Engagements and Weddings

Bonita Dancy weds Theron Whitaker

On Saturday, July 10, more than 300 guests gathered at the Douglass Memorial Community Church to witness and participate in the marriage service of Bonita Joyce Dancy and Theron Napoleon Whitaker.

Ms. Norva Dancy, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The Bridesmaids, Rhonda Dancy and Johnette Whitaker, are sisters of the bride and groom respectively.

Rose petals were strewn in the bride's path by flower girl Kaineka Davis. Little Edward Dancy, the bride's brother, was ring bearer.

Curtis Dandrige of Shimya, Alaska, served as best man. Groomsmen were John Green and Richard Person.

Music was masterfully rendered by James S. Hammond, organist, and Sylvester Graves, soloist. The ceremony was performed by Reverend Marion C. Bascom.

The bride, a native of Baltimore, and the daughter of Homer B. Dancy and the late Mrs. Joyce Harper Dancy, is an attorney who received her bachelor's degree from Morgan University, Masters in Social Work and the Juris Doctor degrees from the University of Maryland.

Active in community affairs, she is a past vice president of the Baltimore Urban League and is currently a commissioner with the Governor's Commission to review Landlord tenant Law and a member of the Board of Directors of the Mental Health Association of Metropolitan Baltimore.

The groom, a native of Richmond, Virginia, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Whitaker.

A former Senior Center Director with the Bureau of Recreation, Whitaker, currently a Registered Representative with the National Association of Securities Dealers, is an Executive Account Representative with the Variable Annunity Marketing Company.

Following a reception at the church, the couple was whisked away to a family dinner at Martin's West in a chauffeur-driven Rolls Royce.

Mr. and Mrs. Paige Davis; Mr. and Mrs. William Hankins; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levin; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Green; Ms. Maggie C. Lane; Dr. Richard Dotson;

Also Ms. Catherine Green; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Powell; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Diggs; Attorney and Mrs. Paul D. Shelton; Patricia Cole, Esq.; Junius Williams, Esq., past president of the National Bar Association and Newark, mayoral candidate.

From Montclair, New Jersey: Mrs. Susann Dandrige, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton A. Taylor. Mrs. Barbara Lytle, Detroit, Michigan.

As festivities were nearing an end, the newlyweds slipped away and returned to pay a final farewell to gathered guests in matching white double-breasted suits with matching black accessories.

After dancing to the popular tune, "Ebony and Ivory", the couple was off to a honeymoon resort in the Poconos.

NEWLYWEDS Mr. and Mrs. Theron Napoleon Whitaker smile happily as they prepare to slice their wedding cake during the reception following their recent wedding at Douglass Memorial Community Church. The bride is the former Miss Bonita Joyce Dancy.

Valerie E. Farr to wed John E. Smith

Mrs. Louise Rice Farr has announced the engagement of her daughter, Valerie Elaine, to John Edward Smith, son of Mrs. Phoencie Smith and the late Solan Smith.

The bride-to-be, who is also the daughter of the late Willie B. Farr, is a graduate of Douglass High School and Coppin State College, where she is presently employed.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Douglass High, the Community College of Baltimore and Morgan State University, and is employed at General Motors, Broening Highway.

The wedding has been scheduled for August 28 at 2 p.m. at Brown's Memorial Baptist Church, 3215 W. Belvedere Ave.

Rosa Phillips weds George Neal

On Saturday, July 17, Rosa Rebecca Phillips, daughter of Mrs. Samuel N. Phillips and the late Samuel N. Phillips of Baltimore, was wed to George Edward Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry I. Neal Jr., of Welch, W. Va.

The double-ring ceremony, which took place at St. James Episcopal Church, Lafayette Ave. at 4 p.m. was officiated by the Rev. Donald O. Wilson.

The bride, a graduate of Morgan University and the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, is coordinator, Psychiatric Outpatient Dept. of Provident Hospital. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Mu and 24 Kt. Gold.

The groom, also a graduate of Morgan University, holds degrees in Business Administration and in Accounting and is employed by the Jackson Oil Co. home officer as assistant comptroller.

Given in marriage by her uncle William Phillips, the bride wore an organza gown, trimmed with chantilly lace and seed pearls, which boasted a heart-shaped neckline and cap sleeves, with accordian pleating around the underskirt.

The illusion veil had lace gauntlets and ended in a long train.

She carried a bouquet of pink and white roses, stephanotis and baby's breath.

Maid-of-honor Yvette Shipley of Baltimore, wore a dress of summer pink, off the shoulder, with deep capelet edged in a wide band of summer pink chantilly lace. She carried a bouquet of pink and red roses with deep pink ribbon streamers.

Bridesmaids Ms. Michele Branson, Ms. Alice Tucker (both of Baltimore), Mrs. Clemmie Armstrong (of Connecticut) and Mrs. Kathy Sanders Phillips (of California), wore dresses like that of the maid-of-honor, and carried bouquets of predominately lavender statice and orchids with pink carnations, fern and baby's breath, with lavender ribbon streamers. Flower girls Sarah E. Driver (New York) and Vicki S. Skorle (Baltimore), wore dresses like those of the bridesmaids and flowered headbands, as did ring bearer Denise L. Shipley, of Baltimore.

Best man was James Neal, of Squire, W.Va Ushers were Kenneth Holmes (Baltimore); Harry I. Neal III (W. Virginia); Joseph L. Neal (Fort Washington, Md.); Sheldon W. Neal (Connecticut) and William Watkins (West Virginia).

Following the ceremony the receiving line formed in the vestibule of the church, where the introductions were done by Mrs. Elaine Howard.

The reception which followed at St. James Guild Hall featured music by the Smith Ensemble and food catered by Mrs. Palestine Anderson who designed a wedding cake with a hand-blown crystal top. The decor was in the bride's colors of lavender and pink.

For her traveling outfit the bride wore a wheat-colored nubby cotton tweed three-piece suit with mauve braid on the Chanely-type jacket.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Neal honeymooned in the Penn Hills Resort, in the Poconos. They are at home on Ruxton Ave.

Out-of-town guests

Mrs. George Edward Neal

included Mrs. Corrine Martin, Ms. Annie Turnbo and Mrs. Nannie Bivins of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Portia Sealo. Miss Shelley Sealo, Ernest Sealo, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Driver, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Showalter, Bene Alverado and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook of New York.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Sanders, of Illinois; Miss Elizabeth Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Maitland Banks and Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Nelson, of New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Phillips and daughter Korey of California;

Also Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crumb, Mrs. Colleen Williams, William Phillips, Alvin and Matthew Shealey, Mrs. Lillian Carpenter of Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Cheryl L. Moss, Miss Candace L. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Armstrong and Sheldon Neal of Connecticut:

Also Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal, Ray Watkins, Harry Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Harry I. Neal Jr. and Mrs. Jessie Lee Patterson of West Virginia.

Edna Moore to wed Robert Bedford

Mrs. Bertha Moore of Baltimore proudly announces the engagement of her daughter, Edna M. (northeast Baltimore) to Robert Bedford, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Bedford (Martie) formerly of this city.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Dunbar Senior High School and is employed by the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions.

Edna M. Moore Engaged

The prospective bridegroom, also a graduate of Dunbar, is a Youth Supervisor II of Boys' Village of Maryland.

He also has attended Catonsville Community College, majoring in Psychology and Sociology.

An August wedding is planned.

Mary Conaway—a national winner

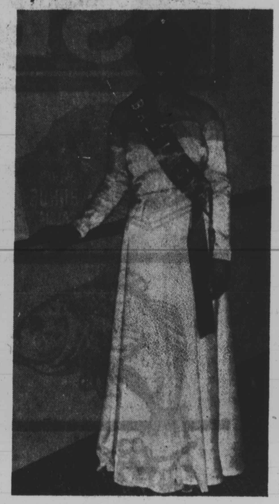
Mary Conaway, who was crowned state queen of the United Order of Tent on June 6 at Morningstar Baptist Church, captured the national title at Savannah, Ga. at the Hyatt-Regency during the Order's national convention held there recently.

Mrs. Conaway, who was sponsored by the Daughters of Samaria No. 608 (of Maryland), led by Helen Johnson, won in competition with fifteen other contestants representing the Southern District.

The United Order of Tent, which is one of the oldest national religious organizations in the country, gives money for scholarships and builds homes for senior citizens.

As reigning queen, Mrs. Conaway, who is also a candidate for the office of Register of Wills (Baltimore) received a crown, sash and flowers and will serve as reigning queen for a year.

According to Mrs. Conaway: "It is an honor to be queen of the national convention."



NATIONAL WINNER — Mary Conaway, Baltimore candidate for the office of Register of Wills, recently was crowned national Queen of the United Order of Tent at their Southern District Conference held in Savannah, GA. Earlier this summer, Mrs. Conaway was crowned at Morningstar Baptist Church, as local queen of the Order, which is one of the oldest religious orders in the country.

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Friday, August 13

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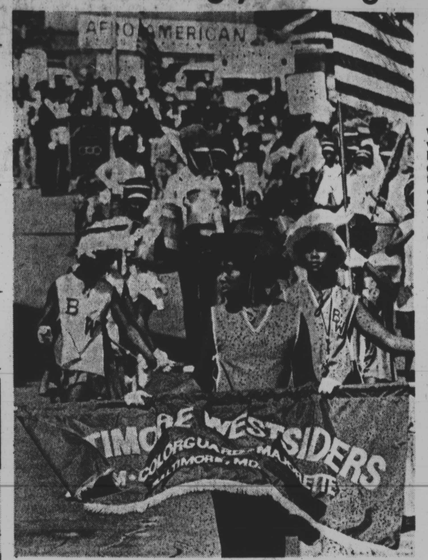
Ceremonies start War Memorial Plaza 12 Noon

Last Meeting Today Aug. 6-McCulloh Homes



Jeff Pitts' Westsiders will march in the AFRO's 90th Birthday Parade and Clean Block Honors Day, Friday, Aug. 13. Parade leaves AFRO Office, Eutaw and Druid Hill at 11 a.m. Other bands include Marquise Drum and Bugle Corps, Conquistador Caballeros Drum and Bugle Corps; The Original Storm Masters, and NBC Second Generation.

Delegate Hattie Harrison explains new voting districts to Mrs. Mary James of Sinclair Lane, at AFRO Clean Block meeting last Friday.

Clean Block Fund $7,568.50

Housing & Community Development	$2,500.00
Urban Services	1,500.00
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Ellsworth Wilson	5.00
Ms. Mamie Woodford	2.00
Herman R. Phillips	

The Baltimore Campaign AGAINST VANDALISM

Inner City can't afford once weekly trash collection

Editorial

The Director of Public Works announced this week that because of budget cuts and shortage of funds the City will go to once weekly trash collections starting October 1, 1982 thru March 31, 1983.

With twice-a-week collections in force at this time and with thousands of workers involved in the AFRO-Clean Block Campaign, inner city residents are barely able to keep one step ahead of trash in their blocks and alleys.

In may be that suburban blocks that ring the city can stand the once-a-week collection because they have large lawns, adequate storage space and no great horde of rats, dogs and cats roaming their back allevs.

What can be done? Discuss this problem in your block and in your community meetings. Protest to your City Councilman. Councilman Du Burns, Nathan Irby (396-4809); Councilman Michael Mitchell, Victorine Adams (396-4817) Norman Reeves (396-4820).

Neighborhoods who register and vote in the various elections are the neighborhoods that get the most city services. It's a fact of life.

Remember that 36,000 people who have not voted in the past five years have been purged from the election rolls. Work in your block to get your neighbors registered. Deadline for registering for the Primary election is August 16. The Primary election is September 14.

Looking good and working hard is the 3100 blk Virginia Ave.; where Sylvester Smith, shown sweeping, is the Advisor.

Photo by Kathy O. Parrott

Northwest Baltimore mini-tour AFRO Clean Blocks

By Kathy O. Parrott

There have been many complaints throughout this AFRO Clean Block campaign that have been of a repetitive nature. Many blocks have been reporting the same complaints since the campaign began. Why haven't city agencies responded to these complaints?

On Tuesday, August 3, a mini-tour was taken to see first-hand, and to photograph, the good, the bad, and the ugly.

1300 blk Etting St. is complaining about this bulk trash thrown out by a neighbor in the 1300 blk Division St. It's easy to see why Etting Street residents are upset.

The 3100 blk Virginia Ave., fell into the good category. This lovely little block of six houses had beautiful grass lawns, surrounded by white fences. Sitting on the greass, with a wire fence around it, was a gray stone bearing the house address. Residents stated that where there is now grass, there was once only clay. They bought top - soil, and grass seeds to produce the beautiful lawns. Each house also had beautiful flowers and plants. In front of each house sat a sidewalk urn, also filled with flowers.

Residents in this block have come a long way with the help and guidance of Sylvester Smith, Advisor, and Ms. Audrey, Captain. The landlords in this block have also been helping by painting and repairing house fronts.

The advisor did say that their sewers, at the corner of Virginia and Delaware Aves., have not been cleaned in over three years. They also have a problem with trash and litter blowing onto their street from a nearby store and neighboring streets.

The 3100 blk Sumter Ave. looked good.

There is one trash container on the block that is never emptied, and some houses are in need of grass and flowers. The block itself, painted in all white, was very clean. Ms. Ernestine Johnson is the Advisor.

The 2900 blk Woodbrook Ave. was beautiful, beautiful. They are red and white, with beautiful flowers, and clean sidewalks, gutters, street. They have the most unique sidewalk urns, made from tires, we've seen this campaign. Mrs. Henrietta. Mosley is the Advisor for the block.

The 2800 blk Parkwood Ave., painted red and white, is also beauty. They have lots of pretty flowers, well-kept grass plots, and clean areas.

There is only one visible problem in this block, and that is a tree that looks like its straight from the petrified forest. It is frequently hit by lightning; and for the most part, it is dead. City Forestry workers have scheduled the tree for removal, but have not yet done so.

There are many trees lining the street in the 1700 blk. Braddish Ave. Some are very large, and in need of trimming. Lightning also has hit some of the trees, making them an eysore in the neighborhood.

Block Advisor, Ms. Rosalina Boone, has requested that the trees be pruned in order to help beautify her flower laden, all-white block.

In last year's Clean Block campaign, the 2800 blk Harlem Ave. was simply beautiful. This year, the residents have worked hard to keep their block just as beautiful. However, they are having problems.

The block is green and white, with flowers boxes in each window, and litter-free sidewalks.

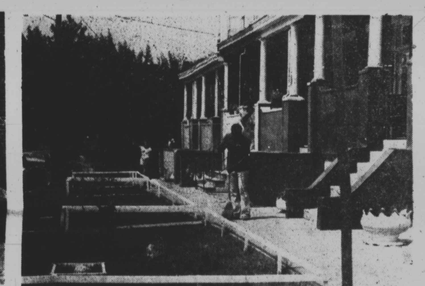
Their problems are two-fold. Their street is all torn-up, and city street repaving crews have left the job incomplete for over a month. The block residents come out and sweep early in the morning, but by mid-morning traffic traveling up and down their street has deposited more dirt and debris.

Ms. Charlene Vandiver spent a whole day trying to get help for her block, but so far she has only run into brick walls.

More problems were noted in the 800 blk Harlem Ave., where Captain, William Gray reported unemptied trash cans, clogged sewers, and large holes in the sidewalk.

The block is a lovely orange and white block, that boasts clean sidewalks, freshly painted sidewalk urns, and beautiful flowers.

Marring all this loveliness is a stinking, sickening sewer that is overflowing with stagnant water; a city trash container that has not been emptied in months, and a gaping hole in the sidewalk. Ingenuous residents at 851 Harlem Ave. have covered the hole with a board, and placed a brightly painted urn on top of the board. However, the hole has been there over a month, and reported to the proper city agency on many occasions.



2800 blk Parkwood Avenue wants this strange - looking tree to be removed.

Photo by Kathy O. Parrott

It has been struck by lightning many times, and is nearly completely dead.

AFRO CLEAN BLOCK NEEDS YOU

1. The captain must try to get all persons in the clock 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! ☐

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AFRO Clean Block Office

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