AFRICAN VISITORS were guests of honor when Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert Banfield entertained at their Springdale Rd. home on Sunday evening. The young visitors are on a 45-day tour of the U.S. Left panel, Phillipe Djengoue of Ivory Coast chats with Mrs. Josephine Murray and Miss Carol Dunston. Second panel, Mrs. Banfield and James Buffman of N.Y., attached to Operations Crossroads Africa which arranged the visit to the city in conjunction with Baltimore Council, International Visitors. Third panel, Ryachuthe Yameogo of Upper Volta and Miss Emilie Sukho of Mali chat with Edward Murray and W. Kendrick. Right, Arderahman Mahamat of Chad talks with Mrs. Alimay Kendricks. Most of the visitors are graduate students or teachers in their native homes.

Zambian Dance Troupe Delightful

By LILLIAN WIGGINS

Wednesday evening, following the huge reception in honor of President Joseph Mobutu at the Mayflower, many of the guests hurried over to the Smithsonian auditorium where they were delighted by the National Dance Troupe of Zambia.

LILLIAN WIGGINS

Zambo Malimba, the National Dance Company of Zambia, evolved out of the first National Art Festival held in 1967, three years after the attainment of Independence.

Since that time the group has grown in number and scope of entertainment enveloping artists from all regions of Zambia performing traditional dances, playing traditional folklore of Western instruments and dramatization of puberty, succession, funeral and circumcision rituals.

Although this group has existed only a few years, it has participated in many international cultural festivals, namely the Negro Arts Festival held in Kakar, Senegal in 1967, the first Pan-African Cultural Festival held in Algiers in 1969, and of course the very successful performances at Expo '70 in Osaka. In late August the dancers will leave the United States for performances in the USSR before returning to Zambia.

Among the dances performed were Nsombo Malimba — story about Marriage of the unsmiling, but beautiful daughter of King Katyetye; Zambo Dance Band — Mwanenu . . . a song which advises parents to teach their daughters to dress properly and Mwanspweo — a dance which tells of a daring young waman. It is one of the dances done during initiation ceremonies in Northwestern Zambia.

The invitational affair was attended by several hundred people who enthusiastically gave large rounds of applauses throughout the performance. The rhythm and timing was fantastic. They filled their perpetual motion with good humor and their costumes were a mixture. The girls, some very young, wore their hair in artful braids as in the style among African girls and the drummers whacked away on drums which were between their their legs, singing, chanting, and whistling.

Before the night was over, the man who made possible the trip of the dancers, the Ambassador of Zambia, was introduced along with several prominent Zambian officials.

It was a real experience in African cultuure . . . one which I am particularly sorry that many American youngsters missed. African dances and the general run of African culture is the quest of many youngsters and teenagers today.

Zambia, a beautiful place . . . from little I saw during my short stay two years ago, is 290,586 square miles. It enjoys a three-season modified Sudan-type climate and a Savannah-type vegetation. It has a population of 4.1 million and Lusaka is the capital city.

On my trip to Zambia with the former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey we briefly toured the capital city. However prior to our departure, along with Mrs. Humphrey, we had tea with the wife of the Zambian President, Kenneth Kaunda. Mrs. Kaunda, along with the wife of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, guided the party through her garden which was lovely.

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The engagement of Miss Luella Wilburn to Pernell Liggins, fon of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Liggins, has been announced by her parents, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Theato Wilburn of Severna Park, Md. A September wedding is planned.

Court Urged To Drop Vacation

CUMMINS PRISON FARM, Ark. — Inmate James E. Jackson, the convict who became famous for being forced to live in the baseball diamond of the Cummins Prison Farm, is making it difficult for prison officials.

Jackson, who according to court orders, must be moved from the diamond at the end of 12 hours in summer months, refused to walk to and from the cell. Jackson, in the 72-day of his protest, says he will have to be bodily carried whereever officals want him to be.

Mule deer can travel as fast as 35 miles per hour and cover 25 feet in one leap.

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President Calvin Coolidge was sworn in by his father.

Fred Terrys are divorced

Mrs. Carrie L. Terry, 3800 block Loch Raven Blvd., a Fort Meade Post Exchange cashier, was granted a divorce this week from her husband, Frederick Terry, 2502 Queen Anne Rd., a butcher.

Judge James K. Cullen signed the decree on Aug. 10.

The Terrys were married Aug. 13, 1963 by a priest in a Catholic ceremony and separated July 15, 1968, when the husband left their 3900 block Wabash Ave. home.

Mrs. Terry told the court, "We had marital problems. We reached an amicable agreement for permanent separation. He took his belongings and left."

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Also testifying was Rufus H. Watson, unit block Solar Circle, a Department of Housing accountant, the wife's brother.

Mr. Watson told the court he spoke to both Mr. and Mrs. Terry after they parted and testified to his knowledge they had never again lived under the same roof.

On June 11 this year Mr. Terry told the court, through his attorney Calvin Douglass, that he agreed to abide by the decree which would possibly be passed by the court. Mrs. Terry waived alimony.

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fet supper for Mr. and Mrs. Byrd. She was guest at luncheon of the Women's Bible Study Group of Epworth Methodis Chapel (with Mrs. Anne Vonlossberg as personal hostess) on the fourth.

For their patio party on Saturday, the Byrds had as guests:

Messrs. and Mesdames Lewis T. Gwynn, Elbert Strothers, Sr., John Edwards; James Erwin, Lee Lassister, Frank Walker, Charles Jackson, Cliff Mackay;

Mesdames Mae Lee, Lavonia Mootoo, Genieve Patterson, Helene Smith, Blanch McDonald, Mildred Thomas, Alice Hazzard, Ann Holt;

Misses LeVerne Wallace (daughter of the hostess who prepared that elaborately laden board) Janie Froe, William Patterson, John Hines, Everett Strothers, and Elbert Strothers, Jr.

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Another gala party of the weekend was that given by Bill and Amber Taylor of Morgan State College, for some relatives and friends here for the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association convention.

Out-of-towners at this affair included John Quigless of Port Gibson, Miss., Mr. and Mrs. Lacey Kennedy of Marianna, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Blackburn of St. Louis, Mo., and Mesdames Margie Purnell, Connie Mitchell and Lillian Jones of Houston, Texas.

And it was a party all the way for those members of the Baltimore Teachers Union who vacationed in Miami, Fla. . . . and tucked a two-week cruise in between.

The group flew to Miami, where they spent three days, then cruised off to Freeport Island, Grand Bahamas and Nassau for two weeks; returned to Miami for another three days ere flying into Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. John (Julia) Stovel and their pretty 18-year-old daughter, Cheryl, were guests of Frank Sinatra at his private club in Freeport, which they say is fabulous . . . and equally fabulous, say the Stovels, is the home Sammy Davis is building there.

Actually, the Stovels were guests of Ronald Kerr of Freeport, a friend of Mr. Sinatra's Mr. Kerr, a graduate of Florida A and M University in the States is a native of the Island, is in real estate, and is a member of one of the prominent and wealthy families, there. He was Miss Stovel's escort during her visit. She is a graduate of Baltimore City College and currently employed at the Federal Reserve Bank.

Mrs. Stovel is a reading specialist at Lombard Junior High School, and her husband, a supervisor of Juvenile Probation.

Others who were on the trip included Mrs. Estelle Brown, supervisor of elementary education; Mrs. Ernestine Rogers, Miss Mary Otho, both city teachers; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dutton and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mello. Mrs. Dutton and Mrs. Mello are also in the Department of Education, here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert (Azalee) Rhodes of Normount Avenue entertained members of their families and some long time friends at the Elegante Room, Saturday.

The occasion was the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary.

The entertainment for the evening was by the Landels Band and Singers, of which the Rhodes' son, Arnold, is a member. Clarence Bowman, Mrs. Rhodes' brother, dedicated a song to the couple.

A second son, Gary, came home for the affair. He is a member of the Naval Air Reserve stationed in Florida.

A buffet supper, dancing and renewing old acquaintances featured the evening. Miss Beverly Butler, niece of the honorees, was senior hostess.

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J. Carroll Diggs, Sr. of this town and Mrs Adele Lopez of Pittsburgh, Pa. have set September 10th as the date for their marriage. The bride-to-be is the widow of Dr. Jesus Lopez.

CONTESTANT IN "Miss Clam Festival Queen, 1970" Beverly Marshall was Jerina Wainwright who also gave good account with winner of herself in the Annapolis event.

TALENTED NETTIE MILLARD, 8, made her debut on television, Thursday morning at 9 a.m., when she modeled on the "Contact" show. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Millard of Chelsey Terrace, Nettie is a third grade pupil at Windsor Hills Elementary School No. 87, studies modeling at the Walters Academy, dancing at the YWCA, and participates in the Sunday School of Waynland Baptist Church.

MISS ELSIE WALKER and S/Sgt. Phillip Woodland were married in Saint James Methodist Church, Baltimore, recently.

Would Ban GI Executions

Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., has introduced a bill to abolish the death penalty for military personnel and make other changes in the Military Code of Justice.

In addition to ending the death penalty, Hatfield's proposals would create an independent military justict system responsible solely to the judge advocate general; open certain crimes to federal districts; abolish summary courts-martial, and limit punishment dealing with general disciplinary problems of servicemen to non-judicial punishment.

PMA Members Hit 'Scapegoating'

WASHINGTON — The nation's major drug manufacturers complained last week that the Food and Drug Administration has tried to make them a scapegoat for the illicit traffic in amphetamines.

C. Joseph Stetler, president of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, said an appeal by the FDA last Wednesday to reduce production and sale of the "pep pills" was "a blanket indictment of an entire industry . . ."

The PMA's 125 members produce 95 per cent of the nation's prescription drugs but less than half of the supply of amphetamines. Stetler said his firms take "extraordinary precautions" against theft and illicit sale of their products.

WASHINGTON — The Commission favors selling political fund-raising TV commercials, but is against forcing stations to sell time for controversial comment and granting congress prime time.

CATONSVILLE

Rev. Allen on visit to N.C.

By SAMUEL TORSELL

The Rev. Donald Allen, pastor of Grace Church is vacationing at Kitrill College, N.C.

Mrs. Nellie Flint, of Cranston Ave., is sick at the home of her daughter. Mrs. Nellie Brown.

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Mrs. Marjorie Parker has returned after spending several weeks in Scranton, Pa.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hall and her daughter, Mrs. Joan Hall, flew to Arizona to visit her daughter, Vivian, who is a WAC.

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Samuel Torsell, AFRO's county reporter, has begun his annual house-to-house visitations for yearly subscriptions to the AFRO.

The AFRO is on sale at 79 Winters Ave., every

Judge orders halt to Three Sisters

A U.S. Court of Appeals judge has stepped into the controversy over halting the construction of the Three Sisters Bridge.

Charging that the public was not given adequate time to voice their objections to the construction in public hearings the plaintiff's attorney battled the defense over the rhetoric of the original injunction banning further construction.

Putting an end to the attorneys' squabbling Judge John Sirica has stated that he himself will write an order banning further building of the bridge until adequate hearings have been held.

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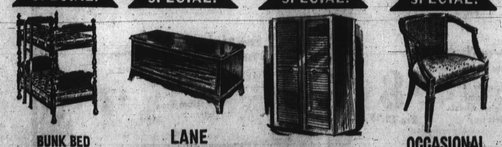

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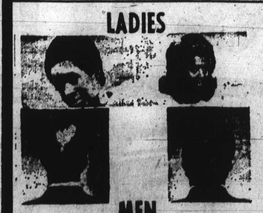

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