Dance Company of Senegal in D.C.

The Warner Theatre is presenting "The National Dance Company of Senegal" May 5-10, winding up their tenth tour of the United States, the company will be presenting an all new and exciting production of music and dance.

The National Dance Company of Senegal was formed in 1960, the same year the nation was founded. The company's founding president was a prominent poet named Leopold S. Senghor. Senghor had a theatre constructed and appointed his nephew, Maurice S. Senghor, to head the resident dance company. Traveling throughout the countryside, Maurice visited over two hundred villages, auditioning more than two thousand singers and dancers to perform at what is now the most active theatre in Africa.

There are two dance companies, one of which remains in Senegal, and the other which travels throughout the world. The "International Touring Company is composed of 40 energetic dancers, singers, musicians, stiltwalkers, and acrobats, who mesmerize the audience through their magical use of movement and sounds. Among the many talented dancers, two are featured; female lead Fania Toure and male dancer Ibrahima Cisse.

Traditional Senegalese instruments, the balafon, dan, cora, dijimba, and tam-tam, provide the exuberant dancers with a colorful backdrop, together displaying the legends, folktales and rituals of their country. A rhythmic feast, it is at times sensitive and romantic, at other moments crescending fast and frenzied. It is a show where one is drawn into participation by the spectacular assemblage of bright colours, pulsating sounds and electrifying movements.

National Dance Company of Senegal

Jesse Walker's N.Y.

New York- On May 1, at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia and during a performance of "Rigoletto", Opera Ebony will launch its national drive to raise $1,000,000. Marian Anderson has agreed to serve as National Chairman for the drive. Founded in 1974, Opera Ebony provides opportunity for black singers, musicians and stage people.

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The Studio Museum in Harlem is reported changing its name to the Museum of Afro-American Art.

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Alex Harris, a black youth, was selected the "Con Edison New York Yankee Kid, 1981" and will travel with the Yankees to an out-of-town series and see home games.

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After only one week on the charts, "Nighthawks", starring Sylvester Stallone and Billy Dee Williams ranks no. 3 on the "50 Top-Grossing Films" list for the week. The Sidney Poitier-directed "Stir Crazy" starring Richard Pryor and Gene Wilder is now no. 10.

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Lovely Lena Horne rehearsed some of the songs she'll sing in her Broadway show, "Lena Horne: The Lady and Her Music", for the Press last Monday at the Broadway Arts Rehearsal Studio. Previews of her show at the Nederlander Theatre begin April 30 with the opening for the limited engagement on May 12. The fabulous Lena will be 64 on June 30 but you'd never believe it by just looking at her or hearing her.

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Award-winning Ed Bullins is now running three of his one-act plays, Saturdays at 8 p.m. at Bill Cosby's Hangout-Syncopation, 15 Waverly Place in Greenwich Village. They are "How Do You Do?", "A Son Come Home" and "The Work Gets Done". His plays for one, two, three and four characters can also be performed on very short notice at fund-raisers, dances, discos, charities and social, political and cultural events.

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The Martin Luther King Jr. Theatre is presenting "Community Kitchen", a two-act comedy-drama by Alex Foster, May 15-16 at the Drew Hamilton Community Center, 220 West 143rd Street.

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"Wine in the Wilderness" by Alice Childress, and starring Diane E. Bivens and Andre Mtumi will be presented Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, May 8-31 at the Harlem Hospital Medical Center Auditorium in benefit performances for the Phipps PAL Center Travlers Drum and Bugle Corps.

Events for children

Friday, May 1
Patterson Park Branch: Film: "Perilous Descent", 3:15 p.m.
Dundalk Avenue Branch: Films: "I Know An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly", "Band Concert", "Mr. Prig Went A-Courtin'", "The Hospital", and "Superman", 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 2
Central Library, Children's Department: Preschool story hour, 11 a.m.

Echo House salutes mothers

Board of Directors of Echo House planning Mother's Day event at Arena Playhouse are from (L) Gildea Brockington, Mrs. Leronia Josey, Mrs. Brenda Allen, Mrs. Janice Lockwood, Mrs. Linda Fassett, executive director and Mrs. Bernice Hunley. Seated is Mrs. Frances McDowell, president.

In celebration of Mothers Day, the Board of Directors of Echo House Foundation "Salutes Mothers", on Sunday, May 10th at the Arena Playhouse, 801 McCulloh Street.

Featured will be musical by Paul Rawlings, "Fair Play for Eve". This original play gives a new slant to the story of Garden of Eden. The music is rock, jazz and gospel with a little suggestion of Scott Joplin. Wine and cheese will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m., curtain time 7:30 p.m. A corsage for each mother.

Echo House Foundation, a nonprofit, United Way, community organization provided vital and much needed assistance to the community. The agency located at 1705 W. Fayette St. provides such services as Alcohol, Drugs and Family Counseling to over a thousand people in the Baltimore community.

For ticket information call Mrs. Brenda Allen at Echo House, 947-1700.

Boys Choir...stunning

It was standing room only! Excited Baltimoreans were still buying tickets at intermission, but all of this was worth seeing the Boys Choir of Harlem do their stuff—magnificently!

The classical works performed by the choir, wearing their choir boy smocks, was well received and beautifully sung under the sensitive guidance of their founder and director Walter Turnbull. The young singers obviously have great rapport with Mr. Turnbull, which was not only evident while they were performing, but also when Mr. Turnbull, "took time out" to introduce, briefly, each member of the choir to the appreciative audience.

For the second half of their landmark concert at the Dunbar Performing Arts Theatre, packed to the doors, the singers shed their choir boy robes for natty wine blazers and a whole shift in musical material.

"Mr. Bojanles", Ellington's "Take the A Train", and "We Are Heroes" specially written for the choir, were all show stoppers.

The individual solo performers were all excellent; and the whole evening not only showed enormous professionalism and style, but the concert escalated upwards all evening, sending an estatic audience home; having shouted for encores and justifiably given the choir a unanimous standing ovation at the end.

What the audience didn't know was that the Cultural Arts Program, had by the first intermission, already requested a return visit

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AFRO Clean Block holds leadership meeting

By Ida Peters

A luncheon meeting was held at the Arena Playhouse last Friday, followed by a bus tour of the city to plan the 47th Annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign.

Neighborhood leaders and consultants from the city and priviate sector were introduced to the 1981 theme: "KOOL Days in Baltimore" made possible by a $20,000 grant from the Brown & Williamson Tobacco Company.

The AFRO's 47th Annual Campaign will open with a public meeting June 26 at 11 a.m. at McCulloh Homes Project Auditorium.

Highlight of the campaign will be awarding of KOOL Flags at the AFRO's 89th Birthday Party and KOOL Days Awards at War Memorial Plaza August 13, 1981 at 12 noon.

The Month of May is devoted to AFRO Clean Block Registration with free seeds and paint going to blocks to help them get started.

Prizes will go to the first 13 captains who completly register their blocks. First blocks to register were Mrs. Lelia

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Representatives of Bureau of Solid Waste from (L) Percy Wallington, Leonard Follo and Ed Moore pledge their support to AFRO Clean Blockers.

Bearden plays Bearden

You're looking at just one of the works gathered from private collectors and leading museums for the exhibition titled "Romare Bearden: 1970-1980."
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TV Watching

Bugs Bunny presents his own version of American history in "Bugs Bunny: All - American Hero" May 4 on CBS.

By Vanessa Johnson-Pratz

Sneak Previews: Films reviewed "Nighthawks" with Billy Dee Williams as an undercover cop. 9:00-9:30 p.m.-Ch. 22 & 67.

Midnight Special: Guests include The Isley Brothers. 12:30-2:00 a.m.-Ch. 11.

Saturday

Pat Albert: An interracial couple's child has trouble dealing with her dual heritage. Hosted by Bill Cosby. 12:00-12:30 p.m.-Ch. 2.

American Bandstand: Singing group Rufus performs "Tonight We Love" and "Party 'Til You're Broke". 12:30-1:30 p.m.-Ch. 7.

Movie: "Summer of My German Soldier", Award winning TV movie about the relationship between a Jewish girl and an escaped German POW in World War II. Starring Esther Rolle. 12:30-2:30 p.m.-Ch. 13.

Kentucky Derby: Three year olds race a mile and a quarter at Louisville's Churchill Downs. Estimated purse $350,000. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Ch. 13.

Movies: "The Defiant Ones": Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier are at the top of their form as two chain-gang prisoners on a desperate break for freedom while chained together. 8:00-10:00 p.m.-Ch. 20.

Fantasy Island: A would be musician visits New Orleans in the heyday of ragtime. Starring Cleavon Little, Raymond St. Jacques and Mabel King. 10:00-11:00 p.m.-Ch. 13.

Flip Wilson: Guests are Carol Channing, and the Modern Jazz Quartet. 11:30-12:30 a.m.-Ch. 2.

Movie: "Helter Skelter", vivid TV movie about Charles Manson's lethal "family" and the Tate-LaBianca murders of 1969. 12:30-3:15 a.m.-Ch. 13.

Sunday

Ripley's Believe It Or Not: Host Jack Palance examines some of the oddities chronicled for more than 40 years in the popular newspaper feature including a mummy that attends board meetings at the University of London College and many others. 8:00-9:00 p.m.-Ch. 13.

Movie: "The Seduction of Joe Tynan": Alan Alda wrote and stars in this 1979 film about a U.S. Senator's crisis of conscience. Actually, there are several crises in Joe Tynan's life. A liberal Democrat from New York, he's approached by his mentor, a somewhat senile colleague, who asks Joe not to oppose his endorsement of a racist Supreme Court nominee. 9:00-11:15 p.m.-Ch. 13.

The Jeffersons: Part 3- Without telling Louise, George plans to extend their Hawaiian vacation, permanently. Starring Sherman Hemsley and Isabel Sanford. 9:30-10:00 p.m.-Ch. 2.

Trapper John, M.D.: A traveling musician admitted to the hospital for tests turns out to be Gonzo's father, who abandoned him more than 20 years before. Starring Gregory Harrison and Madge Sinclair. 10:00-11:00 p.m.-Ch. 2.

Movie: "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman", Cicely Tyson won an Emmy for this TV movie about a Southern black woman who is born in slavery and lives to see the civil-rights movement of the 1960's. 12:00-2:00 a.m.-Ch. 7.

Mike Douglas: Guests include actress Joselle Allen of "Palmerstown, U.S.A.". 1:00-2:30 a.m.-Ch. 13.

Isabel Sanford (L) and Maria Bibbs star in part three of four-part episode of "The Jeffersons" Sunday, May 3.

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★★½	4	WHERE IT'S AT	David Janssen, Rosemary Forsyth
★★½	5	VALDEZ IS COMING	Burt Lancaster, Susan Clark
★★½	6	WHAT DID YOU DO IN THE WAR DADDY	James Coburn, Dick Shawn
★★½	7	RAGE TO LIVE	Suzanne Pleshette, Bradford Dillman
★	8	PLAY DIRTY	Michael Caine, Nigel Davenport
TV	11	JESSICA	Angie Dickinson, Maurice Ghevalier
★★	12	LOVE IS A BALL	Glenn Ford, Hope Lange
★★★	13	TOBRUK	Melina Mercouri, Peter Ustinov
★★	14	SOME KIND OF NUT	Dick Van Dyke, Angie Dickinson
★	15	HOUR OF THE GUN	James Garner, Jason Robards
★★	18	FOR THOSE WHO THINK YOUNG	James Darren, Pamela Tiffin
★★½	19	FUZZ	Burt Reynolds, Raquel Welch
★★½	20	CHATO'S LAND	Charles Bronson, Jack Palance
★★	21	THOMAS CROWN AFFAIR	Steve McQueen, Faye Dunaway
★★★	22	RETURN OF THE SEVEN	Yul Brynner, Robert Fuller
★★	25	BY LOVE POSSESSED	Lana Turner, Jason Robards
★★½	26	LILIES OF THE FIELD	Sidney Poitier, Lilia Skala
★	27	NAMU THE KILLER WHALE	Robert Lansing, Lee Merriweather
★★	28	LOOKING GLASS WAR	Christopher Jones, Pia Degermark
★★½	29	THAT MAN FROM RIO	Jean-Paul Belmondo, Françoise Dorleac

PRIME TIME MOVIE (9 P.M.)

★★★½	1	KING OF KYBER RIFLES	Tyrone Power, Kerry Moore
★★★½	3	STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE	Vivian Leigh, Marlon Brando
	4	MONTE CARLO/GOLD GOLD	
★★★½	5	ALFRED HITCHCOCK FRENZY	Jon Finch, Barbara Leigh-Hunt
★★★	6	BLACK WINDMILL	Michael Caine, Joseph O'Conor
★★	7	THE DOG OF TAPES	Robert Foxworth, Mike Farrell
★★★★	8	NIGHT PEOPLE	Gregory Peck, Rita Gam
★★★	9	THE ALAMO	John Wayne, Richard Widmark
	11	MONTE CARLO/GOLD GOLD	
★★★	12	FOR THE LOVE OF IVY	Sidney Poitier, Abby Lincoln
★★★	13	NEWMAN'S LAW	George Peppard, Roger Robinson
★★★	14	SHOOT OUT	Gregory Peck, Pat Quinn
★★½	15	AIRPORT '75	Charlton Heston, Karen Black
★★★	18	BAHAMIANS	Charlton Heston, Geraldine Chaplin
	18	MONTE CARLO/GOLD GOLD	
★★★★	19	LOVERS & OTHER STRANGERS	Gig Young, Anne Jackson
★★★½	20	FRONT PAGE	Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau
★★★	21	PLAY MISTY FOR ME	Clint Eastwood, Jessica Walter
★★★	22	THE GREAT WALDO PEPPER	Robert Redford, Bo Svenson
★★★½	25	TAKING OF PELHAM 123	Walter Matthau, Robert Shaw
	26	MONTE CARLO/GOLD GOLD	
★★★	26	JUNIOR BONNER	Steve McQueen, Ida Lupino
★★★	27	SCALPHUNTERS	Burt Lancaster, Shelley Winters
★★★	28	SOMETIMES A GREAT NOTION	Paul Newman, Lee Remick
★★½	29	ALZANA'S RAID	Burt Lancaster, Bruce Davison
★★★½	30	DAY OF THE JACKAL	Edward Fox, Kelvence Alexander

FILM FESTIVAL (11:30 P.M.)

	1	CBS LATE MOVIE	
TV	2	ISLAND OF TERROR	Peter Cushing, Edward Judd
	3	SHERLOCK HOLMES	
★★★½	4	TWO FOR THE SEESAW	Robert Mitchum, Shirley MacLaine
★★	5	HARRY IN YOUR POCKET	James Coburn, Trish Van Devere
★★	6	MIDNIGHT COWBOY	Dustin Hoffman, Jon Voight
★★½	7	TAKE THE MONEY AND RUN	Woody Allen, Janet Margolin
	8	CBS LATE MOVIE	
★★½	9	EVIL OF FRANKENSTEIN	Peter Cushing, Duncan Lamont
TV	10	SHERLOCK HOLMES	
TV	11	WINNER TAKE ALL	Shirley Jones, Laurence Luckinbill
★★★½	12	THEY SHOOT HORSES DON'T THEY	Jane Fonda, Gig Young
★★½	13	BANK SHOT	George C. Scott, Joanna Cassidy
★★★	14	BRANNIGAN	John Wayne, Judy Geeson
	15	CBS LATE MOVIE	
★★★	16	CURSE OF THE WEREWOLF	Clifford Evans, Oliver Reed
	17	SHERLOCK HOLMES	
★★★½	18	LONG GOODBYE	Elliott Gould, Nina van Pallandt
★★	19	VOLCANO	Anna Magnani, Rossanno Brazzi
★★★	20	BILLION DOLLAR BRAIN	Michael Caine, Karl Malden
★★½	21	GUNS OF THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN	George Kennedy, James Whitmore
	22	CBS LATE MOVIE	
TV	23	NIGHT CREATURES	Peter Cushing, Yvonne Romain
	24	SHERLOCK HOLMES	
TV	25	POPI	Alan Arkin, Rita Moreno
★★	26	FIST FULL OF DOLLARS FESTIVAL	Clint Eastwood, Marianne Koch
★★★½	27	HOW TO MURDER YOUR WIFE	Jack Lemmon, Virna Lisi
★★½	28	BUSTING	Elliott Gould, Robert Blake
	29	CBS LATE MOVIE	
★★★	30	HORROR OF DRACULA	Peter Cushing, Michael Gough
	31	SHERLOCK HOLMES	

ACTION THEATRE

TV	2	CANNON FOR CORDOBA	George Peppard, Giovanna Ralli
★★½	9	CAST A GIANT SHADOW	Kirk Douglas, Senta Berger
★★★½	16	THE GREAT ESCAPE	James Garner, Steve McQueen
★★½	23	DEVIL'S BRIGADE	William Holden, Cliff Robertson
★★½	30	DUEL AT DIABLO	James Garner, Sidney Poitier

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