

York Times, "sought a system of shared control between city halls and the residents of target neighborhoods."

The Area-Wide Council says this application was denied in a letter from Floyd Hyde, assistant secretary of housing and urban development, because of the heavy involvement of citizen groups and insufficient involvement of the city of Philadelphia.

William R. Meek, executive director of the council, told the New York Times in an interview, "The Nixon administration's policy will wreck the Model Cities program throughout the United States. It will rule out a decision making role for citizens of the affected areas, ending the partnership approach in an innovative program."

The agreement finally reached in Philadelphia has limited citizen participation on the operating board of the Model Cities program to one third of the total board.

The council claims that the application no longer provides for widespread citizen participation as required by the act.

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"Q-partite fight,"

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Recent speeches at the Community of Demonstrators' meeting calling for, among other things, the return of 60 acres of Unit 111 to the community have sent me to numerous files, offices, and libraries, during the last two weeks. My search has been an effort to find out how the present situation in Unit 111 developed, and what we can do about it.

Newspaper clippings collected over the past several years indicate that the history of the area's redevelopment has been one of frustration and anger for its residents. Anyone who can imagine being evicted from his home, rented or otherwise, could understand such sentiments. However, there have been other aggravations beyond this one.

While newspapers indicate that some hostility seems to have been directed toward the University and her science center, a good deal has been aimed at the Redevelopment Authority, School Board, Federal Housing Commission, and City Hall, as well.

Among the frustrations the community has faced have been a broken promise by Mayor Tate to develop a 7.6 acre parcel of land, a time consuming passing of the community proposal for this land between offices until the School District condemned it by its right of eminent domain, followed by a "compromise" giving the community acres. Besides these, there have been

suspicious that the Redevelopment Authority intentionally allowed the property to run down in order to force the people to move out.

Unfortunately, according to newspaper accounts, the area residents who were predominantly black viewed their difficulties as the plot of the white establishment against them. Their protests were largely ineffectual. Today, Ed Sims, **Walter Palmer**, Lorenzo Graham, and the quadripartite commission, continue their fight.

Presently, about 200 housing units are projected for Unit 111. These will not replace in equal number those that were condemned. The old residents have now moved to Mantua and North Philadelphia; the demand for more and better low cost housing only increases. A report made by the Volunteer Community Resource Committee shows that 20 percent of the former residents are now paying higher rents. Many now have higher car fares to their jobs. The quadripartite commission claims the people want their old community back.

From the Unit 111 developers' point of view, they will benefit most by being in an all institutional area. They claim their success will be success to all groups in Philadelphia and even the world by providing jobs for both the skilled and unskilled, by giving services directly to the community through their institutions which include a medical center, a high school, and a working home for the blind, by giving services to humanity in general through the discoveries of the science center and Food and Drug Administration, and by attracting more investment which in turn creates more jobs.

In sum, we are presented with two opposing points of view. It seems that the city government favors the latter. The Unit 111 community no longer exists. The problem still being discussed and argued is: what is optimal land use for Unit III?

The quadripartite committee believes an integrated community of both institutions and low income homes would be best. Such an arrangement would make the workers of an institution a part of the institution's community. The commission argues that the business would come and the institutions would thrive whether or not the area were all institutions.

The developers disagree.

I myself am uncertain. Assuredly, static neighborhood lines impede a city's growth, yet does institutional expansion preclude mixing institutions with neighborhoods? Do people really want to live in such mixed neighborhoods? Do the old residents really want to move back to Unit 111, or are they a part of a more general demand for nicer homes? Will the homes that the quadripartite commission is fighting for fill the needs of the people who have been evicted? What are the best ways of achieving better housing and more jobs?

The answers to these questions are the word of one special interest group against another. I do not know the answer for Unit 111. I am, however, able to make a suggestion which might yield additional low rent housing in West Philadelphia and might be a fruitful means for the

quadripartite commission to be of service to the poor of Philadelphia. Land has been razed and set aside for housing in Mill Creek on Forty-second and Haverford Avenue. This land would be a fine residential area. It is near a park. It is serviced by public transportation and schools. It is in close proximity to the University and Unit 111 employers. It is comparatively inexpensive. It is a logical place for more houses.

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"Black Woman's Forum at Beltzhoover School Scheduled for Oct. 4"

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The seventh in a series of The Black Woman's Forum is scheduled to take place Saturday, Oct. 4, in the auditorium of the Beltzhoover School, corner Cedarburst and Estella Sts.

Walter Palmer, a community organizer of Philadelphia will be the guest speaker. His topic will be: "Black Man - Black Woman," Part 1.

The black public is invited and workshops will follow.

The lecture is set to begin at 1:30 p.m. and the program will terminate at 4:30 p.m.

A series of 12 forums were planned last Spring when the first, featuring brilliant doctoral candidate Barbara Sizemore of Chicago, Ill., was held. The forum took place at the Holy Rosary School.

Other forums were held at Fifth Avenue High School, Manchester Elementary, A. Leo Weil and Crescent School. The committee responsible for the forums, have attempted to arrange them to take place in the various sections of Pittsburgh.

Purpose is to delve into the historical background of black people. It is only through finding out where black people came from that the race will be able to determine the right direction to proceed on going.

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