—Area Obituaries—

Mrs. Doris K. Sanders

Funeral services for Mrs. Doris Kathleen R. Sanders were held Oct. 20 at Concord Baptist Church. Mrs. Sanders died Oct. 17 at University of Maryland Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Sanders was born in Lumberton, N. C. on April 24, 1933. She attended public schools in Roberson County and attended Barber Scotia College in Concord, N. C. where she received her bachelor's degree in elementary education. Mrs. Sanders received her masters degree from Morgan State University in 1975.

Before moving to Baltimore, she taught school in Rowland, N. C. and Wadesboro, N. C. For the last 15 years, she taught at the Point Pleasant Elementary School in Glen Burnie.

Mrs. Sanders was a member of Gospel Tabernacle Pentecostal ChChurch. Mrs. Sanders later joined Concord Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Wilbert Sanders; two sons, Jeffrey D. Sanders, of Fort Ord, CA and Andre Previn Sanders; one daughter, Sonya Vanessa; a grandson, Previn D. Ervin; father, Vernon Rogers, of Lumberton, N.C.; three sisters, Jean Pittman, Alice Suggs, and Mabel Douglass; a brother, Vernon Rogers Jr., of Lumberton.

Clarence Holley

Funeral services for Clarence Holley were held Oct. 19 at Shiloh Baptist Church. Mr. Holley died Oct. 14 after a lengthy illness. Born Dec. 20, 1917, he attended Baltimore County public schools.

He was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church in Edgemere Md., and was employed at Langenfelders for 25 years. He retired in 1976.

Mr. Holley was an active member of the Helping Hand Club of Edgemere. He is survived by three daughters, Delores, Wanda and Roxanne; nine grandchildren; four great - grandchildren; four sisters; two brothers; four uncles and one aunt.

Mackey Lee Ferguson

Funeral services for Mackey Lee Ferguson were held Oct. 21 at William C. March Funeral Home. Ferguson died Oct. 16. He was the son of John and Rosa Ferguson and was born in Victoria, Va.

He graduated from Clifton Park Junior High School and attended City College and was a member of the Usher board at Southern Baptist Church.

In 1960, he married Sonia Ferguson. He was employed at the Gas and Electric Company and also worked at Stanco Furniture Company.

Ferguson is survived by four sons, Matthew, Wayne, Mackey Jr. and Gregory; three grandchildren; parents, John and Rosa Ferguson; two sisters, Doris Bradshaw and Brenda Ferguson; three brothers, Stanley, John Edward — and Freddie Ferguson.

Jesse M. Johnson Jr.

Funeral services for Jesse M. Johnson Jr., were held Oct. 20 at Mount Olive Baptist Church. Johnson, 35, died Oct. 17 at Union Memoial Hospital.

He was the son of Beulah Taylor and Jesse M. Johnson Sr. He attended Sollers Point Senior High School and Dundalk Community College. He joined the Air Force in 1967 and later returned to his job at Bethlehem Steel.

He is survived by his wife, Yvette A. Johnson; one son, Michael Johnson; mother, Beulah Taylor; father Jesse Johnson Sr; step father George E. Taylor; two sisters, Evelyn Dandridge and Redina Molock; one stepsister, Deborah Hunt; three brothers, George Waddy, Melvin Johnson and Maurice Johnson.

Samuel L. Colbert Sr.

Funeral services for Samuel Lee Colbert Sr., were held Oct. 18 at William C. March Funeral Home.

Mr. Colbert died Oct. 13. He attended Baltimore City schools.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa Colbert; a son, Samuel L. Colbert Jr.; a daughter, Hettie Colbert Walls; a son, Titus Colbert; two granddaughters, Kisha Walls and Precilla Smothers; grandsons, Tony Walls, Richard Smothers and Mark Colbert, his mother, Hettie Brown, a sister, Alice Jones; brothers, Hoarseli and Joseph.

Mrs. Hazel M. Matthews

Funeral services for Mrs. Hazel Marcella Matthews were held Oct. 20 at William C. March Funeral Home. Mrs. Matthews died Oct. 17 at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

She attended city schools and was known to assist someone who reeded a helping hand.

She is survived by her husband William Matthews of Cambridge; two sisters, Genevieve Calhoun and Pauline Knotts; three brothers, William Shipley, Robert Shipley and Joseph Shipley.

Richard E. Jenifer

Funeral services for Richard E. Jenifer were held Oct. 21 at Bethel AME Church. Mr. Jenifer was born Jan. 1, 1916 and was the son of the late Richard and Viola Jenifer.

He was a graduate of Douglass High School and a member of Bethel AME Church.

Mr. Jenifer is survived by a son-in-law, four grandchildren, a great-granddaughter, two sisters and three brothers.

Mrs. Onie J. Johnson

Funeral services for Mrs. Onie J. Johnson were held Oct. 19 at William C. March Funeral Home. Mrs. Johnson died Oct. 15 at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

She was the daughter of the late James and Ada Rice and was born Nov. 22, 1914 in Virginia. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Salem Thessalonian Baptist Church and was president of the Missionary Board.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Elenore Summville and Mrs. Roasann Summville; two sons, Hosia Johnson and Dublin Johnson; three sissters, Adele Bumpers of North Carolina; Rosalie Halloway and Margie Sue Tuck of North Carolina; 20 grandchildren and five great - grandchildren.

John Reed

John Reed, 64, a Cherry Hill carry-out store owner, died Sept. 29. Funeral services for Mr. Reed were at Terry Hill Presbyterian Church. Burial followed at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Reed, a native of Amherst, Va., died at Maryland General Hospital after he suffered a heart attack. He was the son of the late Jasper and Helen Reed.

Before he moved to Baltimore during the late 1930s, Mr. Reed attended Amherst public schools and lived for a short while in Washington, D.C.

He worked in the food service business before becoming one of the owners of Reed's Carry Out in 1975. Mr. Reed was active in Republican party politics and was a charter member of the City Wide Republican Organization.

Mr. Reed was a World War II Army veteran and achieved the rank of sergeant.

A member of Terry Hill Presbyterian Church for 30 years, Mr. Reed is remembered most for helping prepare food for the church's annual Father - Son Breakfast.

He recently received the church's Thomas C. Noel Jr. Award for his years of church and community involvement involvement.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys Reed; a son, Alvin Reed; daughter, Helen Rowe; four sisters, Lillie Davis, Mae Davis and Sarah Cashwell, all of Washington, D.C.; and Callie Yancey, of New Jersey; six grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Ernest R. Hill

Funeral services for Ernest R. Hill were held Oct. 20 at William C. March Funeral Home.

Mr. Hill died Oct. 16 after a lengthy illness. He was the son of the late Eleazer Hill and Rosa Lee Briggs Hill. He was born in Isle of Wight County, Va. June 16, 1925.

Mr. Hill was a member of Highway Christian Church. He is survived by two sons, William and Michael L. Hill; two grandsons, Dorian and Garrett Scott; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha McCain and Mrs. Erma Moore; one brother, Elder John E. Hill.

DR. ROGER ESTEP, vice president for Development and University Relations Howard University, receives the first installment of the $50,000 Bell System grant from Gerry Lanzara, right and Ken Raschke, left.

Community Calendar

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8509 is sponsoring a membership rally, Saturday, Oct. 24, at 12 noon.

Those who served overseas during a time of war or in a combat zone are welcome. The ladies auxillary also are recruiting new members. The post is located at 335-337 E. North Ave. at the corner of Barclay St.

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Chandana Becker will teach polarity energy balancing on Bolton Hill this fall. The polarity health building system involving gentle, manual pressure point manipulation will be taught: Tuesday, Nov. 3, from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Fee for the six-week course is $45. On Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. an introductory workshop will be presented, fee is $12.

For more information, call 426-9027.

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Northeast, Inc. will have its first Annual Chili and Oyster Roast, Saturday, Oct. 24, from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m.

The event will occur at Mercy High School, Northern Parkway and Loch Raven Blvd. Admission is $13.00. Call 433-4700 for information.

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The alumni association of Frederick Douglass Senior High School will have its regular monthly meeting, Thursday, Oct. 29, at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting be at the Union Baptist Church, Druid Hill Ave., near Dolphin St. All members are invited to attend. Memberships are accepted at all meetings.

The Baltimore Regional Joint Board, Health and Welfare Fund announces the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union's sponsorship of the Child Care Food Program.

Meals will be made available to children enrolled at the Hyman Blumberg Child Day Care Center, at 600 W. North Ave.

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A new telephone system has been installed at Sinai Hospital, requiring a change in the control number: 578-5678.

Clinics and other patient services now are on a direct-dial system. People who need a particular number are advised to call the main exchange to get it.

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The Rosemont-Edmondson Unit of the American Cancer Society has the following equipment: wheelchairs, commodes, walkers, crutches and ostomy supplies available on a loan to cancer patients, regardless of their financial status.

The Rosemont-Edmondson Unit also is looking for volunteer drivers who are willing to transport cancer patients to and from their treatment centers.

For more information call 821-7200, ext. 32.

The Institute for the African - American sponsors its Third Annual African-American Family Breakfast, Saturday, Oct. 31, at 9:30 a.m.

Early Childhood Education will the topic and Mary Robinson will be the keynote speaker. The breakfast will be at 1301 Eutaw Place. Admission is $2.00 for adults. Children under 16 and those who do not wish to eat breakfast will be admitted at no charge.

For more information, call 837-7570.

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Alcoholism is a sickness which can be cured with proper medical treatment.

If you suffer from alcoholism or know someone who does, call the Provident Hospital Tel-Med Program at 728-2900 for information on how to seek help.

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The Maryland Black Chamber of Commerce invites the public to hear the Honorable John Conyers, U.S. Representative from Michigan, at its monthly luncheon meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 28, from 11:30 until 1 p.m.

The cost of the luncheon is $10 and will be at the Baltimore Hilton Hotel, Baltimore at Fayette Street.

For more information, call the Maryland Black Chamber of Commerce in Baltimore at 669-0066.

Crosse response mixed

The AFRO asked a few city residents what they felt about the formation of the citizens' coalition against crime proposed this week by Rev. St. George Crosse.

"I don't think that's the sole answer," said Arlene Campbell, 28.

Campbell, a recent victim of purse snatching, said more has to be done to prevent the causes of crime.

She also could not support the death penalty.

Brenda Winkey, 25, was hesitant.

"It's hard to say (if it's a good idea)," she said.

"A lot of people don't have jobs, and that's what causes crime."

Winkey said she did not think the threat of the death penalty or mandatory sentencing would be effective deterrents.

But Brian Butler, 21, of the 1900 block of Mcsher St., liked Crosse's plan.

"I think it's a good idea," he said. "With so much crime going on, there needs to be a voice."

Butler said he hoped the group would speak out against the ready availability of handguns, which he blamed for much of today's violence.

Volunteer training courses set

Persons interested in providing volunteer services at Prince George's County public schools will be offered training orientations at three locations this month.

The hour and one-half training sessions will review school policies, state guidelines and provide other pertinent information for new volunteers.

The orientations will be held on:

Thursday, Oct. 22, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Clinton Library.

Monday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Laurel Library.

Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Greenbelt Library.

Interested persons may call the Office of Volunteer Programs of the Prince George's County Public Schools, 459-1500, for additional information.

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3 K-Mart murder suspects nabbed thus far

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Mondawmin's 25th birthday this weekend (see page 14)

Welfare $ restored to 35,000

White firms move to freeze out minority contractors

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K - MART MURDER SUSPECT Harvey A. Bennett, 19, at far right above, is shown with his attorney (C) and his father (at left) at a bail review held at Northwestern District. District Court Judge William H. Murphy Sr., presided at the hearing and Bennett is being held at City Jail without bail. In AFRO photo below suspect's father, Thomas Bennett, at left, leaves court after hearing. Others in the group are not identified.

By Portia E. Badham
AFRO Staff Writer

The state's minority business enterprise program, the subject of a legislative hearing Wednesday, was questioned, criticized and praised all at the same time, by various factions of the public and private business community.

A special joint subcommittee on federal-state regulations, formed a little more than a month ago to study the fiscal impact of federal and state regulations, scheduled the hearing after members of the white construction community aired concerns about the minority business enterprise program.

Joseph A. Burton, president of Joseph J. Hock, a construction and land development firm, was the first to attack the program, during a hearing before the committee in September.

At that time, Burton stated the program inflates the cost of construction to the state, "is riddled with either fraud or mismanagement and has been an abject failure in accomplishing their intent."

The program, created in 1978 by the state legislature, calls for all state awarded contracts to go to companies that use at least 10 percent minority companies.

Dave Watts, director of the Department of Transportation's Fair Practices Office, said the program has been a "success" and refuted charges made by Burton.

He cited examples where contracts were submitted to the lowest bidder and that the bid was on target with the engineer's estimates, therefore not costing the state additional money to include minorities in construction projects.

Several white company presidents and owners, members of the Maryland Chamber of Commerce which does not include in its membership any black businesses, testified that the MBE program has caused them to be priced out of work because general contractors must fill subcontracting work with minorities.

"We see the program to be tripling the costs of preparing bid documents," said Harry L. Leef

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Part of K-Mart loot recovered

When police raided the home of a friend of a suspect charged in the K Mart murder, the AFRO has learned police found $3,000, watches and several other items that were taken from the store on Sunday, after an assistant manager Keith Edward Bee was shot to death, while his son watched.

The three men who are charged with first degree murder, armed robbery are being held without bail at City Jail. They are Clinton Wesley Ellison, 21, of the 4100 block Westchester Rd; Kirk Brooks, 20, of the 4100 block Westchester Rd., and Harvey A. Bennett, 19, 5300 block Gist Ave.

Ellison, a graduate of Walbrook Senior High School and a former K-Mart employee, who was fired two weeks ago from the Wabash Avenue store turned himself in at Northwestern District Tuesday after he learned a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

Relatives of Ellison told the AFRO, "We feel bad. You hear these things happen but you don't associate them with you. All we can do is just pray."

When the Ellison family tried to visit Ellison at City Jail Wednesday, his sister, Ms. Virginia Ellison stated they were not allowed to see him.

A City Jail spokesman told the AFRO all inmates are first processed through the Reception Diagnostic Division and given orientation before they are allowed visitors. The process normally takes three days and an inmate's visiting day depends on the area he has been assigned to.

When Bee was killed Sunday in the store, his wife was giving birth to their son at Sinai Hospital.

Bee went to the store around 7:30 a.m. Sunday to admit an employee and relieve the night maintenance employee. Bee was shot with a .410 shotgun that was taken from the store.

Bee, 27, of Owings Mills, was pronounced dead at 4:45 p.m. Investigators said the robbers hid in the store overnight, overpowered two employees and left them in a restroom before forcing Bee to open the safe about 11 a.m. A trial date has not been set.

Cheeks' crusaders win one month reprieve for needy, vow to continue fight

Patricia Tatum
AFRO Staff Writer

Now that the Baltimore Welfare Rights Organization has won its fight to have October and possibly November benefits restored to about 35,000 people who were illegally cut from public assistance on Oct. 1, the leader of the BWRO says the fight is not over.

Bob Cheeks, BWRO executive director, told the AFRO his group met recently with Kalman Hettleman, Secretary Department of Human Resources and Dick LaCombe, DHR chief of income maintenance.

The meeting's purpose was to persuade the State to pay damages to those who suffered hardships when they were terminated from welfare and to prevent the state from trying to recoup monies from any of the 35,000 who received October benefits, if the state at a future date found them ineligible for benefits.

The State agreed to the second provision, but to collect damages from the state was called "impossible," Cheeks said.

That Oct. 27 meeting stems from a class action lawsuit the BWRO filed against the State on Oct. 13, charging them with neglect of the needy. The suit claimed the State was responsible for evictions, foodlessness and other hardships Marylanders suffered when they were terminated from assistance without the required 10-day notice.

The cut offs, affecting residents in the State's Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program, were based on stricter eligibility rules imposed by the Reagan Administration. These rules were published in the Federal Registry Sept. 21, just 10 days before they were to become effective.

The State of Maryland began mailing its termination notices on Sept. 29.

Several days after the suit was filed, the state agreed to give those 35,000 who were terminated their October benefits. Those of the 35,000 who were ineligible for November benefits, but had not been notified by the state within the required amount of time, could also get a November check.

State officials have said they hope to complete the entire notification process by the end of December.

Cheeks said the BWRO will not accept the state's position collection of damages is "impossible."

"We still feel the state is wrong since they caused damages to incurr," he said.

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Urban Service workers demand boss quit

By James M. Abraham
AFRO Staff Writer

The Classified Municipal Employees' Association and the city's Urban Services Agency has squared off in what promises to be a heated battle over the firing of a 20-year city employee of the USA.

The only point both sides can agree on is that neither will talk to the press about the nature of the battle, which last week resulted in the picketing of USA headquarters (in the 100 block St. Paul St.) by disgruntled CMEA members.

What the AFRO did learn was that the employee, Lovella Dingle, was the personal secretary of Lester Buster, head of Neighborhood Services at USA.

Lenwood Ivey, USA director, confirmed that "I fired her," but said he would not give further details pending a Civil Service Commission grievance hearing scheduled for next week.

A large sign in the Fayette St. and Guilford Ave. corner window of the old CMEA building carries a slogan which demands the resignation of Elva Edwards, executive director of USA, but Ms. Edwards has remained at home all week, and was unavailable for comment at AFRO presstime.

Sharon Randall, the CMEA representative handling the case, also was reticent to speak to the AFRO, but did state "this employee has had a long tenure with the city and we feel that she was fired unjustly."

USA has recently laid off a fraction of its staff due to federal budget cuts, but Ivey confirmed Ms. Dingle was not among those workers.

POLITICAL PERISCOPE
Would you believe Welcome and Conaway made a deal?

By James M. Abraham
AFRO Staff Writer

Excitement is brewing around town as the 1982 General Assembly season approaches, and beyond that the 1982 state elections.

Already several candidates and incumbents are jockeying for position, and the Field promises to be crowded.

Don't expect any controversial action during this session, as most legislators will be trying to keep their noses clean in light of the approaching elections.

State workers will certainly get a raise, as Governor Hughes is trembling in his boots as he envisions their numbers rising against him on election day. A tip to welfare advocates—get down to Annapolis and lobby hard, and there's a chance you too may share in the largesse.

During the last election, almost every black elected official in the state went with current acting Governor Blair Lee, then was forced to eat crow when Harry Hughes won the gubernatorial race.

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Congrats AFRO

Ryales Photo

CONGRATULATIONS come from Dorsie Hampton who is 91, a little older than the AFRO. A World War I veteran, our Mr. Hampton is a member of Metropolitan Methodist Church of 65 years standing. In his many memories of old Baltimore, Mr. Hampton recalls the Victory Breakfast after World War I. In 1943, Mr. Hampton worked at the Mt. Vernon Town Club as a houseman and stayed until his retirement in 1968. Mr. Hampton credits his long life to love for people and his strong faith in God.