3,500 cheer Hollywood, Baltimore benefit game at Civic Center

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WHAT'S GOING ON? — Apparently the crowd isn't enjoying a break in action here, as they sit with somber faces waiting to see some more celebrity basketball.

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WELCOMING THE VISITORS — No visiting team ever had this kind of fan support. Although the Baltimore team was getting demolished on the court, the women in the audience didn't mind because their television hearthrobs were playing right before their eyes.

—TV, music stars raise $6,000 for welfare rights

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Nathan Cook, who plays Reese on "The White Shadow", spoke briefly with a reporter about the team and the show.

"This is just our second game," he said. "We played in (Washington) D.C. yesterday and will be headed back home tomorrow (Tuesday) morning."

According to Cook, who looks 17 but is actually 30 years old, the main message in his show is self-reliance.

"We don't preach," he stated. "The main message we try to give is that you are responsible for your actions. You know, these kids are out here every day, so they know what's up. Just having us tell them not to use drugs or anything is not enough. What we try to say is ignore what the crowd is doing, otherwise you'll just be riding on someone else's wave."

According to Bob Cheeks, of the Welfare Rights Organization, more than $6000 in ticket sales and donations were raised through the event.

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'WHO'S GOT THE BALL?' — Stan Stovall, Tim Watts, and Foster Sylvers battle for the rebound. Sylvers proved to be more than just a pretty face, as he terrorized the Baltimore team with his accurate shooting.

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'LOOK OUT' — All NBA scouts in the house were on the lookout for these two. Al Tyler, (No. 6) and Mitch Bolling prepare to go to work on the opposition. The two represented the AFRO in the competition.

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STATEGY SESSION — Radio personalities Tim Watts and Jean Ross huddle for a last — minute strategy session before going out to face the men from the west. It was to no avail, as Baltimore's champions went down to defeat.

'PLEASE SMILE' — The women of Baltimore were at the ready, Monday. Those who did not bring cameras had their autograph pads at the ready, in hopes of catching a glimpse or getting a signature from one of the All Stars.

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DAPPER ADVOCATE — Treasure this photo, as it is one of the few in which you'll see Welfare Rights head Bob Cheeks in a three - piece suit. The game netted more than $6,000 for his organization.

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'LET ME BACK IN' — Muscular Stan Stovall, TV anchorman, apparently wants to get back in there to do something about the progress of the game. Next to him, (No. 13), is Roger Dickens, a radio personality.

CCB offers classes in neighborhoods

This spring the Community College of Baltimore will transform neighborhood community centers, local businesses and even private homes into college classrooms.

More than 35 different courses will be offered at CCB's off-camps centers, which include the Jewish Community Center, the Cross Keys Village Club, the Social Security complex, the Calvert Educational Center, the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, Baltimore City Hospitals, and Southern, Southwestern, and Northern high schools.

Through a special cooperative program with the Maryland Center for Public Broadcasting (Channels 67 and 22), CCB will air classes in "Modern Mathematics," "Philosophy," "Elements of Earth Science," "History of American Civilization," and "Instruction to Business."

Approximately 30 different courses will be available this spring through CCB's Home Study program. Through correspondence between you and the instructor, courses may be completed and credit earned.

CCB also offers opportunities for you to receive credit for what you already know. These programs include Credit for Work Experience, College Level Examination Program (CLEP), and Departmental Exams.

Through the Credit for Work Experiences program, you can earn college credit for experiences you gained at your place of work.

The CLEP program offers tests leading to advanced placement and college credit in various subjects. Even though you may have never attended a college class, you may have enough knowledge in a particular area through your own job experiences or interests to receive college credit. CLEP tests are given each month at CCB at a cost of $20 per test.

Another option is the Departmental Exam offered by various departments within the College. If you pass such an exam, you will be exempt from certain required courses and be granted advanced placement in your field of study.

Three 3 - credit courses will be offered on the College's radio station, UBJC (91.5-FM) during the 1981 spring semester.

"Perspectives in Contemporary America" will be offered Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 9:30 - 10 a.m. This course examines the nature of American Studies: Women and Men in the changing roles and values of women and men in modern society from the bedroom to the boardroom.

"Contemporary American Poetry" will be aired Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9-10 a.m. This course covers the exciting poetry of the post-World War II period including the Beats, New Mo School, Black Mountain, and Objectivists movements.

These courses will begin Monday, February 2. Tuition is $60 for city residents and $120 for non-city residents. For further information, call the Community College of Baltimore at 396-1854.

French club performs plays

The Cercle Francais (French Club) of Morgan State University, in collaboration with the Theta Psi Chapter of Pi Delta Phi National Honor Society in French, recently presented two French one-act comedies written and directed by the advisor of the club, Dr. Sandye Jean McIntyre, II.

The plays, entitled, "Le Jeu des Anges" (The Game of the Angels) and "Ame a Vendre" (Soul for Sale) were presented in the McKeldin Auditorium.

The program included the singing of French Christmas Carols, a duet by Madame Delores Bullock, French teacher at Western High School, and her daughter Cherise, guitar music by two MSU students and modern jazz selections.

Terry Armstead served as mistress of ceremonies.

Dr. McIntyre is Honorary Consul of the Republic of Senegal and former president of the American Association of Teachers of French, Maryland Chapter. He is currently president of the Consular Corps of Baltimore and President of the Association of Foreign Consuls.

The assistant advisor of the Cercle is Madame Carleen Leggett, assistant professor of French at MSU. She is also the advisor of the school's Pi Delta Phi Chpater.

Several dignitaries attended the performance, including Monsieur F. Zalioux of the French Embassy in Washington, who made brief comments to the audience at the conclusion of the program.

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Monumental Health Plan execs deny mismanagement

By Portia E. Badham
AFRO Staff Writer

Despite a decision this week by federal authorities to withhold any future funds for Monumental Health Plan, the doors will not be closing, say officials at the black-owned, health maintenance organization in West Baltimore.

The U.S. Office of Health Maintenance Organizations (OHMO), which funds and regulates federally qualified HMOs across the country, cut off the second million dollar installment of a $2.5 million loan to Monumental.

"This is an orchestrated effort to put Monumental out of business but it won't force us to close," said Dr. H. Garland Chissell, president of Monumental. "The loan is helpful but not crucial."

John O'Rourke, deputy director of OHMO, headquartered in Rockville, told the AFRO that he decided to cut off the funds because of Monumental's poor management and continued deficits.

He denied statements which have appeared in other newspapers which said he planned to "force the closing of Monumental" and he suggested other ways the health plan could remain open.

Call charges 'orchestrated' attempt to crush blacks

According to O'Rourke the health plan has been losing $60,000 a month and has a deficit of $3.1 million. But Monumental execs refute those charges and state "MHP has a cumulative deficit and this is exactly a deficit of over $3 million.

"The $60,000 per month is the operating deficit and this is exactly what the operating cost loan is supposed to cover."

Monumental, a five-year-old health plan located at the Garwyn Medical Center, was formed by Chissell and Dr. Shirley Clinton and received federal certification in 1979. Federal certification insures that any employer must offer this plan along with other health plans to its employees.

Last June, Monumental conducted a successful campaign which added 2,000 city and state workers, bringing its membership enrollment to nearly 8,000.

Officials at Monumental maintained that their successful competition with other white - owned and well established health plans is the cause for the pressure. They also cited similar experiences by the other two black - owned, federally qualified HMOs in Detroit, Mich. and Los Angeles, Calif.

Monumental directors contend that the OHMO does not have an interest in seeing black HMOs succeed and white health plans fear their competition in the black community.

"We have been told that many people in OHMO do not like any private operation especially a

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In broad daylight in cold blood!

Gunned down in sandwich shop

GAO report raps jobs program

By Sue Williams
AFRO Staff Writer

A report issued this week by the General Accounting Office sharply criticized the federally funded Youth Entitlement Program and said that in Baltimore, despite three reorganizations of the system since 1978, the program is still ineffective.

The news came in the wake of the announcement by the city of cutbacks in CETA jobs for as many as 1800 city residents.

The 225 million Youth Entitlement program was begun at the height of the country's unemployment crisis in 1978. Somewhat of an experiment, the program was devised to give economically deprived youth, especially those of the inner cities nationwide, an opportunity to secure a guaranteed job that would induce them to either return to or remain in school.

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March on DC highlights MLK Day

The city's black businessmen, as well as civic groups, are in preparation for the celebration of the birthday of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday Jan. 15.

The Citizen's Coalition for Urban Survival, planning an economic boycott of the city's businesses, is reporting a good response citywide. The group has asked city residents not to spend any money in any of the "general marketplace" on Jan. 15, to draw attention to the struggle to make the slain civil rights leader's birthday a national holiday.

Another effort, spearheaded by some of the city's media representatives, will be responsible for taking Baltimore residents to the Washington, D.C. rally via bus for $5.

The drive to take Baltimoreans to the nation's capital is especially important because many residents would not be able to make the trip without the reduced rate.

A special commemorative service to be held at the Gatsby Monday evening will also help in the transportation effort all proceeds from that event will be used to secure a bus that will take residents to the rally free of charge.

The march in Washington will begin at 3rd St. and Constitution Ave. Marchers will proceed along Constitution Avenue through to the Washington Monument, where the rally will be held.

Entertainer Stevie Wonder, who dedicated his last album to Dr. King and who has been responsible for eliciting national support for the march, will be the main speaker.

The march is due to begin at 9:00 a.m., and the rally will start at noon.

Charles Newby, the principal organizer for the transportation to Washington from Baltimore, said the march should be the "biggest gathering of black people since Dr. King's March on Washington in 1963."

Newby stressed this week to the AFRO that Baltimoreans should not think of the Jan. 15 march as a concert, but a rally to draw attention to the concerns of black

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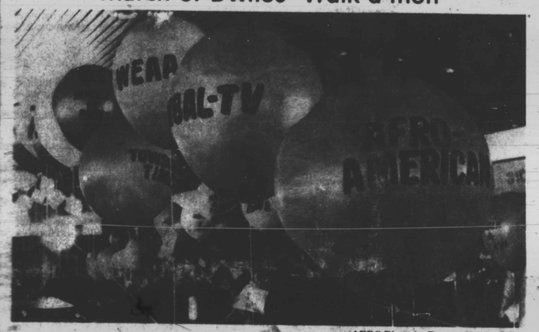
Balloon launch kicks off March of Dimes Walk-a-thon



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BEFORE THE LAUNCH — Balloons from different radio and television stations, as well as from the city's major newspapers, are shown here before being launched into the wintery Baltimore skies to kick off the city's sixth annual Walk-A-Thon for the March of Dimes.

The Baltimore March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon was officially begun this week as dozens of balloons were launched into the skies of Baltimore by local media representatives.

At a press reception held at the Baltimore Convention Center, newspaper, radio and television representatives stood outside and launched the balloons, each with a reply card attached. Baltimoreans who find the balloons and mail the cards back to the March of Dimes will win a prize.

The National Poster Child for 1981, Missy Jablonski of St. Louis, was a guest at the event, as well as Baltimore poster child, Dianna Lynn Soltys.

Also present was Mrs. Mary Greenwood, a member of the National Board of Trustees for the March of Dimes.

In her comments, Mrs. Greenwood praised Baltimore for its outstanding level of contributions to the March of Dimes through the annual walk-a-thon. She said that last year, $650,000 was raised by the walk, the largest single amount raised by any city in the United States.

She also said that over the last 9 years, over $5 million has been raised by Baltimoreans.

Missy Jablonski was born with spina bifida, or an open spine, and with excess water on her brain. She now walks with small wooden crutches and is active in swimming, dancing (ballet) and loves to ride her tricycle.

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Executioner counts to 3, then blasts victim, 21

"Come outside... I am going to kill you," is what an unidentified man who was carrying a shotgun told Dwyane Johnson, 21, moments before he was killed 2 p.m. Monday, while sitting in Fields Rib House.

Johnson, of the 4500 block of Wakefield Rd., was sitting at the counter in the 3300 block of Garrison Blvd., eating a cheese sub and talking to another customer seated beside him when he was shot.

Police report an unidentified man between 18 and 20-years-old entered the restaurant, pulled a shotgun from his waist and stood directly behind Johnson.

According to police, the man shouted, "You can take it in here or outside. I am going to count to three."

A woman who was working behind the counter told police she told the suspect to leave and was warned by the gunman to "go to the rear of the restaurant with the other employees."

In an attempt not to be shot, police report Johnson jumped from his stool and made an effort to jump across the counter but was shot.

Earlier this week, police were baffled about the apparent senseless shooting. However, the AFRO has learned four foil wrappings of a white powder substance and possible paraphernalia were found in the victim's pocket and the case appears to be drug related.

Sources told the AFRO the white powder substance was heroin. Police investigators would neither confirm nor deny reports that the victim had heroin in his pocket.

The suspect ran out of the restaurant and was seen running across Garrison Blvd. When police arrived on the scene, Johnson was found lying on his back behind the counter in front of a refrigerator.

A detective working on the case stated no arrest had been made at AFRO pressime. He stated police have information and would not say what the motive of the shooting was.

Funeral services for Johnson will be held today (Friday) 7:30 p.m. at Herbert Nutter Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at 7 p.m.

Johnson was formerly employed as a cook at a nursing home and had been laid off. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Beverly Johnson and his parents.

Dr. Carroll retires as deputy school chief

After serving in the Baltimore city public schools for 43 years, Dr. Rebecca Carroll has retired.

Dr. Carroll, deputy superintendent of the bureau of education for the last eight years, retired from her post effective Jan. 1, 1981. She was appointed to her recent position while Ronald N. Patterson was school superintendent.

A member of the Morgan State University Board of Regents and a former member of the board for Loyola College, Dr. Carroll began her career with the city's public school system as a teacher more than 40 years ago.

Dr. Carroll stated that she planned to keep a working relationship with the school system and that she would be traveling around the country for education.

Dr. Rebecca Carroll

Behold the Woman

Site chosen for women's center

A site has been tentatively chosen for the women's center which will offer women medical, spiritual, social and psychological services free of charge.

The Behold the Woman Gethsemane Center, according to committee spokespersons, will be located in the 1200 block of Division St. in the Upton community of the city.

Mrs. Lena K. Boone, one of the principal overseers of the Upton renovation drive, told the AFRO this week that the land had been approved for the site both by the Upton Community Association and by residents of the area.

An HCD representative, Ms. Sheryl Byron, said that department had received a letter for support for the center from the community and is waiting for "Behold" representatives to meet with her to finalize plans.

Sandra Robinson, a black female 1980 graduate of the University of Maryland School of Architecture and who once attended the Harvard Graduate School of Design, has been selected as architect for the project.

Ms. Byron said that actual architectural plans, however, would be contingent on the Behold Committee finalizing plans for the actual transfer of ownership of the

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—Hampden: city danger zone—

Black troopers back officer who shot teen

A local state trooper's organization has come out in support of the black state trooper who was involved in a shooting incident in the Hampden section of Baltimore New Year's morning.

The Coalition of Maryland Black State Troopers has given its support to a Trooper Frazier West amidst controversy over whether he improperly acted when he fired at a group of teens.

West, 25, has been accused of shooting 17 - year - old Neil McEntee after he was attacked by several white youths. West's car was pelted with snowballs.

West maintains that he fired two warning shots into the ground and not into the group of white teenagers while McEntee says the black trooper fired into the crowd.

"We fully support the information given by Trooper Frazier West," stated Corporal Charles English, president of the Coalition of Maryland Black State Troopers.

The incident began after West's car became stuck in the snow in the predominately white Hampden section and a group of teens allegedly pelted his car with snowballs. West says after he got out of his car, he was called "Nigger" by several of the youths. Mcentee denies those claims.

"Knowing the trooper as I do, it's not his nature to just fire his gun. Being a resident of Baltimore and knowing the area as I do, those type of racial incidents do occur," English reported.

He added, "We've gathered our own reports and it supports what Trooper English has said."

West has been assigned to desk duties pending an investigation by the Maryland State Police which could take up to two months. He has also been charged with assault and has been ordered to appear in Northern District Court Jan. 29.

McEntee has also been charged with assault and will appear in Juvenile Court. No date for that appearance has been set.

Mean, racist neighborhood

By James M. Abraham
AFRO Staff Writer

There are some neighborhoods that you just don't go into. Have you ever felt like a cat at a dogfight, or a neckties at a turtleneck convention?

If you have, then you probably know what it feels like to be black and in Hampden.

The neighborhood is small and close - knit, with neat, two - story houses, many of which sport bright awnings over their porches.

Life seems slow and easy in Hampden. One can hear children playing in the background, and there are sporadic groups of young and old men hanging on the corners.

Bright, pretty girls in tight jeans and too much makeup lounge on cars, and a general air of small-town America is present.

But there is a sort of danger in the air there. It is the kind of quiet terror, the kind that is present in the faces of the beer-bellied "WW II" veterans and surly young guys who hang on the corners.

One can see the terror in the eyes of the grocer who develops a sudden case of amnesia when it comes to waiting on you, and one can hear the terror in the high, untrained voices of the kids as they practice calling you "nigger".

And it is the kind of danger that can explode into racial violence reminiscent of the dark days following Reconstruction, the

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