2nd Taker of Ham Gets 'Loot,' First Only Lands in Trouble

Sometimes it takes a thief to catch a thief, but in the case of the twice-stolen ham—no luck.

Thus it turned out that when Samuel Fliggens told Sgt. Dennis Roche where he had hidden a ham stolen from an Eden St. grocery, somebody else got there first, and the ham was gone again.

At any rate, Fliggens, 22, of 200 Curtiss Lane, pleaded guilty on Wednesday, to being the first "taker" of the ham in addition to stealing another shoulder of meat and a March of Dimes bank from the grocery store.

When Fliggens claimed he committed the burglary to obtain food for his three hungry children, Judge Emory Niles at Criminal Court, deferred sentence pending a probation department investigation.

PRESIDENT ASKS $429,300 FOR VIRGIN ISLANDS

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—President Truman's 1949 Federal budget recommends that Congress appropriate $429,300 for the Virgin Islands.

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Physician Opens New Hotel in N.C.

Alexander Boasts of 30 Modern Guest Rooms

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—About two months ago Hotel Alexander opened its doors to the public. It is one of the most attractive small hotels in this area. The building originally housed the Irmtraudin Home for Delinquent Girls (white), but the surrounding neighborhood had been occupied by colored people.

Dr. J. E. Alexander, who acquired the property, redecorated it and put in modern furniture. The hotel has 30 guest rooms, some suites with private baths or showers. It is felt that this hotel will fill a real need for travelers in the South.

Recently guests were registered from 13 different states. Local groups also use the coffee room and dining room of the hotel. The Hotel Alexander Football Club gave a dinner there for 100 guests. The lobby is furnished with deep easy chairs and sofas.

Family Operation

Dr. Alexander's nephew, R. McMinnis, a trained hotelman, runs the hotel for an uncle, who is staff physician at Good Samaritan Hospital. Mrs. Alexander who took training in commercial dietetics, buys all the food and plans the meals.

There is a staff of 17 workers. The desk clerk is James D. Smith, who spent some time in Baltimore as a traveling fellow for the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. in their Department of Life work for a Christian Vocation.

Bus Driver Up for Trial Tuesday

The white bus driver accused of making three desperate sex attempts upon a Mt. Winans matron, before Criminal Court Judge Herman Moser, following his indictment by the grand jury.

John Brillhart, the 23-year-old driver, then a meter reader, was involved in a case of the same nature two years ago, but despite NAACP intervention, the woman in the case was persuaded to drop charges against him.

Pilot's Wife Attacked

In the most recent case, the wife of an Army pilot instructor alleged that the sex attempts happened about a darkened bus at the end of the No. 28 line, on which she was the only passenger.

Only last week, a 16-year-old girl reported similar treatment from a bus driver on the same route.

The teen-age claimed that she received a "beating" from the unapprehended driver in resisting his advances.

McLarens Hosts to Brotherhood

With Alfonso McLaren, president, and Mrs. McLaren as hosts, the Brotherhood of Bethel AME Church met this week at 1628 Madison Ave.

William H. Proctor acted as toastmaster during the informal dinner. Guests included the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reese, Messdames Julia Ball, Estelle Simpson and Mae H. Peck.

24 Members Attend

Richard P. Hall and Henry S. Farrington are secretaries of the organization.

Members present were:

William Johnson, Joseph Dashields, William Richardson, William Hasty, Henry Gardner, Lawrence Good, William Flemings, Nelson Henson, James A. Johnson, Charles Miller.

Richard P. Hall, Henry Farrington, Holmes, Otus Simpson, Patrick Turner, Joseph Stanley, William Murray, John Snowden, Farlett Dennis, William Brown, Ashton Palmer, G. Gainous and Murrell Friend.

Bogus Check Suspect

Accused of passing $300 worth of bogus checks, Oliver Minter, 24, of 1224 Pennsylvania Ave., was held under $5,000 bail, Wednesday, to face grand jury action.

COMING ARTIST—James W. Madden (right), an art major at Douglass High School in Baltimore, is shown with his colored ink drawing, "The Artists and the Cowboy." Madden aspires to create a comic strip in the same fashion. With him is Nathan Serkin who has aided the young artist in making valuable contacts in the local art world.

Water Main at Patapsco Park Delayed 12 Months

Lack of Materials Hold Up Installation; $57,000 Bonds to Be Issued Next Month

Lack of materials will delay for another 12 months the installation of a 12-inch water main in the Patapsco Park area for which 300 families in the Anne Arundel County community waged a 15-year fight. The project was approved last November by the Sanitary Commission.

Bonds for the project, estimated to cost $57,606, were slated to be floated 60 days after the commission approved the move. Plans call for the water main to run up Belgrove Rd., ending at the one-story school in the park.

Will Serve Families

Three communal wells served the majority of the families in the area, necessitating scores of them to carry water to their homes as far as a half-mile away.

Thomas Schives, division engineer of the Sanitary Commission, said that cast iron is hard to get, but there is a possibility that materials ordered may arrive this year.

Then it will be about 45 or 60 working days before the families who occupy over 200 houses will have ample water supply and fire protection.

Matron's Aid Cited

Foremost in the effort to obtain water facilities was Mrs. Anna W. Taylor of 238 Elizabeth Ave., president of the Women's Progressive League, Inc., of Patapsco Park.

Some 15 fire plugs have been planned for the settlement, two in the immediate vicinity of the school, three along Belgrove Rd., and the rest averaging one plug to every second street intersection.

The laying of the water main will affect a substantial reduction in insurance rates which is high now because of the inaccessibility of water outlets.

Search for Stolen Projector Leads Police to 'Joy' House

In searching for a stolen movie projector, city detectives this week stumbled upon one of the swankiest and most fashionable after-hour nite spots in Northwest Baltimore.

The ultra-modern hot spot is located in a double house at 1715 and 1717 Cairo St., and is said to have been operated by John H. Thompson, 35, of that address.

The discovery was made by Det. Lt. Harry Walsh, Lt. Clarence German, Sgt. J. Hiram Butler and Det. Lloyd Johnson.

Stolen Machine Recovered

The officers were investigating the theft of a $250 motion picture projector reported stolen on Oct. 31 from School No. 100 at Mount and Saratoga Sts.

The machine was found in the Cairo St. house, along with a reel of obscene film. Also confiscated was some obscene literature, officers reported.

Dope Also Found

A closer search of the premises unearthed some marihuana and a quantity of women's dresses believed stolen.

After a hearing in Northwestern police court Wednesday, Thompson was held in $2,000 bail for the grand jury, charged with the theft of the projector and possession of dope and the obscene pictures.

2 Held in $3,000 Bail in Theft Case

Charged with burglarizing the home of a neighbor, John Canby, 19, and Samuel Richardson, 22, both of 928 N. Fulton Ave., were held in $3,000 bail Thursday, to await grand jury action.

Police accused the pair of taking $360 worth of jewelry, clothing and other property from the home of James A. McLaughlin at 907 N. Fulton Ave., late Saturday.

Mrs. Rita Brown, 30, of 1219 Smithson St., was held under $250 bail on the charge of receiving $39 worth of the allegedly stolen goods.

Employment in State Increased by 7,000

Employment in Maryland continued on the upward trend during the month of November, with an increase of 7,000 reported in non-agricultural jobs and a gain of 2,000 in all manufacturing work.

Figures released by the Department of Labor and Industry indicate that the transportation equipment field also showed increased employment.

The gain in non-manufacturing employment was attributed to the pre-holiday season. Construction employment, a separate classification, decreased slightly in November as compared with October, the figures revealed.

Jail Terms Given Two for Assaults

Instead of the usual fines, jail terms were given two convicted knife-wielders in Northeastern police court Sunday.

John Coleman, 28, of 1407 Ten Pin Alley was sentenced to 60 days for cutting his wife, Dorothy.

Harvey Epps, 43, of 1122 Somerset St., drew six-months for cutting Samuel Gilyard of the same address.

Death of Man Found in Ditch Due to Drink

A verdict of death due to acute alcoholism was rendered by the Baltimore City Morgue medics this week following an autopsy on Bernard Clappe, whose body was found in a ditch at Turners Station.

Edward Mack of Turners Station, found the body and notified Dundalk police. The autopsy was ordered by Dr. Walter Carmine, County Medical examiner.

Ruling on Vet Housing Mortgages Changed

Only one application now will be required for mortage insurance on one to four-family houses under the veterans emergency housing provisions of the National Housing Act.

This applies to Section 603 on a group submission of 10 or properties. Accompanying the application must be plans and specifications for each basic group, according to Franklin D. Richards, commissioner of the Federal Housing Administration, who announced the change.

PARTY LINES

Madera's Sherry from Sunny California
Serve Madera's California Sherry before dinner, and watch how it perks up appetites! Madera's Sherry is aged-in-warm rooms for months to give it that rich amber color and nutlike flavor.

Madera's Port from Sunny California
Serve Madera's California Port the next time guests drop in, and stand by for compliments. It's a ruby-red sweet wine that goes great with fruits, cheeses, and desserts.

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Supreme Court Reverses Conviction of Ohio Boy

5 to 4 Decision Attacks Police Brutality; John Haley, 15, Faced Life Imprisonment

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday by a 5 to 4 vote, reversed the decision of a Canton, Ohio, court which had convicted John H. Haley, of first degree murder and sentenced him to life imprisonment two years ago when he was only 15.

Police methods in Canton were denounced by Justices William O. Douglas, Hugo L. Black, Frank Murphy, Wiley Rutledge and Felix Frankfurter. Justice Douglas wrote a scathing opinion.

Dissenting Justices were Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson, Justices Stanley Reed, Harold H. Burton and Robert H. Jackson. Justice Frankfurter incidentally announced that he did not believe in capital punishment.

Confessions Killed

According to testimony, William Karam, a confectioner, was fatally shot in Oct. 1945, while his store was being robbed. Haley's confession stated that he served as lookout while two other boys, 16 and 17, went inside to commit the robbery.

Given a trial, the jury convicted Haley of first degree murder, but urged mercy in his case. He was sentenced to life. Justice Douglas in his opinion, declared that Haley's Constitutional rights were violated because.

He was kept incommunicado for three days during which time his lawyer was not allowed to see him and for five days his mother was not permitted to see him.

Justice Douglas added that what transpired would call for careful inquiry if a mature man were involved, and since a mere child was the victim, special care had to be made in examining the record.

Says He Was Beaten

Haley asserted that he was beaten, but Canton police denied this.

Justice Douglas asserted that the hours Haley was grilled, the fact that he had no counsel and the callous attitude of the police show that a confession was wrung from him by means which the law would not sanction.

Dissenters Views

Justice Frankfurter said he felt the confession should have been excluded and the conviction not allowed. Justice Burton for the dissenters, said that Haley gave the other boys a pistol, and there was nothing to indicate any other gun in the case.

He added that he did not see that there was any suggestion of racial discrimination or prejudice in the attitude of the witnesses in the case, and that it was wrong for the Supreme Court to indulge in "conjecture."

Attack Report Aids Police Drive at Turners Station

The fight of civic leaders in Turners Station for increased police protection was strengthened this week with the latest report of an attempted attack on an unescorted-woman.

The victim, in her early twenties, was returning to her home in the 600 block of Avondale Rd., Day Village, from the nearby drug store when the incident occurred.

Seized Near Store

Just as she reached her home near the store she was seized from behind by a man who threw one arm around her neck, slapped her other hand across her mouth, and attempted to drag her into a nearby darkened area.

The young woman sank her teeth into her captor's hand affecting her release and let out a scream, forcing him to flee.

The attacker was out of sight before the victim's brother and other members of the family, seated in the kitchen of their home, came to her rescue.

Assailant Unknown

A description of the assailant was not obtained by the victim who was treated by Dr. Arthur L. Johnson for scratches on the face.

For more than a year members of the Turners Station Progressive Association have been fighting for more adequate police protection in the area and additional lights.

Two Women Win $2 News Tip Awards

The best of the news tips telephoned to the AFRO City Desk this week rated only $2, and the $5 award for the most sensational story of the week went begging.

Awards of $2 each will be sent to:

Mrs. Hazel Peterson of 531 Barre St., for her tip on the baby born in a car arriving at Provident Hospital, and Miss Catherine Clay of 402 N. Carrollton Ave., for her news tip on a fire truck accident at Saratoga and Mulberry Sts.

A $1 award was won by Robert Williams who reported an automobile accident at Park Ave. and Dolphin Sts.

Milk Bar Raid Nets 47 Patrons

for After-Hours Work Four Musicians Fined

And the band played on—

But they were playing well after the regular closing hours of night clubs, police charged, so the four musicians were fined $2.0 and costs each on a disturbing the peace charge.

The music-makers, along with 47 other patrons, most of them white, were nabbed when Central district police raided a "milk bar" for white patrons at 23 E. North Ave., shortly after 3 a.m. Saturday.

They were identified as:

Alfred Boone, 39, 1344 Division St.; Bernard Spencer, 36, of 710 Dume St.; James Jones, 45, of 534 Robert St., and William Griffin, 35, of 624 Pitcher St.

Also arrested was Robert Lindsay, 27, a porter, of 1517 E. Madison St., who was fined similarly.

Branded as Hangouts

The raid followed closely on the heels of a grand jury report in which so-called milk bars were branded as hangouts for undesirable characters between midnight and 6 a.m.

Lt. Thomas F. Mooney, who conducted the raid, had to make two announcements of the raid before being heard above the din of the band and the laughter of the patrons.

At a police court hearing, late Monday, the three owners were held in bail for the grand jury on a charge of selling liquor to two under-age seamen.

The two were held for consuming liquor on the premises and listed as State's witnesses.

Holds Installation Ministers Alliance

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The Rev. J. F. Whitfield, pastor of the 12th Street Christian Church, was installed Sunday as president of the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance of Washington at the annual installation of officers at his church.

He succeeds the Rev. Robert M. Williams who retired after serving as president of the alliance for six years.

The Rev. Mr. Williams was presented with a token of appreciation by the Rev. H. F. Medford on behalf of the alliance.

Other officers installed were the Revs. J. L. Primm, vice president; Smallwood E. Williams, secretary; J. W. Bundrant, assistant secretary, and G. T. Long, treasurer; Rev. W. H. Jernigan presided at the installation exercises.

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EDITORIAL PAGE

"Whatever comes, this too, shall pass away."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

City Should Own Transit System

Some time ago this newspaper pointed out that the street car company in America would such influence with State legislatures that it would be able to get anything it desired.

An example of this came out of New York State last week when a bill was introduced by the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee which would allow children who attend school while it elects to carry white children to the door of the school.

It decides to make tomorrow it will sell a ticket for $1.80, and in another it won't sell any weekly passes at all.

In one town the fare is 20 cents; in another, two fares can be bought for 15 cents, while in a third town the fare is only 5 cents.

No matter how good you are or how well-trained you may be or how you are colored, you can't get that kind of job with this company.

Now, despite the fact that there are no other restrictions on how much fare is placed in the coin box and colored neighborhoods are usually serviced by the oldest equipment, the Baltimore Transit Company wants to increase the cost of ride.

We have no objection to an increase in the cost of ride, provided we can be sure of the equipment. We have no assurance that this will be done.

As a matter of fact, most city fares are still in cents, some as high as two cents, and the average fare is about 1½ cents.

Nor are fares in Baltimore alone. In Chicago, for example, you can buy two fares for 25 cents.

The fare cannot go from 10 cents to 15 cents just because residents are making more money. Nobody should be permitted to make a profit out of people who are poor, sick, tired, hungry, weak, light, poor and transportation over their own streets.

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Fine Things for White Only?

Alumni and members of printing craft organizations gave a testimonial dinner this week to Dr. William H. Lemmel, superintendent of city schools, who is retiring.

A son of the man who invented the linotype machine in Baltimore in 1886 and for whom the local school is named, Dr. Lemmel has been in the school system for 46 years. A terrible blight on his father's good name and the school's good record.

Dr. Lemmel revealed that if Superintendent Lemmel is planning "fine secondary schools" for the Negroes, the Baltimore School Board has like plans for a fine, new school for the training of colored printers.

Scratch Pad

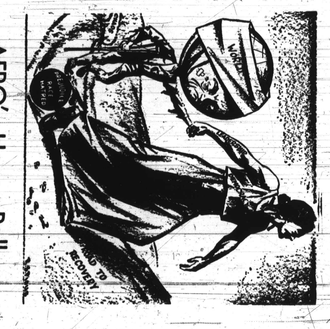
Bad Boys and Men: Whose Slot Machine Court Tactics

By Moe Morris

AFRO's Honor Roll Cites City's Worthy

Persons of Both Races Named on Scroll During Last 8 Years

By Ruth Jenkins



Ever since these honor rolls began, an annual event were spoken and had all been in recognition of the fine work of the AFRO Honor Roll.

Accepting the pen-to-paper, last-to-publication, honors, this year, the AFRO Honor Roll of Distinguished Citizens of Both Races, Creeds and Professions, is headed by Mr. Thurgood Marshall, who is the only man to be on the roll for two consecutive years.

Most of the accepted dictionary defines a "hero" as one who is noted for his courage and strength of character. Such a man is Thurgood Marshall, who has proven himself a hero in the fight against discrimination and segregation.

Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey of Bloomington, Ind., is the man who has made the most outstanding contribution to American life in the last year. Dr. Kinsey's report on the sex life of the American male has caused a great deal of controversy, but it has also been responsible for many discussions and much thought on the part of the American people.

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