Clean Block prize fund eases past $300 mark

VOICE OF EXPERIENCE—Miss Frances Murphy, center, who founded the AFRO Clean Block campaign 20 years ago, takes time to give some pointers to the present directors of the drive, Mrs. Edith Weaver, left, and Mrs. M. Francis Mackay.

Money need greater this year than ever

Total long way from $2,500 goal set for prizes

With the addition of $29.50, the Clean Block Prize Fund eased past the $300 mark Friday.

The total now stands at $320.50. The goal this year has been set at $2,500.

A renewed appeal to business establishments and individuals who have contributed in past years is being sent out by Clean Block officials.

Contributions are coming in more slowly this year than last, it was pointed out by Clean Block Director M. Francis Mackay.

Unless generous Baltimoreans come to the rescue with their dollars, youngsters busy keeping their neighborhoods clean...will not be able to share liberally in rewards generally given at the end of the campaign.

Many persons who have received appeals by mail from the Clean Block office, are asked not to further delay sending in their donations.

With the increase this year in the number of blocks registered, it becomes doubly important that sufficient funds are collected to provide the prizes that help serve as an incentive for the children to work.

Special appeals were mailed out to hardware and paint companies, but thus far the response has not been encouraging.

The paint companies should be generous, it was thought, because the Clean Block campaign does more to stimulate the purchase of paint during the summer than any other Baltimore movement.

This is also true of hardware supplies, such as nails, tools, screen doors and wire and other fixtures needed for home improvement.

Faculties of several schools which have contributed in the Prize Fund in years past are also asked to send in their donations this year.

Every cent of the money given for prizes goes for this purpose, since the AFRO assumes responsibility for all other expenses of running the campaign.

The latest contributors and the amounts are as follows:

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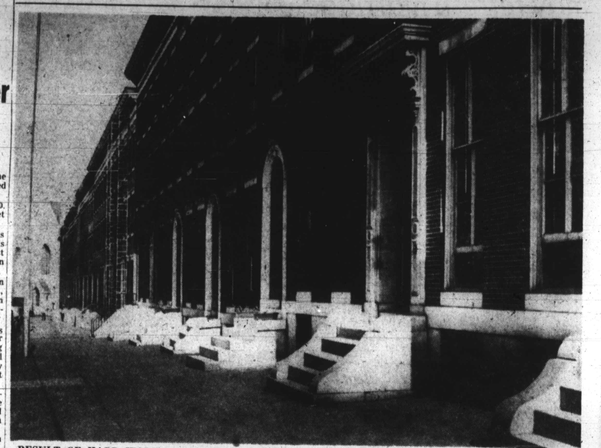

RESULT OF HARD WORK—This was the spotless appearence the 1000 block West Lanvale St. presented Tuesday after Clean Block Captain Brenda Jones and her crew had finished. Captain Jones' Clean Blockers were treated with a big campaign kickoff party June 22 by their adult advisor, Mrs. Lillian Lawrence.

CLEAN BLOCK • SIDELIGHTS •

By M. FRANCIS MACKAY

Be a recruiting captain. Try to bring in a new captain to the McCulloh Homes' meeting each Friday. By doing this, soon we will have all blocks in every section of the city taking part in our campaign.

Made an unexpected visit to the 400 block Dover St., in South Baltimore. But Captain MAXINE BROOKS was not to be caught napping. She and her crew were out working.

A note from Captain GLORIA BROOKS of the 700 block Monument St. "We are doing very well," she writes. "We hope to get all houses painted this year."

Captain ARTHUR B. BROWN of the 800 block Druid Hill Ave., reports that "our streets and alleys are clean. We hope to get all our painting and flowers out soon."

Captain MARIAN BOYD of the 500 block Oxford St., was told to put her trash and dirt in piles at both ends of the street and Bureau of Sanitation men would come and collect it.

Notes From Captains

MARY F. CLAGG and workers of the 300 block of E. Arlington Ave. have seven pairs of steps painted. Fourteen houses have been painted or cleaned.

ELIZABETH SHEARS, 200 N. Dallas Ct.: "We are doing a fine job in our court. All are co-operating."

MARJORIE FORD, 900 block Pierce Street: "We have trouble with the small children in the block throwing paper and trash in the street after we have cleaned for the day. Our alleys are our biggest problem."

MRS. HILDA M. ROBB, advisor of the 600 block Melvin Dr.: "We are doing good work in our block, but we don't have full co-operation from all residents."

Note to Mrs. Robb: You will have to get a captain before your block can be officially registered.

ARLENE KILPATRICK, 2000 block Brighton St.: "We have done quite a bit of work on one side fo the street. We are having trouble with two neighbors not wanting us to sweep in front of their doors."

Can anyone picture anyone being so mean as not wanting their fronts cleaned?

JAMES MASON, 800 Monument Street: "We are working hard in our block. One yard is our biggest problem."

JANICE BLACKWELL, 1500 block Clifton Ave.: "We are asking residents to do the best they can in keeping their own house and front clean. We need a corner trash can so the small children can keep the paper off the street."

MARY JERRY, 2700 block of Presbury Street: "Our colors are green and white. We have cleaned the street. We try to keep it clean."

And now for some pointers to a few captains:

RAY FLORENCE, 600 Paca Street: "Keep at it and pretty soon you'll be in tip-top shape."

NANSEDIAL HENRY, 1000 Whitecoat Street: "This block has made a good start and should turn out well if everyone co-operates.

To EGERTHA BATTLE, 1600 Braddish Street: Your block is doing very well. Don't let the others beat you to the Honor Roll.

CAPTAINS: Don't forget to display your small American flag in your window. It is Honor Flag time, so let me know what you are doing in your block.

You must send in your Victory Report, worker's sheet, and attend all the meetings.

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Harmony is keynote for block colors

An appeal is being made to all clean block captains to stress the idea of color harmony in various blocks.

Wherever possible captains will be asked to use only one color of paint on their flower boxes, pots and other painted surfaces.

This will make a better appearance and be less expensive, too. When using two colors, however, do not use them on the half-and-half basis.

Use Basic Color

Instead, have a basic color, preferably a dark one, using about a half-inch band of the second color to trim off the various objects.

Two containers of flowers on either side of the dens with window boxes on window sills, if desired, will be sufficient.

The use of small boxes painted a dark green so that they will not soil so easily, has been recommended where persons are unable to buy the expensive window boxes.

Do Painting First

Do all of your painting first, your planting later.

Wooden benches, painted dark colors, so they will not soil so easily, are perferred instead of the steel chairs for the front. They are less expensive and are more friendly than the exclusive chairs.

Venders Please Note

All venders accused of depositing trash in the alleys are asked to co-operate with the Clean Block workers by placing their rubbish in cans thereby keeping the alleys clean and free of germs and dirt.

Holiday motorists told to use care

Motorists have been urged by the Maryland Traffic Safety Commission to exercise care on the highways during the long Fourth of July weekend, which starts today (Friday).

"Slow down and live" was the advice of Paul E. Buke, executive director of the Commission, who pointed out that 241 persons have already been killed in Maryland this year in traffic accidents.

148 youngsters in nine more blocks registered

Captains of nine more blocks by complying with the request to submit a complete list of all workers, became fully registered for the 20th annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign since Tuesday.

The list of new registrants, including the captains, totals 148 more enemies of dirt dedicated to making Baltimore a cleaner and healthier city.

Workers Names Needed

Scores of captains who sent in their names and addresses, but have failed to submit the complete list of all the workers in their respective blocks are not fully registered, Clean Block Director M. Francis McKay has explained.

Notices are going out to these captains so that they can hurry and meet all of the requirements of registration before the rapidly approaching deadline.

Names of the captains and their workers who became fully registered since Tuesday follow:

Captain Marjorie Ford
900 Pierce and Franklin Sts.

Thomas Dixons, Leonard Washington, Roy Jones, James Harris, Frank Evans, co-captain: Gladys Holly, Linwood Jackson, Mildred Dixons, Sadie Grier, Barbara Grier, Norma Myer, Alice Evans, Walter Wright, Betty Grier, Bobby Lee Dixons, Arlene Holly, Dorthy Holly, Joseph Holly, Sherman Dixons, Leroy Grier, Joyce Adams, Charles Preston, Lewis Grier, Walter Griffin, Caretha Holly, Mary Evans, Beverly Jackson, Joyce Jackson, Alvin Jackson, Ernestine Jackson.

Captain Delores Dorsey
800 Vincent St.

Mable Brown, Mrs. Evelyn Brown, Mrs. Ethel Green, Paul Wilson, Miss Meta Boston, Mrs. Constance Duppins, Mrs. Mary Dates, Herman Nelson, Jossie Williams and Ernest Brown.

Captain Norman Willoughby
1200 Whatcoat St.

Avon McNeil, Eugene Perkins, Herbert Willoughby, Jerry Perkins, Herbert Willoughby, Jerome Hutcherson, Donna Murphy, Earline McNeil, June McNeil, Moses Hutcherson, Charles Craig, Brenda Allen, Della Willoughby, Ella Roy, Raymond Roy and Joe Perkins.

Captain Shirley Jones
2000 Etting St.

Wilbert Brown, Vernon Brown, Donald Brown, Glen Taylor, Charles Terrell, Jeannett Scott, Ernest Jones, Donald Simms, Wallace Hargrade, Barnett Hargrade, Mrs. Rosa Ferrell, Mrs. Mary H. Parham, Mrs. Valerie Harris, Mrs. Marie Randall, Mrs. Victoria Clark, Mrs. Ruth Bailey, Mrs. Eleoie Sisco, Mrs. Catherine Wallace, Mrs. Frances Smith, Mrs. Mary Scott, Norman Harris and Mrs. Odell Sims.

Captain Roberta Gray
700 Dolphin St.

Catherine Williams, Diane Davis, Carolyn Finney, Brenda Finney, Betty Williams, Sherian Finney, Shirley Harris, Earline Roberts, Earl Roberts, Eugene Roberts, and Peggy Finney.

Captain Delores Hamilton
800 Saratoga St. Apt. 9.

Mrs. Lavinia Richardson, advisor; Mrs. Eleanor Dunn, Mrs. Arnetta Gross, Mrs. Alice Hamilton, Robert Smith, Mrs. Marian Scofield, and Michael Richardson.

Captain Larry Arvin
800 W. Lexington St.

Jerome Lumpkins, Marcella Scriber, John Scriber, Harry Lumpkins, Jerry Barrett, James Burke, Charles Benson, Brenda Burke, Annette Monk, Joann Haynes, Myrtle Monk, Mrs. Hazel Lumpkins, advisor, and Christine Monk.

Captain Joan Smith
800 Saratoga St. Apt. 4

Ronald Cooper, Charles Smith, David Smith, Phillip Smith, Gary Johnson, Lonzy Johnson, Mary Smith, David Frazier, advisor.

Captain Donald Bates
900 E. Lexington St. Apt. 6.

Nelson Chreistie, Samuel L. Bower, Norris A. Smith, Jerry A. Smith, Charles D. Bates, Melvin J. Williams, Annie J. Oglesby, William Watts, Valery Watts, Haddie J. Watts, Leonard W. Downing, Jackie Brown, Norma Brown, Katherine Brown, Mrs. Beula H. Oglesby, advisor; Vernon Johnson, William Johnson, Albert Johnson, Eva Johnson, Oden Lewis, Joseph Johnson, Earlene Johns, and Herman Rates.

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Young Clean Blockers find filth is enemy of health

(An Editorial)

"Insure Your Health With Clean Blocks" is our slogan for the 29th Annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign.

Workers in the AFRO's Clean Block Campaign report that their greatest problem this year is keeping alleys in their neighborhoods free of filth.

Several factors are responsible for these unsanitary conditions which, if allowed to continue, may lead to an epidemic.

These factors are:

1. Overcrowded living conditions—which means no storage space for garbage and trash.

2. Lack of containers for garbage and trash.

What can be done, workers ask, to rid their living areas of this health menace? Our answer is that they secure cooperation of the land-lord, sanitation, health, fire and police department in getting the Mayor and City Council to crack down on persons who throw trash in alleys and streets.

Keeping alleys clean in congested neighborhoods is as important as any other civilian defense work.

Disease Spreads

If living conditions of the people are unhealthy, disease is soon on the rampage and it isn't long confined to one neighborhood, but soon spreads to others.

The Clean Blockers, mostly children, have already pointed out the need for action. It is up to adults of the community to act.

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people at work and at play

The Baltimore Afro-American, July 3, 1954

COLLEGE IN FALL—Yvonne Thomas, 9 S. Lane St., and Dorothy Young, 511 Main St., were among recent graduates at Sollers Point High School in Turner Station. Both received scholarships. Miss Thomas will study nursing at Hampton and Miss Young will enter Morgan in the fall. She wants to be a physical therapist.

GARDENER — William Jorwan, 1531 Leslie St., has been a professional gardener 20 years, earns $1.50 for cutting average-size yard. Photo was made in 2300 block Monroe St.

WATCH IT!—Mrs. Ethel Keys, 1112 N. Central Ave., holds ladder for son, Robert, 18. He wants to be a professional painter. Dad, Thomas Keys, works at Sparrows Point.

A LITTLE LIGHT FISHING—Plans of this trio called for fishing and crabbing at Wagner's Point. From left, Victor Stepney, 13; Harry Smith, 15; and Eldridge Stepney, Jr., 15. The boys bait crabs with chicken heads and legs; use worms for fish. The Stepney boys live at 422 Laurens St. Young Smith lives at 1812 Druid

ISN'T SHE CUTE?—Eighteen-month-old Denise Hawkins looks pert for the AFRO cameraman. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hawkins, 1113 Madison Ave. Dad is a restaurant worker. The family goes to Emmanuel Christian Community Church.

PROFESSIONAL WORKERS—Members of the Sheltered Workshop staff of the Baltimore League, Mrs. Harrie Bond, left, of 109 N. Wheeler Ave., and Miss Eva Mae Shannon, 1830 W. North Ave., are among 40 persons engaged in making gift merchandise at 827 St. Paul St. While Mrs. Bond puts the finishing touches on a silent butler, Miss Shannon completes a waste paper basket.

"BUBBLE GUM, PLEASE—Six-year-old Jimmie Jones, 108 Chestnut t., can barely reach for his change. Photo was made in store of Mrs. Martha Allmond, 201 Main St., in Turner Station. She's been in business eight year, sells cosmetics as well as groceries.

DESERVES CONFIDENCE—That's the opinion of the employers of Miss Margaret Wells of 2931 Belmont ave., a clerical worker at the Mi-Dy-Per Service, 1210 W. Fairmount Ave.

USE THEIR SKILLS—James Jones, left, and H Harry Brown, pupils at Havre de Grace Consolidated School, use talent they acquired in shop class, to earn extra money in summer.

AIR FORCE MAJOR—Photographed recently when he visited relatives in Baltimore is Major John Lake, son of Mrs. Rachel B. Lake, 1517 N. Fulton Ave. He's stationed at Hill Air Force Base, Ogden, Utah.

WATCH YOUR FINGERS—The electrical saw being used by Ray Johnson of 1126 Mosher st., is capable of cutting through the heaviest lumber handled by the Penn Supply Co. at 601 Pennsylvania ave. The machine is powered by a five-horsepower motor and in action it sounds like the roar of a dive bomber. Mr. Johnson has been employed at the company for 15 years. He is a yard foreman. To the rear is Mike Ruben, a salesman.

IN A HURRY—Miss Constance Pulley, 2100 9th St., NW, Washington, an employee of the Navy Bureau of Regional Accounts, was caught by the AFRO cameraman as she hurried toward the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. "I'm in a hurry and nervous," she said. "I'm going to get my driving permit."