Join AFRO's 42nd Annual Clean Block Campaign

Start flowers for window boxes now

1. Mrs. Naomi Camper, President of the For-Win-ASH Garden Club, is preparing the soil by mixing dirt with vermiculite (can be purchased at most hardware stores). Soil is now light and ready for planting.

... about Mrs. Camper

Last week, the AFRO visited Mrs. Douglass Camper on Powhantan Ave., to find out how to plant flower seeds indoors.

Mrs. Camper has the most beautiful flowers, and she and her husband started planting flower and vegetable seels in January. They have a large hot house on their second floor porch where the seeds were started. Mr. Camper made the hot house by making a wooden frame and covering it with heavy plastic. It's unbelievable how the hot house withstood the high winds recently that blew down cranes and did a lot of damage all over the city.

Mrs. Camper will be selling flowers at the Annual Flower Mart, May 5, at Charles Center this year for her club, The For-Win Ash Garden Club.

Mrs. Camper says she has always had flowers around the house, every since she got married, over 50 years ago. About four years ago she and her husband started the green house. Since then they have planted a variety of flowers and vegetables.

Last year they had 59 different kinds of vegetables in their yard. This year she says they will have 61. You would have to see the yard to believe it. Not only will there be all kinds of vegetables but there will also be the most beautiful flowers.

In Mrs. Camper's dining room there is a flower stand of three shelves with fluorescent lights that hold some of the plants she started from seeds. There are also African violets that she started from one leaf. They are in full bloom and of varied colors.

We toured the back yard to see the vegetables Mr. Camper has already planted outside. The beds are all ready for the summer crop. He said he had a truck load of sand deposited there which he mixed with the soil. Vegetables grow better when the soil is light he advised.

In two weeks we'll give you a progress report.

Planting Petunias

When preparing soil for petunia seeds, it is best if the soil is mixed with vermiculate which can be purchased at a hardware store. This makes the soil light.

Petunia seeds are lightly spread on top of the soil. Water should then be sprinkled over the seeds. Do not drench the soil at first.

Plastic is then placed over the boxes of seeds to encourage fast germination. Each day the plastic is lifted and the water is wipedoff. It takes two weeks to germinate. Do not put the seedings in bright light.

Water on second day until the soil is very moist. Then water only when soil is just damp to the touch. Never allow the soil to become dry or leaves will droop. The secret to successful petunias is to always keep them wet but not soggy.

After the seeds germinate, they will have four leaves on them. It is now time to thin out by putting in another container. This could be plasic or styofoam cups, if you have no deep pans available.

Seedlings can now be placed in a sunny window until time to transplant into window boxes. Keep moist but not as wet as when they were seedlings. By the middle of May they should be ready to go in the window boxes.

2. Sprinkle the petunia seeds on top of the soil. Do not cover the seeds. For plants other than petunias, cover the seeds lightly. For petunias sprinkle water over the seeds. For other seeds water well. Cover the box with plastic and put in subdued light for about four to six weeks.

3. Remove plastic daily and wipe off water. Water daily, keep soil good and damp but not soggy. Seedlings are ready to transplant and thin out when four leaves have formed. Here, Mrs. Camper shows what the seedlings look like after germination. She is transplanting seedlings to plastic cups and other containers.

4. After transplanting flowers, water daily and keep in sunny window for several more weeks. Plants should be about three or four inches high and ready to be planted in window boxes or flower urns. Do not put outdoors before May 18th when there is no danger of frost.

5. By mid summer your flowers should look like these in the flower urns made from old tires. Flowers must be watered regularly during the hot summer months.

Blocks on the Move

By Arnetta Lo'ler

After many months of meeting with various organizations, trying to get the involvement of the entire community, the AFRO Clean Block is now about to start its Spring and Summer Campaign.

Adults and children have been swamping us with calls about when the campaign will open. Many have called to let us know they have already started their Spring cleanup.

The 500 blk. Sanford Place, Mrs. Sadie Givens called to say they will have new captains this year, Mr. and Mrs. George Perry, Buster Thornton will give his assistance. Mrs. Givens will give her support as usual. Mrs. Mary Burns, florist on Pennsylvania Ave. will give neighbors instructions in planting.

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Mrs. Dorothy Phillips, advisor of the 1400 blk. E. Lafayette Ave. called to advise us her block and the 1700 blk. E. Lafayette have already made plans for thei Spring Clean up. They have purchased brooms, cleaners, etc. to start getting things ready. They are now looking for paint to freshen up and change their colors to red, white and blue.

The 900 blk. N. Gilmor St. has alreadv officially entered the AFRO Clean Block Campaign for 1976. Ms. Khadeeja Patan Mata advises the new interim Captain will be Ms. Gladys Johnson and the new co-Captain will be Andre Brown.

Phillip Clay of the 2000 blk. Barclay St. called to register his block. Remember this block made the beautiful drawings on the vacant houses. They also did a terrific job cleaning the neighborhood.

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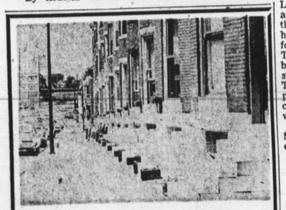
Mrs. Esther Middleton, 500 blk. W. Lafayette Ave. came in to get her Clean Block applications. This very dynamic lady is the one who had the folks on Pennsylvania Avenue helping to keep her block clean.

Come on neighbors, call or write in for your Clean Block applications now, today or call AFRO Clean Block, 728-8200.



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RULES

PURPOSE

The purpose of this campaign is to get all residents in your block to keep a clean home this summer and beautify the block.

A clean block is one in which steps and sidewalks are washed once a day and the street kept free from trash.

Wood work is kept free from fingerprints and vestibules are scrubbed.

Windows are kept clean and curtains hung evenly.

Garbage and trash cans are removed as soon as emptied.

Window boxes have flowers in them as well as on the porch.

No one sits at the front window or on the front steps, unless his clothing is neat and clean.

Loud talking or any other disturbance which annoys others is not permitted.

A beautiful block must have flowers in it, and must be clean, both back and front.

WINDOW SIGNS

One hundred per cent cooperation of the block residents will be attested by the window signs as well as by the improved appearance of the block itself.

May 8th
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Pretty Sunday School teacher crushed by car; husband held

Slain MSU coed rites today

DEBORAH NADINE SCOTT
slain at age 18

Funeral services will be held today (Friday) 7:30 p.m. for Miss Deborah Nadine Scott, 18, at New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Ave. and Lanvale St.

The family will receive friends at the church from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Burial is set for Saturday 11 a.m. in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Miss Scott was a Morgan State University freshman. Police report she was found dead April 26 in a basement apartment in the 2000 block Woodlawn Dr. where she lived with her mother and sister.

She was pronounced dead at the scene by a medical examiner, John Schaefer, who said the cause of death was multiple head injuries caused by a blunt instrument.

NO ARREST

Police report at AFRO presstime they were still investigating the case and no arrest had been made.

Miss Scott was found dressed in a robe and nightgown and was lying on the floor near the locked front door of the apartment.

According to police, the intruder apparently came in through sliding glass doors leading to a patio.

Relatives of Miss Scott told the AFRO, she was planning to attend school Monday evening. Miss Scott's body was found around 4 p.m. by her sister, Miss Cheryl Scott, a Forest Park High School student.

Her mother, Mrs. Jean Saunders was called home from work at the Post Office on Fayette St., by her daughter, Cheryl.

HONOR STUDENT

Miss Scott was an honor student at Morgan and majored in Urban Studies. In her spare time, she enjoyed reading and listening to music.

She was a lead singer with the Young Adult Choir of New Shiloh Baptist Church. In addition to her mother and sisetr, Miss Scott is survived by two grandmothers, Mrs. Onnita Walker, Mrs. Irma Scott, grandfather, James Scott, one uncle, Rudolph Walker and a devoted friend, Michael Bruce.

CRUSHED BY CAR—Mrs. Rose Brown Harris, the pretty Richmond Sunday School teacher who was run over "at least twice" by a car. Her estranged husband has been charged in connection with the death.

Body found on road in city

RICHMOND

A pretty 27-year-old Henrico County woman who was killed when she was run over "at least twice" by an automobile has been described as a devoted church worker who had a disposition that was "characterized by a smile" and a willingness to help others.

This description of Mrs. Rose Brown Harris of 214 Newbridge Circle was made this week by her pastor, Dr. Benjamin W. Robertson, pastor of Cedar Street Memorial Church of God in Richmond where Mrs. Harris served as a Sunday school teacher and on the Adult Usher Board.

Friends and relatives, stunned by the brutal slaying, said they thought "something had happened" when the victim did not attend church Sunday.

The reason that Mrs. Harris' death came as such a shock was that it was inconsistent with her friendly and helping way of life.

"She was a compassionate young lady who was characterized by a smile," Dr. Robertson said. "She loved her church and supported it very well."

During weekdays, Mrs. Harris was employed as a clerk-typist with the state and attended Virginia Union University on part-time basis.

A relative said Mrs. Harris' enrollment at Virginia Union was characteristic of her consistent efforts to improve life for herself and her 10-year-old son.

Police have charged her estranged husband, Harold Edward Harris, 31, of the 2800 block Fourth Ave., Richmond, in connection with the shocking death according to Dectective Norman A. Harding Jr. Harding said that Harris turned himself in to police Monday afternoon.

Detective Harding said that Mrs. Harris was run over between 6 a.m. and 7 a.m. Sunday and that her body was discovered sprawled on East Richmond Road several hours later by a passerby who phoned police.

Dr. Marcella F. Fierro of the State Medical Ex-

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Rev. Arthur Payne, 82, is retiring on Sunday

By Evelena J. Henderson

A testimonial is set for Sunday 4 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel for Rev. Arthur Jerome Payne.

The Rev. Mr. Payne, 82, is retiring as pastor of Enon Baptist Church after 53 years of service.

The Rev. Mr. Payne is the oldest black active minister in Baltimore and recently received a citation from Mount Moriah Baptist Church for being the oldest active minister.

He is described as the "best loved and best known minister in Baltimore and is affectionately called the father of the Baltimore churches."

Not only has he been outstanding in the Baptist denomination but he has left a legacy of outstanding achievements in community and civic affairs.

The mention of his name has become a household word among thousands of Baltimoreans.

While visiting the Rev. Mr. Payne in his home, he showed me many pictures of outstanding events that happened during his years of service to Enon and the community.

He carried me to his study where he has more than 50 awards and citations displayed on the walls. Among the awards and citations he proudly talks about are the citation of merit for Minister of the Year in 1959, president of the Council of Churches and Christian Education of Maryland and Delaware, outstanding service award as assistant to the 1943 National War Fund Campaign in New York; life member of the NAACP and many others.

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The Rev. Mr. Payne graduated from Wayland Academy in 1898; He received a B.A. degree from Morgan University in 1928; master of arts degree, Columbia University in 1939.

REV. ARTHUR J. PAYNE
pastor of Enon Baptist

Also, he received a doctor of divinity, Virginia Union University and an honorary degree from Virginia Union University.

Among his greatest accomplishments at Enon

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Udall and Brown visit the AFRO

California Gov. Edmund G. Brown visited the AFRO this morning, Friday, as he pressed his campaign for Maryland's May 18 Primary.

In an AFRO editorial meeting Wednesday, Cong. Morris Udall (D-Ariz.) said he is for the federal welfare system and noted he carried Harlem with the help of Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm.

He stated, as his attractive wife nodded her head yes, "I'm reaching out, I want to get the country back to work. I'm beginning to pound my case home."

About the No. 1 ranking opponent, Jimmy Carter, Udall said, "He's getting the black vote but on the bottom line he's not with

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'Choice' author to pen AFRO column

Samuel F. Yette, the prize-winning author, will write a hard-hitting AFRO column out of Washington, beginning in next week's edition.

Yette's column will broaden AFRO coverage in the nation's capital and keep a sharp eye on crucial issues touching the lives of AFRO readers.

Yette is the author of the controversial book, "The Choice: The Issue of Black Survival in America," the 1972 highest non-fiction award of the Black Academy of Arts and Letters. He has a strong reportorial background, having worked as a reporter for the AFRO, Ebony, Dayton Journal Herald and Newsweek.

SAMUEL F. YETTE

'Brother' gets 20 years

A 35-year-old owner of a sundries at Pennsylvania Ave. and Dolphin St., was convicted by a Criminal Court jury of possession of heroin with intent to distribute.

Criminal Court Judge Martin B. Greenfeld fined James A. Croomer $15,000 and sentenced him to 20 years iin prison.

Cromer, of Randallstown, known as "Brother", lived in the 3500 block Carriage Hill Circle.

A police sergeant told the court Cromer had admitted buying "$700,000 worth of heroin" at the retail level for sales in the Baltimore area.

Bail was set at $100,000 for Cromer pending appeal. Judge Greenfeld said he would require $20,000 of the amount be put up in cash.

According to Assistant State's Attorney John Denholm, Cromer was arrested in a raid in the 1900 block Forest Park Ave., last July. Police report more than $4,000 worth of heroin, $848 in cash, thousands of empty glassine bags, cellophane tape and other items used in cutting and packing heroin were recovered from the scene.

OTHERS ARRESTED

Wayne Murray, 27, of the 2900 block Arunah Ave., was found guilty of distributing heroin and possessing drug packaging materials.

Murray, known as the "lieutenant" was sentenced to 10 years in prison by Judge Greenfeld.

CHARLES JETER

Charles Jeter, 32, of For-

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Hard work, not lip, makes Ali 'greatest'

NEW CARROLLTON, Md. — Muhammad Ali didn't get to be heavyweight champion of the world by writing poetry of dubious merit or simply telling everyone who would listen that he was the greatest — he worked at it.

When he trains, he trains very hard and very seriously. At least until he decides he's worked hard enough and that it is time to perform.

That's the way it has been since the 34-year-old champ opened training in a hotel here in the Washington, D.C., suburbs for this week's (April 30) defense of his title against 27-year-old Jimmy Young, the Philadelphia-based, third ranked contender.

Young had already worked out in the hotel ballroom and had just begun an interview with a television personality. When Ali entered the interview ended abruptly and after posing for a quick picture with the champ, Young disappeared.

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Ali answered a few questions from reporters while his handlers prepared him for the afternoon workout. When some of the middle class guests seated at tables away from the ring grew raucous he growled, "If you don't behave, I'm gonna have to clear you out.

"This is my work and right now I'm training and I take it very se-

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HEW stay is denied

U.S. District Court Judge Edward S. Northrop has denied a U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) request to stay two injunction decisions handed down March 9 and 12 in favor of the state of Maryland and Baltimore City.

The request submitted in late March was a part of the never ending desegregation dispute between federal officials and the state and city.

The injunctions barred any attempt by HEW to start administrative hearings that could have cost the state and the city a

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Bicen Bits

Dr. Louis T. Wright was honored by the American College of Surgeons for his contributions in the field of cancer research on this day Friday, April 30, 1952.

ON THE POLITICAL TRAIL

P. J. is OK for May 18

While his colleagues and would-be colleagues beat the bushes for votes, Rep. Parren J. Mitchell, D-MD., is relaxing, secure because he has no opposition in the May 18 Maryland primary.

"I don't know why that is, it's the second time in a row that's happened," Mitchell said. "The only guess I can hazard is that I try to work very, very hard and stay in close contact with the people."

In Baltimore this week were presidential candidates Cong. Morris Udall and California Gov. Edmund G. Brown, hoping to trap Maryland's delegates

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PARREN J. MITCHELL

Bishop reads AME appointments tonight

Bishop Henry W. Murph, presiding bishop of the second Episcopal district of the AME Church will read the list of new appointments today (Friday) 7:30 p.m. at Waters AME Church, 427 Aisquith St.

Waters AME Church was the host church this week for the Baltimore Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church 160th session. Rev. John W. Duckette is pastor of Waters.

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Mrs. Mildred Delzina Jefferson was ordained as a local elder and Walter Brewster Ward of Crisfield, Md., ordained on Thursday as a local deacon.

Rev. John M. Cox is presiding elder of the Baltimore district, Rev. William E. Moseley, presiding elder Centreville district and Rev. Frederick G. Jones is the host presiding elder of the Easton district.

Approximately 500 people have attended the four-day conference. However, the largest crowd is expected tonight when Bishop Murph reads the new appointments.

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