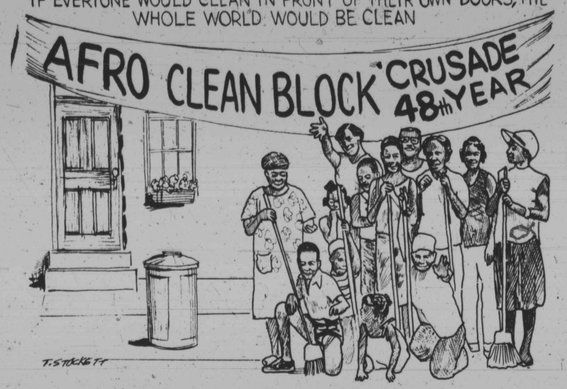
IF EVERYONE WOULD CLEAN IN FRONT OF THEIR OWN DOORS, THE WHOLE WORLD WOULD BE CLEAN



They got trees...

Newly planted trees in front of Enoch Pratt Library at the Penn - North Subway Station at North and Pennsylvania.

We want a tree!

Neighbors in the 1900 blk of Fulton Ave. three blocks away have been trying to get a tree in this hole. They have made many furitless phone calls. Finally a spokesman at HCD told them it was too late in the year to get a tree. Can anybody out there help this AFRO Clean Block?

How AFRO Clean Block started!

The AFRO Clean Block was started by Miss Frances L. Murphy, "Miss Frances" to many and Aunt Frank to hundreds.

She was born April 21, 1874, the fourth of 11 children in the family of John Henry Murphy and Martha Elizabeth Murphy. Her father founded the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, 90 years ago, August 13, 1892.

From 1895-1934, she was a teacher and supervisor in the Baltimore Public Schools and taught theory and psychology at Coppin State Teachers College. Upon her retirement, she became known in Baltimore and other cities of the United States as "The Clean Block Lady".

At the age of 60, she decided to do something about what she saw on an early summer morning near her Madison Avenue home.

She saw streets littered with paper and trash; windows and steps unwashed; woodwerk needing paint; backyards and cellars not cleaned and most important of all, children out of school with plenty of time on their hands.

Miss Murphy got the children and the problem together and initiated the AFRO Clean Block Program, in 1934 signing up 3,880 children that first summer with a total budget of $900.

1945 — The late Miss Frances Murphy, Clean Block founder and director, tours AFRO Clean Blocks with the late Mayor Theodore McKeldin. She was a teacher for 45 years before she initiated the project.

Flowers and new grass surround both sides of St. Martin's Spiritual Church of Christ.

Father P. H. Franklin, the board and members of St. Martin's Spiritual Church of Christ presented AFRO Clean Block with 200 gallons of paint worth more than $2,000 for needy blocks. Another 200 gallons were stolen by a mean thief from the church. Above from (L) Brother Cecil Eason, vice-chairman Board of Trustees; Minister Johnny F. Johnson, chairman of church corporation; Mrs. Ida Peters, AFRO Director; Father P. H. Franklin and Brother Michael Lorenzo, chairman Inner-City Ministries.

Thanks

By Ida Peters

The first $1,139.50 is in, in the AFRO's 48th Annual Clean Block Campaign. Thanks to M. Goldseker Co. who helped with $375; Howard Marshall at McCormick and Co. with $100; and John Hargrove for $200 from the Gas and Electric Co; Maryland State UAW Committee Action Program Council, $100.

The Clean Block Campaign is a massive drive on rats, trash and litter and we work with thousands of young people and adults to help make Baltimore a cleaner more livable city.

The Clean Block Prize Fund is used to buy paint, flowers, seeds, brooms and reward the workers with block parties over the Labor Day weekend.

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Friend Louise K. Hines sent a check for $10 this week and asked us to start a war on WEEDS. She notes that weeds are in gutters, around steps and trees and in cracks in sidewalks. She notes that weeds are a sign of neglect and she wishes that every block would have a WEED PATROL.

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Anthony Thompson, the 1959-1960-1961 Clean Block Captain told the AFRO that the late Mrs. Frances Mackay who was then director was a beautiful person and inspired all the children who lived on the block.

He remembers they won prizes of $100, $75 and $35. They used to meet in the old, recreation center in the basement of McCulloh Homes. The closing was at the Masonic Temple and the movie parties at the Royal. As Captain, he won a book bag and the whole block went to Druid Hill Park for a party.

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Enough churches says Druid Heights

Residents of Druid Heights protested before the Zoning Board at City Hall this past Tuesday against the application of the Rev. Charles Waters, pastor of the Upper Room Pentecostal Church of Christ, 2100 Vine St. He wants to relocate in the vacant warehouse at 2216-18 Division St.

Led by George Buntin and Mrs. Maggie Quille, community residents complained that the location is directly across the street from another church with St. Katherine's Episcopal on the corner. There are three churches in non-traditional buildings and 12 other churches in Druid Heights area.

None of the churches have adequate parking space and community residents say most of the members come from outside the community. They crowd the residents out and when they leave after many affairs streets are littered.

Enough grocery stores

On Tuesday June 22, 1 p.m. Druid Heights will go again to City Hall Zoning Board to protest the application of Clifford Heard to open a grocery store at 2140 Druid Hill Ave.

They contend they are a residential neighborhood and they want to rid their area of stores on every corner selling food and alcoholic beverages.

There is already a grocery store one-half block away on Druid Hill; another is a block away at Gold Street and City Food Market is two blocks away.

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HELP- Our co-worker at the AFRO, Walter Sheilds is collecting eye glass frames to help needy children. Drop your old frames off at the Clean Block office or bring them to the meeting June 25.

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NEEDED-Used kitchen table and chairs for a needy family in Cherry Hill. Call Mrs. Peters, 728-8205.

'I cried when I saw my picture...'

I was only 9 years old and I started crying when I saw my picture in the AFRO last week. It started me thinking back. Thank you for bringing back memories of such a happy time.

This year from an excited Jacqueline Hopkins McCrae who was pictured in an Clean Block story in the June 5 AFRO. She was shown with Rhonda Mumford and Marvin Vincent winning a prize in the 1970 AFRO Clean Block Campaign in the 1800 blk of Chapel St.

Today Jacqueline is 21, has two children, lives in Moravia Park and is enrolled in school full time learning to be a registered nurse. She is a member of St. John's Community Christian Church.

She remembers everybody in the block would get up early in the morning to sweep and clean. "Everybody pitched in and I remember I got a spanking for getting paint on my clothes."

The block had a party at the end of the campaign and she vividly remembers days when they turned on the fire hydrant to cool off.

Jacqueline Hopkins

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Marvin Vincent also called. His sister told him about his pix in the AFRO. He has been sick but he remembers the nice things when he lived in the 1800 blk of Chapel St. with his sister.

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This special series of stories about AFRO Clean Block Captains from 1934 to 1981 is being run so we may invite all long-time workers to the AFRO's 90th Birthday Party, War Memorial Plaza, Aug. 13, 1982.

Clean Block wish list

Call Mrs. Peters 728-8205

Various City Agencies have submitted to Mayor William Donald Schaefer a "Wish List".

The AFRO Clean Block wishes:

1. Every resident in the City of Baltimore would pledge to keep their front and back clean.

2. Ever. resident would buy a metal trash can to cut down on rats and mice.

3. 1,000 brooms to form Broom Brigades in needy neighborhoods.

4. Metal trash cans on bus stop corners.

5. Every resident who has a tire urn and has not planted flower seeds would register their block in the AFRO Clean Block and get free seeds and paint.

6. Everybody who has a bad looking tire urn would paint it or throw it away.

7. 5,000 live plants to plant urns.

8. 1,000 cans of paint.

9. 100 people who would offer to help blocks make brick urns.

Clean Block Fund $1,139.50

M. Goldseker Co.	$375.00
Baltimore Gas and Electric Co.	200.00
McCormick & Co., Inc.	100.00
Md. State UAW Community Action Program Council	100.00
The Community Neighborhood Assoc.	50.00
Continental Club	50.00
Herbert Alston, Jr.	30.00
Mrs. Robbie Chissell	25.00
Mrs. Marie Murphy	25.00
Ms. Bernice Howard Hall	25.00
Dr. Robert W. McDaniel	25.00
V.F.W. Post No. 9527, Inc. Thomas-Miller	25.00
DeHaven L. Smith, Esq.	17.50
Mrs. Margery L. Prout	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. John Richardson	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Garnville C. Winborne	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Harrison Vessells	10.00
Mrs. Marguerite J. Campbell	10.00
Frank Johnson, Jr.	10.00
Coleman Typewriter Co., Inc.	10.00
Ms. Blanche W. Pettiford	10.00
Mrs. Louise K. Hines	10.00
Herman R. Phillips	2.00

Attractive planter in purple and white of St. Martin's at North, Gold and Madison Avenue.

★Early Bird Registration

84 Blocks

1158 Workers

★Grand opening meeting June 25, 12 Noon

McCulloh Homes Auditorium Druid Hill and Dolphin Sts.

★ Free Seeds ★ Free Plants

★ Free Movie Tickets

Where to call for help

ANIMALS Animal Shelter, Dead or Sick Animal Removal, Stray Animals	396-0218
HOUSING Complaints (Inspections)	396-4176
Rat Eradication	396-4176
PUBLIC WORKS Abandoned Vehicles, Ash-pits, Bulk Trash, Loaves, Mixed Refuse Collections	396-8175
Curbs Broken, Potholes in Street and Alley, Sidewalk Problems	396-3181
Dirty Alleys	396-4515
Street Cleaning Services	396-4515
Street Light and Street Repairs	396-3181
Street Tree Problems	396-6108
Water Problems — Leaks, Water Main Breaks, Inlet Cleaning, Sewer Problems	396-4515

AFRO CLEAN BLOCK NEEDS YOU

1. The captain must try to get all persons in the block to sign up and send their names to the AFRO-AMERICAN.

2. He or she must call a meeting of all adults and children and elect a president who will act as an advisor.

3. Have a secretary, who will write down what is done at each meeting and send reports to the AFRO-AMERICAN.

4. Elect a block inspector, who will see that no trash accumulates anywhere in the block.

5. Elect a marshal, who will call out the clean-up brigade at a definite time each day, so that by all working together at the same time, the block will soon improve in appearance.

6. Do not paint trees or curbs.

AFRO Clean Block - 628 N. Eutaw - Balto. Md. 21201

Yes, I want to be Captain of my block! ☐

Name _____

Address _____

Zip _____ Telephone _____

LEADER OF THE famed Greene Sisters Gospel Singers (C) Mrs. Catherine Greene awarded a Bachelor of Christian Education Degree, is surrounded by Rev. Edna Isaacs, Tammy Kearney and Maxine Greene at the Commencement in Lynchburg, VA. The nationally known singers, from Baltimore will break ground soon for their new church.

Over 5,000 pastors of many faiths headed by Baltimore's Dr. Crawley

By Elisabeth M. Oliver

Dr. George A. Crawley Jr., pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church, Baltimore, is the 29th president of the Hampton Institute Ministers Conference.

He was installed during the June 7-11 annual meeting in ceremonies attended by 7,000 persons of this, the largest such conference in the world.

The group has been meeting on the Hampton Institute campus in Virginia since its founding, 68 years ago.

The installation of Dr. Crawley and the new officers was moved from the Hampton campus to the Hampton Coliseum to accommodate the throng of members, visitors, musicians and choirs who, according to tradition, form an important part of the conference.

Attending the Salute to Dr. Crawley were over 600 Baltimoreans and Marylanders including members of his St. Paul congregation; his family, members and officers of the Maryland Baptist Convention of over 300 ministers, the Women's Auxiliary, the Baltimore Ministers Conference and the Baltimore Pastors Conference.

Following installation, Dr. Crawley was accorded a victory banquet held at the Hilton Hotel with Baltimore's Dr. Stuart Turner as host. The catered affair saw present over 100 Baltimore pastors, members of Dr. Crawley's family and congregation and over 500 clergymen and delegates.

Dr. Crawley is the first Marylander ever elected to the conference which was founded in 1914.

The first conference was funded completely by the prestigious college to call together the ministers of the nation and their choirs and music leaders expense free.

As it is today, the clergymen, women and official delegates attend educational sessions at their own expense to improve the operation of churches in general. The music departments meet to guarantee highly professional concerts and recitals for all churches the year around.

DR. GEORGE A. CRAWLEY JR., guest of honor at a victory celebration.

In attendance this year were hundreds more ministers over and above those in previous years and including all denominations and Christian Scientists and four ministers from Japan.

After the close of the 4-day conference, Dr. Crawley and the Executive Board met to form the tentative June, 1983 conference to be held also at Hampton.

Dr. Crawley succeeds Dr. Robert W. Perry as president. He ascends from the vice-presidency and will serve a two-year term.

Among Baltimore pastors on the Executive Board are Drs. A. C. D. Vaughn, vice president; William E. Johnson, Walter E. Paige, Porter W. Phillips, Vernon Dobson, C. C. Alexander, M. J. Brackett, J. H. Everett, W. B. Westbrook.

Highlighting the conference was the Choir Directors and Organists Guild concert with Roland M. Carter and Wendell P. Whalum, directors and Gregory Hopkins, organist. Rev. Robert Perry is president, Rev. Michael Battle, executive secretary.

The 600 voice choir included singers from nearly every state in the nation. Mrs. Frances McQuay is president of the Guild.

The Madam Mandonia Porter Owens Scholarship Fund and Awards banquet saluted the late Mme. Owens, a noted musician of Elizabeth City, N.C. who organized the Guild at Hampton in 1934.

A total of 37 scholarships was awarded to worthy students.

Dr. William R. Harvey, president of Hampton Institute congratulated the Conference as "joining hands across the nation in a time of needed enrichment and sense of greater brotherhood."

The new officers are Dr. Crawley, Baltimore; Dr. Charles Green, Washington, vice-president; Dr. Richard Wood, Norwalk, Conn., secretary; Dr. Roland J. Hyman, assistant secretary; Dr. Joseph Clemons, Norwalk, necrologic.

Star athletes speak at New Hope Family Day fete

STANDING OVATIONS went to the Christian Life Family Day celebration. Melodies of Praise, the young people who joined the New Hope Church mixed choir at the Youth and

REV. PAT KELLY, former Oriole, main speaker; New Hope pastor Rev. and Mrs. M. J. Hunter.

GLEN DOUGHTY former Colt

Glen Doughty, the star, professional athelete who now owns Shake and Bake Family Entertainment Center, was one of the Family and Youth Day speakers at New Hope Christian Church last Sunday.

Another famed athlete now a minister of the gospel, Rev. Pat Kelly, was the main speaker.

Both young men who set excellent example for the many young people present at the historic church on Route 40, accented faith in God, "which will always see you through."

A highlight of the occasion was the appearance of the New Hope Mixed Chorus with Robin Turner, director; Bennet Murdock, organist and Rev. Ernest Turner, drummer.

Solos were by Charles Simms and Vernon Mitchell. Mrs. Dorothy Hunter, wife of the pastor, Rev. M. J. Hunter, received the AFRO's 90th Year citation. The George McCoy Choir of youngsters and the Melodies of Praise Christian Life young people received standing ovations.

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell soloist, Rev. Betty Cooper and Rev. Adam Turnage presided.

Financial workshop at Walbrook High

Senator Verda F. Welcome (D-40th) will present a Scholarship and Financial Aid Information Program Friday, June 18, at Walbrook High School.

The program will begin at 6 p.m. in the School auditorium at 2000 Edgewood Street.

Over 3,000 due in Baltimore for 67th confab of Carter Woodson's history group

Assoc. for study of Afro American Life and History and Associated Publishers convention in early fall

More than 3,000 delegates and members of the Association for the Study of Afro American Life and History will gather at the Hilton Hotel here in Baltimore for the 67th Annual Convention. Historians, authors and teachers will arrive from every state in the nation Oct. 21 to Oct. 24.

Schools and colleges and churches in the state will join other historical organizations in the sessions and for exhibits at the hotel.

Mrs. Helen L. Gray is head of the Baltimore Chapter ASALH. The October convention will seek to highlight Baltimore and Maryland rich black history, monuments and sites.

Other highlights of the meeting are the reading of papers by various historians, banquets, luncheons and tours.

The Association was founded by the eminent historian, the late Carter Godwin Woodson in Chicago in 1915.

The primary purpose of the Association is to portray the history and contributions of black Americans to national and world history.

As a means of better depicting the history and life of black Americans, Dr. Woodson, too, founded the Journal of Negro History and the Negro History Bulletin. Moreover, as a nationally recognized historian educated at Harvard, Dr. Woodson wrote many books and monographs pertaining to black life and history. His works represent a profound contribution to American scholarship and historiography.

The policy-making body of the Association is the Executive Council of ASALH which is served by a paid executive director. Dr. J. Rupert Picott, the executive director of ASALH, directs the day-to-day operation with staff at the ASALH headquarters in Washington, D.C. (1401 14th Street, N.W.).

The ASALH Executive Council is composed of nationally recognized educators, historians and the lay public.

Members of the Executive Council from Maryland include: Dr. Samuel L. Banks, Walter Fisher, Dr. Bettye Gardner, Dr. Gossie H. Hudson, Dr. Roland C. McConnell, Dr. Elizabeth M. Oliver and Dr. Benjamin Quarles.

Other national members include Dr. John Hope Franklin, Dr. Edgar A. Toppin, Dr. and Mrs. Charles H. Wesley, Dr. Helen G. Edmonds and over 38 other Executive Council members drawn from across the nation.

Dr. Earl E. Thorpe, chairman of the Department of History at North Carolina Central University, is president.

ASALH's headquarters building in Washington has an excellent repository of information on Black life and history. It is in great demand by the nation's scholars.

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