THE VIRTUE OF PATIENCE—It's not the easiest job in the world to weave a pot holder from strands of wool, but that's what Lela Taliaferro (left) and Carolyn Taylor are doing. They attended Camp Hillside in the Cherry Hill Community enter. The camp is sponsored by the Baltimore League for Crippled Children and Adults. In the background is one of the camp's counselors, Mrs. Doris Wallace.

Ex-Balto. youth honor grad at Princeton U.

David Bennett Hill, the son of Mrs. David Hill — formerly of Baltimore, now of Philadelphia — was graduated from Princeton University with honors in the field of history. He received a fellowship for graduate study at Howard University.

The Hill family, now residing at 143 N. 50th St. in Philadelphia, lived in Baltimore until 1944. David Hill Sr., a postal transportation clerk, is a graduate of Coppin Teachers College.

David, who was born in Baltimore in 1934, and his sister Beverly who graduated from Immaculata High School in Philadelphia this year, attended elementary school at Pennsylvania Ave. and Robert St.

He is a graduate of Central High School in Philadelphia. At Princeton, he was a research assistant in the History department; a member of Whig-Clio, a campus organization; a trustee of the University Store and a chairman of the Faculty Fellow and the Bicker Committees of the Prospect Club during his senior year.

Call on baby falling wins 'Tiptop Tipster' award

Some really good tips came in to the AFRO City Desk this past week and it was really a problem to "divvy up" the $25 in News Tip checks.

However, here are the results: The "Tiptop Tipster" of the week was the lady who called in about the baby who fell from a third-floor back porch—she will receive a check for $5, the top award of the week.

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VERY CLOSE to the leader (so close that they all are tied for second place) are the tipsters who called in information about the following stories — they received $2.50 each.

A baby found smothered to death; thieves robbing the home of Barciel Wilson, awaiting trial for the murder of Helen Delores Johnson (the "girl with the sexy walk"); a man shot in the mouth at Pine and Saratoga Sts.

A NURSE who was badly beaten by her estranged husband; the man who died (of acute alcoholism) after eating two crab cakes; the barber cut in the throat by a pregnant girl; and the death of Dr. U. G. Bourne in Frederick.

Each week, a total of $25 is paid for News Tips like those listed above. You can collect too, just call in and ask for City Desk and say "I've got a News Tip." Call MU. 5-6015, MU. 5-1812 or MU. 5-1813. If no answer, call LA. 3-2811.

ACCEPTS IOWA POST

ATLANTA — Charles L. Sanders, 1956 social work graduate of the Atlanta University School of Social Work, has begun employment as executive director of Willkie house, a community center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Police Commissioner declares color not to hinder promotions

"We are taking every colored person who can qualify. I've made it clear that people can rise in this department regardless of race or color."

Police Commissioner James M. Hepburn, a distinguished looking gentleman who has devoted over a quarter of a century to crime detection, made this remark in a recent interview with the AFRO.

Baltimore's chief law enforcement official was reflecting over some of the many plans he made for improving the department when he took the reins last August 1.

Uppermost in his mind at that time, the Commissioner-elated, was to streamline the Baltimore Police Department for greater efficiency. And this is where the plan or recognizing all qualified personnel comes in.

To hear out the Commissioner's assertion to color-blindness, two colored officers—one of them a policewoman—have been advanced to the rank of sergeant since he was sworn in last July 20.

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COMMISSIONER HEPBRON stressed the point that under his administration an officer's ability and not his race will determine whether he continues to pound the beat or advances to greater responsibility.

He thinks the best officers are those who, like himself, have a dedication to duty and responsibility.

The Commissioner, appointed to a six-year term by Governor McKeldin, brings a wealth of practical experience to his office.

For 30 years, from 1922 to 1952, he was with the Criminal Justice Commission, and in those years he carried on his investigative work, and also found time to lecture in many of the major colleges and universities throughout the country in criminology classes.

This experience has given him keen insight into the wiles of law breakers and in the very latest techniques of putting them out of business.

Seated in his office on the fourth floor of Central Police Station, Commissioner Hepbron leaned back in his swivel chair and said, "We have to change our pattern as the pattern of criminals change".

Here he was making special reference to the new Rackets Division, created shortly after he took office.

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INSPECTOR WILLIAM Forrest, head of the Rackets Division, agrees with his boss that the new arm of the department has, in the short period since it was created, more than proved its worth with more efficient crime detection.

There are nine units of the Rackets Division. They are: special assignment, crime laboratory, intelligence, gun shop, polygraph and bandit patrol. Each unit is manned by officers with special knowledge of his particular assignment.

According to Commissioner Hepbron the department is about 300 men short of its total allotted strength of 3,245 officers.

Although he said no official record is kept of the race of the policemen, there are approximately 88 colored officers on the force.

In an effort to bring the department up to total strength, the Commissioner said he is increasing the size of the classes in the Police Academy from about 50 to 136. It takes three months of intensive training for a candidate to complete this training.

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THE COMMISSIONER takes pride in the fact that under his administration, policewomen have at last been authorized to carry weapons to protect themselves while on dangerous assignments.

There are five colored policewomen on the force.

When asked whether he had any comment to make on his first year in office, Commissioner Hepbron remarked that generally it takes time for a person to acclimate himself to such a position. He added:

"I have felt my way slowly. I've tried to move slowly and cautiously."

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SIGN OF LEADERSHIP—Clean Block Captain Odessa Brown proudly displays her captain's flag, which not only tells passersby that her block, 2000 Biddle Street, is in the AFRO Clean Block Campaign, but designates the home of the person who is in charge.

19 More Captains Push Work; Honor Roll Total Reaches 41 Citation means work almost done

Nineteen more Clean Block captains determined that their block would be listed in that select group named to the Honor Roll stepped up their cleaning, scrubbing, sweeping and painting pace this week.

The result was that this determination paid off. All of them passed the inspection test with some to spare and are now in the Honor Roll class.

For his block to reach the Honor Roll level, a captain must have completed most of his work. Not only must the block be spottlessly clean, but flowers must be on display and steps either scrubbed or painted.

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NOT ONLY must the front of the block be in top shape, but side and back alleys must also be able to pass inspection.

A block must appear on the Honor Roll at least once to qualify for a prize, Clean Block Director M. Francis Mackay has announced.

A warning was also issued to Honor Roll captains not to stop working just because their blocks have been chosen.

The citation, it was pointed out, should inspire Clean Blockers to work that much harder, so their blocks will be among those qualifying for top prizes at the end of the campaign.

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THE COMPLETE list of Honor Roll blocks follows:

1200 Nolan Ct., Captain Bernadine Armstrong.

1200 H. Ct., Captain Dorothy McLeod.

1200 H. Ct., Captain Carolyn Ling.

1200 McCriderry Ct., Captain Leonard Hill.

500 Hamburg St., Captain Leander Sims.

600 Cross St., Captain Shirley Mitchell.

2000 Etting St., Captain Jeanette Rice.

1000 Stricker St., Captain Rachel Neal.

1100 Stricker St., Captain Ira Booker.

2000 Biddle St., Captain Odessa Brown.

500 Bradford St., Captain Herbert Mayes.

14 Castle St., Captain Peggy Ann Water.

1500 Chapel St., Captain Ruth Moore.

1300 Chatham St., Captain Vivian Mickey.

1600 Ellworth St., Captain Joseph Loakman.

1800 Henneman St., Captain Clyade Parker.

200 Montford St., Captain Paul Tolbert.

1200 Washington St., Captain Bettie Mae Boddie.

2400 Guilford Ave., Captain Mariam Stansbury.

2600 Francis St., Captain Ruth Turner.

1100 McKean Ave., Captain Helen Floyd.

600 Barre St., Captain Sylvia Smith.

1000 Briscoe St., Captain Patricia Turner

600 Lee St., Earlene Cooper and Mitchell White both captains.

1100 Warner St., Captain Joseph Pender.

3000 Grayson St., Captain Evelyn Tilsby.

2300 Etting St., Captain Bernetta Green.

2600 Bruce Terrace, Captain Elissa Lyles.

2100 Walbrook Ave., Captain Haryadene Williams.

1400 Mount St., Captain Elaine Warfield.

200 Dallas Ct., Captain Peggy Ann Lee.

1000 Arlington Ave., Captain Joan Matthews.

4800 Alameda, Captain Veronica Myers.

4400 St. Georges Ave., Captain Ann Holmes.

4500 St. Georges Ave., Captain Donald Robinson.

4000 St. Georges Ave., Captain Cynthia Martin.

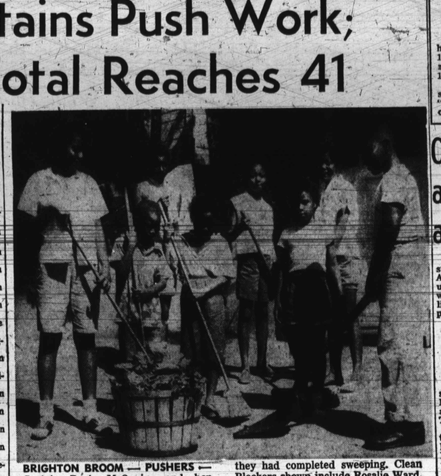
5000 St. Georges Ave., Captain Barbara Berry.

900 Harlem Ave., Captain Deloris Adams.

2400 Madison Ave., Captain Harriett Neale.

2600 Woodbrook Ave., Captain Delores Baker.

1600 Bruce Ct., Captain Ella Bruce.



BRIGHTON BROOM — PUSHERS — Captain Doris McQuaige and her Clean Block crew get an early start every morning in the 3200 block of Brighton St. This photo was made shortly after 8:30 a.m. last week and they had completed sweeping. Clean Blockers shown include Rosalie Ward, Carolyn and Patricia Elliott, Carl and Yvonne Brinkley, Carolyn McQuaige and George Brinkley.

24 Blocks Enrolled

Twenty-four blocks got under the registration deadline wire Monday, Clean Block officials reported.

The list of the blocks, their captains and workers follows:

1200 Waldo Ct.
Captain Dorothy Bollin

Harriet Jones, Juanita Jones, Debora Jones, Margaret Jones, Katy Jones, Lester Pettaway, Larry Pettaway, Christina Pettaway, Robert Pettaway, Andre Brown;

Also Celos Jones, Grady Jones, Larry Dotson, Doxnie Dotson, Darlene Douglas, Edward Marine, Jennifer Harris, Sharon Jones, Mrs. Odessa Jones; advisor,

Also Daphne Smith, Brenda Smith, Jack Jones, Thomas Douglas, Tony Douglas, Ralph Taylor, Arthur Douglas, Freddie Marine, Gale Harrison, Lorenzo Hocton, Ella Jones, Twight Tillman, Denise Wilson, Diane Wilson, Vivian Green, Evelyn Pettaway, Doris Brown, Michael Brown, and Oxgia Brown.

1800 Pulaski St.
Captain Jean Mack

Lavinia Stratton and Joseph Griffin; co-captains, Gwendolyn Coward, Phillip Griffin, Carolyn Griffin, Valerie Williams, Barbara Stratton, Anthony Griffin, Michael Griffin; Michael Griffin;

Also Dorothy Thomas, Donald Thomas, Reginal Griffin, Barbara Shaverm, Frances Shaverm, Carol Shaverm, Patricia Jones, Peggy Jones, Mildred Parker, and Helen Stratton.

500 E. 23rd St.
Captain Jeannette M. Sykes

Carrie H. M. Sykes, Mary Martine, Patricia Richmond, Joyce Godsey, Dorothy Martinez, Vernon Martinez, Leon Godsey, Laura Steward, Clara Steward, Cornell Godsey, Eddie Steward;

Also Betty Strader, George Strader, Evelyn Clay, Dorothy Ohanner, Mrs. Helen Sykes, Mrs. Maggie Sheppard, Mrs. Marie Godsey;

Also Ruth Godsey, Louise Denham, Mrs. Irene Godsey, advisor; Elaine Sykes, Larry Sykes, Walter Godsey, James Wise, Lewis Miles, and Louise Doernan.

200 N. Amity St.
Captain Carol Dailey

John Murry, Joseph Murry, Lawrence McCuloh, Jean Epps, Genevra Gallaway, Barbara Little, Samuel McCuloh, Carson Curry, Joan Dailey, and Mrs. Tilley Curry.

800 W. Lexington St.
Captain Carolyn Jones

Mrs. Mary Gaither, advisor, Charles Nelson, Phyllis Simmons, Joyce Nelson, Jerry Barret, Larry Barret, Linwood Nelson, Marcella Scriber, Leroy Nelson, Sylvia Simmons, Sonjia Simmons, Jerome Lumpkin, Harry Simmons, Harold Nelson, Jerome Lumpkin, Harry Lumpkin, Harry Lumpkin, June Burke, Brenda Burke, Leonard Burke, Gregory Leonard, and John Seriber.

3500 Round Road
Captain William Nelson

Lillie C. Shellington, Richard Spears, Roger Steele, Lorraine Woods, Shirley Clarke, Constance Nelson, Barbara Harris, William Woods, Joseph Nelson, Inez V. Woods, Angelus Johnson.

Also Colynn Lawman, Denise Lowman, Valerie Diggs, Milton Diggs, Tony Miller, Henry Moore, Rosie Morens, Pauline Williams, Delores Williams;

Also Sandra Johnson, Terwine Johnson, Lorraine Harris, Richard Harris, Paula Spears, Mrs. Mabel James, Gerald Dhells, Mrs. Anna Woodridge, Mrs. Dollie Nibbs, Lucwood Noble, James Harvey, Charles K. Anderson, Judge E. Everett Leak, Mrs. Emma Clarke, Mrs. Frederick D. Allen, Frolic Cafe, Sidney Hollander Sr., Men's Advisory Counsel of Emmanuel Christian Community Church.

3300 Pen Mar Ave.

Pen Mar Restaurant, Mrs. Edward Miller, Dr. E. W. Frey, Garland Jones;

Also James Fenner, Frances McKiver, Connie Wheatley, Marlene Woods, Diane Nelson, Mrs. Cormelia Johnson, Samuel Johnson, Mary Watkins, Thomas Johnson, Irene Johnson, Ronald Ash, Shelly Ash;

Also Wesley Ash, Leroy Falcon, Joan Falcon, Charlotte Falcon, James Shellington, Phillip Shellington, Charlene Harris, Albert Harris, Mrs. Joan Dorsey, Arthur Perkins, and James Williams.

2200 McElderry St.
Captain Marie A. Allen

Peggie Mullineaux, Hazel Mullineaux, Frances Dixon, Edward Sewell, Regina Mullineaux; co-captain, Louis Thomas.

2200 Lynbrook Ave.
Captain Donald McNeily

John Fullard, John Walker, Randolph Davis, George White, Judith White, Maurice Dilworth, Samuel Harriday, William Harriday, Annette Davis, and Beverly Umphrey.

1200 McElderry Ct.
Captain Leonard Hill

Mrs. Catherine Butler, Mrs. E. Stanley, Mrs. Elridge, Mrs. Lilliam Brown, Edward Schofield, Mrs. Cora Coplin, Flora Cheek, David Hudson, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. B. Pugh, Mrs. Daisy Johnson, and Mrs. Mary Brown; advisor.

2800 Winwood Ct.
Captain Jurena Rice

Ellen Rice, Matthews Pridgen, Russell Pridgen, Barbara Campbell, Mrs. Michael Barbour, James Barbour, Beatrice Barbour, Leroy Barbour, Michael Tisdale, Henry Mayes, Marie Manigo;

Also George Manigo, Robert Manigo, Joseph Oaks, Nathaniel Oaks, Kenneth Oaks, Ida English, Maggie Stone, Alvidene Richardson, Reobe Richardson;

Also Charles Harris, Edward Haines, Arthur Haines, Leon Haines, Carolyn Harris, Michael Ranilenga, Linda Ranilenga and Margaret Smith.

1100 Woodyear St.
Captain Beatrice Golder

Irene Jenkins, Margaret Taylor, Mary Chapman, Lorraine Taylor, Bernice Givens, Esther Whittington, Esther Golder, Estelene Nickens, Mollie Adams;

Also Ernestine Booker, Marthetta Hickles, Dorothy Poge, Doris Peters, Dorothy Harris, Mrs. Lena Spriggs, Mrs. Mildred Jenkins, Elizabeth Wright;

Also Carrie Jones, Annie Ruth Hannah, Annie Chabell, Mary Hicks, Eleanor Wilson, Hazel Stewart, Mary Whittington, Ellen Jones, Tina Hickles, Rachel Jones, Shirley Stich, Gilda Stich;

Also Bernadette Woodington, Carol Blackwell, Erma Watkins, Audrey Jones, Joyce Golder, Sylvia Campbell, Lottie Davis, Patricia Adams, M. Diggs, Marian Golder, Bernard Stephenson, and Prince Rich.

500 Meechen St.
Captain Priscilla Putty

John Wilson, Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer, John Blair, George Andrews, Shirley Sorrell, Helen Sorrell, Audrey Putty, Marion Sorrell, Madelyn Johnson, Hazel Blair;

Also Lillian Copeland, Viola Christmas, Mrs. Mary Aldridge, Ruth Gaines, Carolyn Russell, Joyce Bettie Ann Poole, Mrs. Elizabeth Somo.

500 E. 20th St.
Captain Annie James

James Williams, Louise Kearney, Leola Jones, Barbara Ann Barksdale, Carolyn Moore, Herbert Baugh, Dorothy Smith, Alice Green, Hannah Stevenson, Clara Mears, Jerome Green;

Also Gerald Mears, Marguerite Johnson, Alice Mae Marshall, Tony Savells, Betty Savells, Vanda Lee Chambers, Russell Jackson, Kenny Kearney, and Henry Williams.

4400 St. Georges Ave.
Captain Roger Green

Mrs. Margaret Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Lee, Roselyn Lee, Rochelle Lee, Roland Lee, Mrs. Fannie Fowler, Mrs. C. W. Bosson, Mrs. R. Thompson, L. B. Price, Thodore Clifford, George Mills, Mrs. M. B. Cornell, Mrs. H. E. Taylor, and Mrs. J. Humphreys.

4400 Wrenwood
Captain Jack Costa

Leroy Price, William H. Joyce, Mrs. Paul J. Wilson, Hilton F. Treadwell, Rosie Robert, William O. Purnell and Mrs. Thelma Shea.

1500 Mountmor Ct.
Captain Evelyn Strother

Louise Gillette, Eleanor McCain, James H. McCain, Arnold McCain, Hazel Peebles, Ronald Peebles, Clarence Talley, Ella Mae Green, Brenda Green, Vera Green, Marie Green;

Also Mildred Mackel, Carrie Gearing, Mary Ward, Melvin Roles, Lois Howard, Phillip Howard, Greta Augustus, Nelson Simms, Barbara Simms, Betty Roles;

Also Earline Roles, Jerome Roles, Edward Roles, Esther Roles, Robert Autmon, Carolyn Nicholson, Renae Ball, Sheila Ball, Aumont Philis, Elva Strother, Ellen Strother and Charles Strother.

Chessell Court
Captain Diane F. Williams

Mrs. Ada Miles, advisor; Georgina Upton, William Upton, Sarah Williams, Cordy James, Lester Turner, Carolyn James, Jacqueline Steadman, Leroy Turner.

Fieldlea Court
Captain Joseph Ivory

James Leeson, co-captain; Morris Ivory, Sarah Leeson, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mrs. Dorothy Leeson, Irene Wilkins, Mrs. Patsy Hamlett, Michael Hannah, Earl Hamlet, Vernon Hamlet, Edwina Dixon, John Leeson;

Also Charlotte Leeson, Frederick Mack, Ann Leeson, Luie Chandler, Martha Chandler, Regina Sliith, Gary March, Regina March, Roslyn Ivory, Almeda Ivory, Shirley Gasque;

And Anthony Gasque, Ronald Gasque, Barbara Love, Ronald Moore, Patricia Moore, Charles Moore, Melvin Moore, Louise Williams, Priscilla Dickens, Anthony Dickens, Elwood Farmer, and Linwood Farmer.

Shelburn Court
Captain Mary Brown

Vivian Morris, co-captain; Harry Brown, Samuel Brown, Arthur Morris, Lorraine Kelly, Evelyn Bell, Mrs. Rose Brown, Mrs. Frances Morris, Mrs. Alma Speight, and Mrs. Ulysses Nelson, advisor.

Chessell Court
Captain Patricia Carrow

Curtis Leonard, Sandra Leonard, Robert Cook, Bradford Diggs, Charles Diggs, Morgan Stevens, Dorothy Diggs, Brenda Cook, Mrs. Alice Leonard and Mrs. Thelma Diggs, advisor.

Childs Court
Captain Yvonne Thomas

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Also Donald Jackson, Donald Brockenglen, George Green, James Edmonds, Renee Edmonds, Emma Edmonds, Elmer Smith, Walter Thomas, William Perry, Gladys Perry.

Also Tommy Kuhl, Howard Anthony, Veronica Neale, Kathleen Hall, Vaughn Thomas, Evelyn Brockington, Albert Edmonds, Calvin Jackson, Patricia Taylor;

Also Carolyn Burton, Sheila Burton, Reginald Shorts, Mrs. Dorothy McCutheon, Mrs. Joan Anthony, Mrs. Clarice Thomas, and Mrs. Flossie Barnes, advisors.

1901 Nolan Court
Captain Brenda Davis

Gertrude Brown, co-captain; Lillian Wright, Raymond Brown, Eugene Risher, Melvin Risher, Theodore Brown, Larry Horry, William Wright, Doris Davis and Delores Jones.

2200 W. Saratoga St.
Captain Bernadette Smith

Thelma Jackson, Shelly Jackson, Bertha Jackson, Shirley Green, Ray Adams, and Doris Chance.

400 Oxford Ct.
Captain Janice Dawson

Mrs. Ruth Payne, advisor; Bertha Montague, co-captain; Mrs. Emma Thornton, Mrs. Julia Gray, James Payne, Regina Montague, Claudette Payne, Elmria Thornton, Elaine Stewart, Beverly Stewart, Brenda Jackson, and Patsy Jackson.

Prize fund needs your $$$ help

The Clean Block Prize Fund gained $20 since Tuesday to bring the total thus far contributed to $414.25.

But this still left a long ways to go to reach this year's goal of $3,000.

Clean Block officials, growing desperate as the time rapidly approaches to give prizes to worthy youngsters for their summer-long efforts, were begging Baltimoreans to rally to this civic cause.

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THE SURPRISING thing, it was pointed out, that there has not been a single dollar contribution. The small gifts are just as welcome as the large ones.

Even half dollars and quarters would help, they say. So come on, Mr. and Mrs. Baltimore, let's not let these youngsters down.

Go around the city, look at the miracles they have wrought in grime and dirty blocks. After seeing how hard they have worked to improve our community, no one should begrudge them every nickle they receive as the end of the campaign.

THE COMPLETE list of donors and the amounts they have given is as follows:

Joe Paul $25.00

M. Kovens and Co., James W. Rouse, The Calvert Distilling Co., Real Estate Board of Baltimore, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Baltimore $15.00

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Two radio deejays making appeals for Prize Fund

Two well known Baltimore disc jockeys have been heard giving a radio plug for the AFRO Clean Block Prize Fund.

Billy Foxx of WSID and Dale Shields of WEBB have both urged their listeners to lend a helping financial hand to the worthy cause.

A note of appreciation for their efforts has gone out from the Clean Block office.

CLEAN BLOCK • SIDELIGHTS •

By M. FRANCIS MACKAY
AFRO Clean Block Director

OOOooo! OOOooo! OOOooo! That was the sound that greeted the ears of Clean Block inspectors when my car turned in a block this week and not a single Clean Blocker was at work.

Clean Blockers know that inspections will be made, but when they see the inspectors, too often all you can hear are sighs of regret.

The inspections are in the third week. We have found some beautiful blocks. We have found some dirty ones. We have been blocks where the fronts are spotless, but the backs are littered and dirty.

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SOUTH BALTIMORE should make Area Supervisor George Hill very proud when he is able to leave University Hospital and see it positively shining this week.

Some said it wasn't possible but fortunately there were Clean Blockers who refused to take the word of the pessimists. And they have wrought a miracle.

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BAD NEIGHBOR trouble is causing much concern in many blocks. Several families positively refuse to cooperate in cleaning the block, but always can find trash to throw in the street after others have done the job.

Actually, they are spiting no one but themselves. A clean community not only makes you feel better, it adds to the value of your property.

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CAPTAIN EARLENE COOPER of the 600 block Lee and her workers are holding their own every time their block is inspected. The fencing in grass-covered areas that face the Fayette-ing the Washington expressway are slowing up traffic, they say so unusual.

Drive out there during the weekend and see what Clean Blockers of Lee St., Tudarre St., Conway St., Briscoe, Warren and Hamburg have done. You will be proud, too, until you see it.

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GOOD NEWS! It seems that captains in the Northwestern area have finally got the good old Clean Block spirit and gone to work. What a difference just a little sweeping makes.

I saw broom squads at work Wednesday morning in the 1700 block Pressman, the 2700 block Rigbs Ave., the 2100 block Walbrook Ave., the 2000 and 2300 blocks Etting St., the 1700 and 1800 blocks of Ashburton and many, many others.

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CAPTAIN LEANNA SIMS of the 500 block Hamburg St., has decided to let the heavy traffic get in the way of beautifying her block.

She's street, all decked out in a bright red and white color scheme, is like an oasis in the desert. Pretty flowers adorn every door step and the houses have been painted a uniform color. It looks real nice.

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WONDER WHY the Bureau of Parks and Recreation can't do something about Easterwood Park? Can it be true the city has actually run out of grass seed?

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JAMBOREE TIME is almost here. If you haven't sent in the list of your workers, your victory sheet, you had better get on the ball and pronto. Captains who fail to get their reports into the Clean Block office will find themselves without tickets to the jamboree.

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CAPTAIN RACHEL NEAL of the 1000 block Stricker St. and Captain Ira Booker of the 1100 block Stricker, have worked up a competitive spirit and the improvement in their blocks reflects it. They have done a remarkable job.

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THREE CHEERS for Clean Blockers in the housing projects. The work of those in Somerset Homes this year is especially outstanding.

Nolan Court and McElderry Court have added zest to the campaign. Everything is spic and span and flowers are to be seen everywhere.

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HONOR FLAGS of previous years are flying over many blocks. But captains of those blocks should remember they can't live on past glories. Let's get on the ball and earn one for 1956.

Pep rallies are held each Friday

Clean Block pep rallies are held each Friday morning at 10 o'clock in the assembly room of McCulloh Homes, 1010 McCulloh St.

All Clean Block captains should be able to answer "present" when the roll is called.

Clean blocker and Morganite are winners

"I was on my way to the store. The fellow who delivers AFRO's in Turner Station came up and told me that my picture was in the AFRO. I didn't believe it, until he showed me the picture."

Miss Frances Cullen, 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert A. Cullen, 202 Burr Way, St., Turner Station, said this Thursday when she collected her $5 for being an AFRO Lucky Picture winner.

In addition to being a Morgan senior majoring in sociology, Miss Cullen is a nursery school attendant at Toddlers' Haven, in Turner Station.

"I don't know what I'm going to do with the money, but I'd like to go to graduate school," Miss Cullen said, "and," she paused, "get married."

Friday the 13th winner was she-reserved Jacqueline Williams, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Williams, 1100 block McKean Ave. Little Jacqueline is a second grade pupil at School No. 123.

"I'm going to put the money in the school saving system," she said Monday with the promptings of her mother, Mrs. Williams. Jacqueline is one of the Clean Blockers of the 1100 block McKean Ave.

The photographer caught the group while they were singing, just before they swung their brooms into action. As a result of their work 1100 block McKean Ave. was one of the cleanest in town, last week.

There is a circled picture in each edition of the AFRO. In order to be a Lucky Picture winner, the person whose picture is circled, must call at the AFRO office before noon of the next publication date.

REPORT

All captains in the AFRO's 22nd Annual Clean Block Campaign are required to fill in this form and return it to the AFRO-AMERICAN Clean Block office, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1.

VICTORY REPORT

CAPTAIN .....

ADDRESS .....

(Number)

1. .....pairs of steps painted.
2. .....pairs of marble steps cleaned or whitened.
3. .....houses painted.
4. .....houses with woodwork painted.
5. .....houses with woodwork cleaned.
6. .....yards cleaned.
7. .....houses with flowers in painted pots.
8. .....houses with flowers in window boxes.
9. .....alleys cleaned.
10. .....cellars cleaned.
11. .....yards with flowers.
12. .....families in block helping.
13. .....houses in the block.
14. .....number of persons in block.
15. .....number of fences painted or whitewashed.

'Be ye also ready' good blocker motto

The Biblical admonition, "Be ye also ready" was being adopted by enterprising AFRO Clean Block captains this week, after many of them were caught napping when Clean Block inspectors arrived.

Embarrassed by the fact they had failed to "keep on saving" and to pick up piles of trash, the less alert captains pledged to Clean Block Director M. Francis Mackay last week that they would be certain to have their blocks in shape by the time for his second inspection tour.

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THE FIRST tour revealed that East Baltimore blocks were definitely setting a fast pace for the city, with South Baltimore blocks running a close second.

Lagging behind were blocks in the Northwest and West Baltimore areas, Clean Block officials said.

A six - point program for Clean Block captains to follow was issued this week by the Clean Block office.

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