## A Clean Block Neighborhood

Young Elliott Atkins is captain and Eloise Price the co-captain of the 2100 block of N. Howard St. (pictured above). The captain's house is pictured to the left. It is the one displaying the hedges and window boxes which young Atkins made himself. As the Clean Block campaign rolls to its halfway point, Clean Blockers there state that their block is gradually shaping up into a potential winner and will be a top-flight block at the end of the drive.

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## Clean Blockers Welcoming Routine Inspection Tours

From good inspection reports, come rewards.

With this thought in mind, Clean Blockers are welcoming the routine inspection tours that go along with their Clean Block campaign.

The recent heat wave played havoc on many of the freshly planted flower gradens, and is causing much concern. Beauty with flowers, as well as cleanliness, adds to the ratings of blocks.

**Evergreens, and Plants**

Clean Block advisors and staff members have agreed, that plants and evergreens of any variety, can be just as attractive in pots as some blooming flowers.

A tour through Northwest Baltimore revealed that—600 block of George St. is maintaining its status on cleanliness, despite the digging and parking. They are putting some emphasis on the back yards, too.

The 1000 and 1100 blocks of Argyle Ave. have fallen way down. No sign of a working campaign was noted. Not so with the 900 block of Mount St. Everything was spic and span. Flag waving and all.

The following blocks which are moving rather slowly, need to work harder: 700 and 800 blocks of Carey St.; 1100 block of Mount St., 1100 block of Mosher St., 1300 and 1400 blocks of Lafayette Ave., and the 1400 block of Lanvale St.

**A Pretty Series**

A real treat for Clean Block inspectors is a cruise through the 800, 900, 1000 and 1100 blocks of Whatcoat St.

The streets are spic and span. Dividing alleys free of trash. Flags waving in all but one block. Fresh paints in all blocks.

As always, the Clean Blockers in the 1000 block of Stricker St. are on their toes. If you go early, they are working. Later, everything is in order. This applies to Sundays too. Oh, yes, we tour on Sundays!

The 1400 block of Mosher St. has come from way behind to be a threat to some of the pretty blocks of long standing. Ditto the 1100 block of Woodyear St.

Get busy—1200 block of Division St. You started off well. Also McCulloh Homes Courts.

**The 'Bad' Girl**

The Gilmor Courts are boasting everything from string beans to fishing ponds in their gardens. An air of beauty and cleanliness reigns over the entire area.

Some courts are outstanding, some just pretty, others moving slowly. But ALL are moving. Watch for the first Honor Roll . . .

## Loses Leg But Still Shows Sunny Smile

You read of war heroes losing their arms, legs, and sometimes lives, saving comrades.

But here's a heroic tale which happened in Baltimore Saturday night around 9:30.

The heroine—Mildred Johnson, an attractive 18-year-old, living in the 1100 block of N. Fulton Ave.

**Saves 'Youngster's Life'**

The scene — Pennsylvania Ave. near Laurens St.

A paperboy, Charles Cook, 11, stood in the way of a taxi sent reeling toward him after it was struck by a fast moving truck.

Miss Johnson, nearby, darted towards the youngster to save him accident.

**Leg Amputated**

She was successful in that she pulled the youngster back far enough to prevent him from being killed.

She paid a big price, however. Her left leg was injured so badly it had to be amputated at Provident Hospital.

Some eyewitnesses say her leg was severed in the incident.

**Courageous Attitude**

But her attitude does not show that it was a big price to pay.

When the AFRO Clean Block staff visited her this week, she was not whimpering or complaining about her condition.

Instead she talked of the young Clean Blockers of the 1100 block Fulton Ave. of which she is captain.

They should elect a new captain, she said. Activities should not be halted because of her fate.

But she is missed sorely in her neighborhood during the hospital confinement.

Fellow Clean Blockers, her friends and relatives, all say that her sunny disposition and attitude towards life belongs in the "one in a million" class.

**Rally By Friends**

And she still reflects this attitude as she sits in her wheelchair at Provident Hospital.

Friends, neighbors, and her fellow Clean Blockers are reallying to her aid by sending flowers and other things to help her keep the sunny disposition during her hospital stay.

They are also collecting funds for her.

Mrs. Joe Paul, wife of an East Baltimore merchant, also gave Miss Johnson a gown.

## The Aim — Improvement

Aim of the Clean Blockers in the 2200 block of N. Howard St. is to improve the west side of their area which now is far from being tops in appearance. Workers say their main obstacles to successful "Clean Blocking" are hard ground and uncooperative neighbors. Leaders of the 2200 block are Katherine Hartsfield and Louis Taylor, captain and co-captain, respectively. Mrs. Catherine Banks is adviser.

## List Of Clean Blockers Working In 16 City Blocks

Following is the list of the workers of 16 blocks which were not reported previously in the Clean Block rosters of youngsters and adults working in the 18th annual Clean Block campaign:

**Capt. Elizabeth Keene**
**208 N. Fremont Ave.**
Mrs. Lucy Johnson.

**Capt. Charity Johnson**
**1614 Mauntmer Ct.**
Leuretta Fuller, Maxine Ware, Rosella Johnson, Harriett Johnson, Saundra Counts, Betty Henson, Barbara Mitchell, Preston Johnson, William Butler.

**Capt. Glenda Thompson**
**800 W. Lexington St.**
Berndette Cornish, co-captain; Mrs. Ethel Thompson, adviser; Mrs. Lillian Cornish; Mrs. Mary Smith; Mrs. Ileen Chapman; Mrs. Margaret Jefferson; Mrs. Mamie Paulson; Mrs. Louise Gross; Mrs. Delia Mason; Mrs. M. B. Redmond; Brenard Mason, and Mary Wise.

**Capt. Ronald Fassett**
**1404 Booker Ct.**
McCauley Stancil, Nancy Manns, Edgar Manns, Barbara Hall, Melvin Goodman, Carolyn Campbell, James Lee, Agnes Lee, Charles Lee, Pamela Pumder, Pearline Williams and Ray H. Williams.

**Capt. Erma F. Robinson**
**454 Walton Ct.**
Jacqueline V. Robinson, Sandra E. Garrison, Sandra Hutchins, Lenora Hutchins, Branda Thomas, Malva Thomas, Dwight LeMele, Ronney Williams, Brenda Garrison;

Mrs. Isabele Garrison, Dela William, Mrs. Erma Robinson, Mrs. Elizabeth Tunstall; Mrs. Lillian Smith, William Johnson, Mrs. Bernice Hutchins and Mrs. Thersa Tucker.

**Capt. Melvin Hopkins**
**1400 Block Larman Ct.**
Arlene Smith; Leo Smith, Leonard Jones, Clarence Sells Jr., Earnest Nelson, Betty Ruth McNeil, Otis McNeil Jr., Robert McGowen, Gilbert McGowen, Bruce Moore, Julia Dargon.

Wesley Dargon, Vernon Stevens, Stansley St evens, Mrs. Lillie Ramsey, Mrs. Geraldine Burman, Mrs. Christine Hopkins, Mrs. Susie Dargon, Mrs. Emma Byrd, Mrs. Leona Crockett, Mrs. Elsie Smith;

Mrs. Irene Steven, Mrs. Flora McNeil; Mrs. Alice Sells, Mrs. Theodora McLean, Mrs. Louise McGowen, Ronald Crockett, Clinton Crockett, Charlestine Crockett and Deborah Crockett.

**Capt. Gloria Bridges**
**1444 Mauntmer Ct.**
Sandra Jones, William Jones, Richard Jones, Everett Jones, Brinda Hill, William Bridges, Ronald Bridges, Deanna Sadwien, Melvin Snowden, Teddy White, Neal White;

Frank Berry, Joyce Latney, Cordella Jackson, Leon L a t n e y, David Parris, James A. Rigby, Clarence Rufus, Ronald Stewart, Smith, Sandra Green, R o b e r t Blackwell, Charles Covington, Virginia Holland, Bonnie Holland and Luther Smith.

**Capt. Arriverson Adams**
**1846 Mauntmer Ct.**
Edward Riley, Marshall Thompkins, Arnold Tates, Alfred Tates, James Thomas, Maurice Rich, Dennis Adams, Carol Ann Mckinley, Janice Tates, Yvonne Rich, Jean Tates, Melvin Adams, Catherine Phillips, Delores Hall and James Mckinley.

**Capt. Robert Blackwell**
**1427 Mauntmer Ct.**
Hermina Rufus, Frances Freeman, Luther Smith, Dorothy Mae Hendrick, Naomi June, Reginald June, Frances Holland, Virginia Holland, Barbara Holland, Jerry Christine, George Christine, Arlenan Walker, Ronnie Smith and Georgianna Holland.

**Capt. Jerome Reeves**
**1029 N. Dallas St.**
Freddy Harvey, co – captain, Alama Butler, Gertrude Reeves, Elliott Chambers, Christine Harvey, Rosalind Brooks, Bernard Brooks, Sonja Butler, Harry Butler, Diane Watson, Beatrice Wooden, Sandra Wooden and Mrs. Savilla Cooper, adviser.

**Capt. Charlie Clifton**
**5706 Swallow Lane North**
Frank Henson, Francine Henson, James Johnson, William Johnson, David Clifton, Robert Green, Janie Montgomery, Aleamles McIntyre, Columbus McIntyre, Oscar Phillip Jones, Judith Annette Jones, Albert Johnson, Roseze Johnson, and Glenn Garfield Ghee.

**Capt. Shirley Thomas**
**5005 Kildare Ct.**
Dorothy March, Edmna Allenrote Dawson, Edward Carry, Billy Allen and Shirley Thomas.

**Capt. Sherman H. Cox**
**5605 Swallow Lane, South**
Kathleen Cox, advisor, Isia McDonald, Nathaniel Cooper, Sonny Cooper, Linda Thomas, Brenda Thomas, Jean Cox, Shirley Cox, Bernard Cox, Oather Jones Jr., Sylvia Jones;

Elroy Jones, John Martin Jr., Sylvia Ross, Ann Ross, Diana Ross, Janet Ross, Charles Ross, William Lee, Emma Jefferson, Irone Lee, Sherman Lee, James Owens, Shirley Cooper, B e t t y Cooper, Beatrice Flemming, and Patrica Lee.

**Capt. Jerry Hollinger**
**57 Osprey Ct.**
Harold A. Campbell Jr., William Gross, Sallie Ghee, Carolyn Cromwell, Katina Cromwell, Freda Cambell, Yvonne Owens, and Frances Owens.

**Capt. George Butler**
**1503 Owl Lane**
Vernon Gray, Willie Butler, Paul Gray, Abram Berry, Willie Naovin, co-captain.

**Capt. Hattie Thomas**
**1012 Whatcoat St.**
Barbara Garrison, Nan Henry, Sheila Henry, Reginald Henry, Naomi Thomas, Herman Forlison, George Garrison, Harold Thompson, Leroy Garrison, Margie Stevenson, Ruth Thomas, Ronnie Clark, William Stevenson, Margie Thompson, and Pauline Hart, advisor.

## Flowers Cheer Injured Clean Blocker

Clean Block Captain Mildred Johnson, who lost her leg in a freak automobile accident last Saturday, was visited in her hospital room by Clean Block officials Thursday. She is receiving flowers from Mrs. Dorothy Gibson, director; while Mrs. Frances Mackay, manager, looks on. Mildred was captain of the CLEAN Blockers of the 1100 block N. Fulton Avenue, and despite her accident she appointed another captain to carry on for her.

REGENT
To The AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers:
The management of the Regent Theatre, 1627 Pennsylvania Ave., cordially invites all Clean Block workers, assigned to this theatre, to hold their annual Jamboree here on Friday morning, August 15, at 9:30 A.M.
I am expecting all of you.
Sincerely, Henry J. Hornstein.
NOTE: No 18 Bus passes the door. The theatre is completely air-conditioned.

BIDDLE THEATRE
To The AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers:
The management of the Biddle Theatre, 1235 E. Biddle St., takes this means of extending to you an invitation to enjoy a full-length show at this theatre on Thursday, August 14, at 9:30 A.M.
We are selecting films we hope will delight and entertain you. It is with a great deal of pleasure that we are looking for you on this date.
Robert R. Lee
NOTE: Car No. 19 and trackless trolley No. 21 come near the theatre. It is completely air-conditioned.

## Clean Block Highlights

(From The Director's Office)

Courage in its rarest form—Selfless Courage, was brought to the attention of this office Monday morning. I received the shocking news that Captain Mildred Johnson of the 1100 block of N. Fulton Avenue had lost her leg in an accident, Saturday night.

Mildred had scheduled a meeting for Monday night, and her advisor had asked me to attend. Naturally, I knew the call was to cancel the meeting. But snot so. Mildred, from her hospital bed had sent for Clean Blocker Joan Scott appointed her captain, and asked her to carry on for her.

Joan, presiding at the meeting Monday said, "Mildred said her leg was painful at times. But her main concern was the campaign. She wants us to carry on as planned. She will be rooting for us." There was complete silence for a few seconds after this announcement.

**Pathos vs Duty**

The new Captain carried on the meeting with a mingling of pathos and duty. She related several incidents (I'm certain for my benefit) which portrayed the splendid character of their injured coworker.

After Joan's visit to the hospital, she took it upon herself with the aid of a smaller sister, and went from neighbor to neighbor, collecting funds to give Mildred's mother because she knew it would be needed.

She reported that those who did not respond at once, promised, and she knew they would. Her first attempt netted $12.83. More money came in during the meeting.

Mildred lives with her mother, widowed eight years ago, and three younger children. Their address is 1100 N. Fulton Avenue. A card shower from all Clean Blockers and Clean Block patrons would be appreciated by this office.

**Still Smiling**

When Manager Mackay and I walked into the hospital ward Thursday, Mildred's face broke into a million smiles. The same smiles she usually carries. She shook her head just a wee bit wearily, and said, "I don't feel too bad. A pain now and then."

Believe it or not, she was sitting in a wheel chair. Who was disturbed? We were of course. What can you say when you are faced with such stamina and courage? If there had been tears, or complaints, you could console, with nothing but smiles, and thanks for a few flowers and a visit—what could we say?

It was truly a picture of Courage—in its rarest form. Cluld you match or beat it at eighteen?

A NOTE OF CHEER — Clean Blockers in the 600 block of George Street aside from their parking problems, this week are faced with street-digging. Don't worry. Inspectors can tell the difference in the dirt. The men will be finished before final inspections. Keep up your good work, and keep cheerful.

REMEMBER — Only workers with armbands bearing the name of the theatre will be admitted to to the Jamborees. TAKE NOTE CAPTAINS.

If your names have not appeared in the paper with other workers, two things could have happened. First-your captain has not sent in the workers list. Second,you did not print or write your name plainly enough to understand. Check on both these items.

ODDS AND ENDS—Clean Block captains and workers are still complaining about their Elders. The ones who eat and drink on the front steps at night, and leave their empty containers where they fall. The ones who grumble among themselves, and tell the children so they can carry the load on.

Grown-ups who put beer bottles in windows while they sit on the steps.

**Advisors Meet**

Clean Block advisors representing NW Baltimore, South Baltimore and Wilson Park met in the office Wednesday afternoon. All reported progress, along with their problems. The lacked flowers which have been the victims of the heat wave was discussed at length. Those who are unable to have blooming plants, will put out evergreens.

By the end of next week, the campaign will take on its accustomed beauty. DON'T FORGET MILDRED. Until next week, that is.

## —Jamboree Time

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on the honor roll, this does not mean that it will be there always. Steady and consistent work in the blocks must be maintained she said, in order to keep the block's name on the honor roll.

If any neglect of Clean Block regulations are found in the block, its name may be removed from the honor roll.

. . . Jamboree Schedule . . .

The jamboree schedule calls for programs at two theatres. The first jamboree is scheduled on Thursday, Aug. 14, at 9:30 a.m. at the Biddle Theatre, 1235 E. Biddle Theatre, 1235 E. Biddle St.

On Friday, Aug. 15, at 9:30 a.m., Clean Blockers will be invited to the Regent Theatre, 1627 Pennsylvania Ave., for the second jamboree.

**MARYLAND TO INCLUDE PROGRESSIVE CANDIDATES**

After filing petitions containing 4,000 signatures with the secretary of state in Annapolis, the Progressive Party announced that Maryland will be among the minimum of 41 states placing the presidential ticket of Vincent Hallinan and Mrs. Charlotta Bass on the ballot in November.



## Suits Totalling $105,750 Filed By Two Injured Girls

Three damage suits, totaling $105, 750 were filed Wednesday in Baltimore City Court on behalf of two young girls who were run down on July 28 by a taxi which had been struck by a truck at Pennsylvania Ave. and Laurens St.

The suits, filed by Michael F. Freedman and Leonard S. Freedman, charge that the girls, Mildred B. Johnson, 18, and Dorothy C. Chase, 9, were injured because of "carelessness and negligence."

The girls are cousins and both live in the 1100 block N. Fulton Ave. Miss Johnson is still confined to Provident Hospital where her left leg had to be amputated. She also suffered internal injuries.

**Was Bruised**

The Chase girl suffered cuts and bruises but was released from the hospital following treatment.

A newsboy, Charles Cook, of 1700 block Division St., was also seriously injured when the truck ran wild.

The defendants in the suit are Ballard Jackson, 25, the truck driver, 500 block McMechen St.; his employers, Marie Donoghue and Elmer Donoghue, 2600 block Lehman St., owners of the Bone, Fat, Tallow Co.; George Schneider, 500 block Scott St., owner of the taxi, and Leroy Pfisterer, 3300 block Avondale Ave., driver of the cab.

Pfisterer also was injured in the accident. He was treated at Maryland General Hospital for cuts and bruises.

In the papers filed Wednesday, Miss Johnson's mother, Mrs. Edna B. Johnson, is asking $100,000 for her daughter's injuries.

George L. Freeland, father of the Chase girl, asked for $5,000 damages and $750 for medical expenses.

The two young girls were walking along Pennsylvania when the truck struck the parked taxi and sent the latter plunging into the young people on the sidewalk.

Jackson, the driver of the truck, was charged with reckless driving, speeding and operating without a license.

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## Mental Facilities Needs Pointed Out By Physician

Dr. Albert Burwell, head of a division of the Mental Hygiene Society's $250,000 fund-raising campaign, pointed out this week the urgent need for the psychiatric facilities the drive will support.

"There is a need for mental education of the people on the whole," Dr. Burwell said. He added that there is not only a need in Baltimore for psychiatric physicians, but also for psychiatric students.

"I think the drive is very necessary," Dr. Burwell declared.

Part of the funds will be used to set up a child guidance clinic at University hospital.

Not only are services needed for children, Dr. Burwell pointed out, but there is also a need for an industrial clinic due to the new attitude toward alcoholism by mental hygienists.

**Alcoholism Is Sickness**

"Alcoholism has been generaly accepted as a mental disease for about two yers," Dr. Burwell said.

Dr. John T. King Sr. is chairman of the fund campaign.

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## Ex-Morgan Gridder And His Wife

John (Killer) Kane, former Morgan State College football all -CIAA linesman, now a professional wrestler, visits in Baltimore on a delayed honeymoon with his wife, the former Vickie Lee, herself a pro mat artist. Mrs. ane is the niece of the famous Zaharias brothers, Babe and Chris. A native of Lansing, Mich., she met the Baltimore athlete while he was being booked on the grapple circuit out of Chicago. They took the vows last January. The anes are parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip ane, of 1630 E. Chase St.

## Chief Justice Witholds Baltimorean's Execution

Jesse Reid, 25, of Baltimore, sentenced to be hanged this week for the alleged criminal attack last winter of a 15-year-old white girl in Baltimore county, has been granted a temporary stay from the gallows by the chief justice of the Supreme Court, Fred M. Vinson.

Chief Justice Vinson has ordered Reid's execution withheld pending a petition for a review of lower court rulings filed by attorney Harold Buchman.

In his petition, Mr. Buchman claims that Reid was deprived of his constitutional right for due process of law by the conduct of his state-appointed counsel, who confessed Reid's guilt to the jury prior to the verdict after a not-guilty plea had been made.

**AFRO Story Cited**

The petition also points out "the treacherous nature of rape charges involving white and colored participants" using as an example a story in the AFRO in which a white woman promised to blame the first colored man she saw for an alleged attack upon her.

Mr. Buchman further contends that there were conflicts in the girl's testimony, and that the court-appointed counsel failed to undertake pre-sentence investigation, psychiatric examination, summon other witnesses or obtain further information prior to the sentence.

This, the petition declares, amounts to an unfair trial.

**ANTHONY SMITH MARKS BIRTHDAY**

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## Checking Weight

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you get hungry sooner, so that you're apt to overeat.

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I LIKE toast and jam, too—but when I go overboard on this, I go light on the bread spots. I try to balance my diet to keep a little of everything going into me.

I like variety.

**I eat peanuts, have an occasional cocktail, even an ale off and on. I eat pork roasts, even fried chicken and gravy.**

But I am darned sure not mixing them all into the same 1,500-calorie day, or it wouldn't be a 1,500-calorie day any more. When there are no more seats in the balcony, you don't catch me selling standing room to peanuts and potato chip!

Result: I'm down to 200 pounds!

Condensed from "The Fat Boy's Book" By Elmer Wheeler. Pub. Prentice-Hall. Copr. General Features Corp.

(Next Time: How to gain weight while eating like a bird.)

**WRECK BLOCKS CHERRY HILL**

Traffic along Hanover St. during the Thursday evening rush hour was stalled almost an hour when a huge trailer truck overturned at Cherry Hill Rd. and Potee St. after striking two sedans.

The gigantic overturned truck almost completely blocked traffic to and from the Cherry Hill area. The truck driver, Mike Richardson, Raleigh, N. C., was treated at South Baltimore General Hospital for minor injuries.

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