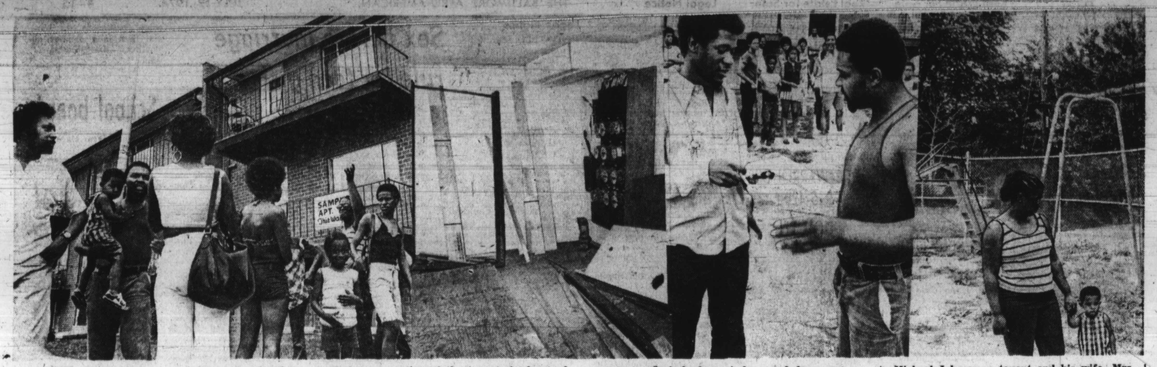

ANGRY TENANTS of the Kennedy North Apartments in the 4900 block Alameda protested last Wednesday against unserviced facilities and sloppy conditions of their rented apartments. Left panel shows a section of the tenants in front of the rental office they besieged all day Wednesday; the second panel shows what tenants claim is the "I-don't-care" attitudes of apartment owners to repair broken windows and doors, water pipes and broken-down air-conditions. In the third panel, AFRO reporter, Bryan Holt talks to Michael Johnson, a tenant and his wife, Mrs. Johnson in last panel, tells about unattended and weedy playground for children.

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Kennedy apartment tenents protest 'sloppy' facilities

Over 100 angry tenants of the Kennedy North Apartments in the 4900 block The Alameda besieged the rental office all day Wednesday protesting against unserviced facilities and sloppy conditions.

Some squatting on the floor, the tenants swore and cursed while a few drew threatening clenched fists. Over 50 of them have reportedly been without air-conditioners in the recent mid 90 degree temperatures.

In addition they complain of unfixed broken doors and windows, corridors without lights, lack of playground for children, dirty compound, broken toilets, water faucets problems, rats and rodents and sanitation.

Rents range from $139 to $182 a month. Failure to pay on the fifth day of the month lands tenants in court.

The landlord's name was given as C. E. Julio Inc., and his office is in Cockeysville, Md.

Hemmed in on all sides in her office, Mrs. Dorothy Smith, rental agent, told the AFRO, "I did my best to control the tenants but their complaints are legitimate. I'm in sympathy with them, because I live under the same conditions."

However, Mrs. Smith's assistant, Miss April Thomas, sees the whole thing as largely a racial one.

She says, "If this was a white development the problems would be fixed immediately. Broken windows are replaced with wooden boards. It makes the place look like a slum."

While the AFRO was talking to the tenants a white man who described himself as John Amrein, superintendent of the development, arrived and a section of the tenants had a hard time restraining others from getting at him.

A few greeted him with obscenities which he returned with racial slurs and more profanities.

The AFRO learned that some tenants have lived in the projects for a long time without certain facilities.

Miss Shari Kearney told the AFRO, "I have never had a toilet and I still don't have it. I have been here two years."

Michael Thomas, a four-year resident, complains, "I work at Genaral Motors where it gets to be 120 degrees. When I come home, I have to go into an apartment that's as hot. It's ridiculous."

Though the private development is not affected by the sanitation strike, one unidentified tenant claims, "The dumpsters are full and nobody comes around to empty them. When you empty your trash, you are attacked by bees and flies and rats are jumping out of them.

Water leakage is a common problem in the apartments. Joan Sprey says, "For two months the water has been leaking from the washroom next door into my bedroom."

In answer to the complaints, Mr. Amrein says, "I have two air conditioner mechanics on the way. I don't know where to start. When I ask for names and addresses, they don't give them to me."

"These comments were met by a hoard of obscenities. In anger, Mr. Amrein retorted, "Look, my goddamn mechanics are here. What am I supposed to do, get my mechanics and just tell them to go to work?"

Concerning the boarded windows, he explained in order to replace them with glass the rent had to be raised $6 a month.

He contends he has not gotten all the complaints alleged by the tenants. The oldest complaint received was dated June 14, 1974, he said. He remarked, "Many times we couldn't service them because the tenants have their own locks."

Charles Fisher, resident maintenance superintendent, told the AFRO, "I have been cursed out. I am taking all the insults and the blame. It is not fair to me and the tenants."

Agreeing that the complaints are legitimate, Mr. Fisher pleaded with the tenants to exercise patience.

AT LANVALE AND FULTON not far from Western District Police Station looters prepare to go into Al's Liquors as shown in AFRO staff photo by Ben M. Phillips IV.

AN ARREST was made at Pennsylvania Ave. at Cumberland St. at the time AFRO staff photographer Ben M Phillips IV came along. The man and police are unidentified.

TWO POLICE CARS crashed at Druid Hill and Biddle about 10:30 p.m. as both cars were responding Thursday to a Signal 13. AFRO staff photo by Ben M. Phillips IV.

Figure 67 tatooed on dead man's arm

Several crimes have been committed in Druid Hill Park during the last several months. Police claim they have increased patrols in the park.

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The unidentified body of a man with the figure "67" tatooed on his right arm, was found in Druid Hill Park on Tuesday by a group of young men who had stopped to repair a flat tire.

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The body remains in the City Morgue. According to Dr. James Whitaker, assistant medical examiner, the decomposed body had been in the park for at least 48 hours.

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Police report the body was discovered about 50 yards off Swan Drive, northeast of the park swimming pool.

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Police say the man was dressed only in a pair of soiled blue pants. The autopsy report shows he suffered a gun shot wound of the left side of his head.

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Dr. Whitaker stated the man who is in his twenties, also had another tatoo on his right arm which said "mom".

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This makes the second homicide in Druid Hill Park within two weeks. Last week, police report three men attempted to take a bicycle from a 39-year-old man. When the man refused to release his bike, he was shot and killed.

Del. Webster's hearing is postponed

A preliminary hearing for Delegate Kenneth Webster, an incumbent Democrat in the new 40th District, was postponed Wednesday and rescheduled for July 23 at Northwestern District, according to police sources.

Police report that Del. Webster was arrested Monday on charge of "litering the streets of Baltimore City" and taken — in handcuffs — to Northwestern District.

His arrest came after a police patrolman had ticketed his parked auto for a had expired, whereupon meter violation — the time Del. Webster tore the summons into four parts and threw it in the car, police state. The arresting officer's report was replete with "four-letter expletives" allegedly hurled at him by Del. Webster before the arrest.

Attorney Jacques Leeds will represent Del. Webster.

Citizens to meeet with Schaefer

On July 9, 1974 the Concerned Black Citizens of Baltimore held its sixth weekly meeting at the AFRO-AMERICAN building.

The majority of the meeting was dedicated to a discussion of issues to be voiced at its July 15, 1974 meeting with Mayor Schaefer.

The group further expressed its continued support for the striking sanitation workers and its dissatisfaction with the manner in which Schaefer had seemed to address this issue.

The Concerned Black Citizens voiced its concerns that the mayor has chosen to treat the sanitations workers in a lesser fashion than he has treated the predominately white police department.

The police have adopted the strategy of citizen harassment to public re their disenchantments with the Schaefer administration, rather than dealing directly with that administration.

The group also echoed Congressman Parren Mitchell's comments relative to the city being able to transfer some of the existing revenue sharing monies to satisfy the legitimate wage demands of the sanitation workers.

Poor planning, misplaced priorities and insensitivity to human services were cited as reasons for the mayor's unwillingness to negotiate in good faith with the black community at large and the sanitation workers specifically.

The chairman of the Voter Registration committee, while acclaiming the past success, again called for volunteers to assist in registering the some 67,000 people purged from the voter rolls. This committee will be re-registering potential voters in the Cherry Hill Shopping Center on Saturday, July 13, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Voter Registration Committee will meet on Saturday at the Sharp Street Community Center located at 1206 Etting St. at 10 a.m. Phone number 523-1193.

Co-chairmen of the Concerned Black Citizens are Mrs. Grace Hines and Dr. Oakley Saunders.

LOOTING is shown in AFRO staff photo by Ben M. Phillips IV at 12:30 a.m. as teenagers broke into a store on Carey St.

July 10 Drawing

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July 11 Drawing

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Shopping center sued $200,000 by merchant

A retail clothing merchant has charged that a local shopping center in Northeast Baltimore deliberately kept him from opening store within their confines because of his race.

Leo W. Burroughs Sr., 3000 block Baker St., is suing Cedonia Mall for $200,000 in "compensatory and punitive damages." He is charging the Mall, owned by Amterre Management, Inc. of Bala Cynwyd, Pa., with fraud, deceit and breach of contract. The suit was filed in Superior Court on June 28.

Burroughs, the former owner of Clothes World, Park Heights and Cold Spring Lane, signed a contract to enter Cedonia Mall last October, his attorney, A. Dwight Pettit told the AFRO.

Subsequently, Burroughs hired a contractor to construct his shop. However, by February, Cedonia Mall officials informed him that the contractor had not purchased building materials.

In an apparent act of "good faith," the officials offered Burroughs another site, supposedly to be vacated by its present owner.

When Burroughs confronted the proprietor two months later, he told Burroughs that he had never intended to move in the first place.

"It appears that Cedonia Mall's action is an apparent act of subtle racism," said Atty. Pettit. "We feel that the Mall had some prior inside knowledge that the contractor wouldn't have the original site completed. Secondly, they should have known that the other store was not available."

Last year, Cedonia Mall sent Burroughs a courtesy card soliciting businesses to move into the mall. He thought it a good idea to move where he would be exposed to a steady shopping flow.

Now Burroughs is out of business altogether.

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The Naomi Grand Chapter School of Instruction of the Order of Eastern Star recently conferred diplomas at its sixth commencement exercise. Pictured from left are: Past Grand Lecturer Naomi Mullen, Grand Lecturer Shirley F. Thornton and Sister Shielda Greenhill. Grand Patron Jesse Pettus, Grand Master (Hiram Grand Lodge) John V. Thornton, Grand Matron Helen V. Benton and Sister Willie Mae Alston.
(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Grand Matron Benton says go second mile

The 20 recent graduates of the Naomi Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star School of Instruction heard Miss Helen V. Benton grand matron of the Order say "If the light of our organizations to be disseminated properly, it will be through the efforts and concern of those of us who are willing to go the second mile in acquainting ourselves and expanding our knowledge of the original Bible accounts of our heroines."

Miss Benton, who is the chief executive officer of the 49-year-old chapter, addressed the women at the sixth commencement exercise where hundreds of representatives from visiting OES chapters and the Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge witnessed the conferring of diplomas.

"There is a place for each of you . . . your task is to seek it and fill it purposefully. Needless to say, it is not our intent that our graduates return to their chapters with an aloof air of 'ask me, I'm intelligent' but rather that theirs will be a much more enlightened chapter because of the information they will have to share at such times as the matrons invite their participation in the instructive periods of the meetings."

The program signified the conclusion of months of instruction under the able hand of Mrs. Shirley F. Thornton grand lecturer. In her closing remarks to the class of '74, Sister Thornton said:

"We have come together, we have worked together, now let's stay together and succeed.

"Yesterday is gone, tomorrow may never come, but today is here so let us use it. Let us turn our faces toward a new day of better understanding. Let us as men and women who have learned the great truths of our Order advance only things of lasting values. Let us live up to our responsibilities as members of the Eastern Star."

Following the conferring of diplomas, the graduates sang the class song which was written by Sister Lorraine Kimble, a member of the class. Excerpts of the five-verse melody follow:

"Oh Naomi Grand Chapter so dear,
You inspired us with a school that cares,
Guided by one whom God surely placed,
To teach us the lessons
Of Heroines great!"

Members of the '74 graduating class are:

Sisters Willie Mae Alston, Jacqueline Bailey, Eva Blackwell, Corrine Bryant, Mary H. Byers, Fannie Cole, Mildred Fowlkes, Shiela Greenhill, Harriett Harris, Judy Hebron;

Sisters Estelle Higgins, Lorraine Kimble, Dorothy Odoms, Anna Paxton, Lola Perry, Alice Pridgen, Florence Thomas, Frances Thomas, Ruth Ward and Dorothy Weaver.

Area couples exchange vows in Monumental City

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES FITZGERALD
(Miss Kathy Wilmore)

Miss Kathy J. Wilmore weds Charles Vincent Fitzgerald

Miss Kathy Jean Wilmore, daughter of Mrs. Henrietta Wilmore of Rossiter Ave., Govans, and the late Leo Wilmore repeated vows with Charles Vincent Fitzgerald last Saturday at the Centennial United Methodist Church. The Rev. James Arter and the Rev. Joseph Carroll presided.

The bridegroom is the son of Charles Tucker Fitzgerald of Eastbury Ave., Baltimore and the late Mrs. Eula Fitzgerald.

The bride was given away by her godfather, Charles Samuel Cornick. She was dressed in a gown of refined silk accented with five buttons, ruffled cuffs with embroidered flowers.

Matrons of honor were Mrs. Josephine Ridgley, sister of bride and Mrs. Rita Bryant. Bridesmaids were Carla Wilmore, sister of bride; Novela Fitzgerald, sister of bridegroom; Mrs. Bernice Truxon, sister-in-law of bride; and Misses Renee Wykes, Yvonne Peaks and Antionette Benion, of Bronx, N.Y.

Best man was Emmanuel Fitzgerald, brother of bridegroom along with ushers, William Harris, Barry Truxon, brother of bride; Thomas H. Ridgley, brother-in-law of bride; Jerry Steele, Curtis Hurte, James Bryant, Robert Harris and Michael Hurte.

Flower girl was Rhonda Smith along with ringbearer, Master Craig Ridgley.

Lincoln King was organist who assisted Mrs. Carolyn Cammon, who sang the theme from "Love Story" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The reception in honor of the couple was hosted at the Steelworkers Union Hall, Dundalk. Music was provided by the Funkadairs with little Eva and Donny. The hall was decorated with white and yellow wedding bells with the same color scheme carried throughout with flowers.

The bride attended the Luther H. Foster High School, Nottoway, Va.

The bridegroom is employed by the Baltimore Gas and Electric Co.

Community - convention dates

JULY

JULY 14: Union Baptist Church proclamation ceremony to benefit Hunt Memorial Scholarship Fund, 1219 Druid Hill Ave., 11 a.m.

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Dedication of Mini-Bus for senior citizens by Women of Wayland Baptist Church, Garrison Blvd., 1 p.m.

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JULY 14-18: Frontiers International, Inc., Kansas City, Mo., Crown Center Hotel. C. O. Hollis, Sr., president.

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JULY 16: Lemmel Junior High Summer School, Black Awareness Day, Dukeland St. and Gwynns Falls Parkway 10:30 a.m.

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JULY 15-21: Bibleway Church of Christ, World Wide, Inc.; Brooklyn, N.Y., Bibleway Church, Bishop Smallwood E. Williams, presiding bishop.

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JULY 19: Wedding of Miss Novella Walton; First Apostolic Faith Church, 27 S. Caroline St., 2 p.m.

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JULY 20: Wedding of Miss Evette Craddle to Larry Foreman; 6817 Dogwood Rd., 6:30 p.m.

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JULY 21-24: National Insurance Assoc.; Chicago, Ill., Sheraton Chicago Hotel, C. O. Hollis Sr., president.

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JULY 22-26: National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc.; Philadelphia, Pa., Childs Memorial Baptist Church. Grover Chiles, president.

JULY 22-27. National Bar Assoc.; Chicago, Ill., Hyatt Hotel. Archie B. Weston, president.

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JULY 26: Wedding of Miss Diane Dixon to William A. Diggs; Morgan State College Christian Center, 7 p.m.

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JULY 28 - 31: National Urban League; San Francisco, Calif., San Francisco Hilton. Vernon E. Jordan, executive director.

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JULY 28-AUG. 1: National Medical Assoc.; New Orleans, La., Roosevelt-Fairmont Hotel. Dr. Emery L. Rann, president.

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JULY 28-AUG. 6: National Beauty Culturists League, Inc.; Louisville, Ky., Galt House Hotel. Dr. Katie E. Whickham, president.

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JULY 28-AUG. 2: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; Miami Beach, Fla., Hotel Fontainebleau. Mrs. Mattelia G. Gray, Supreme Basileus.

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AUG. 2-8: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; San Francisco, Calif., St. Francis Hotel. Walter Washington, president.

Terri Hill wins teen title

For the second year in a row, a Howard County teenager won the Miss U.S. Teen Maryland title.

Terri Lynn Hill, 15, of Columbia, was crowned last Sunday night at the University of Baltimore Library by 1973 Miss U.S. Teen Maryland, Edna Hill.

Edna, who's also 1973's Miss Howard County went on to New York last year to capture the national title, Miss U.S. Teen.

Pageant sponsor, Maurice Hulbert, better known to Baltimoreans as Hot Rod, believes the new queen will bring back the 1974 crown to Baltimore. The state of Texas had back-to-back winners in previous years.

Terri, radiant in a beige and pale blue gown, is the daughter of Donald and Ethel Hill. She attends Wilde Lake High School.

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She charmed the audience with her sparkling personality and wit. Her talent was a combination dramatic-recitation and modern dance routine. She was sponsored by Pinnie Ross.

Terri won a TV set and a gift from Pauline Brooks. She also won an all expense paid trip to New York to compete in the national finals at Town Hall, July 21. Miss Jeri Caraway will be the chaperone.

Terri has many hobbies including dancing, drama, band, singing, reading, sports and politics. She hopes to pursue a career in law, drama or genetics.

1st runner-up was Katana Lazet Hall, 15, from Western High School. She acted out her own original poem and participates in the Modern Dance Club at her school.

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2nd runner-up was 15-year-old Michelle Freeman, Miss Prince George's County. She attends Northern Senior High School and wants to be the first black woman president of the United States.

Vanessa Hall, 15, 3rd runner-up is a student at Western High School. She gave a dramatic reading. She also does volunteer work at Montebello State Hospital.

4th runner-up, Miss Harford County is Cynthia Denise Sconion. She is a 15-year-old student at Harve de Grace Senior School.

The music for the beautiful pageant was supplied by a young local group, the Fabulous Friends Plus One. The theme song, "Miss U.S. Teen," was an original piece composed by George Hill, a student of music at Morgan State College.

Other contestants were: Angela Yvonne Alston, Western High School Shedina Bouldina Bouldin, Joseph C. Briscoe; Angela Renay Cook, Old Court Junior High School; Sabra Ann Dorsey, Randallstown Senior High School; Connie Sue Ennis, Wicomico Junior High School; Ruth Yvette Fike, Pimlico Junior High School; Pamela Renee Gill, Eastern High School; Yasmin Montinique Ford, Pimlico Junior High School; Jeanene Cheryl Ware, Pimlico Junior High School; Crystal Hutchinson, Garrison Junior High School; Latonnya Theresa Hall, Northern Parkway Junior High School; Angela Payne, Institute of Notre Dame; Monica McKinney, Western Senior High School; Debra Simone Washington, Garrison, Junior High School; and Sheila Steptoe, Walbrook Senior High School.

The judges for the pageant were: Mrs. Ella Talley, teacher and model; Mrs. Vashti McKenzie, AFRO Theatre Editor; Sam Wilson, professor, Coppin State College, founder Arena Players; State Delegate Frank Conaway and Miss Jackie Cromwell, student, Coppin State College.

MRS. JOHN C. TYNES III
(former Miss Sharon A. Taylor)

Miss Taylor weds John C. Tynes III

In a beautiful floral setting at the Ridgewood Ave. home of Mrs. Barbara McCormick some 100 persons gathered to witness her daughter, Miss Sharon A. Taylor and John C. Tynes III son of Mrs. Thelma Tynes exchange nuptial vows.

The bride was attended by Valarie Carter and Donna Copper while Mark Copper and Todd Tynes assisted the bridegroom.

The new Mrs. Tynes is a graduate of Western High School and is a sophomore at the Community College of Baltimore where she is seeking a degree in Teacher Education. The bridegroom is a member of the National Guard and employed at Rosewood State Hospital.

The couple plans a summer honeymoon in the Bahamas.

'Somewhere Over the Rainbow', theme of statewide pageant

Pinnie L. Ross, state directress of the upcoming Miss Black International Maryland Beauty Pageant announced today that the theme of the production will be "Somewhere Over The Rainbow."

Some 23 contestants from Baltimore City and three surrounding counties will compete for the state crown next Sunday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m. Coppin State College.

The winner of the contest will represent the state at the national pageant to be held next month in New York City. In addition, she will be showered with gifts including an expense-paid trip to the Virgin Islands. Part of the proceeds from the contest will benefit a college-bound student.

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Making a guest appearance from Upper Marlboro, Md. will be 14-year-old Darren Green and the Jam Band from Washington, D.C. Young Green will sing his new recordings plus other popular hits.

Mrs. Ross says she expects nearly 1,000 guests at the premier. Tickets may be purchased by calling 730-8689 or 730-8879 or they may be obtained at the Travis Winker Modeling Studio, 2515 Liberty Heights Ave., 523-7855.

On the inside...

Mrs. Mary Clayton Frazier retires from Baltimore City Public Schools. Some 500 friends feted her at a gala reception at the Shiloh Baptist Church where she has served as church clerk for the past 45 years. Story on the inside.

AFRO correspondent Pinnie L. Ross writes about a group of men in Columbia have formed a new organization which hopes to better the lives of Howard Co. residents. (See Columbia Capers.) Marie P. Cooke and Bettye M. Moss tell of social affairs around town and Michele McRae reports on club news . . . all on the inside.

The Herbert M. Frisby Historical Society concludes its exhibit today, Friday. An award ceremony was held last week where Mrs. Eleanor Anderson was honored. Mrs. Bernice White is president of the group. Read the affair and exhibit in R.S.V.P.