—Miss Black America

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Her position with Coca-Cola is a first because Ms. Wright is the first black woman "who is not already a well-known star or celebrity to speak for the company," a Coca-Cola spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Ms. Wright's brief Baltimore visit, plugging the popular soft drink, consisted of shaking hands, signing autographs and photographs of herself and speaking with children at three area supermarkets.

Following her appearances, Ms. Wright said she would zip out of Baltimore, just as she zipped in. In the midst of her busy schedule, Ms. Wright visited the AFRO offices, rested awhile and told her tale of lights and glamour.

A 1976 graduate of Purdue University in Indiana, Ms. Wright said she was raised in Connecticut with her parents and brother. Chicago became her homebase three years ago, after she graduated from college.

Armed with a degree in Mass Communications, Ms. Wright landed a job with Illinois Bell. There she met the co-worker who talked Ms. Wright into entering the Chicago Miss Black America contest.

Before that gentle urging, she said she had never considered entering any beauty contest. But, "it was January and there is not much to do in Chicago in January," she said.

As a relative newcomer to the city, entering the contest also seemed a good way of meeting some people. Besides, "It was a way to break up the routine."

Ms. Wright won the city competition. It was on to Montego Bay, Jamaica and the national finals, where she won again.

"This was the only pageant I entered. It's a first and last kind of thing," she said.

Life as a black beauty queen worked out better than she anticipated. While still working at the telephone company, Ms. Wright said she was allowed to take leaves of absence to travel across the country, often receiving first class treatment.

Politicians, mayors, governors, celebrities and a lot of plain folk crossed her path during the year of her reign as Miss Black America, she said. Keys to five cities, several awards and honors were presented to her.

A highlight of her reign was a trip to White House to meet President Jimmy Carter. There Ms. Wright said she was treated like royalty.

Life was good. She said she rode in limousines and ate in the finest restaurants "because every city wants to show me the best places" they have to offer.

A portion of her enjoyment as a beauty queen stemmed from her travels and the opportunity to experience "people's different perspectives" from across the country.

But a larger portion of her enjoyment also was derived from her meetings with children and teenagers. She said she made young people one of her priorities as Miss Black America.

On her visits to schools, Ms. Wright said she talked with children of every age. She toured unwed mother's homes and girl's clubs trying to project a positive image.

"I think it's very important that black kids and young ladies know there is a Miss Black America. It's something positive."

Miss Wright said her life is largely positive, but the hustle and bustle can get to be a hassle. Sometimes the rush and whirl from place to place makes her weary, she said.

"There are times when I get tired, but those days are few. I enjoy the variety (of my life). It's never the same," Ms. Wright said.

The challenge of taking care of herself and being independent also are aspects Ms. Wright said she enjoyed about her life. Now is the time to travel and be a beauty queen since she has no husband or family to care for, she said.

What does the future hold for Sharon Elizabeth Wright?

A possibility exists her contract with Coca-Cola may be extended, she said. One day she hopes to be the hostess of a magazine-format talk show. Her guests would be successful black people, who might not live famous, star-studded lives, but whose work and lifestyles would be interesting and unusual.

"I want to be on camera," she said. "I enjoy that. I'm good at talking."

Television writing and production also lay in the back of her mind as future goals, she said. But for now "I see myself starting off as talent first."

Using the timeliness and the immediacy of television, Ms. Wright said she can let people, especially children know there are black people in the world who are doing positive things. I have to "plant those seeds" in their minds, she said.

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—Angel challenge

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When out on patrol, Angels said they would circle would-be offenders and detain them, using physical force if necessary, until a law enforcement unit arrives. No weapons will be used by the Angels.

Major Edward Woods, Police Community Relations chief, and Van Story Branch, director of the Public Housing Operation, City of Baltimore, were among the officials present at Wednesday's news conference.

Woods stressed the fact the Angels are not a vigilante group, a term used in the past to describe the group.

"They do not carry weapons," Woods said. But if the Angels, during their patrols, injured anyone, they would be liable for legal action, just as the police or anyone else he said.

"I don't feel the Angels are vigilantes. They are not taking the law into their own hands. My understanding is that they woouould be taking action as citizens if they saw a wrong happening," Woods said.

At Lighty's request, Woods said he would meet with the Angels to discuss the aims and goals of the group and what police "can do about our officers and the Angels."

Branch said he also would be at the meeting. He said he hoped the housing department and the Angels could become partners in protecting public housing tenants against crime.

"I'm very excited about the visit of the Guardian Angels," Branch said.

He admitted a crime problem exists in and around public housing projects. But these problems are caused "not necessarily by the tenants, but by outsiders."

Branch said he hoped the Angels could augment the housing department security forces for "the safety, comfort and well being of our families who live in public housing."

A group of five young women, members of the housing department's anti - crime unit, were among the crowd of curious onlookers at the plaza Wednesday morning. They said they had heard the Angels were in town and walked over to have a look.

One anti-crime unit member said she would like to patrol with the Angels, but only after she received permission from her supervisor.

A number of women were in the crowd, but none said they were interested in becoming Angels. Of the five Angels who arrived in Baltimore from Philadelphia, none were women.

Reginald Fields, 17, is a student at Woodlawn Senior High School. Fields said he works as a counselor at a summer reading program at Coppin State College. He said he wanted to join the Angels to help people.

He was joined by his friend, Pierre Coats, also 17, and a Woodlawn student.

"We're not into wearing a red hat and fatigues," Fields said. "We're into helping people."

Coats said both he and Fields already had training in martial arts and hoped the Angels they could stop trouble before it started. They said they felt they were tough enough to complete the Angels' training program.

Fields said some of his friends cannot understand why he and Coats want to become Angels. They think it's kind of funny, he said.

Coats agreed. He said some of his friends said they think becoming a Guardian Angel is "square-like, they can't comprehend" why I am joining, he said.

—Home mortgages

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The limited income section features a downpayment of $500 or three percent, whichever is lowest, she said.

Before a loan is granted to a limited-income applicant by a lending institution, the applicant has to be counseled by one of 18 home counseling agencies in the city, Ms. Brown said.

"I think it is (a good program)," Ms. Brown said. "It's helping a lot of people who could not buy (homes) before."

She said Advance Federal has contracted with the City of Baltimore for $1 million of the $50 available for the loans. "Once that is gone, we don't have any more money to loan for that program."

However, money will be available at the other 14 participating banks and savings and loan associations.

Ms. Brown urged qualifed applicants to call Advance Federal as soon as possible to make an appointment. Their loans are based on a "first come, first served basis," she said.

John Howard, , of the Homeownership Development Division of Housing & Community Development, said the counseling process takes about 90 minutes.

All applicants for limited income loans must seek counseling before they can go to a lending institution to apply for a loan, Howard said. Counseling also is available to applicants of the other three loan sections.

Counseling includes acquainting applicants with the responsibilities of homeownership, maintenance, delinquency - "what happens when you don't pay your bills" - and other areas, he said.

Applicants, who must have a bill of sale or a contract to buy a house to apply for a limited income loan, should bring the contract with them to the counseling session.

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Minority contractors, legislators slam 'minority' firms

BALTIMORE (UPI) — Two black lawmakers called on Gov. Harry Hughes to investigate the awarding of subcontracts for a $32.9 million phase of the Baltimore harbor dredging project.

However, a high - ranking state official said there is nothing to investigate.

State Sen. Clarence M. Mitchell and Delegate Howard P. Rawlings, both Baltimore Democrats, joined the Maryland Minority Contractors Association Monday in protesting what they termed the lack of black involvement in the construction of dikes on the Hart and Miller Islands. The dikes will be erected to contain spoil dredged from the harbor.

Mitchell and Rawlings wrote to Hughes requesting an investigation.

Robert F. Dashiell, attorney for the minority contractors, said Great Lakes Dredge and Rock Co., the general contractor, awarded no subcontracts to black firms despite receiving bids from several.

"I don't know of any other instance of a greater injustice," he said.

But Alfred Watts, Fair Practices Officer for the Maryland Department of Transportation disputed their claim. He noted that a $2.2 million general construction subcontract was awarded to the John L. Curlis Co., partly owned by Pyong Hiri Curlis, a korean immigrant.

Ken Grams, Great Lakes' project manager, said another $2 million subcontract was awarded to the G&M Oil Co., a black - owned Baltimore firm, to supply diesel fuel.

But MMCA Executive Director Hanford Jones said Mrs. Curlis was "not a minority because she has not suffered many of the injustices that the blacks have in this country." He added that G&M will not be working at the construction site but will "just be supplying some diesel fuel."

Under Maryland law, general contracting firms employed by the state must try to award 10 percent of the dollar value of the contract to minority firms, Rawlings said. The state has the option of waiving the 10 percent provisions if it is convinced the contractor was simply unable to attain that level of minority involvement, he added.

Dashiell and MMCA officials questioned whether Great Lakes made enough of an effort to qualify for a waiver, which Watts granted. But Grams said "we made a very good effort in trying to get the best minority subcontractors to do the work for us."

Watts agreed, saying, "Their criticism is totally unfounded. Without question an effort was made (to attain minority involvement)."

A letter requesting the investigation of the awarding process has been forwarded to the attorney general's office, said Norm Silverstein, a Hughes' spokesman. But that office had yet to receive the letter, said Assistant Attorney General Robert Harrison.

The State Transportation Department approved the awarding of the subcontracts July 10. The State Board of Public Works granted final approval July 14.

We're still closing

Pantry Pride rejects workers offer

Members of local 692 of the United Food and Commercial Workers union voted Monday not to accept wage increases from Pantry Pride, but a spokesman for the financially troubled company said the firm's Maryland Delaware stores will still close.

Union members voted to give up $16.5 million in wages over two years in order to allow the company to keep its markets open, a union official said.

Bernard Lipskin, Pantry Pride spokesman, said, "in view of the losses we have incurred and those we project, even taking into account the union's concessions, we are still required to close those stores."

Last Friday, attorneys for the local asked the U.S. District Court in Baltimore to require pantry pride to keep 37 of 43 stores open until an arbitrator decides whether the store could be closed.

"Last week we had an ironclad agreement with Food Fair (Pantry Pride's parent company) to keep 37 stores open. Last month we ratified a contract in which we gave up $1,750,000 in retroactivity in order to maintain jobs," said Alvin Akman, president of local 692, which represents 2,300 Pantry Pride employees.

Akman said negotiators for locals 629 and 117 and Teamsters locals 570 and 355 agreed last week to reopen contracts for $16.5 million in wage concessions the "company said it had to have to avoid losing money."

"We had the word of responsible executives that they were in a position to commit the company to this contract and we intend to do all in our power to hold them to it," he said.

In return for union members agreeing to give up $1.18 per hour the first year and $1 the second, Pantry Pride was to keep all stores open with the possible exception of four Maryland and two Delaware stores, Akman said.

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