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POLITICAL SHENANIGANS AGAINST CITIZENS:

Ballot League To Tighten District Voting Strength

Piqued and aroused by the apparent failure of both political parties in the state to recognize the strength and importance of the will of the people, a group of Baltimoreans of widely diverse professions but with a single aim recently organized the Ballot League of the 4th District.

Objective of the league is the registration of voters in the 4th District and the coordination of that voting strength so as to insure fair and honest representation in local politics and government.

Open To All

Membership is open to all citizens, an official has stated, and workers have already begun glean roots work of house-to-house canvassing in selected precincts.

League teams set up to get persons registered will call upon every resident of the district in wards chosen for the initial effort, it is asserted.

These teams will offer transportation and other conveniences to persons not already registered, and will also offer old ad not voters card-carrying membership in the League.

Cole Heads League

Heading the organization is Harry Cole, lawyer and once near-successful candidate for election to the City Council. Mr. Cole is a graduate of Morgan College and the University of Maryland Law School, who has been active in local Republican politics for several years.

Dr. John Woodland, a dentist, is vice president, Dr. Woodland comes from a family long politically active in Baltimore and was an alternate delegate at the recent Republican Convention in Chicago.

He is a graduate of Virginia State College and Meharry Medical School and is the son of Charles T. Woodland.

George D. Russell, Jr., a realtist and law school student, is business manager. Mr. Russell is a graduate of Lincoln University and is attending the University of Maryland.

He has been active in politics for a number of years, was a delegate to the State Republican Convention and is presently associated with the Willard W. Allen Realty Company.

Matthews Is Secretary

Miss Margaret Matthews, a telephone company clerk, is secretary. She is official union representative for the Division St. unit of the C. and P Telephone Company and was a recent delegate to the national convention in Cleveland.

An active civic worker, Miss Matthews was a key worker in Mr. Cole's bid for election to the city council, and has been successful in having removed many inequities affecting telephone company workers.

T. Shelton Coles, a contractor, is treasurer. Mr. Coles is a graduate of Morehouse College and a partner in the EmCee Contracting Co.

An expert, with long experience in promotion work, Mr. Coles was formerly promotion manager for the AFRO-AMERICAN.

Vincent Tubbs, a newspaperman is public relations director. Mr. Tubbs is a graduate of Morehouse College, Atlanta University and Blackstone College of Law. He is a member of the AFRO editorial staff.

As presently constituted the organization is pedominantly Republican, with three of its officers having recently attended and been active in both state and national Republican conventions.

Dr. Woodland and Mr. Russell were elected delegates to the state convention and with Mr. Cole attended the national convention.

Masons Hold Big Parade Sunday To Open Sessions

The United Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Freemasonry, Southern and Western Masons, meeting here next week, will hold a mammoth parade, Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m.

The 66th Biennial Session of the order will be in session here from July 26 through Aug. 1.

The assembly point for the parade route is on the plaza of the Fifth Regiment Armory. The parade starts at Bolton and Dolphin Sts. goes north on Bolton to W. Lafayette Ave. west on Lafayette Ave. to Madison Ave. to Fremont Ave.

Goes Along Myrtle Ave.

The route then continues along Myrtle Ave., south on Myrtle Ave. to George St. east on George St. to W. Biddle St., east on W. Biddle St. to McCulloh St., north on McCulloh St., to W. Lanvale St., west on W. Lanvale St., to Etting St., south on Etting St. to Dolphin St., and into the Sharpe St. M. E. Church.

This year marks the second time in the history of the AF and AM Masons of Maryland that the United Supreme Council has met here.

Reservations have been made for delegates from 28 states and Japan and Korea to attend the sessions. At least 800 delegates are expected.

The host lodge is the Hiram Grand Lodge of Maryland, Clarence Wycoff, grand master.

To Give Scholarship

The St. Paul Commandery No. 32 of the Knights Templar, has planned the presentation of a scholarship award on Thursday night, July 31, at the Elks' auditorium to be presented to Leroy Moore of Douglass High School.

Saturday the Supreme Board meets, while Sunday, July 27, the parade takes up most of the day's events.

The General Grand Masonic Congress opens officially Monday, July 28. All official meetings begin at 8 a.m.

The host lodge now occupies a newly renovated building at 1203-N. N. Eutaw Place. Lawrence Hicks is public relation director.

WOMAN, 27, TRIES SUICIDE; UNHAPPY OVER LOVE AFFAIR

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.— Mrs. Katie Blackburn, 27, of 73 Johnson St., told officers that she attempted suicide by drinking iodine diluted with water.

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'Man Of Hour'

C. C. Jackson 3rd, one of 43 Morgan ROTC cadets in summer training at Fort Made was the "man of the hour" award for his "excellent solution to a tactical battle problem."

Late city Afro Visitor

Mrs. Ethel B. Robinson, guest of Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Alleyne in Baltimore, was a visitor at the offices of the Afro-American, Tuesday.

Find Cherry Hill Store Ablaze

Southern district police have arrested two youths and charged them with the burglary of a Cherry Hill grocery store discovered ablaze, early Tuesday morning.

The store, operated by Louis Keim, 4600 block Crosswood Rd., is the only commercial establishment in that area not located in the community shopping center.

Police officers cruising in a radio car found flames—shooting from a side window of the store shortly after 2:30 a.m.

After firemen extinguished the blaze, it was discovered that the store had been looted, and a pay telephone ripped from the wall.

Find Foodstuffs

While searching the woods near the store, police officers discovered a large quantity of meat, eggs, and foodstuffs.

Believing that the burglars might have started the fire, police notified the Arson Squad.

After a joint police - Arson Squad investigation, the two suspects were arrested.

The youths will be tried at Southern Police Court at 8 a.m., today, (Friday). Until the trial, however, police refused to reveal whether an additional charge of arson will be placed against the suspects.

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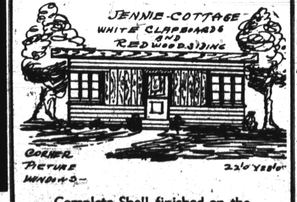

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Gore Opens Md. GOP Campaign

Republicans were called upon to support the Eisenhower-Nixon ticket in the November election, as H. Grady Gore, Republican candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate, addressed the State Allied Republican Club in Vista, Md., on Sunday.

M. Gore thanked the group for its support of his candidacy for the Senate, and expressed the opinion that Prince George's County would play an important role in the Presidential election.

"We want to organize the Republican Party in Maryland during the next few weeks to where it will receive the benefit of every available talent, that any of our citizens are willing to give. We will bring in all races, groups, and colors, and make room for everybody to serve," he said.

Samuel Hopkins, Congressional candidate from the Baltimore District, Alexander Barnes served as master of ceremonies. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Service Singers.

Federation Of Clubs

The State Allied Republican Club is a federation of Maryland clubs designed to co-ordinate the activities of minority groups in Republican politics. It has representation in Baltimore and most of the 23 counties. The Sunday affair was promoted by the Prince George's County unit, U. J. Mackall, president.

Others who appeared on the program were J. Franklin Bourne, an attorney; George Slater, campaign manager for Frank Small Jr.;

Druid Hill Park To Be Scene Of Tennis Meet

A tennis tournament for Junior Intermediates, is scheduled to be held at Druid Hill Park Friday, under the sponsorship of the Bureau of Recreation.

On July 28, the bureau will observe Joseph Lee Day in commemoration of the playground movement in America.

The program will be held at the Mountmor- Vincent Play ground.

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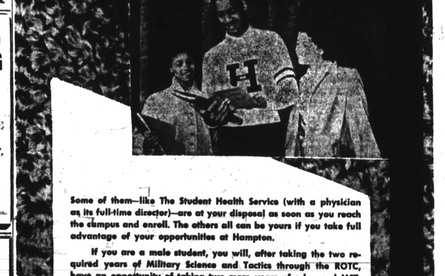
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Wise Clean Block Advisor Provides Cooling Refreshments For Diligent Workers

Mrs. Ruth Griffin advisor of the 900 block of Argyle Ave. stops her workers during their clean-up period and refreshes them with cool drinks. She has a small, but energetic crew that is working against great odds but doing a good job of cleaning up their block. In picture at left: Clean Blocker Dorise Covington getting a few tips on painting from her advisor. In the group (center picture) Anita Covington, captain; Barbara, Doris and Loretta Covington, Freddie Matthews, and former captain George Jackson. On right, Captain Covington swings a mean paint brush. From her smile, she is enjoying it.

More Youngsters Join Clean Block Contest

Following is a list of newcomers to the AFRO's 18th Annual Clean Block campaign:

Captain Beverly Branch
1728 Ashland ave.

Elaine Morrison, Mildred Brohton, Marie Johnson, Milton Forrest, Margaret Walters, LeRuth Walters, Juanita Morrison, Charles Walters, Olivia Branch, Grafton Branch, Ann Branch, Mattie Branch.

Etta Willard, Delores Morrison, Minnie Braxton, Robert Combean, Rose Millard, Edward Coleman and Robert Stewart.

CAPTAIN ANITA COVINGTON
914 Argyle ave.

George Jackson, co-captain, Barbara Covington, Letiause Richardson, Loretta Covington, Charles Milburn, Barbara Ann Harris, Ruby Cecilia Jenkins, Lillian Chester, Mack Milburn Jr., Patricia Nevone Harris, Elvin Leon Young, Dauthain Lee.

Argela Chester, Freddy E. Matthews, secretary, Leon Bailey, inspector, Catherine Jackson, Doris Covington, Johnny Westley Kelly, Augustine Jackson, Joseph G., Porter and Mrs. Ruth Griffin, advisor.

CAPTAIN ANN HOLMES
4452 St. Georges Ave.

Mrs. Mary Boss, Mrs. Dorothy Reid, Miss Maryland Williams, Mrs. Lillian Peay, Cosila Keigo, Donnie Rice, Margaret Cornish, Edna Mitchell, Clarice Watson, Melvin Rice and Dallen Rice.

CAPTAIN RICHARD ROBINSON
1013 Briscoe st.

Lincy Williams, Ella Mae Peterson, Walter Corington.

Leroy Williams, Beverly Robinson, Gwendolyn Ricks, Barbara Harris, Arthur Glen, Brenda Parker and Edmund Graves.

CAPTAIN HATTIE THOMAS
1012 Wheland St.

Barbara Garrison, Nan Henry, Pauline Hart and Mrs. Mary Askew, advisor.

CAPTAIN DOUGLAS STARVIS
1 W. Lafayette st.

Joseph Hart, co-captain, Mrs. Mollie R. Smith, Dorothy Marie Childs, Verline Marie Smith, Gloria McClarry, Fredia A. Starvis, Helena A. Childs, Edmond Lee Starvis, Mrs. Connie Hart, Mrs. Eliza Stutton, Alice Fisher, Ella Feyes.

Hanimond Feves, Mrs. Mary Giles, John Briscoe, Joseph Briscoe, Mrs. Brizzial Swead and Carrile Levis.

CAPTAIN C. HENDERSON
1030 Steddard Ct.

Vonzella Henderson, co-captain, Winston Hall, Anthony Martin, Ruth Baker, Jerome Schaivel, Gloria Hairston, Dorothy Hairston, emwy mfwy hrdi mwy mfwy m m Nell Hairston, Warner Sparter, Harrison Shorter, Ronald Soden, Melva Rosetta Henderson, Irene Standley, Reginald Standley, Earl Burd, Annette Smoth-ser, Mrs. Mary Henderson, advisor, and Jewel Chambers.

CAPTAIN BERNARD ARNOLD
1013 Tiffany Ct.

Charles Arnold Herbert, Grace Arnold, Lillian Sands Edlo Sands, Lottie Henderson, John Galway, B. Hunt and S. Rose.

CAPTAIN ZELDA CEPHAS
445 Wolf Ct.

Patrice Barnes, Sandy Barnes, Brenda Cephas, Leon McLeod, Cynthia McLeod, Doris McLeod, Edward Logan, Sonja Evans, Diana Wagner, Robert Cephas, Jacqueline Graves, Lorrine Banks, Sarain Conway, Delores Bannister, Marie Carter, Benny Crter, Kenneth Brown, Jeroma Bannister, Billy McClinton, Edward Greer and Robert Russell.

CAPTAIN SHIRLEY OWENS
1104 W. Mosher St.

Joseph Grehsam, Marshal Gilmor, Dennis Hilig with seventeen, Marie Norris, Howard Norris, Rosetta Gross, Dofel Hughes, Shirley Hughes, John Owens, and Mrs. Esther Jackson, advisor.

Bryant St.

Virginia Russell, James Hawkins, Barbara Rivers, Maryalice Conley, Mrva Hill, Charlotte Russell, Bailey Hawkins, Vivce Hill, Helena Lopas, Henry Colye, Johnny Lpas, Junior Hill;

Laryilla Rivers, Mrs. Ethel Russell, Mrs. Agnes Eaton, Mrs. Vivian Mordner, William Russell and Betiya Conlyn.

CAPTAIN SHIRLEY PAIGE
229 E. Oliver St.

Thomas Hutton, Robert Hutton, Mildred Kelley, co-captain, Lillian Jones, Estelle Jefferson, Henerette Jefferson, Leroy Paige, Gloria Paige, Erma Bailey, Baron Lonesome, John Smith Jr.

CAPTAIN ALBERT SWEETS
624 Sarah Ann St.

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455 Cummings Ct.

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Mary Rogers, Arline Eubanks, Audrey Eubanks, Michael McKay, Barbara Garrett, James Michael, Jacqueline McKay, Sebron Dwight Brooks, Andre Brown and Mrs. Charlotte A. Dyson, advisor.

CAPTAIN MILDRED JOHNSON
1100 Fulton Ave.

Almita Ball, Clifton Ball, Shirley Brown, Charlette Edmonds, Doris Johnson, Robert Webb, Bettye Wright, Teresa Connie, Julia Allen, Arlene Connie and Mrs. Juanita Jenkins, advisor.

CAPTAIN CHARLES WILSON
513 W. West Street

GBdlirfmoinu mb, - zb m cm b Leroy Briscoe, Vernon Myers, Stephen Wilson, Billy Myers, Howard Smith, Willie Briscoe, Lawrence Briscoe, Earnest Wilson, and William Berger.

Victory Reports Ready For Clean Block Captains

Victory report forms for the AFRO's 18th annual Clean Block campaign will be given to Clean Block captains at Friday morning's meeting at the McCulloh Homes auditorium.

Captains absent from the meeting should obtain the forms from Clean Block headquarters, 416 Druid Hill Ave.

Captains should not use the form printed in the AFRO. Only those report blanks obtained from the Clean Block office will be considered.

The first AFRO honor roll of outstanding Clean Blockers will appear in the Aug. 1 edition of the AFRO.

The forms to be destributed to the captains look like this:

VICTORY REPORT MUST BE MADE

All captains in the AFRO's 18th annual Clean Block campaign are urged to fill in this blank and return it to the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

(Number)

1. _____ pairs of steps painted.
2. _____ pairs of marble steps cleaned or whitened.
3. _____ houses painted.
4. _____ houses with woodwork painted.
5. _____ houses with woodwork cleaned.
6. _____ yards cleaned.
7. _____ houses with flowers in painted pots.
8. _____ houses with flowers in window boxes.
9. _____ alleys cleaned.
10. _____ cellars cleaned.
11. _____ yards with flowers.
12. _____ families in block helping.
13. _____ houses in the block.
14. _____ number of persons in block.
15. _____ number of fences painted or whitewashed.

Social Security Benefits Increase

Increased social security benefits are scheduled to be sent out in October to those persons now receiving benefits, William M. Donlin, manager of the Baltimore Social Security Office announces.

No one needs to apply for the increased payments. The Social Security administration is already changing the amounts and the office hopes to get them in the mail October 3, the regular delivery date.

If the proposed date is not met, the regular check will be sent out on schedule and the difference in payment will be taken care of in a later check.

Five-Dollar Increase

Under the terms of the new law, most families will receive about a five-dollar increase. Basic for the new benefits will be the earnings after 1950 instead of after 1936.

Under the amended law, a retired worker's monthly benefit would be 55 cent of the first $100 of his average monthly earnings plus 15 per cent of the remainder up to $300.

Other outstanding features of the new law is an increase in the amount of money a beneficiary may earn and still receive the monthly benefits.

New Rates For Self-Employed

Beginning Sept. 1, the new law increases this amount to $75 a month instead of the previous $50. Self-employed people entitled to old-age and survivors insurance benefits may receive the payments for each month of the year if their net yearly earnings total $900 or less.

The amended law provides for an increase in the monthly benefit payments to self-employed persons who have retired or plan to retire during 1952.

Previous to passage of the amendments, this year's earnings could not be used to figure the old

Inspection Report On Tour Of Clean Blocks

Touring the blocks is always a pleasant duty. You see honest effort put forth, even where the results are bad. Many Clean Blockers are working against terrific odds, but they go on trying.

Another pleasant experience is to see blocks of former campaigns still carrying on the program's principles. This is particularly noticeable in East Baltimore.

Manager Amazed

It was Manager Mackay's first tour. And she was visibly moved by what she saw. But she will tell you how she felt in her own words.

This was not the tour where we stop and chat with captains and workers. We just cruised through and took notes.

The report is as follows:

1400 Belvedere St.—Spic and span. Flag displayed but lacking in its usual beauty because of missing flowers. They usually have flowers on every step.

900 N. Chapel St.—The street was clean. Window cards displayed. No flag. Dirty alley. (Take note captain.)

1500 E. Chase St.—Despite the parked cars and a truck, it was pretty as a picture. No flag.

1700 Ashland Ave.—Very clean. One alley very dirty. No cards and no flags.

Captain Leads

900 N. Dallas St. — Captain's house freshly painted. Flag in window. Trash neatly place in cans waiting for pick up. (It was evidently trash day). No cards in windows.

900 Shuter St.—Flag displayed. Not enough window cards. Painting being done. Should be a beauty spot in few days.

1200 Washington St.—Just about all a Clean Block staff could desire.

400 E. Worzley St. — A good cleaning job had been done. Dirt was piled in front of each house. Evidently they have a pick-up sergeant. Paint not as clean as it could be. Flag displayed.

2100 N. Howard St.—Not good. Needed cleaning badly.

2200 N. Howard St.—Getting along slowly, but getting along. Flag displayed. Handmade window boxes very attractive. Needs more paint.

300 E. Federal St. — No flags. No flowers. Only one side of street Cleaned.

900 Argyle Ave.—Painting away . . . Street clean.

Captains and workers be on the lookout for inspection tours every week. Get your window cards on display. Put out your flag. Watch your nearby alleys. Get more flowers out—Dorothy C. Gibson, director.

Welfare Program In State Costs Million

Welfare payments totaling $1,359,447 were made by the State welfare department during the month of June, according to the latest report.

Of this amount, $449,413 was given in aid to dependent children, and $470,202 in old age assistance. These two categories use most of the welfare funds.

In other divisions, $21,902 was given in payments to the needy blind; $127,287 in aid to permanently and totally disabled persons; $144,310 in general public assistance; and $146,108 for foster home care for children.

In Baltimore City, the report showed, 5,683 persons benefited from welfare payments for old age assistance during the month of June.

Other totals for Baltimore were 3,267 persons who came under the aid to dependent children program; 298 who received aid to the needy blind; 1,773 who received aid to the disabled; and 2,202 persons who received general public assistance.

The report also showed that in Baltimore during the month of June, 2,203 children were receiving foster care service, and 742 parents had children who were receiving this care.

Two Of Northwest Baltimore's Prettiest Blocks

Even on a torrid day like last Tuesday it was refreshing to ride through the 1500 block of Presstman St. (at right) as soon as you turn the corner a clean block atmosphere prevails. No trash. No dirt. Fresh pain flowers and pretty white steps. Capt. Morris Gaymon heads the "Warriors On Dirt" in this block. Running him a close second with his "Warriors" is Captain William Tye Briscoe of the 800 block of Myrtle Ave. (shown at left) to help his group, the city is fixing up the building in Perkins Square which faces them. If the visitors to square would take their trash and dirt to the nearest refuse container, the Clean Blockers would have less work and a much cleaner block. DON'T BE A "LITTER BUG."

Correct List Of Donors To Clean Block

The list of contributors to the AFRO's 18th annual Clean block campaign was incorrectly printed in Tuesday's edition of the AFRO.

Following is the correct list of contributions which makes a total of $985.25 collected at that date:

S. and N. Katz, Inc., $10.00
Cooperative Civic League, $5.00
E. E. Wright, $1.00
Corte W. Peters Business School, $5.00
Summers Florist, $5.00
Clifton Kaufman, Sales Manager of the Royal Typewriter company, $10.00
Samuel M. Sullivan, $5.00

In Tuesday's edition, it was incorrectly stated that the Cooperative Civic League had donated $500 instead of the actual $5.00.

Also it was printed that Clifton Kaufman had given $10.00 and that the sales manager of the Royal Typewriter company had given $10.00.

The correct statement should read, Clifton Kaufman, sales manager of Royal Typewriter Company, $10.

The AFRO regret the error.

Teachers Push For Integration

WASHINGTON

Resolutions calling for the end of segregation in the public school system of the district and the locals of the American Federation of Teachers (AFL) will be submitted to the union at its national convention in Syracuse, N. Y.

The resolutions are sponsored by Local 27 of the union, Don Goodyear, president, and Paul Cooke, legislative representative.

Branding District schools as "undemocratic, unconstitutional, unequal and wasteful," one of the resolutions asks the union to express its disapproval of seperate schools to Congress.

The AFRO Goes To An Ice House

DEAR BOSS:

While citizens were being broiled alive in almost 100 degree heat, at least two men were chilled to the bone.

They were ice - house workers and while their fellows outside were wishing that public nudism was legal, they chopped and hacked away at ice cakes, clothed in heavy work suits, galoshes and gloves.

I came into the story the day after the heat wave subsided. An ice house, I had reasoned, might contain a good weather yarn.

A Sliver Of Ice

So, high noon found me in front of a Pennsylvania Ave. ice house along with two ice trucks, a little girl who wanted a sliver of ice to suck and a man with a thermos jug he wanted filled with cubes.

The little girl scooped up a stray piece of ice off the loading platform and dashed away to lap this frozen water.

A worker filled up the man's jug, accepted a few coins and got down to the business at hand.

The business at hand was the loading of the two trucks, one with a special crushed ice hopper just in back of the cab.

The helper, as ice slid out through a small door in the wall boosted it onto the truck and the truck driver lifted it up poured into the special compartment.

About 30 bags of crushed ice later, the men who had left it on the street in trucks and who spilt the morning air with their yells, got their wares from stations like this.

They load up early in the morning and on good days (hot ones) they return several times for further truck refill.

Ice comes in three forms, cubes (the most expensive) crushed or stored and in the familiar blocks.

The ice house Hasiff has regular customers outside and its truck takes needed ice out to restaurants, hotels, and stores as the second phase of its two-way operation.

I found that the wandering icemen (the Arabs) are a friendly crew, and most of them seem to be friendly. As Nicholson and I talked, four trucks were backed into the loading area and while Nicholson went to fill their orders, I watched and listened as they talked.

Most of the conversation centered around the condition of their trucks. By the way, meet ice trucks for some reason are painted brick red with yellow or gold letters, don's ask me why.

One iceman told all which one shot about how his truck's distributor was acting up.

Another man showed him how to solder a connection to take care of this defect.

A Faulty Piece

Some of the conversation was about ice of course. One man, about to load a 100 pound block onto his truck, examined it closely and slid it back onto the ramp.

"Give me another one," he said.

I took a look at this ice, it was the clearest piece I had seen, like crystal. This was why the man didn't want it. Because it was clear, it wasn't frozen.

enough. I guess.

Ice last longer, I suspect, when it is very frosty.

Killed By Water

Another driver said:

"A man died the other day, drinking ice water."

Someone said: "You mean to say water killed a man?"

"That's what the doctor said. This guy drank a whole lot of ice water, got the cramps on Tuesday, died on Wednesday."

His partner shook his head. "That's the first time I've heard of that."

He looked at the ice on his truck with new respect.

"I don't drink it real cold myself."

Well, this is the way it went. I had gotten the general idea about life at an ice house. Nicholson told me that going in to the cold room, them out again did not bother him.

He had been doing it for 11 years.

Dean Of Ice Men

Presently, Walter Jones who was delivering ice before I was born and is the dean of city ice man so to speak, drove up and ordered.

Spry as ever, Jones sailed a piece with his tongs, slid into his truck and came out again.

Then he said those words that are music to every merchant of frozen water ears:

"Sure been hot this week."

The rest of Baltimore may have said it painfully but I doubt this the ice salesmen protested too much.

YOUR MAN
RALPH MATTHEWS JR.
P.S. PARDON MY LIES BUT MY TALE IS TOLD.

Clean Block Highlights

(From The Director's Office)

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Well, if you missed the radio program last week, I'm told you "missed a treat". Clean Block participants were at their best. In case you don't know it, the last few minutes that Colles Rooks was talking, she was really at-biting with Bill Alexander. They had run out of script, with time on their hands.

Who knows, one day we may get Colles Rooks, Disc Jockey, former Clean Blocker, Could happen!

Pig Raising — Winners of the weekly Honor Flags, should have formal ceremonies before putting their flags on display. Here is a short program to follow.

1—Sing one verse of America.

2—Have a minister, or block leader bless the flag, and ask the Lord's prayer, so all may join in.

3—Pledge allegiance to the Flag.

4—Sing one verse of The Star Spangled Banner.

Note: Try to have everyone in the block present. Invite a few outside neighbors. Make a GRAND occasion of your Flag - Raising ceremony.

Gilmor Homes — The captains and advisors of the Gilmor Homes have extended a very cordial invitation, to hold one of our regular meetings in their auditorium.

The staff and Clean Blockers at Gilmor, make me so welcome, and are so interested in our program, we just couldn't refuse. So be on the lookout for the formal announcement of a date very soon.

McCulloh Homes — An unofficial tour of the project, revealed some beautiful courts. Those who had late starting had better notice what is going on around them.

Poe Homes — I had an interesting session with the advisors Thursday morning. As always they were ready to give the children in their blocks the adult influence and leadership they need. And it was nice to hear them say, "we want no credit or pay of any kind," we are doing this for our children and ourselves. "Why should we expect pay!" (Those ladies would be surprised, if they knew how many PARENTS feel differently) Neighbors also.

They have special plans for the WORKING Clean Blockers. No doubt they will be honored this year.

In perfect agreement with almost everything was staff member, Miss Olive Caulk. Others about were: Mesdames Beulah Oglesby, Gertrude Dailey, Lucy Johnson, Beulah Wheeler.

Mamie Caster, Bertha Jones, Ethel Thompson, Gloria Douglass, Ida Robeson, Sarah Brooks, Dorothy Ferebee and Lucille Wilkins.

Landlords — Since the beginning of the campaign, Clean Blockers have been urged to contact their landlords, where a great amount of painting was needed. Several reports have come to the office, that the landlords had responded, but didn't want it mentioned.

Not so, with Landlord Brady of the 900 block of Argyle Avenue She is happy that her tenants are in the campaign, and want to fix up their homes. She says they can have paint whenever their want it.

While we are in the 900 block of Argyle Avenue, note: word came to me Monday, that former Captain Robert Jackson, who left the city a week ago for a summer vacation, returned Saturday night because of homesickness. WE WONDER.

Odds and Ends — I suppose when you are dealing with several hundred people, you are bound to have SOME unpleasantness. But when, these people are adults, and their children are among adults, I do think they would let our Clean Blockers alone.

Adults who get "mad at each other," and to even the score, make their children leave the campaign, are worse than Dixie crats.

Adults — Watch your tempers. Keep your personal business from your children. Remember, they will have plenty of their own misunderstandings, as they grow older. Don't heap yours on them.

COMING ATTRACTIONS — Clean Block Honor Roll. Radio Broadcast. Biddle Theatre Jamboree. Regent Theatre Jamboree.

Orchids And Onions

It was too hot to have Orchids transported here this week, so our last will appear in full, next week.

A basket of onions to the Adults who made their children leave the campaign because of their differences. Keep your blocks clean. Put your flags out. Get your flowers out. Watch your nearby alleys. Clean Blockers are always polite.