resolve in a democracy.

"When you have a free country," he said, "how far can we go impinging on the freedom of someone who says, 'This is the way I want to live'?"

The court decision that released Brown from the institution might be difficult for Gorbachev to understand, Reagan said, noting the weight the court gave to Brown's preferences.

Homelessness in the United States and related issues may be misunderstood abroad, Reagan said.

"I think that there is a mistaken view about the things that occasionally dominate the press, about prejudice — racial or religious — in our country, about people, the so-called

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Where were the blacks at this meeting?

Vandals force Moors to move

Hampden horror stuns city officials

By Alisa Samuels
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Another black family bites the dust in Hampden.

That was Jacqueline F. McLean's (Second Councilmanic District) reaction Tuesday to the threats and hostility slammed upon a Moorish family in Hampden who just last month moved into their Keswick Road home. The family, who does not consider themselves black, will probably move.

McLean, one of three Second District Council people who represent the almost all-white Hampden area, said the racial tension stirred recently over the family is "nothing new to me."

"I know the racism. It runs deep." McLean said. She spent five years in Hampden as a commissioner before her election to the Baltimore City Council.

McLean said she remembers blacks could not walk down the streets of Hampden without being harassed or spit upon.

"It was worse than the South," said McLean of Virginia.

Since last week, police have guarded Eric Boyce-Bey and

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Transplants

Blacks reject some white organs

By Olive Vassell
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Black transplant patients sometime reject white organs, because whites have different tissue types from blacks, a leading transplant surgeon said.

When a black patient receives a white organ it can sometimes result in rejection, because the tissue type — or genetic markers — do not match, Dr. Clive O. Callender director of the Howard University Transplant Center said.

Genetic markers distinguish one person from another. The success or failure of a transplant depends on matching these markers.

Dr. Armead Johnson director of the Histocompatibility Laboratory, Georgetown University, has done extensive research in this field. She said, that tissue types were "very different between Caucasians, and blacks, and very often what appears to be identical is different."

Black to black transplants, and Caucasian to Caucasian transplants were therefore, likely to be more successful, Johnson said.

Callender, who has been on a nation-wide speaking tour encouraging more blacks to donate organs for transplant, said that some 20 percent of blacks reject white organs.

However, whites account for 80 percent of organs donated to Howard's center, where 95 percent of the patients are black.

And blacks are also disadvantaged, having to wait longer for transplants than

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PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS

Dukakis gets state support...but won't commit to Jesse

SUPPORTING DUKAKIS—Congressman Benjamin L. Cardin, 3rd district, endorsed Democratic presidential candidate Michael S. Dukakis during a press conference at the Omni International Hotel.

By Alicia Benjamin
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Although Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis attempted to show more emotion than usual during a press conference in Baltimore Tuesday night, he remained the reserved speaker he has been during his campaign as a Democratic presidential candidate.

Compared to his opponent, the fiery Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Dukakis appears non-charismatic and bland.

But as the race continues, Dukakis has maintained his position as the front runner in the race. If he wins the nomination, he may need to develop a plan to embrace Jackson's black and ethnic supporters.

During the press conference held at the Omni International Hotel, one reporter asked Dukakis if he would consider choosing Jackson as his vice presidential running mate. Jackson has said that he deserves to be chosen to run with Dukakis.

"He, himself, said it was the nominee's responsibility to pick a running mate," replied Dukakis. "I haven't spent two minutes of my time thinking about it."

He said there was plenty of time to decide who his running mate will be since the convention is not until later this month.

"I haven't ruled anybody in or out. The single most important consideration is whether or not that person can be a first rate president if something happens to the president," he stated.

In Maryland, Dukakis has gained the support of both Congressmen Benjamin L. Cardin, 3rd district; and Tom McMillen of the 4th district as they endorsed the candidate during the conference.

Cardin said he has many reasons for endorsing Dukakis, including his commitment to the underpriviledged people in the country who have been forgotten by the present administration.

"We need jobs and economic growth and Dukakis has shown how we can do that," said Cardin.

Dukakis said if he is elected, one of his priorities will be to fight the drug problem that is plaguing the country.

The Governor said he would bring drug education and prevention programs into the schools.

"I have a strong commitment to helping children stay away from drugs and build futures for themselves," he said.

He said drug education should be taught to children while they are in the first through third grades.

When asked how he felt about Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke's proposal to hold hearings on decriminalizing drugs, he said he was against it. But he said that he was serious about alleviating the drug problem and that the solution is to educate children

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