MRS. HOUSTON R. JACKSON — Retired Baltimore school teacher who died Saturday at age of 78, was given requiem mass Wed. at St. Katherine's Episcopal Church. Her husband, retired assistant superintendent of schools, is helped from church by family friend, Norris Weis, left. In rear, mortician Herbert Nutter and nurse with deceased's sister, Miss Hermione Wharton. Other relatives in rear, Dr. Ralph W. Reckling Sr., and daughter, Mrs. Hermione Hardin.
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3 memorial services held for Mrs. Houston R. Jackson

Relatives, friends, former co-workers and church members who knew and loved her best gathered at St. Katherine Episcopal Church Wednesday morning to memorialize Mrs. Houston R. Jackson.

The former Constantia Wharton, member of a pioneer Baltimore family of educators, died at her summer home in Cape Cod, Mass., on Saturday. She was 76.

There was standing room only in the chapel, at the corner of Pressman St. and Division, across the street from the Jackson home at 565 Pressman.

An elderly mourner whispered to a reporter, "You're seeing people here today who have been coming here for years, they're turning out for them, they helped so many..."

Reference was to the reputation members of the Wharton family have had for helping others and for their devotion to St. Katherine Episcopal which they helped develop to its present status as an independent church. (For years, it had been a parish of the Mt. Calvary Church.

At one time, Mrs. Jackson directed and sang on the choir as did her late mother, Mrs. Pauline Brown Wharton, also a longtime Baltimore city teacher.

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Four ministers participated in the brief rites. The rector, Father Samuel Logan officiated. In his eulogy he remembered Mrs. Jackson for her devotion to the church and community.

The Rev. Vernon N. Dobson, pastor, Union Baptist Church, where Mrs. Jackson belongs and formerly directed the choir, offered prayer.

Father Donald O. Wilson, St. James Episcopal Church, and Father William Lowry, former rector of St. Katherine's, now at the Church of Holy Nativity, assisted in administering Holy Communion.

Walter Fisher, former student of the deceased was at the organ. Soloists were, Earl Grandison, former member of the choir under Mrs. Jackson, and James Tyeska, a Julliard student.

Mr. Tyaska was dining with the Jacksons at their summer home when she was stricken.

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The Wednesday rites were the last of three memorial services for Mrs. Jackson. The first was held in Cape Cod on Monday.

On Tuesday evening, at the church here in Baltimore, the wake services attracted a large crowd which spilled out into the sidewalks.

Born in Baltimore, Mrs. Jackson was one of three daughters of Heber Wharton and Pauline Brown Wharton. Her father was one of the first black school principals. He died in 1910. Her mother was a noted musician and teacher for some 29 years until her death in 1958.

The Wharton girls known for their beauty, charm and talent—won many friends while growing up and were much in demand all their lives by their peers, as well as by students they coached and befriended.

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Sole surviving member of the immediate family is Miss Hermione Wharton, retired teacher and former principal of Lemmel Junior High.

Another sister was also a teacher, the late Mrs. Pauline Wharton Bond. A brother, Dr. Heber Wharton, an Erie, Pa. physician when he died.

Mrs. Jackson was educated in the Baltimore public schools, was a graduate of Morgan State College, her master's from Columbia University. She was an art teacher at Dunbar and Douglass High Schools for 31 years.

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She and Dr. Jackson were married in 1933. He was assistant superintendent of Baltimore's public schools when he retired in 1967.

In addition to active direction of the St. Katherine's choir for 25 years, Mrs. Jackson belonged to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the Gay Northeasterners, the B.Y.O. Club and served on the Baltimore Symphony Women's Auxiliary.

In addition to her husband and sister, immediate survivors include a nephew, former U.S. Ambassador Clifton R. Wharton, now of Phoenix, Ariz., and nieces, Mrs. Hermione Harden, and Mrs. Marie W. Owens.

Active pallbearers included: Ronald and John Snowden Jr., John Rich, Renold Lighston, Harry Carpenter III, and Leonidas Hymun.

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Among others who occupied cars to Arbutus Memorial Park for burial were: honorary pallbearers including Dr. Saul Perdue, Reuben Jones, Harry Carpenter, Frank A. DeCosta Jr., Henry Johnston, Dr. Renold Lighston, Norris Weis, John L. Berry, Ed Wilson, Luther Hardin Sr., Joseph N. Hill, Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, and Clements Nixon, The Nutter Funeral Home was in charge — E. M. MOSS

IN OUR CHURCHES

By Pam Widgeon

Churches are invited to send news of special church activities and a copy of their church programs.

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The Gospel Choir of St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 4502 Park Heights Ave. will celebrate its fourth anniversary on Sunday, 7 p.m. at the church. Special guest will be the Edwin Hawkins Singers.

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The Rev. Dr. John R. Bryant has served as pastor of Bethel AME Church, Druid Hill Ave. and Lanvale St. for three months.

When preaching one of his first sermons at the church, he told the members one of his primary goals was to bring in 100 new members during his first year as pastor. The Rev. Mr. Bryant stated, "We are convinced that Bethel's future will be as bright as its past. There have been 100 new members to join the church since May."

The influence of the Rev. Dr. Bryant's ministry has brought about an openness and warmth which is readily apparent in the congregation as a whole.

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PUSH CONFAB OPENING — The Rev. Jesse Jackson, national president, opens the fourth annual convention of Operation PUSH, August 6, in Philadelphia, at the Sheraton Hotel. Listening intently are PUSH officials who were participants in the four-day convention which drew thousands of prestigious leaders from throughout the nation.

PUSH to mobilize moral strengths

By Mildred O'Neill

PHILADELPHIA — The largest gathering in the history of Operation PUSH, People United to Save Humanity, assembled in Philadelphia, August 6-9, for the fourth annual national convention at the Sheraton Hotel.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, national director of PUSH, said convening in Philadelphia for the convention carried with it a certain symbolism.

The deterioration of civilized ideals in our country, dramatized by Watergate, the revelations concerning CIA and FBI, the attacks by these and other government agencies upon various organizations struggling for social change, he said, underscore the compelling need to defend the constitutional rights set forth in Philadelphia nearly 200 years ago.

Jesse Jackson explained the theme for the convention — "Save the Family:"

"To meet the present crisis and assist the nation in the reconstruction of the United States society, PUSH has taken as part of its responsibility mobilizing the spiritual and moral reserves of strength that exist in the black church and in our family structure."

The four-day convention was directed toward forwarding that goal.

However, special emphasis was placed on national crisis involving consumer affairs, housing, unemployment, health care, education, status of women and boosting minority business.

Among the delegates were some of the nation's most prestigious leaders, representing presidents of educational institutions, businessmen, clergymen and community organizers.

The convention featured seminars and workshops.

Heading the Philadelphia delegation and serving as convention hosts were the Rev. Charles Walker, president of Philadelphia PUSH; the Rev. James Hall, pastor of Triumph Baptist Church and convention chairman, and Ms. Emma Chappell, treasurer and acting executive director of the local chapter.

On Wednesday, the Rev. Mr. Jackson called for a commitment of $750 million a year for each of the next five years to stop the "brain drain" of talented blacks to other schools.

"We can no longer support black schools on cocktail parties and chicken dinners," he said. "The major white schools take our best athletes and our valedictorians, but we must save these black schools because their object is to save the average student and provide him with an alternative. We need schools with teachers who love us, and administrators who understand us.

Dr. Charles Lyons Jr., chancellor of Fayetteville State University, also spoke at the luncheon meeting for business and community leaders. He said, "Our critics say we are of low quality, but black schools are accredited by the same institutions that accredit other schools. We have to meet the same standards."

Dr. Lyons scored the charge that black colleges help perpetuate defactor segregation.

"These colleges have never denied admission to students os the basis of race or color," he said, "except where the laws of their own states provided that they had to. Black colleges have been responsive to all Americans."

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He said the problem with that they have not shown a real willingness to serve minority students."

Dr. Lyons stated, "Black schools enroll 200,000 students, and we graduate 30,000 a year. That's the difference. We not only enroll them, we graduate them. We cannot be ignored.

"We graduate 75 per cent of black Army officers: 55 per cent of black congressman; 80 per cent of black federal judges: 55 per cent of all black elected officials in the South.

"We are the custodians of the black archives of America. We teach black history and black achievement. We have financial problems, but so do the white colleges.

"Don't worry," he said, "We'll survive; we are solvent; we will keep on doing business as usual; black people have a genius for survival."

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A key activity on Wednesday was a reception for the Rev. Mr. Jackson at Bright Hope Baptist Church, 12th St. and Columbia Ave., which was followed by a performance of the Chicago PUSH Choir with Louise Williams, Philadelphia radio prrsonality, and Kitty Parham, featuring "Requiem to Brother Martin," composed by Philadelphia PUSH president the Rev. Mr. Walker.

Thursday's highlights were: a labor breakfast, with Bill Lucy, national secretary-treasurer, American Federation of State, County and Municipal (AFO-CIO) presiding.

The keynote speakers were Congressman August Hawkins, D-Calif.; and integrated institutions is Marc Step, vice president, United Auto Workers, Detroit.

An Interfaith ministers' luncheon was held with Bishop H. N. Brookins, 17th Episcopal District of the AME Church of Central Africa, presiding. The keynote speaker was the Rev. Mr. Leon Sullivan, founder of OIC.

At the women's luncheon, Philadelphia-member Council Dr. Ethel Allen presided. Commonwealth Secretary C. Delores Tucker brought greetings. The keynoter was Mrs. Addie Wyatt, i ternational director.

The topics discussed were the five forces of power for women, save the family and religion-labor-economic-education-media.

On Friday, at the black elected officials and business persons luncheon and workshop participants included Mrs. Tucker, Colorado Lt. Governor George Brown, Gary Mayor Richard Hatcher and Manhattan burrough president Percy Stutton.

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Participants in women's workshops were Ms. Emma Chappell, vice president Continental Bank, Philadelphia; Ms. Winifred Gray, secretary-treasurer of Operation PUSH, Buffalo, N.Y.; Ms. Louise Quarles Lawson, president, Illinois Federal Savings and Loan, Chicago, Ill.; Ms. Audrey Colom, president, National Women's POLITICAL Caucus.

Also, Ms. Barbara Proctor, president, Proctor and Gardner Advertising, Chicago, and Marv Stewart, Curtom Records.

A national radio broadcast of the rally from ducted by the Rev. Willie Progress Plaza was conBarrow. "Family Day" was held with over 6,000 persons in attendance.

Last rites Saturday for longshoreman

Funeral services will be held Saturday 7:30 p.m. at 1639 N. Broadway for Andrew Jones, 52-year-old longshoreman. The family will receive friends from 7 to 7:30 p.m. burial will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Police report Mr. Jones of 2201 Smallwood St. was found floating in the Patapsco River in Anne Arundel County.

Mr. Jones of 2201 Smallwood St. had been a longshoreman for 30 years. Police report a bus driver found his body close to the tunnel expressway Aug. 5, at 4:20 p.m.

The brother Alex Jones reported his brother missing on Aug. 2, when he never returned home from work. Dr. H. Robert Rubin the medical examiner, told the AFRO, there were no signs of foul play. It was not drowning. It was heart disease, a natural death from heart disease.

In addition to his wife and brother, Mr. Jones is survived by a son, William L. Jones; three daughters, Ms. Edith Marsh, Ms. Georgia Grave and Ms. Beatrice Ray; three sisters and 19 grandchildren.

Jessie Fowlkes dies at City Hospitals

Funeral services were held at 9 p.m. Aug. 12 at the William C. March Funeral Home for Jessie Fowlkes, 46, 2715 E. Hoffman St.

Mr. Fowlkes died Aug. 8 at Baltimore City Hospitals of causes unknown.

Mr. Fowlkes was born in Crewe, Va. in 1929. He was employed at the Venture Vending Co. in Baltimore.

He is buried at King Memorial Park.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mattie Fowlkes and a son, Clarence Williams.

Adderley rites held in Florida

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Burial services for Julian "Cannonball" Adderley on the Florida A and M University campus here featured the singing of vocalist Nancy Wilson, who was one of the discoveries of the famed alto saxaphonist.

A former student of the Florida school, Adderley died Friday, Aug. 8 at St. Mary Mercy Medical Center in Gary, Ind., the victim of a paralyzing stroke nearly a month earlier.

The official cause of death was listed as cardiac arrest.

The 1,800 persons in attendance at the service departed to a recording of "Somewhere," one of Adderley's most well known songs.

Those present included Adderley's brother Nat and members of the Cannonball Adderley Quintet.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, Chicago civil rights leader, said in an eulogy that Adderley was "the resident philosopher of Jazz."

He said Adderley rose above the prejudice of whites and the stiff competition of fellow musicians to become the greatest alto saxophonist in the last 15 years.

"Cannon fought the odds in a society bent on castrating black males," Jackson said. "No person, regardless of race or sex, could ignore Cannon. When he blew his saxophone, you felt a little at ease in a troubled world and the savage beast had to hold his peace."

Jackson, a long-time friend of the late musician, said Adderley's gift to humanity was unselfishness.

"He had his greatness and his fame, but he did not use it, abuse it or lose it. He expanded it. That's why there is a Nancy Wilson."

Miss Wilson, who sang "Everything Must Change" during the service, got her start with an Adderley group.

"To Cannon, life was more than the notes, the records or the fame. Life was people," Jackson said.

Infant dies of lung disease

According to her mother, Mrs. Xenus R. Ringgold, lung disease was the cause of the death of her one-day old infant daughter, Jennifer Leah Ringgold.

Mrs. Ringgold said her daughter died Aug. 3 at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center and is entombed at the Druid Ridge Memorial Park.

Jennifer's parents, who reside at 4011 Dorchester Rd. are Otho R. and Mrs. Xenus R. Ringgold. Nicholas Edwards is her brother.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Otho R. Ringgold Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Ray.

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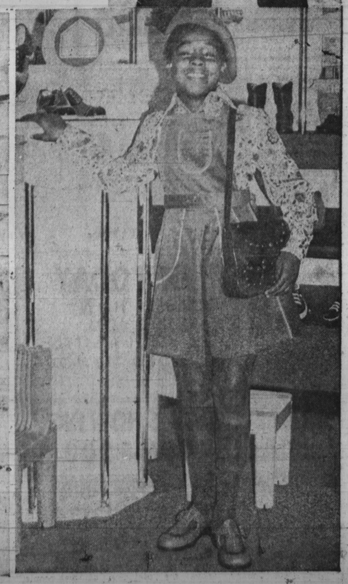

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