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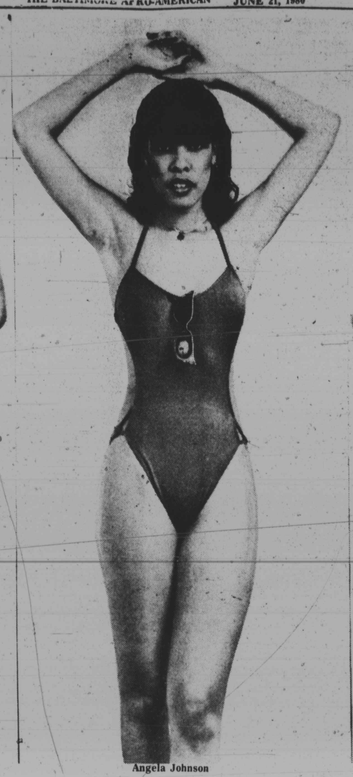

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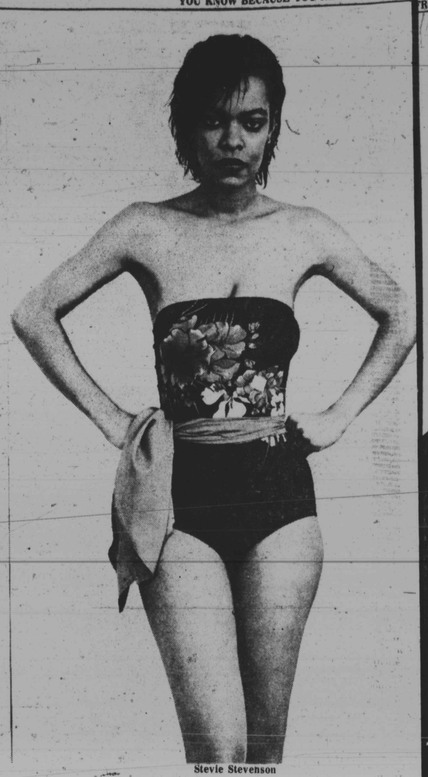

Stevie Stevenson

Swim suits — how much is too little?

The photos with this story run the gamut of swimwear that can be called too scanty to bathing suits that are just downright upright!

Although all may not be gifted with the anatomical neccessities required to wear these daring fashions, most of the audience, at least the men, can certainly appreciate them.

In this so-called liberated age, when dancers dance "The Freak" and it is considered "upright" for a woman to invite a man over for a drink, is there a place for fashions such as these?

If you saw one of these gorgeous Travis Winkey models strolling along your favorite beach, attired in one of these daring swimsuits, what would your reaction be?

Would you hasten to throw a towel around her or would you throw her a line?

Are these outfits too daring, or just enough? You be the judge.

All photos by Jay Baker and John Sanders.

Crystal Clear

Away from home

Baltimoreans in the armed forces

Maj. Edward E. Simpson Jr. recently retired from the Army at Fort Monroe, Va. after serving more than 20 years on active duty.

Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Simpson Sr., 900 E. 41st St., entered the Army in April 1960, and received his commission through an Officer Candidate School.

He attended Hampton (Va.) Institute, and the University of Kentucky, Louisville, and received a bachelor's degree in 1973.

Maj. Edward E. Simpson Jr.

Spec. 4 Deborah A. Robinson, daughter of Mrs. Sammie M. Robinson, 1718 E. Fayette St., recently completed the Primary Leadership Course at Fort Riley, Kan.

Pvt. Aaron G. Gaither, son of Gilliette W. Gaither, 32 Dunbar Ave., recently completed advanced individual training at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

2nd Lt. Robert J. Rush, son of Early J. Rush III, 526 N. Lakewood Ave., recently participated in BRIDGEX 80, a training exercise in Germany.

Spec. 4 Deborah Robinson

Pfc. William J. Cuffee, son of Mrs. Mary H. Cuffee, 2200 W. North Ave., recently participated in BRIDGEX 80, a training exercise in Germany.

Marine Corps Pvt. Luis R. Serrano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cuevas, 3617 E. Fayette St., recently completed advanced individual training at the U.S. Army Armor Center, Fort Knox, Ky.

Spec. 4 Richard D. Chmielewski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest J. Chmielewski, 2400 Bradford Rd., recently was awarded a Certificate of Achievement in Ludwigsburg, Germany.

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Where The City Begins

Poor people tent near governor's house

Supporters and organizers of Maryland's first "Tent City" are gearing up for the event, which is scheduled to begin at noon June 27, and run through the weekend.

Opening ceremonies will be held at Kunta Kinte Plaza, located at the foot of Main Street in Annapolis. Following the ceremony, the contingent of Tent City supporters will march to the Maryland Statehouse for a rally which will last until 3 p.m.

Dinner for the inhabitants of the city will be held at First Baptist Church, located at 31 W. Washington St.

On Saturday morning, breakfast will be held at the church at 8:30 a.m. After breakfast, another rally at the Statehouse featuring Reps. Parren Mitchell and Barbara Mikulski will be hel. Local bands will also provide entertainment.

'Symbolic' protest sponsored by NAACP

A tentative meeting with the Gov. Harry Hughes is slated for 3 p.m.

Sunday's activities include a Sunday morning prayer breakfast at First Baptist, and the group is expected to head for home at approximately 2 p.m.

According to Wendy Hinton, one of the coordinators of the event, the purpose of Tent City is to articulate the housing and social needs of the poor of the state.

"It's a symbolic demonstration patterned after Tent City of 1968," said Ms. Hinton.

She explained that although there are poor people throughout the state, the 100 who will be camping in Annapolis are representative of those who, for financial reasons, would be unable to make the weekend demonstration. The demonstration is being sponsored by the NAACP and the Tent City Coalition, which is headed by Carl Snowden.

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Sex charges rock state hospital

Firing McCown was 'correct'

Herbert Singleton, chairman of the Legal Defense Committee and Special Task Force on Public Safety for the NAACP, told the AFRO, Commissioner Donald Pomerleau's decision to fire Detective Stephen McCown case was "a correct decision, but it does not address the real issue."

Pomerleau upheld a trial board's decision June 25 and fired Detective Stephen McCown for shooting Ja-Wan McGee, 17, who was unarmed when he was shot March 20, while standing in a Northeast Baltimore pizza parlor.

McGee is now paralyzed and his family has filed a $15-million civil suit against McCown, the Police Department and the city.

Singleton stated he has always considered the shooting of McGee to be a separate matter from the real problem. "There is a very negative relationship between the black community and the police. It has always been there.

"When Pomerleau was bugging our officials, police brutality and the fact that there is low employment of black officials is another aspect of it," said Singleton.

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AFRO photo by Roman Hankewycz

SHOOTING VICTIM — Baltimore City paramedics help Ricky A. Ellerbe, of the 100 block N. Mount St., after he was shot once in the upper left leg Tuesday, June 24 at 2:15 p.m. in the 1600 block W. Baltimore St. He was taken to Bon Secours Hospital. Police are seeking two suspects, between the ages of 17 and 27 who are believed to live in a nearby halfway house. Officers report the weapon was either a .32 or .38 - caliber blue steel revolver. Ellerbe, who said he had no idea why the suspects shot at him, told police they fired three rounds when they walked past him on Baltimore Street.

Henryton worker sacked for complaints about 'promiscuity, favoritism'

By James Abraham
AFRO Staff Writer

A woman staff member at the Henryton Center has won a court decision enabling her to retain her job after she was fired following her alleged disclosure of favoritism and sexual promiscuity at the center.

Dr. Barbara Hayes goes to court on July 2, to determine whether she was fired for her revelations and if her job will be restored permanently.

Dr. Hayes and her attorney have filed suit against Charles Buck, Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; Theodore Thornton, state Secretary of Personnel; Bernard Carpenter, director of the Mental Health Retardatisn Administration; Delores Miller, director of the Henryton Center and Margaret Spangler, program administrator of the center.

The suit alleges that Dr. Hayes, whose job is scheduled to be terminated July 1, is being fired because she "disclosed to persons in the executive branch of the state of Maryland conduct on the part of the defendants Miller and Spangler, constituting mismanagement, misconduct in office, dishonesty, gross incompetence, and abuse of authority."

Most of the charges in the suit revolve around Ms. Spangler, a white woman, who is accused of carrying on sexual relationship with one of the employees at the center, Alton Ervin, who is black. The suit alleges that Ms. Spangler's involvement with Ervin has interfered with "the proper discharge of her duties at the center."

Twelve specific instances of Ms. Spangler's alleged favoritism toward Ervin were brought out in the suit, and included charges of preferential treatment in granting transfers and promotions to Ervin; using patients' money to subsidize fund - raising activities for Ervin; attempting to discredit witnesses called to testify in a trial involving her and Ervin.

Ms. Miller was accused of covering up the incidents, and Buck, Thornton and Carpenter were alleged to have "encouraged the past and continued abuse of the employees at Henryton Center by failing to take action when these abuses have been brought to their attention and by participating in the current attempt to terminate plaintiff's employment at Henryton Center."

Dr. Hayes' position had been written out of the 1981 budget on the center, and the suit alleges that her position is essential to the operation of the facility, and that she is being fired "in retaliation for plaintiff's having exercised her constitutionally - protected right to freedom of speech."

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Harborplace to open July 2

With four days to go before the opening of Harborplace, officials are predicting the Inner Harbor collection of shops and restaurants will open on time.

Construction crews have been working nearly around the clock for several weeks, trying to ready the 125 businesses for the July 2-July 6 opening that will feature a

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They forgot to tell mom her son was in morgue

Mrs. Christine Jones would like someone to tell her why her son's body was in the morgue six days before the family was notified.

Mrs. Jones, of the 700 block W. Saratoga St., told the AFRO her son, Roy Edward Jones, 32, was pronounced dead at Provident Hospital May 18, 12:05 a.m. after he was beaten with a baseball bat on May 17 in the 4700 block Gwynn Oak Ave.

According to Mrs. Jones, "Roy had his dirver's license, registration card and a telephone book in his pocket." She told the AFRO, "I don't understand what happened. Roy had proper identification and the family should have been notified.

"The word was in the street that my son was dead before we were told. I don't know if they forgot to call the family."

After not hearing from her son for six days, Mrs. Jones said her

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Senate unit cancels hearings on 'black removal' programs

By Ann Sagi
AFRO Staff Writer

A U.S. Senate subcommittee hearng called to hear criticism of federal housing mobility programs from activists throughout the nation, including those from the Baltimore area, has been cancelled.

Officials of the Coalition to Save Urban Communities, CoSUC, the local group opposing what it terms "black removal" in the Somerset Homes project and other neighborhoods, had been set to testify before the Senate panel next week.

The housing mobility programs have come under heavy flak here recently by activists who say the "passport" housing plans move blacks from the inner-city to suburban counties which weakens political power and causes deterioration of black communities.

But when local activists called early this week to confirm that they would be allowed to present their opposition to the programs, they were told the Senate subcommittee meeting had been cancelled.

When the AFRO called to find out why, after talking with five people who said they knew nothing about the hearings, a spokesman for the Senate Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management said "a matter of scheduling" caused the cancellation.

She could not specify a date but said hearings may be held early in the next Congressional session in January or February 1981.

"We're still working on it. It's hard to tell," she said.

Although thwarted in their attempt to make their concerns known by national officials, local activists plan to continue their opposition to mobility programs, specifically the Areawide Housing Opportunity Program, AHOP.

Recent protests have been held before and during City Council meetings and at a session of the Regional Planning Council, which helps administer the program with HUD funds.

P.M. Smith, an attorney and member of CoSUC, said the group plans to organize public housing tenants who are most affected by the mobility programs.

CoSUC also plans to lobby City Council to schedule a hearing on a resolution introduced by 4th District Councilman Kwiesi Mfume calling for an investigation into AHOP.

Final day for AFRO 'Favorite Date'

Saturday is the deadline for getting your letters in for the AFRO dinner date contest.

Three lucky AFRO readers will receive tickets for a dinner and an evening of live entertainment at the grand opening of Big Daddy's, 2309 Reisterstown Road on June 30. All you have to do is tell us who is your favorite date and why.

Your date could be your wife, husband, sweetheart, mother, father or just a friend. If you win, George E. Mitchell, owner of Big Daddy's and the AFRO will make it possible for you to have dinner.

Keep your letter no more than two pages and mail all entries to Favorite Date, the Baltimore AFRO - AMERICAN Newspaper, 628 N. Eutaw St. 21201.

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Baltimore — 2nd highest in unemployment

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Ryales Photo

A STORY THAT NEEDS NO WORDS, this photo tells the signs of the times in Baltimore in June, 1980 when the city ranked second in unemployment nationwide.

By Elizabeth M. Oliver
City Editor

Baltimore hit the headlines all over the nation this week not as "best" but as No. 2 worst in unemployment. And, 1979 figures released by the US Labor Department in a survey of 11 cities reveal that the most to suffer the disaster of joblessness are black citizens.

The 1978 figures rank Baltimore as the No. 1 town in unemployment and today with the largest number of black persons still suffering without jobs the plight is really no better.

The overall count in percents of unemployed is 12.6 with black persons totalling 17.9 percent of that sum. White total unemployment is said to be 5.9 percent.

However, the real tragedy is in the fact that joblessness does irreparable harm to human beings and especially black persons who have already sustained longtime injury to health, the family and the very soul.

BEYOND BELIEF

In a pciture survey, photographer Ryales reveals this injury has left scores of persons out in the streets without homes, families, food nor shelter of any kind. (see photo page inside today).

It is hard to believe when Baltimore has a $ Multi million dollar Harbor Place rising on the waterfront and posters announcing to the far corners of the earth that "Baltimore Is Best".

However, the evidence of desolation and the irreparable harm that no jobs has done is plainly seen all over town.

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