Columbia Capers

Briscoes celebrate silver anniversary in New York

By Pinnie L. Ross

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Briscoe (Roberta) who recently celebrated their 25th anniversary in New York.

The Briscoes spent 5 days at the St. Regis - Sheraton Hotel where a superb dinner was prepared for them.

Next stop was Asbury Park, New Jersey to visit family friends. Mrs. Briscoe is former Link President, Columbia Chapter.

Regional Writer's Workshop

My dear friend Dr. Frances N. Beckles, author of the book "Twenty Black Women," and associate professor at Morgan State University announces Baltimore's first Regional Writer's Workshop, which will be held at Morgan on Saturday, October 20th in the McKeldin Ballroom.

Maryland's poet Lucille Clifton, and Jauanoza Kunjufu, of the Third Word Press are among the scheduled speakers.

Nikki Giovanni, poet, and Earl Graves, executive editor of Black Enterprise are invited guests.

The Workshop is sponsored by Melmore Communications, The student Government Association and the Umojo Council

It will focus on assisting writers to strengthen their skills and gain more knowledge in writing prose, poetry and self publishing.

The workshop will also feature a "meet the author hour," where writers will be able to make available autographed copies of their publications. For further information contact Barbara White at university 444-3537.

School bells rang out for children to return to the classrooms last week.

Pretty Terri and Donna Hill, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hill (Ethel) are among those returning to studies.

Terri is in her sophomore year at Howard University where she is an honor roll student, and just this summer was elected for the coming year to the board of directors of the cooperative book store at Howard.

Donna is an honor graduate of Prinston University. At present she is attending George Washington University studying law.

Carolyn Briscoe, another lovely graduate from Fisk University, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Briscoe, (Roberta), is doing graduate work at Howard University. She was no honor graduate and received many awards upon graduation.

Still another brilliant young lady is Celonia Walden, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Emersen Walden (Celonia).

She graduated with high honors from Howard Community College and is now attending Towson State University.

Celonia is the author of a book of poems and has made several appearances around the metropolitan area.

Yet another cutie is of Robert and the late Delores Harper.

She also will be attending Towson State University and has been chosen for the girls basketball team.

Christy was Wilde Lake High School's Girl basketball star and all county.

Michael McKinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt McKinney (Maureen) an honor graduate of Boston University, and a business major, has accepted a position at the Chase Manhattan Bank as Junior Executive, New York.

Another beauty and honor student is Karen Corneck, a graduate of Howard University, now attending law school at Howard U..

She is the daughter of Mrs. Helen Croneck.

Tanya Rayford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rayford is a freshman at Hampton Institute. Also attending Hampton is Angela Stevens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stevens (Iris).

OPEN HOUSE

The Howard County section of National Council of Negro Women will have Open House September 16, from 4 until 6 p.m. at the Grempler Building located at Little Patuxent Parkway next to Howard Community College.

Performing at the Open House will be Miss Denise Powell, Miss Talented Teen, Maryland and Columbia's first runner up Miss Tilwana Boone.

The public is invited to attend. For further information contact 730-3076.

Walter J. Lee Rites

1974 retiree, Walter J. Lee was funeralized this past week at New Carmel Star Baptist Church. He is survived by his devoted wife, Mrs. Ruth Lee, who is also a federal government retiree; a sister, Mrs. Mary L. Randall, other relatives, former co - workers, and friends.

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Woodlawn Highlights

Miss Talented Teen, Md.1979 is guest at Drama Luncheon

By Marjorie R. Green

Md's Miss Talented Teen guest dramatist at SSA's lunchtime drama

The Social Security Administration recently presented a lunchtime drama in the Woodlawn Altmeyer Auditorium in observance of the 59th Anniversary of Woman's Suffrage.

Highlighting the event was the appearance of Denise A. Powell, a poetess and winner of Maryland's Miss Talented recited one of her original poems "Big Sis - Little Sis."

A Walbrook Senior High School student, Denise has won several awards among which are the Creative Writing Award, Walbrook Senior High Outstanding Achievement Award and the Omega Talent Hunt. She was also a finalist in the Miss Talented Teen International in Hollywood, California and is the author of a published book of poetry entitled "Reaching."

Others participating in the drama that included scenes from the Seneca Falls Convention, The Sojourner Truth Speech and The Susan B. Anthony Trial were members of the Federally Employed Women and Area I Council Toastmistress Clubs.

Susan B. Anthony was one of the most outspoken leaders in the Woman Suffrage movement. It was after a meeting in Albany, New York when she was told that the "Sisters were not invited there to speak but to listen and learn," that she left and organized the Woman's State Temperance Society of New York. Her main crusade was aimed at getting women the right to vote.

DENISE POWELL, U.S.A. Miss Talented Teen, Maryland, 1979, was a guest dramatist at the Social Security Administration's Lunchtime Drama Fest recently.

Narrators for the program dramatized the active role of women in World War II and the significant gains presently being made by women in previously male dominated professions.

Bonnie Yocum, Jacquie Roland, Virginia Kolan, Mary Stahl, Carol Walker, Marlyn Marskie, Bill O'Brien, John Fischer, Pete DiRito, Rosalie Crown, Verna Day and Lillian Coombs, who gave musical renditions of "Impossible Dream" and "Tomorrow," were among the participants with speaking parts in the drama.

The first Woman's Suffrage Convention was held in Seneca Falls, New York in 1848.

Kitty Smith, Acting Federal Women's Program Coordinator for the Social Security Administration coordinated the Women's Equality Day" Program.

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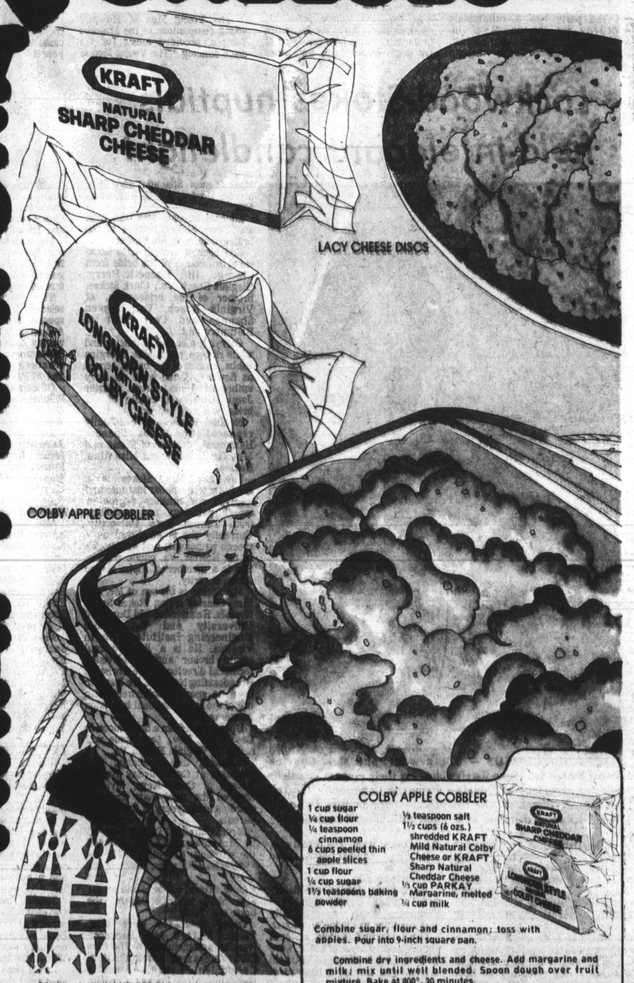

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Bride is member of noted Virginia family

By Elizabeth M. Oliver, City Editor

Miss Barbara Denise Carrington, the lovely bride of Navy Sgt. Melvin Oliver, is member of the noted Virginia family, the Taylor, Hicks, Blackwell, Tisdale family, said to include 3,300 members and the largest in the United States.

The family stems from Brunswick, Northumberland and other adjacent counties and has among other famed members, Arthur Ashe, the tennis champion and Bill Cosby, the TV and movie star and Dr. James Ellison, the first black president of Virginia Union University.

The bride is daughter of Baltimore's James and Gloria Tisdale Carrington. Her grandparents are Sallie Taylor, Bascom and Nellie Taylor and she is a fourth generation member of the Hicks and Taylor clan.

The bridegroom is stationed at Patuxent Naval Base and son of Junior and Bertha Oliver of Baltimore and grandson of Mrs. Mary Kitt of Orangeburg, S.C. and Caesar Oliver of Washington, D.C. A City College graduate he is attached to the Patuxent River Naval Test Center.

The double ring ceremonies were held in the President's Room with a sit - down dinner served at the reception at the 540 Dundalk Ave. location.

This is also to be the scene of the October family reunion of the Taylors, Hicks, Blackwells, Shells and Tisdales at which over 2,000 persons are expected.

The Rev. Mosley Lewis of the bride's family church, Fountain Baptist Church, read the vows.

The new Mrs. Oliver wore a full length white frock with an Italian lace headpiece which fell to the floor and flowed in a wide cathedral train.

Her bridesmaids were attired in matching blue accordian pleated lace gowns and carried pink and blue bouquets with long satin streamers.

They were Misses Linda and Sharon Carrington, her sisters and Myra Andrews.

The maid of honor, Miss Ruth Douglass, wore a pink accordian pleated lace gown and carried a pink bouquet. The bride's bouquet was of pink and blue garden flowers and orchids.

Sgt. Oliver's attendants, all in white Navy uniforms, were best man Haywood Oliver, his brother; Tom Bailey, Drexel Mitchell and Clarenton Furlow. Ushers were Donald Carrington and Ronnie Davis.

The full - course dinner was served in the banquet hall to over 300 guests.

Following the champaign toast to the newlyweds, the wedding dance was held in the hall which was decorated with white bells and pink and blue roses.

The new Mrs. Oliver, a graduate of Dunbar High School, is in her fourth year at Towson State College. She is secretary at a local insurance firm. She and Sgt. Oliver will reside just off the Naval base when they return from their honeymoon throughout the South.

Among guests were John, Stella and Patricia Tisdale, Kembridge, Va., Deborah Bagley and Miss Cynthia Tisdale, Richmond, Va.; John Sr. and Amanda Taylor; John Taylor Jr., Phyllis Boyd, Jeanna and Varonica Boyd, Baltimore; Tom and Maxine Tisdale, Bethea, Rosedale N.Y.; Miss Darlene Taylor, East Elmhurst, L.I., N.Y.; Lester and Marian Hayman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Armstead and Lucille Hawks, Blackstone, Va.; Willie Mae Hayman, Philadelphia.

Also, Mrs. Mary Kitt, Orangeburg, S.C., grandmother of the bridegroom; Mesdames Eartha Guess and Thelma Summers, aunts, of Orangeburg, S.C.; Kenny, Brenda, Jerome and Odessa Jenkins, Orangeburg; the Frank Crews, Philadelphia, Pa., and the Fletcher Summers, Norwalk, Conn.

NEWLYWEDS — Sgt. and Mrs. Melvin Oliver

WEDDING PARTY — Newlyweds Sgt. and Mrs. Melvin (Barbara) Oliver, are accompanied by John Tisdale, Mr. and Mrs. James (Gloria) Carrington, her parents; Miss Cynthia Tisdale, Miss Debra Bagley, Bridesmaids: Misses Linda and Sheren Carrington, Myra Andrews and Maid of Honor, Ruth Douglass and Mrs. Marian Hayman.

FAMOUS GUESTS — Del. and Mrs. Troy Brailey of Baltimore had as recent guests famed Oriole baseball team's former members, (R) Bob Boydformer star first baseman known as "Rope" and Mrs. Boyd, Wichitau, Kansas and (C) Joe Durham, former outfielder who now pitches bat and practice with the championship team in Baltimore.

MORE RELATIVES — The Jenkinses of Orangeburg, Kenny Jenkins, Brenda Jenkins, Jerome and Odessa Jenkins.

THE TISDALE BRANCH of the noted Virginia family and maternal kin of the bride flank the newlyweds. They are Tom and Maxine Tisdale Bethea of Rosedale, N.Y.

MRS. MARY KITT, Orangeburg, S.C., GRANDMOTHER OF THE BRIDEGROOM: Haywood Oliver, brother of the bridegroom; Donald Carrington, bride's brother; Mr. and Mrs. Junior Oliver, parents of the bridegroom.

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CLOSE KIN from both sides of the newlyweds' families include Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Jenkins, Orangeburg, S.C., the bridegroom's relatives; Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Amanda) Taylor, Baltimore, the bride's relatives and Mesdames Eartha Guess and Thelma Summers, Orangeburg, S.C., the bridegroom's aunts.

Career persons hold important Meade posts

Two career Army non - commissioned officers hold important posts at the First Army's Kimbrough Hospital, Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Officer in charge is Master Sgt. Vivian Hall of Catonsville, Md. who has served in the armed forces a total of 24 years and has been stationed in posts around the globe. A graduate of Banneker Elementary and Senior High School, she is the daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Burnett of Marble Hall Rd.

Mainly at Fort Meade she is a food service supervisor but on occasions is officer of the day under Col. Robert Fike, MD, MEDDAC Commander, at the Kimbrough Hospital.

MSG. Hall spent 15 months in Korea as food advisor to the Second Engineer Group and four years at Fort Riley, Kans. She was in Frankfort, Germany three years, at Fort Benning, Ga., and several other posts in the U.S. and abroad.

Her assistant at the hospital is SSG. James Finch who is in property management and has served 14½ years in the armed forces.

A native of San Antonio, Texa, Sgt. Finch is married to Mrs. Billie Finch of Monroe, La. Their daughter, Fontella, age 14, is a student at Archie Knob High School.

Also a personality at Fort Meade is 13 - year old Otis B. Ferebee, son of Mrs. Myra and First Sgt. Otis Ferebee of Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. Sgt. Ferebee has spent 19 years in the armed forces.

Young Ferebee is a student at the Old Mill Middle School, Glen Burnie. His sisters April and Stacey, also attend Old Mill High School.

The Ferebees reside on Village Square Court, Lake Village, Severn, Md.

MASTER SGT. VIVIAN HALL, Catonsville, Md. officer of the day in charge of Kimbrough Army Hospital, Fort George G. Meade, Md., is assisted by SSG. James Finch, San Antonio, Texas.