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14-Year-Old Boy Falls 14 Stories To His Death

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THEY SAT AND WAITED AND THEN—This was the scene at Valley Forge Hospital near Philadelphia on Friday evening. AFRO photographer I. Henry Phillips and two AFRO reporters, Misses Pam Widgeon and Michele McRae were there too with Mrs. Andrea Rander, shown in left panel with daughters, Donna, 7, and Lysa, 13. They were waiting for arrival home of their father and husband, Sgt. Donald J. Rander. He was a prisoner of war in Vietnam for five years. Accompanying story tells of the reunion.

Teacher's aide gets 16 years for robbery

"This young man has been placed on probation four times before this. It is inconceivable how the Department of Education could employ this man to assist a teacher."

Judge William O'Donnell made the above statement in Criminal Court on Wednesday before he sentenced James G. Reaves to 16 years in prison.

Reaves, 21, 3000 block Hanlon Ave., pleaded guilty to robbery with a deadly weapon.

The defendant was employed at Lemmel Junior High School as a teacher's aide.

According to court records, on Sept. 4, 1972 Reaves attacked Wayne Neary in the 3700 block Franklin St. Mr. Neary was selling ice cream from his struck when the defendant jumped in the truck and demanded money.

Judge O'Donnell told the court, Mr. Neary shot the defendant and hard delivered him to the police in his truck.

The defendant told the court he wanted the money to pay for an abortion for his girlfriend.

A GOOD CITIZEN is registered and prepared to VOTE. Do so today at Supervisors of Election, Fayette and Gay St. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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To register a vote, a householder needs only to mail his name, address and identification of the sanitation crew to: Clean City, American Building, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202

Letters must be postmarked on or before April 25.

Cash awards will be presented to the best refuse collection crews, street cleaning crews, bulky trash collection crews and hokey cart operators.

Del. Brailey to become Dr. Brailey

When Del. Troy Brailey (D-4) receives the Virginia Seminary highest honors Sunday at Leadenhall Baptist Church, he will become Dr. Brailey.

The degree of Honorary Doctor of Humanities is being bestowed upon the Maryland lawmaker at his own Baltimore Leadenhall Baptist Church, 11 a.m. April 15 by the Rev. Dr. M.C. Southerland, president of the college.

Del. Brailey, long praised as benefactor of the less fortunate is married and has two children. He and his wife reside in Baltimore where he is active in civic, community and church circles.

Others honors received by the legislator include the AFRO Honor Roll plaque, 1964; Outstanding Citizenship Award, 1965, (the mayor's highest Baltimore City Award) A. Philip Randolph Award, 1965; Native Son Award from citizens of Lynchburg, S.C. his hometown, 1967; Leadenhall Baptist Church, Man Of The Year Award, 1970 and the Omega Phi Psi Citizen of the Year Award.

As a 4th District member of the Maryland House of Delegates he is on its powerful Ways and Means Committee; is now vice-chairman of the Baltimore City Delegation and national director of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, national vice chairman of the AFRO AMERICAN Labor Council and Baltimore Labor executive.

DEL. TROY BRAILEY

Ride Bike Day set for Sunday

Ride a bike for the retarded day is scheduled for Sunday, April 8, when thousands of youths and adults will cycle as far and as long as possible to benefit Maryland's 130,000 mentally afflicted children.

Riders starting out between 8 and 9:30 a.m. will make a 25-mile loop of the city beginning and ending at the War Memorial Plaza in front of City Hall.

A featured 'Marathon Race' around Druid Lake Reservoir will be held later in the day.

April 8-14 proclaimed Foster Children Week

To increase community awareness that thousands of children throughout Maryland are in need of foster homes, the Department of Employment and Social Services has sent letters to all churches and synagogues requesting their sermons give meaning to Foster Children Week.

The week, April 8-14 has been proclaimed by Governor Mandel and Mayor Schaefer.

A leaflet has been sent to teachers, school administrators and PTA groups to obtain fuller communication between schools, agencies and foster parents

Each year there are countless children who through no fault of their own have been deprived of a normal home relationship involving love, shelter, a sense of being wanted and belonging, and other needs that are the rights of all children.

In his proclamation, Mayor Schaefer recognized the efforts of Baltimore social agencies and dedicated foster parents in serving these children and called for increased public support for programs for foster children.

The mayor presented the Judith Hochreiter Award to honor persons, organizations or activities giving exceptional service or foster children.

Recipients are: Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Butts, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tarra, and Mrs. Helen Franz.

Mr. and Mrs. Butts have cared for 13 foster children in nine years and have shown exceptional sensitivity to needs of emotionally and physically handicapped foster children in their care.

Mr. and Mrs. Tarra have cared for 38 foster children in 15 years and as many as seven at a time, many of them teen-agers. Mrs. Tarra is secretary of the Foster Parents Association.

Mrs. Helen Franz a district Supervisor in the Special Services Division of the Baltimore Department of Social Services, has for 37 years tmet the needs of families and their children.

Mrs. Jackson buried Monday

Funeral services were held Monday at Elroy Wilson Funeral Home for Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson, 55, 2800 block Hillsdale Ave.

Mrs. Jackson died Saturday at her home after a brief illness. She was employed by the government. Mrs. Jackson is survived by her husband, Joseph Jackson; Mrs. Marie Homes, mother; six children; four grandchildren; and three sisters.

Rander girls see Dad first time in 5 years

By MICHELE McRAE

VALLEY FORGE, PA. — The Rander family was dressed up for a special occasion.

Seven-year-old, Donna Rander, had her hair up in a curly pony tail and proudly patted her jumper as she stood in the lobby of the Valley Forge Hospital here Friday evening.

Her sister, 13-year-old Lysa, with her long black silky hair hanging down, periodically wiped her face and shed a tear. Stylishly

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AFRO VISITORS at the Baltimore home office this week were General Motors Corp. executives, from left, Ronald L. Theis, regional manager, East Orange, N.J.; Donald Williams, owner and operator of a Baltimore dealership and Richard B. Harris, manager, dealer development department, Detroit, Mich. The gathering marked the graduation of the Baltimorean from the General Motors Academy which trains minorities to become owners of dealerships.

"WE'RE RETROGRESSING" Glenn's reaction to Schaefer's criticism

By BLAINE TAYLOR

(See Editorial Page 4)

David L. Glenn, the outgoing staff director of Baltimore city's Community Relations Commission, has reacted to Mayor Schaefer's criticism that the agency has become a "harassment commission" that too often fought racism in the courts.

Glenn told the AFRO, "Of course we harass discriminators.

"We try to break down patterns of discrimination as agressively as we can.

"If that's harassment, I'm delighted, but we've only been in court three time in six years and held only five or six public hearings."

Stating, Schaefer doesn't know how our machinery operates," Glenn added, "I've never had a meeting with the mayor about our agency, race relations or our problems."

Glenn has been CRC director twice: 1961-63, and 1967-present.

"We're retrogressing," Glenn told the AFRO, "because we have massive discrimination within the city government itself, which, with 43,000 employees, is the largest corporation in Maryland."

He stated that, without strong mayoral and financial backing, the CRC "Can't operate effectively."

His main problem, claims Glenn is money, as "We're understaffed and underfinanced.

"We have a lack of resources, and we have no money, as "we're have no money for anything except to pay salaries."

DAVE GLENN

He explained that this year $361,000 went to pay the staff members of the four divisions (compliance, enforcement, community and education), out of a total budget of $411,000.

"That left $49,000, of which $22,000 had to go for rent of the commission."

Asked to define the CRC's role Glenn said, "We've tried to be an aggressive and forthright advocate for the rights of the disadvantaged and minority communities.

"We've carried this out responsibly and honestly, and there's no taint of any wrong-doing on the part of our staff.

"Our professional ethics are above reproach."

Glenn leaves his CRC post May 1 to take a new job as assistant secretary for program coordination under David T. Mason, secretary of the State Department of Employment and Social Services.

General Motors to get top dealer in Baltimore

Donald W. Williams of Baltimore is more than one-third of the way toward his goal of becoming a General Motors dealer.

Since July, he has been a member of the GM Dealer Development Academy — an effort unparalelled in the auto industry to expand the number of minority-owned dealerships.

Mr. Williams has successfully completed over six months of a unique "transfer of experience" program devised by GM to telescope many years of dealer management experience into 18 months of intensive training. He is sponsored by the Chevrolet Motor Division.

Mr. Williams is 48 and

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14-year-old falls from window

A 14-year-old Harlem Park Junior High School student, according to police, fell to his death Monday night from his 14th floor bedroom window in the Lexington Terrace Apartments.

Reporting officers, Charles Frank and Edward Bogle of Western District, in their report listed the incident as a suicide.

His mother, Mrs. Helen Johnson, police report, told them "her son was a known glue sniffer," while two of her children told Western District Officers "they smelled what they thought was glue on Richard Johnson."

However, medical examiners have listed the cause of death as "undetermined."

Johnson arrived at University Hospital at 9:30 p.m., some 10 minutes after, police report, his mother "entered his room, and looked out the window" and saw "the lower part of her son's body on the ground."

Doctors at the hospital pronounced him dead on arrival.

Funeral services are

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AT 20TH ANNIVERSARY PALMA has dinner, awards for its honored employees

By JOHN H. MURPHY, III

The Pennsylvania Ave. and Lafayette Market Association (PALMA) which includes 29 area merchants in Northwest Baltimore, held its 20th anniversary salute to its employees April 1 at Martin's West.

On hand was Mayor Schaefer, who congratulated PALMA for its community activities, saying "If all sections of our city displayed the same spirit of togetherness, the city's problems would be well on the way to being solved."

The welcome was extended by Miss Kitty Broady, PALMA director of community relations; the Rev. Mervin Gray, Strawbridge United Methodist Church, gave the invocation; and co-chairmen Llewellyn Tilgreetings.

The program closed with observations made by Is-

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Ophelia Hunter freed in killer-for-hire case

Miss Ophelia Hunter, 22, 5000 block Queensberry Ave. accused of contracting a killer-for-hire to have her step-father killed is now free.

She won acquital Wednesday in Criminal Court.

Judge Harry A. Cole stated that the state had failed to produce corroboration of the testimony of an accomplice.

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Epitome of Beauticians' fashion show

The Epitome of Beauticians hosted a Pre-Easter Fashion Show and Luncheon last Sunday at the Holiday Inn, downtown, which kicked-off Spring 1973 with a beautiful display of high-hats and fashions.

After luncheon over 200 ladies and gentlemen, young and old, were treated to a unique display of hats designed by Mrs. Hilda Logan.

There was music too. Soloists were Mesdames Hattie Smith and Melvinia Thomas. Musical accompaniment was by Mrs. Jacqueline Hardy.

Guest models who showed an assorted collected of fashions for day and evening wear were Mrs. Hilda Logan, Mrs. Gerri Walker, Misses Gladyes Grimball, Carroll Walls and Freddie Weaver, all of Pittsburgh, Pa.

A local model, Travis Winkey, stole the show when he strolled on to the platform with his white-on-white-in-white Easter ensemble.

It was a midi white coat trimmed in white fox fur, white high-waisted pleats and a white turtle-neck sweater.

Committee members for the affair were: Mesdames Flora Irving, president; Lillie Spears, chairman; Mary LaGree, recording secretary; Edith West, corresponding secretary; Dorothea Robinson, financial secretary, and Annie Simms, business manager.

HIGH-HATTER was Mrs. Arnetta Stock who stopped to display her new spring navy and white hat to another interested high-hat buyer. (AFRO photo by Mark D. Baird).

Columbia Capers

By PINNIE L. ROSS

This columnist will feature an outstanding resident of Columbia each month.

I have chosen for this month's feature beautiful and vivacious Mrs. Rena Clay.

Mrs. Clay, a native of Nashville, Tenn., did her under-graduate work at Fisk University and N.Y.University. She was trained at N.Y.U. as a Rehabilitation Therapist and also specialized in Diagnostic Art Therapy.

In 1958, she came to the State of Maryland with her husband Dr. Earl Clay, who at that time was a resident in surgery.

MRS. RENA CLAY

TRAINING

She worked as an Art Therapist at Crownsville State Hospital until 1963 when she decided to go into training for psycho-drama at Elizabeth Hospital.

In 1965, she completed her training as a psychodramatist and was employed by Spring Grove Hospital.

In addition to Spring Grove, she serves as consultant to seven other agencies throughout the state, including Howard County Health Department's alcoholism program.

KEEPS BUSY

She is an instructor Consultant in psychodrama at Springfield psychodrama Trainee, Baltimore City Alcoholism Center, Division of Parole and Probation, and Seton Institute.

In addition, she is associated with Every Man, a new drug program to start in Howard County and the pastoral counseling service at Spring Grove and Johns Hopkins Hospital.

In addition; Mrs. Clay finds time to teach five psychodrama sessions a week for the emotionally disturbed, and one group a week for families of adolescents at Spring Grove.

She said, "The State Department has given permission to train two psychodramatists on a year and a half program; I run a six weeks' training program whereby normal people will be able to be familiar with psychodrama, but not do it."

She added, "I have trained part of the Police Department." People usually take training from her on a rotating basis.

Mrs. Clay added "I work with normal people as well as disturbed. I help them deal with all kinds of problems that people have to cope with day by day."

She has had sessions with groups, as many as 37 parents, of children who have problems. "I never treat a child unless I treat the whole family."

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Mrs. Clay is a member of the American Society of Registered Rehabilitation Therapist, American Society of Group Psychotherapist and Psychodrmatist, Conciliation Training Learning team of Spring Grove, Monumental Medical Wives, Me-De-So Wives.

She belongs to the Baltimore City Medical Wives, Howard County Medical Wives, American Psychodrama Association, American Society and Psychodrama.

She is on the Board of Directors of Every Man, Howard County Drug Program, Baltimore City Symphony Association, Baltimore Symphony Women Association.

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The energetic beauty has lectured in numerous colleges and has volunteered her time in churches.

For the past eight months she has been quite busy writing a book on psychodrama and the adolescent. She says "It's half finished.

time to serve my husband breakfast in bed on a silver tray and spend at least one week alone together.

The Clay like travels. Usually, they take short weekend trips with the family and go on camping trips during the summer.

The Clays are also antique collectors. Dr. Clay his dealer licenses and likes to buy odd pieces.

One unique piece which decorates their home is an old bar from the Stafford Hotel.

Another is a medical bag from Dr. Howard, one of the first generations of the Howards here in Howard County.

The Clays have five children, Lela 11, a student of Bryant Woods School; Earl, Jr. 13, a student at Wilde Lake Middle School; Ricky 16, a student at Wilde Lake High School; Michelle, a freshman at UMBC — pre law student; and Janet a graduate of Fisk University, presently doing further studies on her Masters in Psychology.

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A moment of bliss, on the other end of the telephone was the voice of her cousin, Georgia State Legislator, Julian Bond, who called to say he would be attending the Me-De-So Debutante presentation on April 27.

Another call came from the President of the State Department, inviting the Clays to a Farewell Luncheon given in honor of the famous Fifth Dimensions, who will be making a good will tour to the communist country for a month.

Cuff Note: Florence Lerue was a classmate of Mrs. Clay and a very good friend.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"All men have hearts, and each heart has its own leaning"

Food Buying Tips

An unopened can of citrus juice may be kept on a shelf until used—but once it is opened it should be kept in the refrigerator. Your fresh citrus fruit will keep longer if placed in the refrigerator.

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Making cheese waffles! Just add one cup shredded, sharp cheese into the dry ingredients before adding the liquid—but slightly reduce the amount of fat in your basic recipe.

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Cooked dry beans freeze especially well, according to U. S. Department of Agriculture. Because freezing, like cooking, softens beans, somewhat. Cook them until barely tender for the best quality frozen product.

April 30 deadline

The Group Activities Department of the Madison Ave. YWCA, is sponsoring a ten-day trip to Mexico, August 3rd to 12th.

Interested persons should reserve a place by sending a $50 deposit before April 30 to Mrs. Gertrude Finney, Adult Activities Department, 1912 Madison Ave. Final payment of the total $573 is due June 3.

R.S.V.P. with Marie

Captain McNeal Brockington honored by family circle

By MICHELE L. MCRAE
(Substituting For Marie Murphy Phillips Cooke, AFRO Women's editor on vacation)

Something nice this week done by people doing nice things was the 'Brockington Family Circle', who gathered at the lovely Hilton Ave. home of Rev and Mrs. Monroe R. Saunders to honor Capt. McNeal Brockington.

Over one hundred family members joined him and his wife, Gladys and their son Neal, as friends saluted Capt. Brockington who was recently promoted to Captain and assigned to Baltimore City's Eastern District as Commanding Officer.

Capt. Brockington, a native of Florence, S.C., is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. McNeal Brockington (Eloise) of Baltimore. He came to Baltimore when he was four years old. He attended the Baltimore public school and in 1941 graduated from Douglass High School were he served as class president.

In the Armed Forces for four years, Capt. Brockington, served in the 92nd Infantry Division and as a technical sergeant, from which he received an honorable discharge.

JOINED POLICE FORCE

An employee of the Baltimore City Police Department for 24 years, he first worked in patrol and various specialization units.

Later promoted to Sgt. in1963, he was assigned to the Chief Inspector's Office as special investigator. McNeal was later transferred to Inspectional Services Division as Supervisor in the Intelligence Unit, and in 1968 he was promoted to Lieutenant then transferred to the Central Shift Commander. His last promotion was last month.

FAMILY AND GUESTS

Among those attending the reception were: Messrs. and Mesdames: McNeal Brockington Sr., Timothy Brockington, Charles Jones, Elliott Brockington, Hannibal Mickens Sr., Hannibal Mickens Jr., Bert McMillian Jr., Monroe R. Saunders Jr., Robert Johnson, Clarence Gardener Jr., Wordell Lewter, Glascoe Brockington, Robert Lewis.

Others present were: Bishop and Mrs. Monroe R. Saunders Sr., Bishop and Mrs. Gene Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Gene Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Elijah B. Saunders.

Also Mesdames, Adlaide Richardson and Family, Annie Mae Wilson and Family, Lillie Saunders, Eunice Badgett, Dorothy Richardson, Lillie Mae Gregory, Emily Rice and Edna Mae Waters.

And, Robert Brockington, Robert Mickens, Misses Ruth Mickens and Ernestine Johnson.

Guests received a four-page program which recounted the captain's achievements, a reprint from an AFRO article.

One of the opening pages carried this salute:

It is indeed a pleasure to honor you Captain 'Mac'. You certainly deserve the highest esteem and administration of our family, the Brockington Family Circle. You have conquered all handicaps! You've dedicated your life to serving our communities as well! God bless you 'Mac'.

80 CANDLES

Lovely as could be a week back, was Mrs. Martha Butler of Hanover, Md. She was given a surprise party on her 80th birthday.

The affair, held in her lovely Race Rd., home, was arranged by her children, Mrs. William Eldridge Jr., Mrs. Irene Queen, Charles Butler, and her granddaughter, Miss Shirley Butler.

Highlight of the evening was cutting of a beautifully decorated cake and the presentation of gifts and cards.

Among those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames, Walter E. Sewell, Frederick Blackstone, Charles N. Wells; the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Sewell, Mesdames, Irene Mundell, Bessie Ward, Helen Eldridge, Mable Eldridge.

Also, Misses, Beulah Wheeler, of Washington, Crystal A. Eldridge, Karen Eldridge, Neda Jones, Jewel Butler, Charletha Butler, Sylvia Jones, Rhonda Lynn Eldridge;

And, James Carter, Walter Thomas, James DeBarry, John Parham Sr., Calvin Parham, Paul Jones Jr. and Keith Jones.

BROCKINGTON RECEPTION brought together over one-hundred family members and friends of Captain McNeal Brockington Jr. Pictured at the affair Capt. and Mrs. McNeal Brockington and son, rear, Elliott Brockington.

MISS MARGARET ELIZABETH COOK
engagement told

ENGAGED

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon W. Cook have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Cook to Rev. Goldsborough Sylvester Gaines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Gaines, all of Baltimore.

Miss Cook, a senior at Morgan State College is presently teaching physical education at Houston Woods Junior-Senior High School No. 11. She is a member of the First United Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic.

The Rev. Mr. Gaines is a 1972 graduate of Morgan State College and is presently studying at the Wesley Theological Seminary. He is a member of the John Wesley United Methodist Church.

JUNE PLANS

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Johnson Sr., of Carrollton Ave., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Donnell Anne Johnson, to Mr. Burnett Vinton Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Moore Sr., of Ruxton Ave. all are Baltimoreans.

The bride-elect, a graduate of Western High School and Coppin State College, is a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Woodland and the late Mr and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

Mr. Moore, a graduate of Douglass High School and Cortez Peters Business School, is an Army veteran. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Bailey and the late Mr

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MRS. JENNIE M. JENKINS
(See RSVP)

PATTERSONS ENTERTAIN — Dr. and Mrs. Roland N. Patterson hosted a party on Saturday evening at their home. Guests included school officials, board members and state and city lawmakers. In left panel, Larry S. Gibson, school board member with Miss Diana Lewis; Dr. and Mrs. Calvin Lee (he's president UMBC). Second panel, Dr. and Mrs. Patterson, (he's superintendent of Baltimore city public schools); with Dr. and Mrs. Vernon S. Vavrina (he's associate superintendent). Right panel, Mr. and Mrs. Kalman B. Hettleman, (he's board member), with State Senator and Mrs. Clarence L. Blount. (AFRO photos by Moss.)