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AFRAM EXPO '76-an effort to emphasize the often over-looked role of blacks in the growth and development of America will be held Aug. 7-8 at the Charles Center and Hopkins Plaza. Highlighted will be aspects of black life and culture. Committee members are (l-r seated) Mrs. Twilah Scarborough, Miss Phyllis Hathaway, Mrs. Leona Henderson, Miss Donna Golyard, and Mrs. Alma Franklin. Standing are Travil Vauls, Norman Ross, Fred Bailey, Fletcher Jackson, Franklin Showell and Charles Caldwell.

AFRAM Expo will show contributions by blacks

The AFRAM Expo was conceived as a bicentennial observance of the accomplishments and contributions of black people in the development and progress of this country.

It is to show particularly, the accomplishments of blacks in Maryland as well as in the country as a whole. Similarly, it will show some aspects of black culture and life styles.

To do this, it is planned that the AFRAM Expo will be held on Aug. 7 and 8 in downtown Baltimore (Hopkins and Charles Plazas.)

There will be several aspects of black life and culture, such as religion, foods, music and even dress. Many national personalities in music and other performing media will be invited to perform. There will be exhibits by artists and organizations which have had some influence in black culture in this country.

Additionally, business and industry will be invited to show accomplishments of blacks in those areas. Religion will be an important aspect, for this has been a very significant aspect of black life. Soul food will be available and a booklet depicting black sayings and menus will be sold.

AFRAM Expo will be for the entire city of Baltimore. It will also be the result of a pooled effort by many people from many walks of life in our city.

Highlights of the event will feature the Liberian National Cultural Troupe performing at Mondawmin Shopping Center at 1 p.m. and at Cherry Hill Jr. High School at 8 p.m. on Aug. 7. On the Aug. 8, the group will give an all-afternoon performance at the Hopkins Plaza.

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AFTER WRECKING FAMILY CAR

Forest Park student kills himself

Apparently afraid his father would be mad for wrecking the family car, a 17-year-old Forest Park Senior High School student reportedly shot himself to death in his parent's bedroom last week.

Police records show Marcelius Anthony Brown, was found on the bed of his 3700 block Boarman Ave. home bleeding from a gunshot wound to the right of his head.

Brown, described by his parents, friends and neighbors as a likeable and lovely person, was pronounced dead at 10:10 p.m. July 8 after Sinai Hospital doctors' efforts failed to save him.

A medical examiner's spokeswoman told the AFRO Wednesday afternoon Brown's death has been ruled a "suicide." The spokeswoman said the victim died from gunshot wounds to the head.

Young Brown who would have been in the 11th grade next fall was planning for a career in the armed forces. Relatives state Brown liked playing the guitar and loved to ride his motor bike.

"I don't know why he did it," said Mrs. Alma Brown, the dead youth's mother, "I guess to hurt us he wanted to hurt himself first. He was a sentimental sort of person, you know."

Mrs. Brown said nobody really knows why her son killed himself but there could have been many factors. He said young Brown was seriously affected by the recent drowning of a cousin with whom he had gone fishing. She said Brown tried desperately to save him.

Both Mrs. Brown and her husband, Leslie, an AMOCO Steel Company employe, stated they heard the news with great shock. Both were at work when the incident happened. Mrs. Brown said she first heard about the accident through her daughter and was later trying to call home to find more about it when she was hit with the shooting report. To Mr. Brown the accident and the shooting came at the same time.

Shortly after 8 p.m. July 7, according to relatives, the youth without his father's authority, went for a ride in the family car. Somewhere near Dorchester and Ayrdale Ave. the car was in an accident and with the help of friends, Brown pushed the car nearly six blocks home.

Police reports claim when Brown came home his sister entered into an argument with him over the wrecked car however, the family, refuting this explained there was no argument other than a mere statement by the sister saying: "Marcell today daddy will get you."

A few minutes after he came home, according to relatives, Brown who was outside the house with friends, re-entered the house and headed towards the front room. When his sister asked him where he was going, he reportedly told her: "I will be right back."

Shortly afterwards, the sister heard "what sounded like a bump on the floor and then a shot," according to police reports.

Mrs. Brown said shortly before 9 p.m. her supervisor called her to the phone where she learned about the car accident from her daughter. However, as she tried to reached home later to know the specifics of the accident she was greeted with a worse news — the shooting — by a neighbor who answered the phone.

Mrs. Brown, a Fort Meade employe, who said she and her husband work very hard to provide a good life for their children philosophically told the AFRO: "He was such a good child and it was unusual. Maybe it was God's will; this is the way I look at it.

MARCELIUS A. BROWN

BICENTENNIAL BABIES—In line with its objectives of giving good health, the Monumental Health Plan, Inc., marked the birth of babies born during the nation's 200th birthday. The babies, Avon Lowell born to Mrs. Renee Hamlin on July 4 at 2:26 p.m. weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs.; and Nicole Alternice born to Mrs. Contessa Stewart on July 5 at 9:36. MHP health education coordinator, Ms. Joycelyn J. Woodrum, presented gifts to both mothers and babies during a ceremony at the Provident Hospital on July 5. Present were Rev. Griffin, advisory council member and Dr. Shirley Clinton. Miss Woodrum is seen presenting a gift to Mrs. Hamlin as Mrs. Stewart, Ms. Cynthia Brower and Dr. Lionel Desbordes look on.

MINI NEWS

Cowie named UF head

The UNITED FUND-CICHA campaign has named William H. Cowie, Jr., president of the Union Trust Co., of Maryland, chairman of a Large Firm Division it was announced by Frank A. Gunther, Jr., general campaign chairman. As a Large Firms Division chairman, Mr. Cowie will lend his assistance in helping to develop an employee campaign activities for major Baltimore area industry, business and commerce. Mr. Cowie is a member of the board of the American Red Cross and South Baltimore General Hospital. He resides in Baltimore. The UNITED FUND-CICHA campaign last year raised over $14 million in support of its over 90 affiliated health and human services agencies.

Belly dancing lesson

Parents Without Partners next general meeting will be at a new location and time. On Monday, July 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the Towson branch of the Baltimore County Library, York Road, Towson. Ms Roberta Marcus will discuss and give a demonstration n "The Womanly Art of Belly Dancing." There is parking available on the street and in back of the library. The public is invited refreshments will be served following the meeting which will end at 10:30 p.m. For additional information call 922-4058.

Small business journal

The University of Baltimore School of Business has published the first issue of the **American Journal of Small Business**, a quarterly offering of practical approaches to contemporary problems in small business management. The journal is edited by Dr. Narendra C. Bhandari, UB associate professor of management and consultant in small business management. With editorial advice from business management professionals from throughout the United States, the Journal accepts manuscripts for publication only after thorough, anonymous review by at least three referees. Subscriptions are $10 a year. Contact: Dr. Narendra C. Bhandari, editor, **American Journal of Small Business**, University of Baltimore, Charles at Mount Royal, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Day Care group officers

Marjorie K. Smith was elected president of Maryland Committee for the Day Care of Children during their annual meeting held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Marjorie Smith, formerly vice-president, succeeded Therese W. Lansburgh, who had served as president for four years. Officers-elect were Sadie Ginsberg, Sarah O'Brien, Carl Hecht, vice-presidents, respectively; Jimmie LaForest, secretary; James Bannister, treasurer; Garber Davidson, counsel. New members elected to the board of directors were Henry Johnson, Joanna Anderson, George L. Bennett, Barbara Elder, Irwin Brown, Katherine Kenny, Peter K. Streett, Jean Berman Weinberg, Hilya-Marie Burlingham.

CBS morning news program

CBS Morning News may be reaching Maryland classrooms at all hours of the school day under the terms of a contract just signed by the TV network and the Maryland State Department of Education. The $750 agreement permits Maryland schools to make off-the-air video tapes from CBS morning, evening, midday and Sunday night newscasts, as well as political convention coverage and governmental hearings. It runs until June 30, 1977. The recordings, according to the terms of the agreement, may be usedonly for in-school education purposes. Newscasts must be erased within 30 days, but convention and governmental hearing coverage may be kept until next December. Commercials may be deleted.

The Sea of Eden film

The proposed BALTIMORE AQUARIUM invites the public to attend a free showing of "THE SEA OF EDEN," a colorful film by world-famous underwater photographer Al-Giddings plus, an informative presentation by the proposed BALTIMORE AQUARIUM at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20 at Center Stage, Calvert and Monument Sts. Giddings, an expert scuba diver and noted writer has also produced many award-winning undersea TV documentaries. The BALTIMORE AQUARIUM presentation will include pictures of the facility proposed for Pier 3 in Baltimore Inner Harbor, as well as many examples of exotic marine life from the world's oceans which could be included in the proposed BALTIMORE AQUARIUM's live exhibits.

BBB elects officers

Paul F. Wooden has been elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the Better Business Bureau of Baltimore. He succeeds J. William Middleton, executive vice president of Equitable Trust Company, who served two terms in the post as head of the 2,000-member non-profit business consumer relations organizations. Other officers elected by the Board are: John L. Knott, president of Henry A. Knott Remodeling Co., and C. Allen Kozelski, vice president of Black and Decker Manufacturing C., as vice chairmen; Warren W. Gelston as president; Joseph A. Eikenberg, president of Aero Motors, as treasurer; Robert W. Taylor, president of Johnson Brothers as secretary.

Mr. Bobbitt named to fibrosis board

HUGH W. BOBBITT

Hugh William Bobbitt was elected to the board of directors for the Maryland Chapter Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at its 17th annual meeting held Feb. 28 at the Hunt Valley Inn.

Mr. Bobbit is Urban Affairs representative for the AMOCO Oil Company in Baltimore. He received his B.A. degree in urban sociology and his graduate work study degree in urban affairs-management ad-ministration. He attended Lincoln University, St. Louis University, George William College and completed his graduate work at Oklahoma University.

Mr. Bobbitt lives with his wife and three children in Columbia. His bobbies and special interests are tennis, golf, urban planning, swimming, family activities and keeping informed on national and social events.

He is a member of the Frontiers, National Urban League, National Business League, Baltimore Marketing Association, National Personnel Administration and the YMCA.

Mr. Bobbitt was a member of the U.S. Army Airborne Special Forces and now is a active as a public and civic leader with the National Business League, a National Student Business League advisor, on the College and Economic Business Committees for Howard, Morgan University and Coppin State College, national advisor on Urban Affairs and career education to government business organizations.

Shore raid nabs man with $7,000

Cambridge, Md. (UPI) — State police charged five persons last week after raiding a "substantial illegal lottery operation" in a private home.

Police confiscated $9,000, lottery paraphernalia, and four automobiles during a raid on a Washington Street home occupied by Lockwood J. Cornish, 63, and his wife Flossie, 56.

Police said Cornish had $7,000 in his pocket when arrested.

Also charged were Joseph S. Small, 60, Easton; Carl Davis, 53, Vienna and Sherwood L. Jackson, 33.

All were released on personal recognizance pending an Aug. 30 trial. The arrests followed a three-month investigation.

DORIS HEATH
symbol of dedication and success

Nurse at Sinai completes degree

Doris Heath, nurse in the Coronary Care Unit at Sinai Hospital, recently completed her registered nurse degree at Community College of Baltimore, while working full-time as a licensed practical nurse at Sinai.

The mother of three daughters, ages 19, 17 and 13, Mrs. Heath attended school parttime and later full-time since 1971. Other nurses in the C.C.U. assisted Mrs. Heath by arranging hours so that she could attend classes. She is now awaiting the results of her registry examination.

"I plan to remain in the C.C.U.," Mrs. Heath said, "as I find it very rewarding and I am fond of all my co-workers."

She credits Michel Mirowski, director of the C.C.U. and Esther Dubin, R.N., previously head nurse in the C.C.U. as instrumental in her decision to return to school and giving her the encouragement to finish. Mrs. Heath was assisted financially through Sinai's Tuition Reimbursement Program.

Dr. Mirowski, an internationally known cardiologist, describes Mrs. Heath as an extremely compentent nurse who is always personally concerned for her patients' well-being.

"We are fortunate to have a nurse like Doris on our staff," he noted, "and we are proud of her successful completion of her education."

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