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City residents pay more tax, says report

Baltimore's inner-city areas (which are nearly all black) are over-assessed and some of the other wards are under-assessed, according to a study by the Governmental Efficiency and Economy Commission.

The unfair and unequal property tax assessments make inner city residents pay more than their fair share of property taxes.

"Inner city neighborhoods in Baltimore pay a tax rate 10 times higher than other parts of the city," says a recent study by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

City Councilman Robert Douglass (D-2) sees re-assessment of inner-city property as a "double-edge sword".

He said Thursday, "If property values are lowered people will pay less tax, but when black homeowners want to sell, they will be hurt by the low market value of their property."

At the present he finds the issue "economic, not racial," but thinks that Baltimore is "not out of line with the state assessment" as a report by the Governmental Efficiency and Economy Commission indicates.

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The same study shows that the differences based on unequal assessments contribute to urban blight by holding down the capital value of inner city housing and therefore depressing prices.

Studies by the State and City Departments of Assessment back up the findings of the federal study.

The commission feels that the existing problems are caused by the infrequency of the assessments.

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To prove the assertion, they point to the fact that almost half the properties within the city have not been physically re-assessed within the past three years.

This infrequent assessment violates the state law requiring all property in Maryland to be re-assessed at least once every three years. The Maryland Constitution also requires uniform taxation within all classes of property.

Judge Baylor states duty switch 'routine'

By MARY CURTIS

"A normal change is good for me and the court" is how Rent and Housing Courts Judge Solomon Baylor described his reassignment to the AFRO Wednesday.

His new assignment, effective July 2, is in the Northwestern District Court. The announcement came Monday from Chief Judge Robert Sweeney.

Judge Baylor said he is "infuriated by the half-false attacks of a daily newspaper."

He charged that the paper implied he ran "an inefficient court where tenants are often shortchanged and given a bad deal."

Judge Baylor said that his change was due to come since he had been in Rent and Housing Court for almost two years.

He stated, "I requested a reassignment as early as last September."

He generally likes to change because "it is bad when a judge is identified with one particular court."

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Judge John R. Hargrove, administrator of the City District Court, told the AFRO the reassignment was "routine, not at all unusual."

JUDGE SOLOMON BAYLOR

Legal Aid lawyer Randolph Bacote rates Judge Baylor as "the best rent court judge we've had."

He said that although the judge was hampered by the restrictions of the law, "he always ran a fair court."

Ministers' wives expect 600 at confab

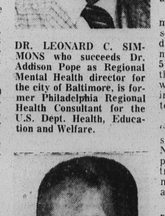
The 33rd annual conference of the National Association of the Interdenominational Ministers Wives will be held June 25-29, at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

Mrs. Alease Garrison, publicity chairman states that 600 women are expected to attend from all areas of the Eastern Seaboard.

Registration is June 25, 10 a.m. Morning sessions include business meetings. The afternoon schedule includes various programs.

A banquet is set for June 28, 7 p.m. at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Mrs. J. K. McCormick, national president of the group will be guest speaker on June 27. The conference theme is "Listen Attentively, Love Unselfishly and Live Expectantly."

DR. LEONARD C. SIMMONS who succeeds Dr. Addison Pope as Regional Mental Health director for the city of Baltimore, is former Philadelphia Regional Health Consultant for the U.S. Dept. Health, Education and Welfare.



DR. ADDISON POPE, former Regional Mental Health director for Baltimore is now fulltime director of the Health Department's Psychiatric Screening and Evaluation Center at City Hospitals.

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Koko Lane suspect nabbed in New York

Robert Lee Shipman, 23, wanted in the May 26, Koko Lane slaying of a Baltimore man was arrested in New York City June 3.

Homicide investigators told the AFRO Wednesday, Shipman who was being sought in the death of Tyrone Copeland, 26, 2300 block Koko Lane, is being detained by New York police pending his extradiction to Baltimore.

Police state Copeland was stabbed several times in the chest when he protested to "nasty" remarks a friend was making about the friend's own mother.

According to police records, the "friend" had been missing from home for a long time. When he was finally found and brought home with the help of Copeland, the friend entered into an argument with the mother. Copeland intervened and was stabbed in the chest.

Order of Tents 98th session here next week

The 98th Annual Convention of the Southern District of the J.R. and J.V. Jollifee United Order of Tents is set for June 25-June 28 at the Baltimore Hilton Hotel.

Sessions will include programs, highlighted by the appearance of Mayor Schaefer as *chief speaker at noon June 26.*

Morning and evening sessions will take place during the four day convention with registration on June 25 at 9 A.M.

The Tents is a national organization dedicated to the development of black women, founded in 1848 by two slaves, Miss Henrietta M. Lee of Norfolk, Va. and Miss Harriet R. Taylor, Hampton, Va.

Child, 3, is buried at Arlington

The 3-year-old daughter of a serviceman was buried Monday morning in the famed Arlington National Cemetery, Va. after services at the Phillips Funeral Home in Baltimore.

According to her grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Allison, the little tot, Candance Brown, was pronounced dead shortly after 5 p.m. May 30 in her father's Fort Meade home when she was found hanging by a plastic rope fastened to a door knob.

Candace, fondly called "Candy," her grandmother states, was rushed to the North Arundel General Hospital but the body was later transferred to the Baltimore city morgue for an autopsy.

Medical examiner's records show Candy's death was accidental.

Mrs. Allison told the AFRO Candy was found entangled in the plastic bag with blood from her mouth and nose. Relatives state she was apparently playing with the bag.

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Pretty little Candy was born in Okinawa, Japan, where her father, Jonathan Brown, was stationed. Servicemen Brown and Candy's mother Cynthia, were divorced after a little over four years' marriage.

In addition to her parents and grandmother, Candy is survived by her grandfather, Anderson B. Allison and another grandmother, Mrs. Lucrita Elridge.

IN THE SHADE of a colorful sunbrella at the open air cafe in front of City Hall, Miss Carolyn A. Taylor, a Post Office clerk, enjoys a moment and a cool coke at lunch hour. The beauty spot downtown has food and drink concessions, stage and bandstand for summer performances and unique tables and seats of wood.
(AFRO photos by I. Henry Phillips, Sr.)

Police stationed at parks on horses, scooters and foot

The deployment of Police Officers in Baltimore City Parks, on an overtime basis, began last Sunday as 11 of the City's Park areas received special attention in the initial phase of the Park Policing Program.

Baltimore's Mayor Schaefer in announcing the Plan several weeks ago, noted that while crime is not a serious problem in the parks, many residents of the community have been reluctant to utilize them because of the fear of crime.

This Park deployment is in answer to the mayor's statement that he wanted to establish "a more visible police presence in the parks," to encourage more people to use them.

The initial phase of the Program is being funded by a special $100,000 appropriation to be followed in the new fiscal year by an appropriation of $500,000.

The funds are in the Department of Recreation and Parks Budget. Director Douglas S. Tawney cooperated in the selection of areas to get this special Police protection.

Twenty-six Parks [illegible] will be manned in addition to the regular deployment in the parks until July 1, 1973.

With expected approval of the additional $500,000 allocation, the number of Park Posts will increase to 48.

Uniformed Officers will be equipped with communications equipment and will use motor scooters for transportation.

Police, including officers on horseback, are assigned to the Parks during entire summer season. These officers are in addition to those to be fielded as part of this special program.

LIST OF PARKS

Druid Hill, Baltimore Zoo, Clifton, Herring Run, Patterson, Bay Brook, Carroll, Gwynns Falls, Leakin, Hillsdale and Forest and Mount Pleasant Parks.

CANDACE (CANDY) BROWN, 3

Police seek Barclay St. slaying suspect

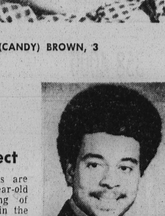
Homicide detectives are searching for a 20-year-old man in the slaying of Charles J. Hill, 30, in the 1700 block Barclay St. Tuesday afternoon.

Police records show Hill, 200 block E. Lanvale St., was pronounced dead while being operated upon at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Police said they are hunting for a suspect who was last seen wearing a white jacket and light blue jeans and weighing about 160 lbs.

No motives were offered for the killing but police state they found Hill lying in the street. Seven spent .25 caliber cartridge were found near him. He had been shot twice in the head and once in the groin, according to police.

Hill's body remain at the city morgue at AFRO press time Thursday.



HONORS — Douglas Boone Jr. was graduated with honors from Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va. The former Northwestern High School graduate received a bachelors of arts degree in mass media arts and will assume the position of Assistant Account Representative with the American Broadcasting Company in New York later this month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Boone Sr. of Howard Park Ave. in northwest Baltimore.

Rec center holds June 9 registration

The Banneker Recreation Committee will hold registration June 9, 1 until 4 p.m., at the center, Main and Wesley Aves., Catonsville.

Activities, offered to youths and teens, include slimnastics, drama, modern dance, karate, volleyball, basketball and softball.

Registration set 7 p.m. at 3 centers

Three evening centers will open Monday 7 p.m. for registration and classes. Some 2,300 adults and veterans are expected to enroll at Carver Adult Center, 2201 Presstman St.; Douglass Adult Center, 2301 Gwynns Falls Parkway and the Eastern Adult Center 1101 East 33rd. St.

A complete high school program for adults is available at the Eastern and Douglass Centers.

Business Education, bookkeeping, business arithmetic, business machines, office practice, shorthand and typing will be at Eastern and Douglass Centers.

Special business education classes will be at the Eastern Center from 4 to 6:40 p.m. for adults preferring late afternoon session.

Driver Education classes for adults and youth will meet at the Douglass and Eastern Centers.

The Veterans training program of high school and trade courses is available under the GI Bill. Arrangements can be made for veterans to enroll during the summer session. Telephone 467-4000, Extension 2116 for further information.

The vocational-trade program available at the Carver Center will include bricklaying, basic electricity, cosmetology, data processing, food preparation, radio and TV repair, tailoring, typing and welding.

For those interestd in preparing for the Maryland High School Equivalency examination, review classes in Science, Mathematics, English and Social Studies will be offered at the Douglass and Eastern Centers.

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Adult Evening Center classes meet two or four evenings per week Monday through Thursday, beginning June 11 and extending through Aug. 16 from 7:00 to 9:40 p.m.

A full time day center for adults will be conducted at the Calvert Adult Education Center, 200 East North Ave., Monday through Friday of each week beginning at 8:15 a.m., June 25. A complete schedule of high school academic and business education subjects will be available for eight weeks extending through Aug. 17.

For further information about evening center programs call 467-4000 Extension 735, 737, or 739. For information about the Calvert Center during the day, call 837-5068.

City Hospitals educator saluted by his students

Earl C. Watson Sr., a youthful assistant director of education at the Baltimore City Hospitals, is being saluted by his General Education Development (GED) students for his talents as an educator and contributions to the city.

The students, saying the public should know about people like Watson, brought the facts for this story to the AFRO.

They claimed Watson was the only black holding a high administrative post with City Hospitals and is not receiving the recognition he deserved.

Watson joined City Hospitals four years ago after teaching for five years in the Baltimore City Public School system.

Married to childhood sweetheart, the former Inez Augins, Watson is the father of four children, Earl Jr., 19, David 9, Antonio 7 and Adrienne 3. He is a graduate of Douglass High School and Coppin State College.

Here is how his GED students describe him.

"At City Hospitals Watson is involved in tutoring city employees and teaching courses in GED to prepare students for high school equivalence. He also teaches math to the nursing students.

He is involved in management and training programs for all new employees and is laision person for the black community and City Hospitals with groups such as Project-Go of the Baltimore Public School System getting high school students interested in Medical and Para Medical careers.

He teaches drug addicts during detoxification periods so that they may rehabilitate and obtain high school equivalence and college entrance levels.

He gives his free time (lunch time, before and after work) doing volunteer tutoring to foreigners employed at the hospital with language barriers and his evenings are spent as Part Time instructor at the Community College of Baltimore in Community Services and the G.I. Program. He is a member of the Md. Hospital Council on Education.

Watson also gives his time to his Ghetto community where he has lived most of his life. He does volunteer work, has rap sessions with the teenaged boys, and is an avid sports enthusiast which he participates in with his community basketball, football, golfing and bowling. He has assisted many projects in the Harlem Park Lafayette Square Community.

Young woman wins $1,000 in housing suit

Acting Executive Director, Vernon C. Wingenroth, has announced that the State of Maryland Commission on Human Relations has issued its fifth decision this year finding racial discrimination in housing. Complainant, Mrs. Edith Christian, filed a charge of racial discrimination in housing against Isaac Merowitz and Sons.

The Commission's hearing panel composed of Alvin Blank, Sampson Green and William Rose found in favor of Mrs. Christian, a young black woman with two children, and awarded her $1,000 damages for humiliation and emotional harm.

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Parents of the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Norton, are from left: Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nunnally and the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Norton. (AFRO photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

Norton-Nunnally Vows Said At Trinity Baptist Church

In a beautiful floral setting at New Trinity National Congregational Church of America, 2100 Edmondson Ave., in Baltimore, Miss Denise Nunnally spoke her wedding vows to Michael Renay Norton last Saturday.

The Bishop M.D. Norton, father of the bridegroom and minister of New Trinity, along with the Rev. C. Tilman officiated at the impressive rites which was followed by a reception in the church auditorium where over 800 guests greeted the bride and groom.

ABOUT THE BRIDE

The bride, a former student of Carver Vocational-Technical School, was lovely in a traditional white-wedding gown which featured an original design. She was escorted down the aisle by her father, who gave her away in marriage. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nunnally of Liberty Heights Ave.

Miss Linda Nunnally the bride's sister, was maid of honor. Mrs. Jackie Fussell, sister of the bride along with the Misses Linda Morton and Catherine Norton were bridesmaids.

The were dressed in plum-colored gowns trimmed in white with white hats and accessories.

THE BRIDEGROOM

The bridegroom was dressed in the traditional white tuxedo as was his best man, Matthew Norton Jr., his brother. Ushers for the ceremony were Wilbert Norton, Jefrrey and Earl Potts.

A 1972 graduate of Northwestern Senior High School, the bridegroom is presently a full-time student at Cop-

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MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL NORTON
former Miss Denise Nunnally
(AFRO staff photo by R. Courtney Anderson)

Arena Players 1973 awardees from left: Richard Ward, Mrs. Verna Day and Damon Evans. Read about the Eighth Annual Awards Presentation in R.S.V.P.
(AFRO Photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

R.S.V.P. with Marie

Arena Players Present Awards To A Lady And Two Gentlemen

Friday was a big night in the lives of two former Baltimore actors and a local actress who were presented engraved plaques at the Eighth Annual Awards Presentation, sponsored by the Arena Players, Inc. The honorees were none other than Mrs. Verna Day, Richard Ward and Damon Evans. There were over 400 guests at the Blue Crest North that evening extending their hearty congratulations to the awardees.

The Arena Players have existed in this city for the past 20 years. Many frequent the Orchard Street playhouse during the season to watch the Players in action. Baltimore townfolk, partial to their own, admit they're the best in the country. Out-of-towners have often uttered the same words, therefore making the Arena Players one of the most popular groups in this country.

In prior years, such personalities as Dr. Richard Long, Langston Hughes, Ellen Stewart, Ms. Lola Amis, Harmon S. Watson, Mrs. Morris Mechanic, Whitney LeBlanc, Ms. Mary Carter Smith, Edward J. Golden and Samuel H. Wilson Jr., have been presented awards.

In addition, Cab Calloway, Irvin Turner, Ed Bullins, Brock Peters, Mrs. Mary West Miller, Mrs. June Thorne Garrett, Harvey Denmark, Julius Wilson, Joseph Wilson, Ms. Camilla Sherrard and Elton Fox, have also been honored by the Arena Players.

The awards banquet was a fund raiser to help gain funds for the new Playhouse. Guests had a chance to see a model designed by black architect Leon Bridges in the lobby on Friday.

Presiding at the evening affair was Samuel H. Wilson Jr., president of the group. Following the invocation by the Rev. John M. Day, pastor of Christ Edmondson Methodist Church and husband of Mrs. Day, an honoree, guests dined on a roast chicken breast dinner.

Greetings were extended by Mrs. Mary Marrow, president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Arena Players.

NOTE: The Ladies Auxiliary stand behind the Players at all times. They do the mailing, make the arrangements for the annual banquets, and often read plays and make noteworthy suggestions to the director, Mrs. Catherine B. Adams was chairman of the affair.

Quinton Lawson, representing the Mayor, read a proclamation desginating "Arena Players Week in Baltimore."

DAMON EVANS

Damon Evans appeared on Broadway in "The Me Nobody Knows," and recently appeared as Matthew in the revival of "Lost in the Stars."

He starred in the authorized concert touring version of "Jesus Christ Superstar" and toured as Barnaby in "Hello Dolly!" with Pearl Bailey. In addition, he has appeared off-Broadway in "A Day in the Life of Just About Everybody," in "Bury the Dead" with the Urban Arts Corps and in "Love Me, Love My Children." Other credits include "Hair," "Two If By Sea," "The Corner," "Pinkville," and appearances with the New York City Opera.

Earlier this season he was featured on Broadway in "Via Galactica." He is now playing in Don't Bother Me, I can't Cope" in New York.

(CUFF NOTE: Baltimoreans know Damon as Richard or Dickie Evans. This writer remembers the days at Lemmel Junior High and Douglass High when we'd sit the cafeteria and "rap" about all the things we wanted to do in life. Richard always wanted to be an actor-singer and go on to star on Broadway, but never did we know he actually would in less than 10 years.

VERNA LEE DAY

Mrs. Day came to Baltimore as a war citizen employee of the Social Security Administration, during World War II. During that time she worked the USO shows as a dancer. It was here in Baltimore, that she met her husband, the Rev. John Day. They have four children, Stephanie, Myra, John and Dennis Day.

Mrs. day is founder and director of the Social Security Drama Guild and a member of the Ministers Wives Alliance of Methodist Women and the Federal employees Women's Organization.

She has appeared in numerous productions with the Arena Players and other groups. A few are: "Come Back Little Sheba," "Death of a Salesman," "All My Sons," "Picnic," "The Rainmaker," "Waltz of the Toreadors," "Mad Woman of Chailot," "The Children's Hour," "The Glass Menagerie," "Tambourines To Glory"

Most recent appearances include "Save the Children" at the Lyric Theatre and "Sty of the Blind Pig" at the Arena Playhouse.

RICHARD WARD

Director, actor, playwriter and teacher, Richard Ward began his theatrical career as a young teenager, touring the Vaudeville circuit with a brother and sister act, "Dot, Flo and Dick."

At the age of 18 he went to Europe as the juvenile lead in "South Sea Island Holiday" and since then his career has spanned two continents, several decades, and many crafts.

As a director, Mr. Ward has mounted New York productions of "Ballad of Jazz Street," "A Land Beyond the River," "Black Roses" and James Baldwin's "Giovanni's Room" as well as touring productions of "The Tell Tale Heart" and "Portrait of a Madonna."

As an actor, he has also appeared in New York productions "The Member of the Wedding," "Land Beyond the River," "Nat Turner," "Ballad of Jazz Street," "Blues for Mr. Charlie," "My Heart is in the Highlands," and "The Firebugs."

Most recent film appearances include "Black Like Me," "Nothing But a Man," "The Cool World," and Gordon Parks' "The Learning Tree."

Following the presentations, guests frollicked with Bobby Felder and his Band. Musical selections, in acapella, came from To Be Continued, a group of high school youngsters who sang popular recordings. (More about the group in an upcoming edition).

AT THE AFFAIR

Among the guests at Awards Banquet were:

Messrs and Mesdames Watson Hammond, Juanzo Sherrard, Albert W. Sherrard, Lawrence Mello, Charles H. Griffin, Oliver Christmas, Laurence H. Johnson, James D. Alsop Sr., George A. White, Raymond Alsop, Robert A. Alsop, William Hayshert, E. Bridges, D. Archer, Anthony D. Watson Jr.

Messrs and Mesdames Mearland R. Brown, Mason Matthews, Melvin E. Smith, Milton W. White, Samuel Scott, William B. Kearney, Joseph L. Russ, Earl Koger Sr., William P. Henderson, Samuel May, Archie Williams, John C. Cannon, John Hargrove, Quentin Lawson, Graham F. Scott, William Brown, Calvin Parker.

Messrs and Mesdames Joseph Coursey, Durant Harvin, John McQuire, Paul R. Reese, F. Mae Fadden, Arpar Copehart, Albert Jackson, Earl Burton, George Burrick, Leonard Cox, Harrison A. Fuller, Lonnie Harris, Andrew Ennis, Lewis Richardson, Alexander Gates, Leonard Woods, R. Miller, Dennis Gaither.

THERE, TOO

Messrs and Mesdames Dana Bedford, Charles Mason, Orville A. Swafford, Marcellus Moore, Roland B. Williams, J. Hicks, William H. Ross III, Eghart Lawrence, Herbert V. Simmons.

Drs. and Mesdames Ernest O. Brown, Edward O. Hurt Jr., Donald Stewart, G. James Flemings, Edward M. Daniels, Otis Froe.

Mesdames, Pauline R. Davis, Othella Dixon, Clarence D. Danning, Alonzo T. Kelly, Julia Edmonds, Candy Lyons Ruth Lilly, Ruth M. Johnson, Mary J. Luck, Helen D. Talley, Dorothe B. Johnson, Omema

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Howard County Miss Crowned At Sunday Pageant In Columbia

A young, gifted and black Howard County High School student was crowned Miss Black Teenage Md., Howard County at the annual pageant held Sunday in the spacious auditorium of the Wilde Lake High School.

Winner of the contest was Miss Edna Hill, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Hill Jr. of Columbia. Miss Hill, a shapely young lady who stands about 5.5", ranked highest of the other 16 contestants.

She will compete for the title of Miss Black Teenage Maryland in the Statewide pageant to be held in Baltimore on June 17. Should she win the Maryland contest she will then represent this state in the national contest in New York.

OTHER CONTESTANTS

Other contestants in last Sunday's contest were: Misses Karen Y. Tewson, 15, of Columbia; Roberta I. Kelly, 16, Clarksville; Kimberly [illegible] Stoneham, 16, Columbia; Barbara A. Broody, Columbia; Darlene F. Lomax, 16, Laurel; Sheila M. Blockston, 15, Clarksville, and Donna B. Hill, 15, Columbia.

Others were: Misses Kule S. Riley, 13, Columbia; Jannie S. Augustus, 15, Columbia; Janice Thorne, 14, Jessup; Nataska Harris, 13, Columbia; Kaari Hughes, 14, Jessup; Denise Lawrence, 14, Columbia; Cathy E. Harris, 15, Columbia, and Karen Cornick, 15, Columbia.

ABOUT THE JUDGING

Contestants were judged in three categories: appearance, personality achievements and performing talent. They were scored individually by the judges who marked them on closed ballots.

Judges were: Miss Carlotta Moore, professional model from Baltimore; Ms. Diane Gayle, owner of the Diane Gayle Dress Shop, located in the Columbia Mall; Richard Mapp, associate director of legislative matters of government affairs, Washington Bureau of the National Urban League; Ms. Vivian A. Madison, professional model and public relations director, WOLB Radio, and Ms. Marie P. Cooke, AFRO-AMERICAN.

MORE ABOUT CONTEST

The Howard County pageant was sponsored by Mrs. Pinnie L. Ross, AFRO-AMERICAN columnist (Columbia Capers) and director of Pinnie's Charm Studio. Among her assistants were Mrs. Rosa B. Johnson who served as the commentator and assistant to the director.

Following the introduction of the contestants, Omar Jones, county executive, proclaimed June 3 as "Miss Black Maryland, Howard County Day."

Following each judging segment, the audience was entertained by the Mood Experience, Inc. In addition, Miss Marti Frank, a Pinnie Ross model, was featured in an original long skirt outfit designed and made by her. After the second segment, personality, Miss Karen Gaines, first Runner up in the Miss Black Baltimore contest sang "God Bless The Child Who's Got His Own." Miss Wanda Wiggins, third runnerup in the same contest gave an impressive rendition in acapella.

RUNNERS-UP

The five highest ranking contestants, four of which were runners-up were Janine Augustus, fourth; Cathy E. Harris, third; Carla Brooks, second, and Karen Cornick, first. All of the ladies, including those who were not among the top five, received a longstem yellow rose and a gift from a local merchant. The winner and runners-up were awarded engraved trophies, which were presented by Mrs. Ross.

Assisting with the production of the contest were Travis Winkey, and Miss Rae C. Ross, choreographers; Dr. Leroy Giles, Howard County Community College, drama specialist; Mrs. Joan Ridgely, backstage coordinator Mrs. Barbara Davis, Miss Marti Frank and Miss Fran Johnson, assistant coordinators.

Committee members were Mesdames Jean Toomer, Dottie Moore, Ethel Hill, Barbara Bray, Barbara Sands and Nathaniel Hoff.

(More about the pageant in next week's Columbia Chapters by Pinnie L. Ross)—M. P. COOKE

Winner of the Miss Black Maryland Howard County pageant is pretty Miss Edna Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Hill, Jr. (shown) of Columbia.
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