Judge Denies Intention Of Criticizing Center

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Blackman's Development Cen- made that inference." He also ter during the Dec. 16 sentencing of a man with a history of was out "to smear' him.

proceeding reports the judge runs a drug treatment pro-as telling the defendant, gram, staffed in part by per-Sonny Brown, "Blackman's sons who have criminal rec-Development Center is not for ords. you. That's still with a bunch of criminals. They're not the san Jeru-Ahmed, an ex-oftype of people that you could fender who has said that it associate with and feel comfortable."

quoting from the transcript and interpreting the judge's tody of persons with drug comment as referring to the problems who are awaiting center's personnel.

Superior Court Judge Alfred Burka yesterday denied that he had any intention to speak at all of the personnel," the judge told a reporter. "I of criticizing personnel of the was shocked to see that you

The judge said he was a sup-An official transcript of the porter of the center, which

It was founded by Gen. Haswas his intention to gather a staff including other ex-of Yesterday the judge took sissue with a story in The edge of the problems of addic washington Post on Tuesday

The center often takes cus trial on criminal charges.