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NAACP CHARLES COUNTY pickets at the Hilton Tuesday included from left, Mrs. Salome Howard, an observant; AFRO reporter, Bill Rhoden, Dupree A. Monk, Luther H. Stuckey, and state Senator Clarence M. Mitchell.
(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz)

NAACP pickets hit Burch

By Bill Rhoden

Representatives from the Charles County (Md.) National Association for the Advancement of Colored People picketed Tuesday in front of the Baltimore Hilton Hotel to protest wide scale discrimination in Waldorf, Maryland's St. Charles City.

Inside the hotel, Maryland Attorney General Francis B. Burch, under fire since 1969 from the Charles County branch of the NAACP, was hosting the Attorney General's Conference on Civil Rights Litigation.

Mrs. Salome Howard, president of the Charles county NAACP said the demonstration was designed to "dramatize our plight in Charles County."

According to Mrs. Howard authorities within the Charles County School System are not implementing school desegregation (as mandated by the Supreme Court ruling in 1969) to achieve racial balance.

"There are three schools in operation (in the county) one school has two black students out of approximately 900, the other has one black student out of approximately 600," she stated, adding that none of the schools, including six proposed buildings, are located in black neighborhoods.

In addition to lack of student-body desegregation, Mrs. Howard noted that black teachers are being phased out of the school system as white teachers are being brought in from other cities and states to fill teaching positions.

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A suit against the system has been pending in Federal court since 1969 and the NAACP maintains that the case could have been settled years ago had Francis Burch, the attorney general, intervened in the matter and ordered the Charles County school system to comply with federal desegregation guidelines.

The group also contends that discrimination exists in hiring practices for state jobs.

According to Mr. Dupree Monk, former president of the Charles County NAACP, there are no blacks working in the court house in Charles County and only four of 50 sheriffs are black.

"All of the new county commissioners are white," he said. "Even the new dog catcher is white!"

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State Senator Clarence Mitchell III (D-4th) was also among those picketing and criticized Burch for failing to act or communicate with black citizens of Charles County.

Mr. Mitchell said that the attorney general, by entering into a consent order with the Charles County NAACP, could have had desegregation action implemented three years ago thereby saving black citizens time and money.

Official federal court procedures against Charles County will commence (in Baltimore) on Dec. 6 of this year.

City officials from 40 cities here

Baltimore will host a meeting of mayors and city councilmen from 40 cities today Friday and Saturday to discuss impact of recent and anticipated changes in federal spending programs, and their impact on American cities.

The conference includes councilmen and other elected officials from Philadelphia, Detroit, New Orleans, New York, Washington, D.C., Winston-Salem, N.C.

City Council President Walter S. Orlinsky said no black mayors are expected as far as he knows but other black elected officials will be present at the 2-day meet at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

Suspect in Vietnam vet's death wanted

Homicide police are looking for a man in the shooting [illegible] of Joseph McGee, [illegible] in the 1600 block Broening Highway Saturday morning.

[illegible] the suspect [illegible] medium built, in his 20's and was last seen wearing dark pants and a leather jacket.

McGee, 3700 block Edmondson Ave., was shot at a crap game when, according to relatives, he went to the Marcontini and Sons, to pick up a brother.

A witness told police he observed the suspect with a gun in hand chasing the victim shortly before the shooting.

NOEVMBER 19

Dr. William Schutz, of Esalen Institute in Big Sur, California, will speak at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) at 1 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 19. Dr. Schutz, a prominent figure in the group encounter movement, will discuss "Bodymind Encounter."

Omega awards banquet

Dr. John L. Cashin, founder and chairman of the Democratic Party of Alabama, will be main speaker 4 p.m. Sunday at Coppin State College Center where the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity marks the end of achievement week with an awards banquet.

Citizens to receive awards are Dr. Benjamin A. Quarles, professor, Morgan State College, for work in black history; Samuel Wilson, president, Arena Players, for efforts in drama; Congressman Parren J. Mitchell for political leadership; Mrs. Clifton, Coppin professor, for work in poetry about blacks; Mrs. Georgianna Chester, former city music teacher and Dr. Joseph Jones, Coppin instructor. Omega "Citizen of the Year."

Other honorees are, Larry Briscoe, Coppin senior, Omega "Man of the Year"; Travis Winkey, fashion designer, businessman for encouragement of fine arts among black and Lester Buster for community service.

The AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers will be cited as example of leadership in business. Accepting the award will be William Waller, Baltimore AFRO advertising manager.

United Fund over the top

At the United Fund of Central Maryland's final report diner Thursday at the Baltimore Hilton, the agency surpassed its $1 million mark of last year with pledged contributions of over $11.5 million for the current campaign.

2,000 educators here Nov. 26

Some 2,000 educators from across the nation are due here at the Hilton Hotel for the Nov. 26-30 convention of the National Community School Education Association.

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Mayor Schaefer has proclaimed the event "Community Education Week" to mark the first time the NCSEA has ever met in an East Coast city. The group includes community school directors from over 20 university centers and community and professional persons in public and private school systems.

Rites for Mrs. Atkins Saturday

Funeral services are set Saturday, 1 p.m. at Psalmist Baptist Church, North and Druid Hill, for Mrs. Delseth Atkins, wife of the Rev. Frederick C. Atkins, pastor.

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Mrs. Atkins, 4100 block Chatham Rd., died Wednesday. The family receives friends tonight (Friday), 7 to 8 p.m. at the Nutter Funeral Home.

Serving are her husband, a son, Thomas A. Baker; five daughters, Mesdames Aleila Lake, Francis Baker, Doris Smith, Betty Walker and Edna Harris; a brother, Morrell Washington; four stepchildren and 22 grandchildren.

One dead in Cliftview store holdup

A holdup outside the Cliftview Market, 1700 block Cliftview, Thursday 6 p.m. resulted in the shooting death of Daniel Leikach, 19, Sugar Cone Rd. who in company with his father, Max, was closing the store.

Police report the father pulled a revolver when an assailant drew his gun and said "this is a stickup." Daniel died of a bullet of the left chest at Hopkins Hospital. Police have a suspect.

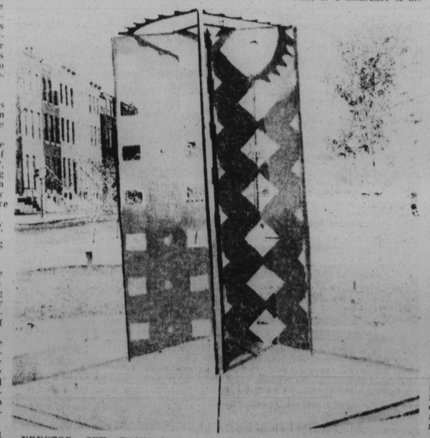
When a LOVED ONE dies, let AFRO Classified help you notify relatives and friends. Sympathetic clerks will answer your call at

728-2400

or

728-8200

and accept your death notice up until 10 a.m. Tuesday and Friday. Ask your funeral director to call your community newspaper or call yourself. Death notice can be placed for as little as $5.00 or 5c per word. Let your AFRO help you in time of sorrow.



ERECTOR SET FOUNTAIN — Though it may look like an erector set, in reality it's a fountain, which will be dedicated in honor of the late Dr. Ralph Young. The fountain at Broadway and Gay, will be dedicated Nov. 18 by the Ralph Young School.
(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz)

Vendors To Stay On Lexington St.

By Claudette Newson

Renewed promises of support have been given Lexington Street vendors by Baltimore ministers, the Police Department and City Hall in the wake of charges of harassment.

The charges were sparked by actions of a Lexington Street white merchant who says he began calling police to have cars parked on the street ticketed or removed.

He says his actions are a means of protesting the vendors' presence on the street. He will continue to call police.

Last weekend Albert Gaillard, a black wig vendor, was charged with disturbing the peace when he protested police officers ticketing his car.

Ministers, who previously pledged support to the vendors, "don't intend to stand by and let them be forced off the street," according to the Rev. Stuart Turner.

The Rev. Mr. Turner also said that he intends to see what legal action can be taken to protect the vendors.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Joan Bereska, assistant to the Mayor, said the city is continuing efforts to find a building that will be acceptable to those vendors willing to relocate.

Maj. James A. Watkins, head of the police Community Relations Division, says all departments will be alerted to the situation to insure that the vendors do not suffer unduly.

Centennial's 200th birthday

Mayor Schaefer has designated the month of November as "Centennial United Methodist Church Bi-centennial Month."

The church, located at East Monument and Sterling St., is celebrating its 200th anniversary this month.

During the Bi-Centennial, the church is sponsoring various programs including many prominent guest speakers in recognition of and dedication of the event.

Centennial United Methodist Church is the first black Methodist Church to reach this historic milestone.

Political Inquiry by CLAUDETTE NEWSON

Q. Will other buildings such as office buildings be required to maintain a 68 to 72 degree heating temperature as schools?

A. Both the President and Gov. Mandel are requiring that government buildings maintain the 68 to 72 degree temperature.

Nationally the President has asked private businesses to maintain the same temperatures, and Maryland private enterprises have been asked by the Governor to lower building temperatures.

Now that the special session of the State Legislature has given Gov. Mandel broad emergency powers to deal with the energy crisis it would be no surprise if he made the lower temperatures mandatory in both public and private buildings.

Wednesday a state-of-emergency was proclaimed by the governor. This action clears the way for him to take just about what ever steps he fee's are necessary to get Marylanders through the winter.

It might be interesting to note also that although the lower temperatures may be fine for office and public buildings, Baltimore City Councilwoman Mary Adams, D-4th, cited a recent study that shows the temperatures are not healthful for infants, children and the elderly.

Q. With the new morality do you feel that Gov. Mandel's pending divorce will be harmful to his re-election efforts?

A. My personal opinion is that the question of his announced divorce may give the governor a few uncomfortable and perhaps embarrassing moments during the coming campaign but will not prove to be a major issue or a hindrance to his efforts.

Whether you like the idea or not, divorce is becoming a commonplace occurrence of American life, and more and more people are seeing politicians as individuals with personal lives.

Today, a politician with a good record, will usually not be faulted to heavily by voters for failings in private life.

Note that California Gov. Ronald Reagan was divorced before he sought election and is now one of the predominant figures in the Republica party.

Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York was divorced while in office and easily won re-election.

The late Adam Clayton Powell, who was a popular Democratic member of the House of Representatives from New York City, was divorced from wife Hazel Scott early in his career, but was returned to office by his constituents.

Send questions to:
Political Inquiry
AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper
628 N. Eutaw St.
Baltimore, 21201.

Car wash funds to go to Africa

Achaniel Lucas, co-chairman of the Veterans Hospital, Youth Advisory Board told the AFRO, "We are having a car wash Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9 to 5 p.m. at the Northwood Gulf Station. Northwood Shopping Center; his on Northwood Road and Loch Raven Blvd.

Proceeds will be sent to the drought victims in West Africa. Cars will be washed for $1.

Kin know nothing on Oct. 23 murder

Relatives of Ronald McNeil, 31, who lived in the 100 block Callow Ave., have informed the AFRO they know nothing of the circumstances of his death that location.

Mr. McNeill was found dead Oct. 23. No close kin were in the dead man's home.

They state they were notified by police and know nothing about any reports that two men went to the house and found money.

Relatives wish to call attention of any suspects that whatever or whoever police may be investigating is now known to them and they have nothing to do with investigation nor information. When the AFRO reached police investigators, they said the Homicide Division is conducting investigation on their own and not with any information from any relative.

They made it emphatic that relatives know nothing of the life of Mr. McNeil and have been unable to help in any way.

WIGS AT A more reasonable price than in some nearby stores are among the items black vendors feature. BELOW in photo by Roman Hankewycz, the Rev. Stuart Turner talks with Police Community Relations officers.

Child, 3, needs a wheel chair

AFRO readers are asked to help obtain a wheel chair suitable for a child, age 3, who will be unable to ever in life to walk.

The cost for the child-size chair is between $160 and $175.

The toddler, Perry Jones Wilkerson, age 3, is the son of Mrs. Arnetha Wilkerson, 3752 Old Frederick Rd., Phone WI 7-5621. Born with a spinal defect, he has undergone 10 operations but will remain unable to walk.

Anyone who can contribute any amount toward purchase of the wheel should contact the mother at the above address or reach her by phone.

Holiday

According to the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, "the Friday following Thanksgiving is the biggest shopping day of the year."

With that in mind:

Libraries are closed Nov. 22 only.

Banks are closed Thanksgiving Day and open on Nov. 23.

Department stores are closed Nov. 22 only.

Police and federal courts are closed Nov. 22 and open Nov. 23.

Emergency Numbers
Fire — 685-1313.
Ambulance — 696-1111.
Police — 222-3333.
Major Watkins — 396-2710
396-2412.

Last rites held Tuesday for William Reid

Funeral services were held Tuesday in New Jersey for William Reid Sr., 91 of 2400 block Mantebello Terrace.

Mr. Reid died last Friday at Union Memorial Hospital. He had been living in Baltimore with his daughter and son-in-law for seven years.

A daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Hurt told the AFRO, "He loved people." In addition to his daughter, he is survived by three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He is buried in Glen Dale Cemetery.

A GOOD CITIZEN is registered and prepared to VOTE. Do so TODAY at Supervisors of Elections, People's Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts. Next election is Sept., 1974. Register from — 8:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Policemen pick union

Nearly 85 per cent of the Baltimore policemen on Wednesday unanimously voted for Local 1195 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees to represent them in collective bargaining.

For the first time in history, policemen will be allowed to bargain collectively for salary and economic benefits.

Official negotiations begin Dec. 1 with policemen presenting demands in a 26-point proposal.

Major items are: Annual minimum salary of $10,500 to be increased by $4,000 during a three-year period; Cost of living increases; A 20-cent-an-hour night differential; A hazardous duty pay of 10 cents-an-hour.

Also overtime pay at time and a half for more than eight hours a day and 40 hours a week, clothing allowances and full insurance coverage.

SPECIAL LEAF COLLECTION

ALL LEAVES BAGGED OR PLACED IN CONTAINERS WILL BE COLLECTED FROM THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

1. Cold Spring Lane to City Line
   Wabash Avenue to Falls Road
2. 33rd Street to N. City Line
   Hillen Road to Harford Road
   Northern Parkway to E. City Line
3. Frederick Avenue to Leakin Park
   Woodington Road to City Line

Bureau of Utility Operations
Gene L. Neff, Head

Sanitation Division
Edward J. Moore, Chief

When the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Alpha/Alpha/chapter held its Founders' Day at the Hilton Inn last Saturday, these ladies were on hand to greet the guests. From left: Sorors Julia Medley, chairman; Hortense Franklin, committee member; Rosetta Williams, keynote speaker; and Betty White and Sarah Rose, committee members.

Also at the Founders' Day luncheon were from left: Sorors Barbara Sawyer, basileus, Beta Tau Chapter, Geraldine Dobson, basileus, AAE chapter; Emily H. Ford, founder; Wanda Pemberton, basileus, Gamma Mu chapter, and Elizabeth Parker of the Gamma Phi chapter.

R.S.V.P. with Marie

It's Good To Be Home

By Michelle McRae
Substituting for Marie Murphy Phillips Cooke
AFRO Women's Editor

It's good to be back in Baltimore. Quite often we say we'd like to leave and NEVER return, but how many of us really mean it. Last week, Wednesday, this writer was called to Petersburg, Va. to be with her sister Miss Rachael Phillips who suddenly took ill on the campus of Va. State College. Rachael is now recuperating at her Forest Park Avenue home in Baltimore.

It's good to be in a town like Baltimore. Townsfolk are always up to something, especially when the holidays are near.

Like this weekend, the V.A.G.s will be at the Hunt Valley Inn for their annual benefit luncheon and fashion show. Proceeds will go to various charities. (See Club Notes for additional details.)

The HAMPTONIANS now have their attention turned to the annual Thanksgiving party, Friday, Nov. 23 at the Emerald Gardens.

This is the time of year when Hamptonians, their college sons, daughters and friends get together for a real fun night. Mrs. Catherine Adams and Mrs. Lou Jefferson report that their phones have been busy giving and receiving information about the affair. Mrs. Adams says, "We especially welcome our Hampton young sons and daughters and strive to make it a real 'family affair'. We try to close the generation gap and have been pretty successful."

Samuel Ware, who is now in his 80's, purchased the first ticket and plans to be there.

Still speaking about Hamptonians, Hampton mothers and fathers attended the school's Homecoming this past weekend. Everyone reported a "good time." It would have been a perfect day had Hampton not lost the game.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson (Mary), both Hamptonians, enjoyed a pleasant day with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Allan McCham (Erma), both Hamptonians, visited with their son, and Messrs. and Mesdames Douglass Boone (Anne), Carl White, Roscoe Monroe, Eloid Williams, R. O. Gregory, Emanuel Butler, were there, too.

Twelve Plus One

In last week's edition there was a lovely picture of a group which calls itself Twelve Plus One, but no story. Oops, that was a mistake!

Twelve Plus One had a gala fund-raiser a couple of weeks back at Martin's West. The group of local social workers has been organized for eight years and supports charities such as the United Negro College Fund, Knox Day Care Center, Lafayette Square Multi-Service Center and gives scholarships to students majoring in social work.

This year's officers are: Mesdames Jennie Murphy Jenkins, president; Peggy Willis, vice president; Naomi Evans, secretary; Roberta Ross, corresponding secretary; Elizabeth Johnson, treasurer and Thelma Green, hospitality chairman.

Others in the club are: Mesdames Lousonia Jefferson, Jean Thomas, Nancy Bennett, Ann Reed, Audrey Williams, Dorothy Dunston, Helen Maxwell.

Funeral Directors Meet

If on Thursday night your eyes were dazzled by the sleek fleet of Cadillacs and a Lincoln or two on the parking lot at Mondawmin Shopping Center, please rest easy. It certainly was not a meeting of the Mafia or the Man-Man!

The Funeral Directors and Morticians' Association of Maryland met there to use bus service to attend its regular monthly meeting, this time in Southern Maryland.

A trip to the Surrey Inn in Huntingtown not only provided good camaraderie but also saved the men the drudgery of a drive back after the evening of excellent food and refreshments.

Points of interest during the meeting were the contributions to St. Francis Xavier Church for a Black Arts calendar and a water fountain for the St. Frances Academy School.

The Association again this year agreed to use a unified ad for the Christmas greetings from the Funeral Directors to their clients.

Host for the evening was Pinkney Sewell and his son Spencer of Huntingtown. There was a visitor, Mrs. William Roy, who was welcomed by the other members present: Vernon Bailey, president; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Locks Jr., Mrs. Margaretta Brown, Mrs. William C. March, Isaiah Hayes.

Also Melvin Evans, Roland Brown, William I. Chatman, Earl Gilmore, Wilton Webb, Joseph Brown, Leroy O. Dyett, Charles A. Rice, Arlington S. Phillips, president of the State Board of Funeral Directors of Md.; Edgar L. Lynch, James A. Morton, Marshall W. Jones, Purnell B. Oden, William Reese, III and his sons Harry, and Henry James.

Have a nice day!

World of Fashions

It was just a few Saturdays back when the Herman Pittmans (Juanita) opened their lavish shoppe, Pittman's World of Fashions in their Ellamont Street home.

The club basement was transformed and completely designed for the fastidious lady who enjoys the finest in style and beauty from New York, London, Paris and Rome. One of a kind outfits were modeled and displayed.

Many viewing the shoppe were greatly amazed at the beautiful designer clothes and the most delectable dishes and refreshments.

The Pittmans made a fashionable twosome, as did the guests. Mesdames Rosalind Russell and Diana Braxton made it possible that each person was adequately pleased.

Seen that day were:

Mesdames Edith Crawford, Sheila Edwards, Dorris Harris, Twiah Wallace, Lorraine Bridges, Shirley Lewis and Jean Knox.

Mesdames Nellie Harris, Rae

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MR. AND MRS. ROBERT E. WILLIAMS
former Miss Darlean L. Cager

Williams-Cager vows repeated

Miss Darlean L. Cager, daughter of Mrs. Lula Cager Shaw and the late William Calvin Cager of Baltimore, recently spoke her wedding vows to Robert E. Williams, son of Mrs. Katherine Williams Nearer and the late William Coleman Williams, of Va.

The Rev. Vernon N. Dobson pastor of Union Baptist Church officiated at the double ring ceremony which took place in the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Lucille M. Perry was the matron of honor and Mr. Alvin McCloud was the best man.

The couple was feted at a post-wedding reception at Martin's West on Sunday October 21, when over 250 guests were on hand to shower the couple with well wishes.

The bride is a counselor with the Baltimore City Public Schools assigned to the Pupil Personnel Services Team of Regions. The bridegroom is employed as a Real Property Assessor with Baltimore City Department of Assessments.

Following a honeymooning in Nassau the couple is now at home in Timonium, Md.

Club Notes

When does your club meet? Let this column know about your meeting and your programs. Address news releases to Miss Michele L. McRae, c/o Club Notes, AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203.

PIERIANS, the well-known lovers of art, admitted four new members Saturday, Nov. 10 at their regular monthly meeting, and with a ceremony that included the gift of an orchid to each new member. Each one was also "pinned" with the membership emblem of her sponsor, which the new member will wear until her own pin comes from the jeweller's. The Pierians' emblem is the replica of an ancient Ghanian coin, cast in gold.

New members are: Mesdames Thomas (Roberta) Briscoe, Raymond (Evelyn) Hayshert, William (Alice) Russell and Donald (Theda) Wilson

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Social Calendar

November 20: Open House, sponsored by the St. James Lafayette Square Senior Citizens Club, St. James Terrace Apartments, 827 N. Arlington Ave., 1-4 p.m. Mrs. F. P. Friends, chairman.

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Carole Simpson, left, Henry Yu, Carl Pain and Frank Ashley, all members of the Pearce's Dance Company. The group is temporarily stationed in Baltimore participating in the cultural arts program, Baltimore Public Schools.

Seen at the reception welcoming the Pearce's Dance Co. from New York was Mrs. Margaret Armstrong, right, talking with Ms. Olubayo Lillian Coleman of Harlem. The affair was held last week at the Peale Museum.

Norman R. Rose, project director of the cultural arts program, Baltimore Public Schools, right, is pictured talking with Eleo Pearce, left, director of the Pearce's Dance Co. of New York. Others shown are: Miss Toni Porter, second from left, assistant director, cultural arts program; Mrs. Helen Breazeak and Mrs. Chrystelle Bond.