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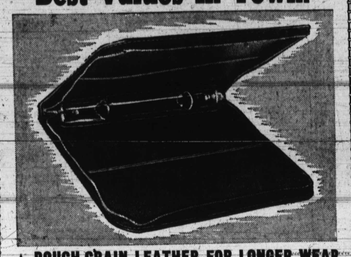

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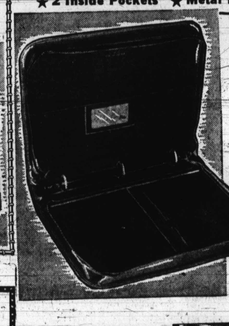

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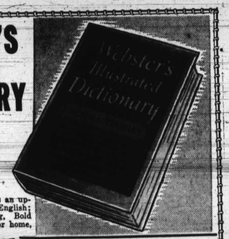

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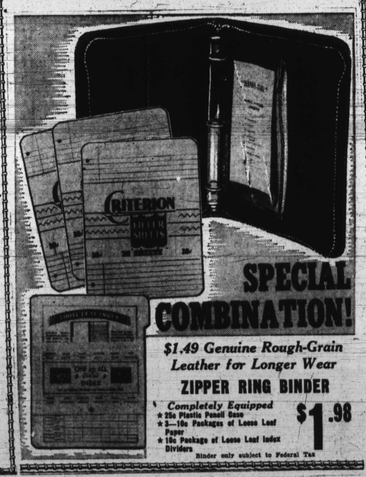

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$ $ For Residents On This 'Hi Neighbor' Street

Youthful folks live in 1700 blk. Barnes

Residents in 11 homes to share in feature's prizes

Hidden somewhere in the 1700 block of Barnes St. must be a fountain of youth, for one has never seen so many young looking parents and grandparents such as those who live in this "Hi, Neighbor" block.

The tiny block, composed of only 11 homes, a grocery store and a confectionery store, is nestled between McDonough St. and Rutland Ave., in East Baltimore.

The men in the block, most of them steel workers at Sparrows Point, are the bread winners, while the women remain at home to raise children, keep house and to engage in AFRO clean block campaigns.

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THIS YEAR, however, is the first time within several years that the block has not engaged in the clean block campaign. Plans are underway, nevertheless, to stage a fall cleanup campaign in the neighborhood.

The block is constantly buzzing with the cheerful noises of over 30 youngsters, who play in the quiet street, void of heavy traffic, from sun up to sun down.

The Gill family which lives at 1718 had the largest number of children. They have eight ranging from 11 to 26 years of age.

The mother, Mrs. Lucy Gill, who is 43, but who doesn't look a day over 29, said she finds no trouble in raising a large family.

Mrs. Gill, who has nine grandchildren, ages three months to four years, insisted however, that youngsters "behaved better in earlier days then they do now."

Her husband, Allie Gill works at Bethlehem Steel. Moving into the block only two months ago, the Gills are the newest neighbors. They like the area because it gives "children a safer place to play."

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"OLDEST" resident in the block is Mrs. Carey Hawkins, who has lived at 1716 for 17 years. The attractive petite mother of a 13-year-old daughter, does not hesitate to smile at one's amazement as she proudly says she's 30 years old.

Mrs. Hawkins, who works as barmaid at the corner tavern, looks like she should be carrying school books.

She feels this "Hi Neighbor" block is the best in the city because it "has the quietest, friendliest neighbors."

NICEST PERSON in the block, in the youngster's estimation, is "Miss Louise," a widow whose real name is Mrs. Laura Louise Lipscomb, of 1709 Barnes St.

Mrs. Lipscomb, a stocky, motherly woman, broke into a friendly smile, when she learned of her new title. "I do love the children, here," she admitted. "I do have fun with them."

Mrs. Lipscomb has a daughter, 8, and has lived in the block for 12 years.

She has been instrumental in getting the neighborhood to participate in the AFRO Clean Block Campaigns.

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OTHER NEIGHBORS include: Mr. and Mrs. Perley Williams, 1707 Barnes St., who have three children, Mr. Williams is a janitor at Social Security.

They have lived in the block six years and are in the process of buying their home.

Linwood Newby, bachelor, who works at a sugar refinery, has lived at 1715 for the past three years. "I like the people here," he remarked.

Also living at 1715 are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, their son, Clarence, and Edward Taylor.

AT 1726 live Mrs. Mildred Brown, who operates the confectionary store in the block, and her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward White.

Mrs. Brown has seven children and two grandchildren. "The neighbors are wonderful," she said.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Threat at 1724 is the only one with a formstone front. They have lived in the block 13 years.

MRS. THREAT, who has three children and two grandchildren says she found the block to be "very quiet even though there a a lot of youngsters here."

Mr. and Mrs. William Douglass, who have lived at 1712 for the past six months, find the block to be "peaceful and full of friendly neighbors."

Also living at 1712 are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel English, and their 14-year-old daughter, Caroline.

Hi, Neighbor! You, too, may win prizes

Here is the AFRO's new feature, "Hi, Neighbor!" which means cash and ice cream to the people featured. Each issue The AFRO will give out a $5 cash prize and a gift to the entire neighborhood. It goes like this:

1. $5 goes to the person whose head appears in the oval in the picture.

2. $10 worth of ice cream from the Jumbo Ice Cream Co. goes to the entire block.

There is nothing to buy, nothing to sell. All you have to do to collect your money is be in the oval and designate a member of Your block to call at the AFRO City Desk and pick up a certificate for the $10 worth of ice cream.

Only five signatures on a letter are required to receive the ice cream certificate.

Your street may soon be featured. Watch each issue of the AFRO for the block which will receive the prizes.

If you think there is a special reason why your street should be featured next, write Hi Neighbor! Editor, City Desk, AFRO, Baltimore 1, Md.

Uncle Sam has accounting jobs

The director of the Third U.S. Civil Service Region has announced an examination for professional Accountant and Auditor positions and non-professional Accounting and Fiscal Officer positions with salaries from $4,525 to $7,570 a year.

The jobs are in various federal agencies in Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia with the exception of installations in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

A written examination to test the ability to interpret regulations and work with numerical data and a test of supervisory judgment will be given all competitors for all positions.

Applications will be accepted by the Director, Third U.S. Civil Service Region, 2nd and Chestnut St., Philadelphia 6, Pa.

HAPPY IN BLOCK—Linwood Newby, a sugar refinery worker of 1715 Barnes St., washes his Olds and says he's happy in block where he's lived past three years. Mr. Newby, a bachelor, says "I like the people here."

WORK BENCH:

Not like a quarry slave . . .

He lived and fought until he died

By CLARENCE MITCHELL

WASHINGTON

Death found him on the parade ground of a busy life. He did not need money nor shelter but he was working when his last opponent challenged him to a contest that could end only one way. His name was John R. Bates—once a sergeant in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Bates was a living example of why the policy of segregation in the armed forces was wasteful and unfair. Because the army of his day had few places in the officer ranks for colored men, he did not get a commission. Had he been white he would probably have been a colonel.

There was no time in my many contacts with Mr. Bates that I ever failed to note that he was a man of courage and a gentleman. He disliked boisterous or unruly conduct and he loathed racial segregation.

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ONE INTERESTING meeting with him was immediately after the May 17, 1954, Supreme Court decision in the school segregation cases. Also present was my friend, Bem Price, a white southern-born Associated Press writer.

Bem was doing an article on what some of the older colored people thought of the decision. A Marine corps veteran, Bem was immediately at home with the square-jawed old soldier sitting opposite him.

Mr. Bates was born in South Carolina. When he was Bem's age or mine, it was very unlikely that a white newspaper reporter from the South would have wanted his views on anything—especially if the topic involved abandonment of segregation.

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MR. BATES had seen the cruel effects of racial segregation enforced by night riding Ku Kluxers. As a boy and young man he had read the usual propaganda about the South's infinite code on separation of the races.

Yet, from the depths of his knowledge about human nature, he drew the conclusion that the South would accept, like, and ultimately boast about how it had ended segregation in the public schools.

As I listened to the two men talk, I could not help but wish that either Mr. Bates had been younger or Bem had been older. Had they been contemporaries in the South they would have been able to do much constructive work together.

Mr. Bates was a tireless fighter against segregation everywhere — including the Soldiers' Home, where he was a resident.

It is hard to believe that at the nation's capital there would be separation of the races in an establishment like the Soldiers' Home. Yet it was there.

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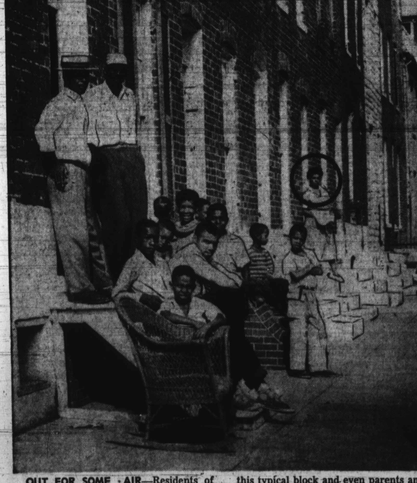
MR. BATES fought the idea of separate building for colored men. He once called me late in the evening to say in a matter of fact way, "I'm locked up." With Frank D. Reeves, NAACP legal representative, I checked with the office in charge of the home to find out why Mr. Bates was, as he put it, "locked up."

It turned out that there had been a mild disagreement between him and another resident at the home. Guards, who apparently were looking for some excuse to discipline Mr. Bates, because he opposed segregation, promptly put him in a cell.

When I informed the authorities at the home that Mr. Bates was under what amounted to an unfair arrest, he was released. The next day it turned out that there was no charge against him—except perhaps that he wanted to make democracy work at the home.

He was active in civic affairs and a tireless worker for the NAACP. This was not enough to keep him busy and he opened a small store on Seventh St. It was there that he was found dying.



OUT FOR SOME AIR—Residents of the 1700 block Barnes St. sit on stoops of 11 homes in tiny block in East Baltimore. Over 30 youngsters live in this typical block and even parents and grandparents look as if they have found formula for Fountain of Youth.

Coming Events

AUGUST 27

Annual Sunday School picnic of First Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Forrest Park, Hanover, Pa.

Truck Safety Rodeo at Memorial Stadium with prizes for the best drivers.

AUGUST 29

The Mt. Olive Beneficial Association gives its annual trip to Tolchester Beach.

Moonlight boatride and bathing beauty contest of the Master Beauticians aboard the S. S. Tolchester. Boat leaves Pier 5, Pratt St., at 8:30 p.m.

AUGUST 30-31

Registration of new pupils for school.

SEPTEMBER 1

Dr. John S. Fischer, superintendent of schools, addresses Baltimore teachers at Memorial Stadium.

SEPTEMBER 2

Moonlight Cruise of Men's Advisory Council of Ebhamanuel CC Church. Boat leaves Pratt St. Pier 5 at 8:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 3

Something novel tonight at the Baltimore Branch of the National Alliance of Postal Employees a Caribbean Cruise aboard the S.S. Tolchester.

SEPTEMBER 5

As it must to all things, this means the official end of summer. It's Labor Day and a long holiday weekend.

SEPTEMBER 6

Vacation time for the city's younger generation is at an end. School starts today.

Cathedral Of Baltimore Mother Of U. S. Churches

By ROBERT THOMAS

The solemn majesty and quiet dignity of the Cathedral of Baltimore, recognized as the "finest classical church in the country," has been a part of the Baltimore scene for nearly a century and a half.

In May of 1821, Archbishop Ambrose Marechal formally dedicated the edifice, which through the years has had a profound effect on the history of the Catholic Church in the United States.

During the ceremonies, Archbishop Marechal carried the crozier of Archbishop John Carroll, the first bishop of the Diocese of Baltimore who was the original inspiration behind the construction of the "Mother Church of Catholicism in the nation."

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BISHOP CARROLL was commissioned by Pope Pius VI on Nov. 6, 1789, to erect a church in the vicinity of Baltimore "in the form of a cathedral church."

The site where the Cathedral is located at the northeast corner of Cathedral and Mulberry Sts., was purchased for $20,371.40.

On July 7, 1806, the cornerstone was blessed by Bishop Carroll. The inscription on the cornerstone reads:

"The first stone of the Cathedral Church, to be erected for the honor of Almighty God, under the title of Jesus and Mary, was put in place this seventh day of July, 1806, by the Right Reverend John, Bishop of Baltimore."

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THROUGH THE YEARS, the Cathedral has undergone changes and renovations both inside and out. Electricity was not installed until 1885 and one of the latest changes was the installing of new pews in 1947. New pews were also installed in 1805.

The appearance of the Cathedral today is a result of redecorations and changes between 1936 and 1947.

The total out side length of the building, including the 34-foot portico and the 12-foot-eastern apse, is 213 feet, 10 inches. The height from the walkways to the top of the dome is 196 feet and to the top of the towers 122-feet.

The width of the nave is 75 feet, 10 inches. It is extended by the transepts to a total of almost 116 feet.

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ENTERING THE Cathedral one immediately sees the core of worship, the main altar, which has remained unchanged through the years.

It stands at the extreme rear center of the sanctuary, with a marble base that supports the eross and six tall candelabra. The tabernacle is made of sculptured bronze.

The vast interior of the Cathedral is impressive, with its barrel vaults, religious figures, long, straight aisles and symmetrical rows of wooden pews.

The large sanctuary has four altars besides the main altar. Two stand near the front of the sanctuary on either side and two stand in the rear flanking the main altar.

Above the altar is a tester-or canopy of carved wood, polychromed in soft red and blue with gold trim and tassels. It is suspended by gilded chains.

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ALONG THE walls are several memorials to Baltimore Archbishops. A bronze plaque on the south front of the church commemorates the visit to the Cathedral on Oct. 21, 1936, of Pope Pius XII, who was then secretary of state to Pope Pius XI.

The fourth pulpit to be installed at the church stands at the altar rail at the south side. It and a throne, situated near the front of the sanctuary at left center, are made of marble.

At the rear of the Cathedral on both sides are shrines surrounded by marble prayer rails. One is the Crucifix that once stood in the apse behind the main altar.

Behind it is the canvas of Baron Charles de Steuben, painted for Louis XVIII of France and presented by him to the Cathedral. It depicts Louis XI, Saint and King of France, burying one of his soldiers outside the African city of Tunis in 1270.

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THE SECOND shrine, a statue of Christ the Man, stands before the painting of Baron Pierre Narcisus Guerin, given to the Cathedral by Charles X of France.

It depicts the Blessed Mother, holding the broken body of Christ, which Joseph of Arimaeth, Nicodemus and their helpers have just taken from the cross.

Within the marble praying rails surrounding both shrines are stands holding red-glassed votive lights.

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THE BAPTISMAL font and large holy water fonts stand beside the main door. They are made of marble similar to that used for the altar.

Nine beautiful stained glass windows adorn the interior of the Cathedral. Three are in the sanctuary and six are in the nave.

Each window carries its chapters of the three themes depicted by the series: The Life of Christ, the Old Testament figures, and prototypes, and the history of American Catholicism. The windows are as follows:

Immaculate Conception, Nativity, Cana, Gospel, Church, Last Supper, Resurrection, Pentecost and Assumption windows.

In strategic locations in the church are poor boxes for donations from the communicants. One is located at the head of each of the two long aisles.

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TWO CONFESSIONALS stand near the rear of the Cathedral on both sides, three bearing names of resident priests and one used by visiting priests.

There are two high domes above the Cathedral, both reminiscent of the world-renowned dome in St. Peters Basilica in the Vatican City in Rome.

One is above the sanctuary and the other rises high above the center of the church.

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FIVE PRIESTS are stationed at the Cathedral to serve at Mass for the thousands of worshippers who come to the Mother Church each year. Seven Masses are held on Sundays and three on weekdays.

The Cathedral can seat over 1,000 and will accommodate close to 2,500 people on special occasions.

On Sept. 1, 1937, Pope Pius XI raised the Cathedral to the rank of a minor basilica with all the rights and privileges of the basilicas in Rome itself.

The venerable church, built on Roman architectural design, has played a major part in the progress of Catholicism in the United States.

Between 1849 and 1869, the Cathedral was the scene of 10 Provincial Councils of Baltimore and three Plenary Councils of the United States.

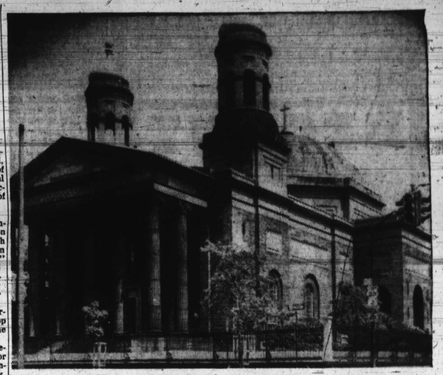
Six archbishops and 24 bishops attended the first Full Council in 1884, attended by 12 archbishops and 59 bishops, was the largest council assembly held outside Rome since the Council of Trent in the 16th Century.

THE CENTENNIAL of the establishment of the American hierarchy on Nov. 10, 1889, was attended by two cardinals, an apostolic delegate, 18 arch bishops and 75 bishops.

Eight archbishops of Baltimore, including the present occupant of the See, Francis Patrick Keough, received the pallium of metropolitan jurisdiction in the Cathedral.

More than 30 bishops of dioceses from Boston to St. Augustine, Fla., and as far west as Los Angeles, were consecrated here; three cardinals received their red birettes, and more than 2,000 priests have been ordained in the sanctuary of the Cathedral.

The Baltimre Cathedral, Minor Basilica of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, stands in majestic splendor as the Mother of American Churches."



CATHEDRAL OF BALTIMORE
"Mother of American Churches"

History of miracle drugs shows success against TB

Patsy was in bed in the hospital. She had been there a long time, more than a year. Far advanced pulmonary tuberculosis, the doctors said. She was a very sick girl, and she wasn't getting better.

But one day the doctors said they had something new, a drug they called streptomycin. Careful experimental work had been done on guinea pigs. Now they were ready to try it on human beings. Patsy was to be the first.

That was a little over ten years ago. Now Patsy is married, the busy mother of three active children. When she goes out fishing or to a dance with her husband, she remembers that first shot of streptomycin.

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TODAY, the drug, much improved, is still being given with success to TB patients.

But it has been joined by other drugs such as PAS (para-aminosalicylic acid) and isonicazid which improve even more the TB patient's chances of getting well.

Even though the treatment used on Patsy was inadequate by today's standards, the first of the antituberculosis drugs saved her life and went on to save many others.

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IN A SCIENTIFIC paper reporting on Patsy's story, the doctors who pioneered in streptomycin recalled that experiments to determine the effect of the drug on TB were still in progress when Patsy got her first shot.

"However, the suppressive effect had appeared so striking among guinea pigs that everyone concerned, including the patient herself, was eager to try the drug when her condition indicated the need for just such a suppressive effect."

Because of lack of knowledge about the drug and the extremely limited amount available, very small amounts were given at first. Later, dosage was increased.

Two and a half years after her first dose of streptomycin Patsy left the hospital, her disease arrested. Regular checkups have showed that she is keeping well in spite of a very active life.

The happy ending of Patsy's story has been duplicated tens of thousands of times in the short history of antituberculosis drugs.

NOW SEVEN—Little Eve Murdock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eze Murdock, 1835 W. North Ave., celebrated her seventh birthday recently. She is now spending the final weeks of the summer at the Little Falls Camp at Elkridge, Md.

Here are the 3 songs to win Clean Block prizes

A $5 prize went to Miss Grace E. Robinson of 453 Cummings Court, McCulloh Homes Friday as first prize winner in the AFRO Clean Block Song Contest.

Miss Robinson paraphrased Clean Block lyrics to the popular song, "Davy Crockett."

The second prize went to Miss Mary Horshaw of 1149 N. Mount St., who composed her lyrics to fit the music of "Roll Out the Barrel."

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"DAVY CROCKETT" was used by the third prize winner, Miss Brenda Green of 2018 Division St. Miss Horshaw was awarded $3 while Miss Green won $2.

HERE ARE the songs:

The Clean Block Campaign
Tune of "Davy Crockett"
Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign,
Serving Our City Well.
Started by Miss Murphy in '34,
A big success it's going be, is what she swore
And now years later, it's still going strong,
And that goes to show that Miss Murphy wasn't wrong
Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign
Serving Our city well,
A captain we get to head each block,
And all who want to be are in his block
The captain is here to lead us all
To help us with the work and keep us on the ball
Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign
Serving our City well.
Well, we roll up the sleeves to our working shirts
And pick up and sweep up the trash and dirt,
We wash the doors and wash the steps,
And we do all of this with vim and pep.
Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign
Serving our city well.
There are many other jobs that have to be done,
But striving to keep a clean block is the biggest one
It takes lots of work but it's fun galore
To keep up a tradition started in '34.
Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign
Serving Our city well.
Now painting is another big job, and so is shining the many door knobs
Striving and trying to keep our block clean
Is one job in many of our daily routine.

Clean Block, Clean Block Campaign
Serving our city well.

Submitted by,
Grace E. Robinson
453 Cummings Court
Baltimore 1, Maryland

CLEAN YOUR BLOCK
Tune: Roll out the Barrel
Bring out your brooms, Bring out your buckets too.
We'll have a Clean Block, it is the last thing we do.
We love a clean block, so we'll all do our part
Everybody loves a Clean Block so we'll all just start.
We'll paint our flower pots, so they'll look good as new.
We'll scrub our steps, so they'll be sparkling too.
We'll come to the meetings, so we'll know just what to do
We will try to win the contest, and I hope we do.

Submitted by,
Marie Horshaw
1149 N. Mount Street
Baltimore 17, Maryland

CLEANING UP
Tune of "Davy Crockett"
Cleaning, cleaning up, cleaning our block today.
Let's start to clean our block today.
Clean it up without delay.
Putting out flower pots and chairs too.
Painting them up to look like new.
Cleaning, cleaning up cleaning our block today
Up each morning in our neighborhood.
Cleaning steps like everyone should
Using our brooms and buckets too
Trying to keep it clean for me and you.
Cleaning, cleaning up cleaning our block today.

Submitted by,
Brenda Green
2018 Division Street
Baltimore 17, Maryland

LAY CORNERSTONE FOR $2,000,000 ACCRA HOTEL

ACCRA, Gold Coast (ANP)—Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah recently officiated at the cornerstone - laying of the new Accra Hotel, which will cost in excess of $2,000,000.