THE SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS IN THE People Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts., is where many citizens like Mrs. Alice Royster (R) go to register to vote, in photo by Cynthia Grandison Mrs. Royster is assisted by Mrs. Rose Zoltowski, chief registrar.

Are you registered to vote

If you have not registered for the September Primary Election, you have until Aug. 11 to register.

Persons 18 and over, or those who will be 18 by Election Day, may pick up voter registration forms at any branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library or any major department store.

Mail or take your registration form to the Supervisors of Elections at Fayette and Gay Sts. You may also Register to Vote at the Supervisors of Elections.

180,000 pupils expected when schools open Sept. 4

Public Schools OLFEN Sept. 4

Baltimore city school pupils will wend their way back to the classroom, Sept. 4.

In just 40 days, some 180,000 youngsters will open their books for the Fall term.

Ready for the influx are 17 high schools; 23 junior high schools; and 143 elementary schools.

NEW SCHOOLS

Highland Elementary No. 215, Pratt and Clinton St., 700 students.

William S. Paca Elementary No. 83, Lakewood Ave. and Orleans St., 850 students.

Hartford Heights Elementary No. 36, North Ave. and Broadway, 2,500 students.

Federal Hill Elementary No. 45, Light and William Sts., 850 students.

Houston-Woods Junior-Senior Shop Annex No. 181-A, Calhoun and Cumberland Sts.

1975-76 SCHEDULE

Registration of Pupils — Wednesday, Aug. 27, Thursday, Aug. 28, and Friday, Aug. 29.

Orientation Meeting for New Staff Members — Friday, Aug. 29.

Labor Day — Monday, Sept. 1 — Schools closed.

Professional Activities in the Schools — Tuesday, Sept. 2 and Wednesday, Sept. 3.

Schools Open for Pupils — Thursday, Sept. 4.

Primary Election — Tuesday, Sept. 9 — closed.

Meetings of Statewide Professional Organizations — Thursday, Oct. 16 — closed half day; Friday, Oct. 17 — closed full day.

General Election — Tuesday, Nov. 4 — closed.

Thanksgiving Holiday — Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28 — closed.

Winter Holiday — closed — Wednesday, Dec. 24; reopen Monday, January 5.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday — Friday, Jan. 16 — closed.

Professional Activities in the Schools — Friday, Jan. 30 — closed for pupils.

Washington's Birthday — Monday, Feb. 16 — closed.

Spring Holiday — closed Monday, April 12; reopen Tuesday, April 20.

Memorial Day — Monday, May 31 — closed.

Last Day for Pupils — Friday, June 18.

Last day for Teachers — Tuesday, June 22.

ADULT AND COMMUNITY EUCATION CALENDAR

Orientation Meeting — Thursday, Sept. 4, 1975.

All Programs (except Avocatial & Parent Education) — Monday, Sept. 8.

Avocatinal Programs (Personal use) — Monday, Sept. 15.

Parent Education — Monday, Sept. 22.

Program Closed — Statewide Professional Meeting — Thursday, Oct. 16; Thanksgiving Holidays — Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28.

Christmas Holidays — Avocational and Parent Education closed, Wednesday, Dec. 3 (10:00 p.m.).

Firefighters graduation

Graduation ceremonies for Probationary Fire Fighters who satisfactorily completed the Fire Department's basic training program will be held Monday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fire Academy, 6720 Pulaski Highwy.

Mayor Schaefer, Fire Commissioner Howard R. Oven, Fire Department Chief Thomas J. Burke, and other local, state, and department dignitaries will attend the ceremonies.

Recently pensioned members of the Fire Department will also be presented certificates on this occasion, officially marking their retirement from active duty.

Proceedings will begin at 7 p.m. with a musical program by the department's Glee Club.

Don't bite on chain letter scheme

Attorney General Francis B. Burch has issued a consumer warning to alert Marylanders to a new chain letter scheme which promises to make participants a million dollars in three months.

Mr. Burch said the new scheme came to Maryland by way of El Toro, Calif., and boasts of a three stage, business program "unknown to 99% of the general public."

The promoter states that he will "control all participants" and "guide you step-by-step" so that "you can be certain that you will get to your first million!!"

The promoter receives the new participant's agreement to participate along with $2 after which the participant is sent instructions for the second stage of the chain scheme.

"It appears that this second stage will involve sending at least two dollars to 100 others in the scheme," Mr. Burch said, "but the instructions are vague as to how much money the scheme will cost a participant — probably intentionally so."

The Attorney General emphasized that chain letter schemes are clearly illegal under federal law.

Already having received complaints from several Marylanders who were "invited to participate," Mr. Burch has contacted the U.S. Postal Inspector and asked that he investigate this matter through the California Postal Inspector's office.

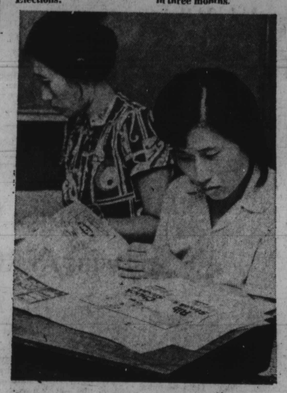
"Chain letters simply don't work," Attorney General Burch said.

"They prey on the poor and those who don't realize that the number of people who can participate has to run out.

"This is why they are illegal under federal law and why similar schemes are illegal under state law.

"If you receive one of these invitations to participate, throw it in the trash where it belongs or notify postal or consumer protection authorities if you think it is a new scheme, but do not send money or more letters.

"Aside from losing your investment, your own participation in such a scheme is illegal," Attorney General Burch warned.



Fellowship of Lights gets $65,580 to help run-away young people

In a program jointly sponsored by the Baltimore Public Schools and the Modern Foreign Language Association, through a grant by the C&P Telephone Co., 34 foreign-born and 17 non-English speaking adults are participating in a summer school program at the Commodore John Rogers School, No. 27, Fayette and Chester Sts. They are learning English by learning skills such as shopping, using the telephone, meeting people, etc. Members of the class are from South America, Greece, Korea and China.

The Fellowship of Lights, a counseling facility for runaway teenagers has received a grant of $65,580 from the Office of Youth Development of the U.S. department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The grant is awarded under the Runaway Youth Act, Title III of the Juvenile Delinquency and Prevention Act of 1974.

This is the first Federal grant that the Fellowship, located at 1300 North Calvert St., has received.

It will be used to upgrade the salaries of the professional counseling staff, who have been serving for stipends of only $5,200 a year.

The fellowship was founded in 1969 by a group of young people, middle-class dropouts themselves, who realized the need for an organization to help teenagers who had run away from home and were stranded in Baltimore.

The Fellowship operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Its staff of 10 provides food, lodging, counseling, legal and medical advocacy and whatever other services the individual teenager needs. It is the only facility of its kind in Baltimore.

Most of the Fellowship's clients are between 12 and 17 years old. Executive director Denny Lawrence describes them as "runaways and throwaways," and defines throwaways as "kids who have been abandoned, or so badly abused at home that they had no choice but to run away."

Some teenagers stay at the Fellowship for only a short time, others for months. The time depends on how long they need the Fellowship's services, and the organization also requires that they work constructively toward a solution of their problems.

The Fellowship is licensed by the Department of Social Services, which refers clients to it and pays for their upkeep. It also receives referrals from the Police Department and the Juvenile Services Division.

34 new police officers

Police Commissioner Pomerleau announces that 34 Baltimore Probationary Police Officers along with one member of the Maryland Department of Transportation, one member of the Department of the Navy and one member of the Annapolis Police Department will graduate from the Department's Education and Training Division.

The graduation exercise is Friday, (today) in the Auditorium on the Fifth Floor of the Headquarters Building.

Commendation Ceremonies will also be conducted at which time eight civilians and 10 sworn personnel will receive awards for outstanding service to the community.

Guest speaker is, Richard V. Friedman, director, Mayor's Coordinating Council on Criminal Justice.

GRADUATES

Paul L. Amick Jr., Patricia A. Clement, John A. Creighton, Charles F. Di Mario, Jr., George F. Fodel, Jon L. Gigliotti, Joseph J. Hands.

Lonnie M. Hill Jr.,* James M. Jacob Jr., Eddie Johnson Jr., Vernon L. Johnson, Steven L. King, Broderic N. Kinkead.

Frank J. Lorah, Renato S. Manansala,** Wendell N. Marshall, Peter V. Mione, Paul E. Napier, Joanne M. Perna, Richard L. Pounsberry Jr.,*** Anthony B. Powell, William T. Redden Jr.

Jeffrey S. Rosen, Eva J. Rosenblatt, Stephen C. Savage, George E. Singleton, Terry A. Smith, Derek M. Snyder, James B. Snyder.

Richard L. Sprouse, Joseph P. Swam, Samuel J. Taylor III, Marvin L. Teal, Charlie T. Thomas, Dwight P. Thomas, James L. Vaughan, Gary W. Vogel.

* Maryland Department of Transportation

** Department of the Navy

*** Annapolis Police Department.

Scouts Pack-O-Ree

Chairperson LaRue Jones invites all Cub Scouts, leaders, family and friends of the Shot Tower District to register, participate and witness the "Akela's Pack-O-Ree" on Aug. 2 at Rosedale Recreation Park, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This is the time for all cub scouts to compete against each other and as a team against other packs.

Packs may register by mailing the fee of $7, along with the number of cubs, adult leaders and the pack number, to, Scout Headquarters, Boy Scouts of America, 701 Wyman Park Dr., Balto., Md. 21211, Attn: Pack-O-Ree.

This years host is Pack 650, sponsored by "Our Lady of Fatima R.C. Church. Packs registered are 10, 18, 109, 165, 181, 208, 644, 650. It is hoped many citizens will attend to see the boys in action and taking another step to build themselves into leaders of the future.

Registration at the park from 9-11 AM on the day of the event. In case of rain, the event will be rescheduled for a later date.

Teamsters sell food stamps

Mrs. Maud S. Harvey, director of the Department of Social Services, has announced that as of Thursday, July 31, Food Stamps will be sold at the offices of the TEAMCO Corporation, 4430 Park Heights Ave. The corporation offices open for the sale of Food Stamps from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday through Saturday.

The TEAMCO Corporation is a corporation formed by the Baltimore Teamsters Local 937 specifically to sell Food Stamps in the communities where they are most needed.

The formation of the corporation to sell Food Stamp marks the first time in the United States that a union has taken steps to sell Food Stamps.

The corporation plans to open additional Food Stamps locations in Baltimore in the near future. An official opening of the TEAMCO sales offices is set for 10 A.M., Thursday, July 31.

WALTHALL M. BERRY, counselor, explains the Career and Educational Service operations at the Community College of Baltimore, to Miss Satisha Sandlin, freshman, who wants to major in mathematics in the general educational curriculum, and to Devron Minion, a sophomore who is an accounting major.

CCB has tree career, job service

By Dr. Sidney Kobre

Want to know where the jobs are? How you can advance on your present job to a better-paying position? What educational training you need?

Many people, employed men and women, housewives, recent high school graduates, are concerned about these important, but perplexing questions, and wisely are seeking answers to them from knowledgeable, responsible persons.

Aware of this problem, President Harry Bard of the Community College of Baltimore, has established a free career Counseling and Educational Service.

The service is open to all interested persons and is manned by a half-dozen counselors in the Day Division and an equal number in the Division of Continuing Education, sponsoring the late afternoon and evening classes.

EXPERT HELP

The counselors will personally help you, whether you can come for a conference in the morning, afternoon or evening, whether you are interested in part-time education or want a full program of studies.

Of particular help is David J. Johnson Jr., Job Placement Officer, who is knowledgeable about career trends in business, industry and government service.

"Our CCB Career and Educational Service is of especial value to recent high school students, who are still concerned about what to do in the fall," said Director Joseph S. Stein of Student Personnel Services, Day Division.

"High school students want to know should I try to get a full-time or part-time job. Can I get a part-time job and continue with my education? What career should I pursue? What curriculum should I take?

JOB MARKET

"The CCB counselors have an extensive knowledge of the job market and educational opportunities open to you—and they want to help you make the right decisions.

Private conferences are conducted at a leisurely pace. This is the time to come, avoiding the Fall rush and hassle later."

GRANDMOTHERS

A number of women have taken advantage of the Day Counseling Services under the direction of Mrs. Eleanor K. Heath.

These homemakers usually are mothers (but some are grandmothers) — who would like to prepare for a personally-satisfying and financially-rewarding career outside their homes, or just attend college classes for self-enrichement.

Dean Herman E. Westerberg, of the Division of Continuing Education, is concerned about the mature men and, women who are employed, or want to enter business or industry, or one of the professions or government service.

"Our CCB counseling service has helped many persons advance to better-paying positions in their own companies or to explore new opportunities in other concerns," Dean Westerberg explained.

"On a one-to-one personal basis, CCB counselors talk to these people, give them sound advice on jobs and specific courses they can take to help them. For CCB has a course or full program to suit almost every occupational need or educational interest."

PINCHED FOR MONEY?

Pinched for money now, men and women are learning about the low-cost tuition fees at CCB, which is supported by the state and city to cut educational expenses for students. Often tuition at CCB is a half or a third what it would be at other colleges.

You may go to CCB, 2901 Liberty Heights, for a counseling conference without an appointment between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. every day, and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, or call 462-5800 for an appointment.

A catalogue of day and evening courses may be obtained if you mail a card to the college.

COUNSELOR George Bess, of the CCB Career and Educational Counseling Services, gave some good advice to Noreen Grandberry, Community College student, a mathematics major at CCB.

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'Prince James of west End' is really Butta

By Michele L. McRae
Reflections Staff Writer

Prince James of West End is his new name — and high-style fashion designing is the name of his game.

Who is this person on his way to fame? Many know him as Baltimore's own J.L. Williams or Butta, (Butta-Fly), his manufacturing name.

Butta, 26, is now an artist in residency at 490 West End Ave., New York City. His plush, seven-room residence is used for private showings to buyers and living quarters.

In a recent AFRO interview he revealed his most current undertakings:

"In New York, I'm presently designing Wynnson Robert Wade Jackson's entire personal wardrobe. Jackson is the director of the well-known Robert Wynn-Jackson Performers who are now performing 'Cues' in New York. The group will begin another performance in September and I'm also designing their costumes."

Even though he is very talented, skilled and successfully reaching his goals, the "Prince" believes that keeping up on the latest fashion techniques is a must to remain in the industry.

Mr. Williams recently signed an agreement with the Fashion Institute of Technology, N.Y. stating that he will take 15 graduate credits in the fall semester.

"FIT is presently negotiating with the House of Valentino (Paris) for me to do a year of understudy there. And after that, I intend to go to Beverly Hills. Where else is there to go?", says the "Prince."

Manufacturing too

Taking what one may call 'a heavy load' on his back the designer also revealed that he is presently setting up his own manufacturing firm in Baltimore and plans to use several local designers on his staff.

Making progress at almost an unbelievable rate, Mr. Williams is now negotiating to have his designs appear in Vogue and Butterick pattern books.

In mid-August, Butta will host a buyers showing at his West End location for fashion buyers, manufacturers and the news media.

Feeling deeply that Baltimore has a lot of great talented and skilled people yet to be discovered, Butta will feature in his August showing three Baltimore-born models.

"I'll be using Andrea Bland of Baltimore who has the potential to be a successful high-fashion model; Ivy Washington and Shirley Brown, both natives of Baltimore and now of New York," he says. Wynnson Robert's and Butta will be making the male presentations.

According to Butta, another Baltimorean, Andre Eric Cross is his 'right-hand-man.' "I couldn't have made it this far without him. He'll be handling the supervision of my manufacturing at the Baltimore branch," he commented.

Butta's designs can be found in New York's Yardstick Boutique, Judith Carol's, Pins and Needles, Once Upon a Time, Green-

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Shown at a recent fashion show press party in Baltimore is J.L. Williams, who now designs under the name of Prince James of West End and is known by many as Butta, his manufacturing name. Model, Andrea Bland shows off one of the young designer's unique creations an afterfive cocktail dress done in pure silk of pale blue. Highlight of the two-piece ensemble is jacket trimmed in genuine blue fox fur. (Reflections photo by Benjamin M. Phillips)

Community calendar

JULY 26

Wedding of Patsy Ann Hall and Christopher Myers, The Word of Faith Cathedral, 212 E, 25th St., 2 p.m.

Wedding of Shirley Gayles and Stephen Winder, All Saints Catholic Church, Liberty Hghts Ave., 1 p.m.

Crab Feast to benefit St. Frances Academy; Charles A. Hall Upper School, in the school yard, 501 E. Chase St., 3-9 p.m.

Free cancer screenings for women to detect breast and uterine cancers, Sparrows Point Health Center, 4033 Northpoint Blvd. Call Baltimore County Unit, 668-2000.

AUG. 3

Sail the Chesapeake Bay with the East Baltimore Deliverance Center, 6-9 p.m. Call Christina Phillips, 358-4984.

AUG. 3-8

General Grand Masonic Congress, AF and AM and Supreme Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star of the Adoptive Rites Convention, Baltimore Hilton Hotel.

AUG. 5

Smith Specials sponsors a trip to King's Dominion. Buses leave the Alameda Shopping Center, 8 a.m. and return by 8 p.m. Call 435-6499.

AUG. 9

Wedding of Sherry A. Britton and Leon Collins, 3707 Forest Pk. Ave., 6 p.m.

AUG. 10

Evans Day Care Center, 2435 E. Madison Ave., Tom Thumb Wedding, 4 p.m.

AUG. 25

Shop and Dine in Annapolis, Md. via the Port Welcome with the East Baltimore Deliverance Center, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; sponsored by the Ways and Means Committee. Call the Rev. Christina Phillips, 358-4984.

AUG. 23

Youth of Wayland Baptist Church, 3300 Garrison Blvd., sponsor a Bicycle Race, Druid Hill Park Reservoir, noon.

Send us community notices

You can have your notices included free on the AFRO's Community Calendar. Send the dates of meetings, civic and social events, weddings, parties . . . anything of community interest to: Community Calendar, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203.

person's guide to International Women's Year

By Patricia McCormack
UPI Family Editor

Seven months of the world's first International Women's Year have ticked into history.

Not all women around the world are aware of the unusual celebration. Some may even be confused. Their spouses and children don't know whether to cheer, jeer or just look impressed when they hear, "It's International Women's Year!"

This fill-in on IWY is for such plain people.

The U.S. Center for International Women's Year is out with jewelry with the IWY symbol — a peace dove incorporating the symbol for women's equality.

Some have been heard to say, "It looks a little like a pregnant something." Upside down, depending on your art's eye, it looks a bit like a monastery's cross-topped belfry.

There are IWY watches to go into posterity with Agnew, Mickey Mouse, Nixon, Snoopy and assorted pop watches.

There is an IWY sewing kit; to some feminists, it's a putdown.

So far as can be learned, no one dares to push an IWY sweatshirt. That would be like peddling IWY handcuffs or IWY muzzles in women's jaw sizes.

Why IWY?

International Women's Year was created through rhetoric and printing presses at the United Nations. Long, long ago it was decided that 1975 would be IWY.

Member countries were advised to mark the year suitably. This is being done in many countries through rhetoric and all sizes of things that come from printing presses.

An IWY freak attempting to keep all the important IWY reports so far produced just by the U.S. and in the United States probably already has filled a two-car garage. And there are five months to go!

At some conferences, especially at the United Nations, it's easy to collect five or 10 pounds of reports. On the 21st floor of the U.N., working papers and reports and other vital papers in connection with the June 19-July 2 IWY conference in Mexico City fill all nooks and desktops.

The big paper connection with IWY isn't unique. Practically all years declared officially by the U.N. exist first on paper and, then, are executed through paper.

So it was when the U.N. declared previous years — topics ranging from geophysics to population. A meteorological year may be in the wings.

Tax Credits?

International Women's Year bestows no special privileges on the world's women. What happens in a specific country depends on its government.

An optimist could always hope in the United States, however, that Uncle Sam might mark the year by giving all female citizens a tax credit — or a special rebate.

The optimist also could hope that — for 12 months — husbands might do the dishes more often, children would walk the dog and clean the cat litter box as regularly as expected. Without being told.

In Mexico City

The big conference in Mexico City wasn't everything that all American women attending thought it should be.

A lot of them upon returning called press conferences and did what men say women do very well, they complained.

In a formal statement, the feminists in New York said there was much unity in Mexico City under difficult conditions.

Some exact words from the statement:

"The uniqueness was that women in impressive numbers and difficult conditions were able to create a global strategy committee across political lines.

"The great success was, women of the world did unite."

Patricia Hutar, a U.S. Representative to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, said "We believe we established a network of woman power that will affect governments . . . by virtue of its recognition for the need for women to hold political power."

The purpose of the conference, to use the U.N.'s exact words: "To focus attention on a world plan of action to achieve dynamic action to bring women, together with men, into the mainstream of progress and development."

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AFRO Model of the Week returns with an exclusive article on Carter Bryant, photographic advertising model, based out of Baltimore. In an interview with Reflections staff writer, Michele L. McRae, Bryant tells how he entered the field. Watch for it!

Local club notes

Alpha Kappa Alpha

The Columbia chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority recently entertained the four finalists for its scholarship. The finalists were Cheryl Bryant, Mount Hebron High School; Cynthia Collins, Howard High School; Karen Carbone, Atholton High School; and Maureen Kennedy, Atholton High School.

The winner of this year's scholarship is Cynthia Collins who plans to become a registered nurse. She has been active in church groups and was a cheerleader at Howard High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Collins.

This is the second year the chapter has awarded a scholarship to a local high school graduate.

Meritocrats

A local men's club, the Meritocrats hosted its annual fund-raiser at Nixon's Farm, West Friendship, Md. on Saturday.

The picnic was hosted to benefit the group's scholarship fund. Two scholarships, $250 each, are presented each year to deserving high school graduates.

As reported by Joseph Obey, president, the group raised about $1,000 from the affair attended by some 300 persons.

Plans are now being made by the group to attend the Jackson 5 show scheduled for Sept. at Painters Mill, to attend the Morgan-Grambling Game, Washington Stadium and to dine aboard the LaBatau Cruiser in the fall.

Members of the group are Meredith Addison, Henry Caraway, Frank M. Conaway, Jim Edward, Arstead Jenkins, Alonzo Kilgore, Lloyd C. Mitchner, Ernest Murphy, Henderson Neal, Richard Palmer, Claude A. Parker Jr., Claude H. Patterson Jr., Harry Peaker, Charles Rabinson, Alonzo S. Rogers, David White, Vernon White, Arthur Murphy Jr., Clarence Hawkins, Coach Earl Banks, and Jack Alston.

Islanders' 'for real' sound of steel for Baltimore

By Cynthia Grandison
Reflections Staff Writer

What began with three guys — Paul Gervais, Larry Sinclair and Richard Semper — holding weekend jam sessions using a few beer cans and soda bottles (as percussion instruments) has become the prominent Trinidad and Tobago Baltimore Steel Band.

Not a musician student among them, this band is aiming for a second album and extended tours.

Their soothing sound and rhythm have made them popular at festivals and cabarets in Annapolis, Washington, D.C. and this city.

"We have a magnetic pull that gets people up to dance," said Pasley Graham, the group's booking manager.

Now in its fourth year, the group appeared at the First Annual West Indian-American Ethnic Day, organized by Mr. Graham, a native of Trinidad, who has been making his home in Baltimore for over 10 years.

These 16 men, most of whom have families, stem from Trinidad and Tobago.

Wherever they go audiences are amazed at their talent. They drew the largest audience at the recent three-day Arts Festival.

Mr. Graham adds, "Barry White knocked around for 10 years" before reaching stardom. Within 5 years they hope to make it big.

A welcome attraction in some of the band's performances is a "show and tell" period where each musician tells how his instrument is played and answers questions.

On one occasion, a "doubting Thomas" came on stage and examined the drums said Mr. Graham, to see if an electronic device was producing the sound.

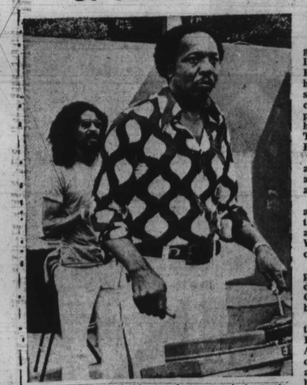
Many doubt the fact that a disguarded petroleum drum can become a tuned instrument.

Manager Graham's admirable ambition is to tour the inner city recruiting young people with a desire to learn this art.

Mini-courses, workships in making drums and festivals involving neighborhood bands would eventuate.

They already have a "Big Eight Steel Band" made up of young men at George Murphy Homes, ages 7-15.

As the official city and state Steel Band, they can at tribute their popularity to an unusual sound and what Mr. Graham calls "no stiff collar stuff" in the music world.



Front and rear brake drums of a car are instruments for Palsey Graham, front, who is sometimes called "Ironman" because of this. Also shown is Allen alias "Indian."

During the Trinidad and Tobago Baltimore Steel band's hour-long performance at the Baltimore Arts Festival, musicians played their arrangement of "Cameleon." Pictured (L-R); Charles Peters, Louis Potts, Kendrick Wharff, Steve Raphael, Winston Watkins, Paul Gervais and Richard Semper. (Reflections photo by Cynthia Grandison)

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