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County Population

Sir: Much is to be learned from the verbal sparring one observes in the Parren Mitchell-Dale Anderson affair. . . .

Mr. Anderson's point is well-taken, as "do-gooders" go to work on Baltimore county. Few people can deny the fact that Negroes are coming to the county. Those who have come, have, in most instances, proved to be an asset to their communities.

If those persons fleeing the communities took the time to examine these people, they would find that the caliber of persons gained often far excels that of persons lost. The communities are gaining people who will improve and can afford to improve properties (as many have been forced to do), are well educated and are seeking only peace, order, clean living and good schools.

Poor people must, upon coming to the county, face life as it is. Public transportation is available only on main arteries; stores do not dot residential areas, and business is done on a pay-as-you-go basis. Few people seem to care that a

person who cannot cope with these situations is in real trouble. Nothing of race need apply here, for anyone poor suffers when his way of life is so drastically changed. . . .

The people with the vote, and the willingness to use it, long ago tired of approaches used by the Mitchell brand of politician, to the extent that they vote for candidates who show an awareness of issues and who can offer sensible solutions. Color is no longer important, regardless of the politician's efforts to make it so.

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