Dear Mrs. Dobson,

Having tried several times to get you without success, I am finally getting around to the Wheaton deed references. They may be no good to you by now, but I will send them along anyway. Hope this is not too late to help you.

How is our little friend Martha?

Best regards,

Hilda E. Cuakessa
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Land acquired by 89/249
1886 89/25-0
from Jeremiah Mahonett
N/S Bethel St

1893 101/125
S/S W Bethel St.

1914 148/70
S1 S Blooms Alley
Pt Lot 313
For Mrs. Doleman

You may use the "stories" as they are if you want to. I feel they would be a small tribute I could offer to these good people whose "paths have crossed mine".

H.C.
Lord, when the shepherds came that Christmas night
Almost two thousand Bethlehems ago,
Some sheep they must have brought who were not white--
That walked with fleece unshriven through the snow.

So we, Infinite Infant, we are sheep--
See how we come, shepherded by a star,
To gaze upon omnipotential sleep
Here in the place where you and Mary are.

And some of us are white, and some are not,
And some of us disdain the brother hand--
But oh, lest all these things should be forgot
Show us the stable, make us understand
How through the desert with a single track
There came three kings--
And one of them was black.
City slow to change name of road

After 24 years, residents finally told North Street no longer exists

By LAURA ERNDE
Staff Writer

The wheels of government often turn slowly.

In 1988, the Hagerstown City Council voted to change the name of a downtown street.

But it wasn't until last month that residents there were told of the change, said City Engineer Bruce Johnston.

Before 1988, the road that crosses Potomac Street a couple of blocks north of the YMCA was known by two different names. It was North Street to the west and North Avenue to the east.

Street signs put up last November show that North Street no longer exists. The road is now named West North Avenue and East North Avenue, split at Potomac Street.

But people living there for the last 23 years did not realize there had been a change. Those going by the street signs used North Street, while others used the technically correct West North Avenue.

The problem was discovered when an unidentified resident complained that he wasn't getting his mail, Johnston said.

While the man was using the correct address — West North Avenue — the post office was still going by the old name of North Street.

"The post office didn't understand the difference was being made," said Planning Director Ric Kautz. "To solve the problem and make it clear, we posted the streets."

Johnston said he didn't know why the signs were never posted.

"I think it was merely an oversight," he said. "Until that question came up, it kind of slipped through the cracks."

To set the record straight, residents of West North Avenue got letters last month explaining the change.

The city made and installed new signs for $40, said Doug Stull, director of public works.

After living on the street for 30 years, Vincent Keyes now has to get his address changed to 43 W. North Ave.

"It's an inconvenience, though," said Keyes, 49. "I'll still say North Street, probably."

Walter Hollins, 85, said his home was the first built on the former North Street.

Hollins said when the streets were originally named, the city wanted different names for streets east of Potomac Avenue, where Whites lived, and on the west side in the black neighborhood.

"It goes way back to the days of slavery," Hollins said. "That was to keep the blacks in one section where they could pinpoint 'em."

For example, Church Street becomes East Avenue when it crosses Potomac and Bethel Street turns into Randolph Avenue.

"Whites didn't want to live on the same street as blacks," he said.
free '411' phone calls

By TIM ROWLAND
Staff Writer

ANAPOLIS — People who would rather dial 411 than pick up a phone book would have to pay the price under legislation passed Wednesday in the House of Delegates.

The House voted 98-34 to reduce the number of free directory assistance calls from 12 to five a month. Directory assistance, after the 12th call, currently costs 25 cents.

Proponents said the people who use the directory assistance service should be the ones to pay for it.

"We're paying for people who abuse the process and are too lazy to look up the numbers themselves," Del. Ellen R. Sauerbrey, Baltimore County.

people with eye trouble, but some delegates argued that phone books are hard to read even with the best of vision.

And with growing populations, new listings and unpublished numbers, they said it's unfair to limit the number of free directory assistance calls.

But supporters of the bill said the habitual 411 users were driving up the bill for everyone else.

"We're paying for people who abuse the process and are too lazy to look up the numbers themselves," said Del. Ellen R. Sauerbrey, R-Baltimore County.

Supporters of the legislation said phone bills would actually go down for people who are not heavy users of directory assistance.

The legislation now goes to the Senate for consideration.

'STARS' will shine at three more schools

Three Washington County schools have adopted the "STARS" program, which puts students in the limelight for academic achievement.

South Hagerstown High, Clear Spring Middle and Smithsburg Middle schools all began "Success Through Academic Recognition" this year.

STARS began at Smithsburg High School in 1990, when a group of parents wanted to reward students for their performance in the classroom, similar to the way athletes are recognized for their physical performance.

At Smithsburg High, two students in each subject area are chosen: the best overall student and the most improved student. They are given T-shirts and other prizes. Their photos go in the school's trophy case with a description of each winner's accomplishments.

This year, the idea has caught on around the county, and the three other schools have tailored it to their specific needs.

Rewards include banquets and assemblies, as well as T-shirts and movie tickets.

Principals said STARS gives students who might not excel in all areas a chance to shine in a particular field.

"This is something that puts academics out in front," said Smithsburg Middle School Principal Roger Stenerson.
It wasn't easy. "I used to work around the grocery store after school. I was 16 when I had a pick and shovel in my hands." Later, when jobs weren't easy to come by, Hursey entered the Civilian Conservation Corps, from which he received an honorable discharge in 1939 as a corporal and "second cook."

Hursey takes a last draw on his cigarette, tosses it out a courthouse door and then hurries on, seemingly anxious for the conversation. "I worked for a private contractor and helped rebuild Fort Meade, making five dollars a day, six and a-quarter on Saturdays and 10 dollars on Sunday. That makes 41 and a-quarter."

"On this," he says smiling, "I got married."

Neither his first nor his second marriage worked out. "Just couldn't make it. Couldn't make it on either one of them," he says. "I tried hard though. But I don't think all women are bad. I can't say who's right, who's wrong."

His bad luck thus far with marriage, however, doesn't dissuade him from thinking he might still find the right combination. Even as he approaches his 59th birthday later this month, Hursey says with another smile, "I'm thinking about trying it the third time."

The night watchman job Hursey now holds at the courthouse isn't the first such he had held. In 1967, he became a special policeman in Baltimore.

A special policeman, he explains, is "like you own a place of business and you want to protect your place of business... Well, to do that, you call me."

His five-foot, two-inch frame held him back from meeting the minimum height requirements for regular police work, Hursey says. But, he says, it never held him back from asserting his authority as a special policeman.

"I was sitting in a bar one night while off-duty when this big dude hit another guy in the face," Hursey says. "I ran to the man's rescue and told the man behind the bar to call a cruiser. I held that dude until they came."

When the police arrived, Hursey says with no small measure of pride, "they said, 'who are you?' I took out my wallet and showed them my badge. The bar owner said he couldn't believe what I'd done."

Likewise, Hursey says, "I don't have no trouble here."

Before he became a night watchman two or three years ago, Hursey was a courthouse janitor — a job he accepted after a sister convinced him to move from Baltimore to Hagerstown. Besides cleaning "22 bathrooms at night," he says, he was assigned to accompany the county jail trustees, who used to help clean the courthouse.

He became a watchman after Sheriff Dick Ford switched the trustees to other jobs and the County Commissioners decided to hire a private janitorial service.

On weekday evenings now, Hursey walks the hallways looking doors and watching out for the "meany petes," who sometimes hide in the bathrooms "drinking wine and sleeping," he says. "If they won't leave, I call the police. That's the way to handle it."

During the course of his job though, Hursey especially keeps a mindful eye on the public benches outside the courthouse. For it is there, he says, that derelicts like to gather, spoiling the peace and courtesy that is due men not much older than himself.

"Old men, they like a place to sit," Hursey says. "They like to have a conversation about the old times."
Chowchilla kidnappers got idea from news report

OAKLAND, Calif. (UPI) — Kidnappers of 26 Chowchilla, Calif., children and their bus driver got the idea for the plot from a school bus accident seven weeks earlier in which 29 persons were killed, court records disclosed Sunday.

The information is contained in probation reports to be considered Monday when the confessed kidnappers, Frederick Woods, 26, James Schoenfeld, 26, and his brother, Richard, 23, are scheduled to be sentenced in Alameda County Superior Court for the $5 million ransom plan.

The three wealthy men, all from the San Francisco area, face the possibility of life imprisonment without parole as a result of a ruling by Judge Leo Deegan that three of the children in the kidnapping sustained bodily injury during the kidnapping.

Deegan determined there was a link of the two bus incidents after interviewing James Schoenfeld.

Previously, they had believed the plot originated from the movie "Dirty Harry." Schoenfeld also said he was influenced by television crime shows during the year-long planning for the kidnapping. He spoke of learning from the TV show "Rockford Files" how to obtain false identification.

Schoenfeld said in the probation interviews that the trio of abductors were never able to phone Madera County authorities with their $5 million ransom demand because the lines were tied up by families of the victims and reporters.

In statements regarding their possible sentence, the defendants asked for leniency. James Schoenfeld said he never had been involved in criminal ac-

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On August 16, 1964 at the Hotel Alexander about 236 people attended the Anniversary Banquet of the NAACP. The principle speaker was Dr. Gilbert Ware, telling the story of the NAACP, other speakers were Colin Cromwell, representing the state NAACP and Leonard Curlin, local NAACP branch president. Plaques were given to Dr. Ware, and Miss Ahn Vesta Deleman, a Middletown, N.J. school teacher.

Charles Harden Post #74 of the American Legion

The American Legion was founded in Paris, France, attended by representatives of the various outfits of the American Expeditionary force of World War I. The organization has since opened its ranks to veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War, 1973 is the 54th birthday of the American Legion.
There are names of people that lived in Williamsport and many, many years ago.

Adelia Woodson. She lived alone as I recall, and worked for the Edward Reichert Family until her health failed.

John and Carrie Turner. When Uncle John as most people called him, went to church, his dog went with him.

Ida and Samuel Pierce, Mrs. Pierce was a devout church worker, until her death.

Then there was Thornton and Biddah Cain and four children. I think one of their daughters married Ruggles.

George and Mary Hinton Lake, their son Reginald left home, and went to Philadelphia to finish his schooling. He worked hard to get his education. He
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Regrettably, your health is very poor and may come to be very ill. If you don't have enough time to visit for instruction and teaching, your region for your health and your health care.

Children can become efficient and have changes.

Carry on your activities.

You and your family have no time to visit for instruction and teaching, but they have only a few days. Caring for your family and your family's health are very important."

save and pattern their target.

Our wish is that you do not put your health in danger.

Don't put your health in danger. Also, always remember for instruction and teaching purposes.

Lived here also, always remember for instruction and teaching purposes.

wished. Into death.
Benjamin and Ada Barnett lived free and raised their family, later the family moved to Hagerstown when Mrs. Barnett died. Mr. Barnett was class leader in the church and taught Sunday School. He was a deacon, Christian and church leader.

Then the Cookes lived here for years, I don't know the names of the parents but I remember the children, three girls and one boy. He knew he was a minister.

The Plathers lived out side of town in the country; they had some children. Later they moved into town where they lived on Artisan Street till they died. Their names were, Isaiah and Elizabeth Plather.

Harry and Dora Turner lived in the country on a farm. They attended Asbury Church and their children came to school here. Many and Junior Turner were the children. Junior now lives on Bethel Street in Hagerstown with his wife Mildred.
John Kingston Taylor lived here all of his life. He was a bachelor when he was quite young. He went to work for the Humphreys on Springfield Farm when their cook left them. Kingston took over as cook and served there until his health failed. He was also the Asbury Church organist, and served as a church delegate to the conference, and of course he was a layman. He died in 1934.

James Bird lived here; he was a widower. He was an old river guide; he fished a lot, and would take people fishing as he knew where the good fishing holes were. His daughter, Mrs. Mary Turner, lived in Hagerstown; she died there.

John and Sophia Clemmons were here all their lives. John worked for the Steffe family for a couple generations. I am told Uncle John as he was called was loved by the Steffe family. Aunt Sophia as every one called her, served the community with yeats, you could take a quart of flour and put a quart of yeast, or you could buy it...
They moved here from Pennsylvania most of these people owned their own homes.

Richard and Rebecca Swan lived here all of their married life, they had no family. Such as Richard is called still lives here, he worked at Cushman's Silk Plant until he had to retire because of bad health, he is now working as watchman for C. Wm. Hetzel.

Malinda Crowley and her daughter Virginia lived here before moving to Hagerstown.

I have been told that the first colored church was in an alley between Frederick and Church. These in worship I don't know what year that was I did not hear.

Then there also was a family that lived here on E. Salisbury Street by the name of Bungarne. Addam and Catherine Bungarne as I heard they had one daughter who married Thomas Redmond. The Bungarner's left here early in the 1700.
P.O. Box 104
Williamsport, MD 27795
written 1973
what year that was, but he moved back here some years later, and died here.

Nathaniel and Daisy Keller lived here and raised a family, which moved after the death of their parents. Now the last of that family, is Mrs Susan Lee who moved back here from Baltimore in 1972. She is 94 years old. Her and her daughter, Nettie live here on Artisan Street, the old home place, that name of the wife may not be spelled right. I will check with them and let you know. The name is correct.

Bertha and Richard Coats lived here also. I think they moved away when their children were small. They went to Harrisburg where they died.

Douglas and Stella Jackson lived here, when they died, Stella went to live with her mother in Harrisburg when she died.

William and Alice Thomas lived here. Mrs Thomas still lives here, but she is dead. She is 97 years old.
Elizabeth could read some, but she also baked bread for sale. J. C. Peters was her first husband. Joe Louis and Homie Henderson lived here, they had two children, Annie and Joseph. Joe lives in Hagerstown now with his wife Thelma and their family.

Richard and Zuera Barnum lived in the country, they had some children that lived with them. I think their names were George and Caroline Simpson, and another girl that went to school here, her name was May Barnum. And as I told you Mr. Edward Peters and his wife lived along the Hagerstown-Downtownville Pike with a man by the name of Sam Bland. And Harry Queen lived with them and came here to school.

James and Ruth Hamilton lived here and raised his family. He el moved to Four Mile Woods in VA, I don't know
Rev. Range wait Sten nett taught
school here, while he ministered
here, he was married while he was
stationed here.
There may be more that I might
be able to find out for you.
I am glad to be able to help you
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The 1892 Hagerstown directory proves that street names hadn't suffered because of bigotry, because the volume list addresses for E Church, E Bethel St. and other blocks which were later given new names by whites who wanted segregation to cover every address. When local blacks first were cooped up into a few blocks of the North End it is impossible to be certain from the 1892 volumes, but occupations listings seem to indicate that it had already happened by less then three decades after emancipation crossing N. Potomac.

W. North Street became  North Ave.
W. Bethel Street    became  Randolph Ave.
W. Church Street    became  East Ave.

S Jonathan     Summit Ave.
SLAVE BLOCK

Jottings from Yesterday newspaper clipping 1949

"Harry Osborne has at his home on East Avenue the old stone mounting block that was in front of the Antietam House for nearly 100 years. In the old times it was the block on which slaves were sold here."

As of February 1976, the stone is in the back yard of Walter Harrison "Gus" King, Jr Grandson of Harry Osborne, who hauled the stone from the original place. The stone bares a plaque, "General Andrew Jackson and Henry Clay spoke from this slave block in Hagerstown during the year 1830". The stone is 39 inches long and 28 inches wide, Mrs. King said it weights about 1800 pounds. And every time they move the stone goes with them, it has been moved three times by them. She said the stone was first moved from its original place by her husband's grandfather in a two horse cart used to haul things away. That this is the slave block and that the stepping stone to the block Slave Block was taken to Governor Hamilton's home on Oak Hill.

Interviewed Mrs. King February 17, 1976

Taken from newspaper clipping -- W. Norman Reed

A slave block once stood on Jonathan Street (where the entrance of the Hamilton Hotel is situated today and from which slaves were sold to Hagerstown and county bidders. It's bares a bronze plaque (preserved by Mrs Julia Hamilton Briscoe) which Commemorates the fact that General Andrew Jackson and Henry Clay both spoke from the block during 1830, delivering erater of a political character to loggers at the Antietam House, which stood on the corner. Gov. Williams T. Hamilton recognizing the historic value of the old stone block had it moved to his country estate "Oak Hill" when the Antietam House was torn down to make way for the new hotel. Today the block still occupies its honorary resting spot at "Oak Hill, 821 the Terrace, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phile A. Statton."
Total population in Washington Co. 1960 census -- 91,200
   Hagerstown -- 36,600
Current estimate of
Negro population in Washington Co. -- 37,200
   Hagerstown -- 2,644
   2% of unemployed persons in county are Negro
Median family income
   White -- $5,418
   Negro -- $2,757

Hagerstown Housing 1960 census
Total number of housing units -- 10,885
   Substandard and deficient units -- 3,342
   Dilapidated units -- 697
   Deteriorated units -- 2,645

     A. Jonathan St. Area
     Total number units -- 490
     A. To be demolished by Gov't in next 5 years
     for highways and Urban Renewal -- 91
     B. Considered deficient or deteriorated -- 303
     C. Percentage of deficient or deteriorated -- 75%

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The Cary family consisted of father, mother and their two children.

Father, mother & one child.

Husband & wife and Henry's mother living with them.

The Sanders family Timothy, his wife Evaline, their son William, and Timothy's mother.

Father, mother, and their six children.
Negro Cemetery at Halfway
Shepherdstown, Va.
October 9th, 1860

This is to show that we give Harry & Rachael Hopewell the liberty to work for whom they please, and draw their wages for the same & enjoy all the rights and privileges the same as if tithed by the heirs C.H. Chapline for himself & all the heirs of the
Estate of Abraham Chapline deceased.

on reverse side

Permit to Harry & Rachael Hopewell

freedom Permit for Harry & Rachael Hopewell of Shepherdstown, Va
October 9th, 1860

Courtesy Delilah Hensley
Water main ruptures under Pa. Avenue

City officials say service has been restored to all water customers

BY LAURA ERNDE
Staff Writer

All water customers are back in service following a major water main break on Pennsylvania Avenue in Hagerstown early Sunday morning, which destroyed part of a curb and left a four-block area without water for about 10 hours.

It was the worst rupture since a main break in Williamsport swallowed a car about seven years ago, said Kirk Warner, superintendent of distribution at the Hagerstown Water Department.

The 16-inch main ruptured at about 3 a.m. in front of 619 Pennsylvania Ave., Warner said.

"Fortunately the break was noticed very quickly," Warner said this morning. "That is a gravity line from the West End Reservoir and it didn't take long for it to show up on the gauges there."

A six-person crew worked through the night to replace a 12-foot section of pipe buried four feet underground, he said.

"It was rather large and nasty," he said.

Water was cut off from Jonathan Street to Park Lane until 12:30 p.m., he said.

Traffic on the street was rerouted.

Warner said stress, possibly from large rocks pushing against the main, may have caused it to break. "It's really hard to say since I've seen similar breaks in areas where there is no rock," Warner said.

He did not know how old the pipe was but he said the old lead-joint pipe construction told him it went back quite a few years.

Although workers repaired damage to the main, a contractor will have to fix the curb and part of the street, he said.

"We're waiting for a contractor to start on that work soon," Warner said this morning.

Juanita Queen of 621 Pennsylvania Ave. said she did not hear the break but saw crews working Sunday morning.

"When I got up I didn't have too much water so I just went on to church," she said.

Another neighbor, Frank Harmon, also slept through the break, although he woke to noisy repair work.

"I woke up thinking it was Monday because they were drilling in the streets," he said. "I thought it was the Coca-Cola factory."

Warner said neighbors might notice some discoloration in their water, but not to worry.

The last major water main broke in an apartment complex in Williamsport, he said.

Then, a 24-inch main broke. Crews had to pull a car from the hole it created and it took three days to repair the damage, although water was restored within a day, he said.
Team first, stadium later

State would help fund stadium upgrade, but city wants assurance of team first

By LAURA ERNDE
Staff Writer

Hagerstown would gladly accept a state offer for money to upgrade Municipal Stadium, but officials said they are more concerned about getting a team first.

A Class A team, possibly from the South Atlantic League, is being sought to replace the Hagerstown Suns Class AA baseball franchise, which is leaving after this season.

Hagerstown's market, the smallest among the 26 Class AA franchises, couldn't compete with the potential revenues of the many cities eager for baseball, according to city and baseball officials.

Also, Municipal Stadium faced up to $1 million in improvements necessary to meet new Class AA standards set to take effect in 1994.

Bringing the stadium up to the 1994 Class A standards would require only $300,000 to $500,000 in work on the stadium, Mayor Steve Sager said.

On Friday, Del. Timothy Malone, D-Prince George's, said if local officials would contact the state, funding might be found to bring the stadium up to Class A standards.

"We have every intention of taking them up on that offer as soon as we have a team," Sager said.

But Sager said he doesn't expect to know about a team before May, when a South Atlantic League official will visit the city.

"It's probably not premature to thank them for their gracious offer, but the first and most important thing is getting a franchise," he said.

Some council members, speaking as taxpayers, said the state has a problem with its priorities in a tight budget year.

The proposed state capital budget includes $4.25 million to help Prince George's County build a stadium — aimed at luring Hagerstown's Class AA franchise there.

Lawmakers have said that if the team doesn't go to Bowie, it's likely to leave the state entirely.

"I can't see how they're looking at spending that kind of money," said Councilwoman Susan Saum-Wicklein. "It just makes no sense to me."

Councilman John Schnebly agreed.

"We are pretty close to the full budgeted amount," said Ted Wolford, county roads superintendent.

"It certainly helped. That's for sure," he said.

County fares well on capital budget

By TIM ROWLAND
Staff Writer

When they put together their 1992 budget a year ago, Washington County officials estimated that $326,000 would be needed to clear snow-covered roads this winter.

A year later, with other parts of the county government beset with money problems coming from decreasing revenues and state cuts, the county has spent a paltry $110,000 on snow removal.

"Usually, by this time, we're pretty close to the full budgeted amount," said Ted Wolford, county roads superintendent.

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By GUY FLETCHER
Staff Writer

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But the county is not alone. A year when dollars are treasured much or more than ever, local governments have found an ally in lack of snow and the money saved by not having to remove it.

The city of Hagerstown spent less than $50,000 of its $140,000 snow budget for road chemicals, wages, overtime and other expenses.

"We're in pretty good shape," Public Works Director Doug Stiles said.

City Administrator Steve Fell said with those kinds of numbers this winter's less-than-seasonal appearance is just fine.

"We're happy to get flurries Christmas Day and no time else..."

2. Joseph Moxley 1st Brigade USCT in Civil War, buried Ebenezer AME Church Cemetery, Trumpet on deplq, Doleman Black History Museum.
   Daughter still living - Delilah Williams

Jeffery Wyand researched for me, from The Hall of Records, Annapolis Md. The 1860 and The 1870 Black Census of Washington Co. I went thru the records and found this information:

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James 11 34
Mary 26
Alfred 14
Henry 12

Key, Eli 32
Anna 24
Mary 8
Ann 6
Florence 4

Ann Moore mother
Laura 1

1870
Chesap 86 Bn. Va
Sum 87
Retired farmer real estate

Read write 1
History and Purpose

The Black Awareness Movement (BAM) was formed June, 1970, by several persons in the community.

1. BAM is a citizen participation group working to bring about community awareness and understanding of the needs of Blacks and of stimulating interest and participation in meeting such needs effectively.

2. To bring about orderly development, well-balanced, coordinated and readily available services to alleviate conditions which contribute to the maladjustment of Blacks.

3. To help ourselves to be Black and Proud.

4. The BAM members are:
   Miss Thelma Bell
   Mr. Donald Davis
   Mrs. Cornelia Evans
   Miss Geraldine Freeman
   Mr. Wendall Green
   Miss Page Jones
   Mrs. Christella Keyes
   Mr. Paul Mason
   Mr. Kenneth Moten
   Mrs. Mary Rideout
   Mr. Vernon Stoner

Housing

The immediate problem in the Black Community is housing. The Black Awareness Movement has spent many hours with the City government, Bethel Corporation, Homeowners Foundation and other groups trying to obtain housing.

1. A survey was taken of the housing conditions in the Black Community. The boundaries were from Franklin Street to the railroad tracks on Pennsylvania Avenue and from Prospect Street to Potomac Street.

2. Several members of BAM purchased property on Jonathan Street, hoping urban renewal would come in.
Employment

The Black Awareness Movement has made every effort in trying to find jobs for people in the community. Up to date, BAM has found jobs for over 75 persons.

Recreation

We work closely with the Youth Council and the Washington County Youth Commission to provide recreation for the youth. Special days have been set aside for recreation at Wheaton Park. We worked with others in the community to get the recreational program at North Street School for the summers of 1971 and 1972. We also recognize this as a pressing problem.

Education

1. Conducted a survey of the 1971 high school seniors graduating from school to find out their plans and give assistance where needed.

2. Met with counselors throughout the county and asked that special efforts be made in giving guidance to Blacks.

Other Activities

1. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Day. Established a $1500 scholarship to be given annually to a graduating senior.

2. Participated in sensitivity training sessions with the Police Force. Also attended a weekend sensitivity training session sponsored by the Lutheran Church Priority Program.

3. Assists and supports the efforts of the NAACP.

4. Took a survey for the Tuberculosis Association in the Black Community.

5. Participated in a Black Spectrum Show on local radio station WJEJ, for the purpose of discussing Black problems.

6. Worked with North High Environmental Awareness Group to develop a vest-pocket park in the Black Community.

7. Participated in Bi-Racial Committee meetings which studies the problems people face in various institutions throughout the county.

8. Gave an Easter Egg Hunt at Wheaton Park for the youngsters in Washington County.

9. Gave a dance for graduating seniors at the Child Development Center.

10. Black Awareness Movement brought several cases before the Human Relations Commission.

11. Have a TV reporter for WHAG to cover activities in the Black Community.
Comments

The Black Awareness Movement is doing a full-time job in presenting programs and is making concerted efforts to bring about change in our community. We do not believe in half-way efforts, apathy, talk, talk, talk, lies, leaching and ....... We find when you are working, there is less time to blame others; when you are not working, there is plenty of time to criticize others. Each of us must do our part. Racist elements in our community, our state, and nation are not going to "give" us anything. We will have to work; we have to support each other. Start paying with your involvement, your membership, your treasures, and make this a better place for our children.

On August 6, 1972, at 2:00 p.m., election of officers will be held at the Child Development Center on North Street. Please make every effort to attend and voice your opinion.

SPECIAL THANKS

As President of the Black Awareness Movement for the past two years, I would like to thank all those who have helped to make BAM meaningful. It should be noted that the BAM members are all unpaid volunteers who give unselfishly of their time and energies. It has been a pleasure to work with such dedicated individuals.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon E. Stoner
President
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Substandard Basic Deficiencies page 14 & 15

"Median" in statistics is different from average. Median represents the midway point in a group of figures arranged in order of size and may differ from the average that is obtained by totalling all figures and dividing the total by the number of items included.
District #2 Jonathan ST. Area (Hagerstown)

Element #3.
75 families in area must be relocated.
57 of these families are on welfare or social security.
7.5% are Negro.
Overcrowding exist in this area.

Element #4 Causes of blight in this district.
1. Many sidewalks & curbing are deteriorating.
2. Approximately 50 abandoned & junk cars in area.
3. Most streets not cleaned on regular basis.
4. Dilapidated and abandoned structures standing.
5. Most retail merchants refuse to clean sidewalks.
6. City ordinances are not being enforced.
7. - 35 - level water closets still exist.
8. - 20 - outside privies exist.
9. Weeds are not cut on vacant lots.
10. Billboards and retail signs are not maintained.
11. Obsolete street lights in several streets and alleys.
12. Alleys are never cleaned.
13. All types of fences are deteriorated.

The Negro Area

The Negro Area until recently was a small area between W. Franklin ST and the Western Maryland Railroad (five blocks long) and between N. Potomac and N. Prospect ST, (two blocks wide). About half of this Area was zoned commercial and the rest was a intermixture of business, industrial and residual. There are 70 low rent housing in area - 30 units Douglas Court - 40 Units Parkside.
Dear Dr. Paperfuse

Thought you might want to know Black Washington County had one soldier who during the Civil War won the Congressional Medal of Honor. William Othella Wilson.

Retired Maj. Dieter H.B. Protsch, of Hagerstown, takes a close look at the marker honoring Cpl. William Othella Wilson, who was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor 97 years ago. At left, Hagerstown Mayor Steve Sager, steadies Anna Jones, the youngest of Wilson's seven children, who was among the Wilson descendants on hand for the marker's unveiling yesterday.

May 22, 1988

All branches of the military, and veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam were represented in the parade.