WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

This Postman Has Walked 18,000 Miles In 16 Years

His day begins while city sleeps

Before you awaken in the morning chances are that your postman has already started his day, say at about 5:30 a.m.

You want your mail on time and to assure that state of affairs your postman has to get an early start.

Typical of the mailmen who deliver the mail is William E. Matthews, 3023 Hanlon Ave., who walks his route usually followed by his pal, Rex, a dog.

Mr. Matthews has been employed by the Post Office for 16 years and has walked approximately 2/3 of the distance around the earth, or about 18,000 miles.

Each day's work covers about 30 square city blocks. The bag weight limit is 30 pounds and must be refilled from relay boxes three times a day.

Mr. Matthews has been stationed at Walbrook district office for five years, has been a post office employee since 1941.

After he and Rex finish the route at about 2:15 p.m. Mr. Matthews returns to his station, may sort tommorrow's mail. His day ends at 2:30 p.m. but has ½ hour for lunch.

Many postmen remain on the job at the same station more than 15 years.

Mr. Matthews wears clothing to suit the weather and says that the postman's uniform is designed for warmth without bulk.

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HE TAKES his time, paces his steps evenly, takes care to breathe properly and watch his posture lest he become tired.

Out-of-door work is healthy, he says and finds it all especially satisfactory because of friends like Rex.

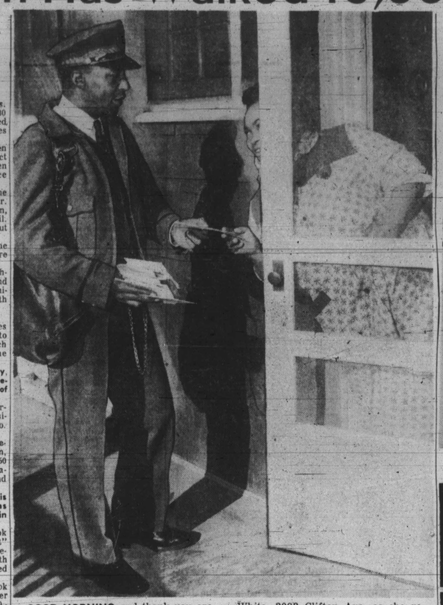
He is married to Mrs. Vernice D. Matthews, vice-president of Elementary School No. 148.

The last contact man between the letter and patron, Mr. Matthews is one of the 50 carriers of the Walbrook Station located at North Ave. and Bloomingdale Rd.

The postmaster there is Charles G. Young who has served a total of 38 years in the postoffice.

He describes the Walbrook Station group as "the finest" in the business. Edward Dietrich and Talbot Eakes, both carriers have been stationed there 37 years.

Incidently, the new Walbrook postoffice building is under construction at a cost of $250,000 and will be ready for occupancy in March.



GOOD MORNING and thank you are polite greetings from Mrs. Viola White, 3008 Clifton Ave. as she received awaited check from postman.

MAILMAN'S DAY begins at 5:45 a.m. with the emptying of sacks of mail sent to district office from main post office.

COMING DOWN is easier than going up says carrier Matthews. It requires about 3 minutes for him to go up, place mail in 12 apartment house mail boxes and ascend to sidewalk.

ON WAGGING TERMS. This friendship has developed between carrier Matthews and a dog named Rex who meets him at the same point each day. Rex resides with his mistress, Mrs. Lillian Miles, at 3015 Clifton Ave.

DAY'S END finds friends still trudging route together. Carrier Matthews and Rex, the dog, have traveled the 30-square block route with one-half hour out for lunch.

Morgan dedicates Armory

The public, including some very important persons, got views of the new Soldiers' Armory at Morgan State College here last Thursday when the ROTC department played host at an open house.

The $380,000 building was open for public inspection from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and hundreds dropped in to view the latest addition to Morgan's rapidly developing physical plant.

A high point of the open house was an exhibition by the crack Pershing Rifles Company V-3.

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VISITORS WERE taken on guided tours of the building, which was designed by Albert I. Cassell and named in honor of the more than 8,000 colored officers and men who served as volunteers from Maryland in the Civil War.

The building was dressed up with displays, 15 of them supplied by the Second Army, one by the Morgan State Veterans Club and several by the ROTC department.

Lt. Col. Edward C. Johnson, professor of military science and tactics, led a group of distinguished visitors on a special guided tour.

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THE VISITORS included: Dr. Carl Murphy, chairman, Morgan Board of Trustees, and Trustees Josiah P. Henry Jr., and L. Manuel Hendler; Col. West A. Hamilton, retired, of Washington, D.C., first ROTC commander at Morgan; Col. John Keefe, D.C. and Maryland Sector Commander; Col. Charles Minot, PMS and T, Loyola.

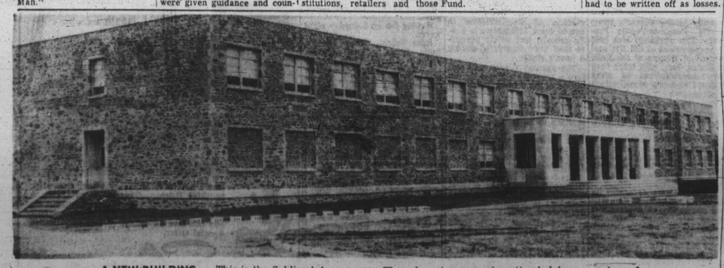
Lt. Col. E. A. Lukenback, Chief, ROTC Branch, G-3, Second Army, Ft. George Meade; Lt. Col. Roger A. Barnes, assistant district engineer; Capt. Thomas D. Dudley, assistant professor of military science and tactics, Johns Hopkins University;

Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, president, Morgan State College; Dean George C. Grant; Dean James E. Nix, Dr. Ruth Brett Quarles, Mrs. Lula Andrews, of the Department of the Army, Washington, D.C.; Gilbert A. Stricker, comptroller of Morgan; Edgar D. Draper, business manager.

James H. Carter, assistant to the president; Dr. Nathaniel K. Proctor, Dr. Ulysses G. Lee Jr., and Marcus Allen, Morgan faculty members who serve on the military advisory committee; Mrs. Jennie Stewart, wife of Lt. Col. Willard C. Stewart, former PMS and T at the college; and Mrs. Clarence Hurtt.

Wives of members of the ROTC department entertained at tea to conclude the activities.

Leading the hostesses were Mrs. Edward C. Johnson, Mrs. Robert W. Cobb, Mrs. William A. Randolph Mr., Mrs. Richard E. Robinson, and Mrs. Milton H. Dammond.



A NEW BUILDING — This is the Soldiers' Armory at Morgan State College. It was dedicated last Thursday at ceremonies attended by a number of dignataries. The building cost $380,000.

Ethical meeting

Dr. Howard Radest Leader of the Bergen (New Jersey) Ethical Society, will be the guest speaker of the Baltimore Ethical Society on Sunday, Dec. 29. The services begin at 11 a.m.

The subject of Dr. Radest's talk will be 'An Image of Man."

Homeowners given help from Fund

The Fight-Blight Fund, Inc., has reported that in the first 11 months of 1957 a total of 45 new cases were referred to it and of this number five required direct financial assistance, 16 were assisted with planning and financing was secured through established lending agencies while the remainder were given guidance and counseling.

A non-profit organization to advise and assist owner-occupants of blighted property, the Fund reported that it had received subscriptions and contributions totalling $14,078.21 from 153 firms and individuals.

The bulk of these contributions came from financial institutions, retailers and those interested in Baltimore real estate.

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ACCORDING to the Fund the great majority of financial hardship cases in which the owner of a home was required to make extensive repairs to his home was resolved without direct financial aid from the Fund.

Five cases received financial assistance from the fund with an average of $402.61 going to each case.

The Fund also reported that while over the past four and a half months it has given financial assistance to 60 cases, generally persons in the lowest income group, only three cases had to be written off as losses.

LESSON IN TACTICS — Capt. William Graham of the Morgan State College ROTC Department is shown giving instruction to students. Reading left to right: Capt. Graham, Ernest Young, Shelby, N.C.; James Camper of Easton, Md. and Eugene Daniel of Durham, N.C.

Baltimore's TB rate is nation's 2nd highest

Baltimore had the second highest tuberculosis mortality rate in all cities over 500,000 population in 1956, Dr. Robert E. Farber, chief of the Bureau of Tuberculosis, Baltimore City Health Department, has stated.

Dr. Farber added that the findings of mass chest X-ray surveys in 1956 reveal that the number of newly diagnosed cases of tuberculosis in Baltimore was from two to six times greater than the average for the entire United States in selected population groups.

These findings are based on surveys made in industry, commerce, hospital and other institutions, schools and colleges, local, state and federal government branches and on community levels.

AT THE SAME time, it was announced by William B. Matthews Jr., Executive Secretary of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, that the current Christmas Seal Sale is still lagging behind the anticipated amount for this date.

Mr. Matthews said that as of Dec. 10, the sale of Christmas Seals for tuberculosis control work was $7,000, or 7.4 per cent, behind the same date last year.

Mr. Matthews urged all those who have not as yet returned their Christmas Seal contributions to do so soon. This traditional sale is the only means of financial support available to the Association and will continue until Christmas Day.

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PHOTO MADE during Thursday noon wedding ceremony of State Senator Harry Cole and his bride, the former Mrs. Doris Freeland. Flanking the couple are Dr. Carl Murphy, best man; and Mrs. Robert Watts, matron of honor. Methodist Bishop Edgar A. Love performed the ceremony which was held at his Morgan Park home with only immediate relatives in attendance.

Senator Cole

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strapped pumps in black and a string of pearls completed her ensemble.

Her corsage was of white roses.

Mrs. Watts wore an aqua two-piece knit, the collar being trimmed with pearls.

A white pillbox, white gloves and black shoes were her accessories. Her corsage was of pink camelias.

THE CEREMONY was witnessed by only immediate members of the family, including Mr. and Mrs. Freeland; Mrs. Rosina Cole, mother of Senator Cole; his aunt, Mrs. Hattie Cole, Robert Watts and Mrs. Edgar Love.

Incidentally, the Mesdames Cole and Mrs. Freeland all wore navy blue, with small hats and lovely corsages of pink and yellow roses.

A wedding luncheon followed at the Druid Hill Avenue home of Senator Cole.

The marriage is the second for both, each having been divorced.

U.S. travel curbs

NEW YORK — Corliss Lamont believes that the State Department's withholding of passports for political reasons sets a precedent in the violation of the Bill of Rights which "will eventually endanger the rights of all."

The author, educator and philosopher made this declaration in a pamphlet, entitled "The Right to Travel," published Dec. 19.

MR. LAMONT, a prominent fighter for civil liberties, asserted also that the State Department's "despotic" passport policy violates the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, signed by the United States in 1948, affirming everyone's right to travel.

Yule program features session as Zetas award scholarships

The monthly meeting of Alpha Zeta Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, held at the YWCA on Monday evening, inhibed the spirit of the Christmas season.

Soror Beatrice Mayo, who succeeded herself as basileus of the chapter for the next two years, presided. The first five minutes were turned over to Soror Goldia Ford who directed an inspirational "Carol Sing," followed by a Christmas medley at the piano by Soror Hazel Phillips.

The spirit for Christmas continued as the chapter gave 1976 scholarships to Soror Isamae Wilkes and Vermell Faulk of Morgan State College. $33.06 was donated to be distributed by Soror Emma Henson, chairman of the social committee, to needy families which have been selected by Spt. Violet Hill Whyte.

Presentations were made by the basileus, Soror Mayo, to those sorors who had perfect attendance. Top honors went to Sorors Beatrice Hall and Mary Frazier, who have not missed a meeting in three years. Honors for perfect attendance 1957 went to Sorors Katharine Johnson, Alice Hall, Vivian Purviance, Florence Purviance, Mamie Williams, Doris Howell; Soror Mae Fortune received a gift for perfect attendance in 1956.

The delegates elected to go to the National Boule of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority held in Texas are Sorors Beatrice Mayo, Lillie Ross and Mamie Williams.

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SOROR GOLDIA FORD, chairman of the nominating committee presented the following slate of new officers which was unanimously accepted for 1958-59:

First anti-basileus, Thelma Ashe; third anti-basileus, Lillie Ross; epistoleus, Beatrice Pitts; ta-mias, Mamie Williams; antapokritis, Ruth Cleaver; phylakter, Hazel Phillips; and custodian, Goldia Ford.

Soror Ethel Hodges gave an account of the plans for Founders' Day, which will be held on Sunday, January 19 at the YWCA at 3:30 p.m. Soror Vivian Purviance reported on Finerwomanhood Week plans.

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THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE then presented a Christmas program, which opened with a special arrangement of "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" directed by Soror Goldia Ford.

Ovelia Dorsey, Olivia Bates, Etta Williams and Precious Williams, probates of the graduate chapter, presented a dramatization of "Twas the Night Before Christmas." The creative costumes and properties were quite unique. Soror Audrey Davis sang "Birthday of A King." The Zeta Trio composed of Geraldine Powell, Ellen Johns and Audrey Davis sang "Holy Child." This part of the program ended with group singing "Deck the Halls."

A delectable repast was served by the hostesses Sorors Eleanor Colvin, Emma Dudley, Goldia Ford, Nellie Buchanan, Hilda King, Addie Myrrick, and Annie Williams.

Present were:

Thelma Ashe, Mary Clarke, Althea Cornish, Elizabeth Demby, Catherine Banks, Ruth Cleaver, Isolene Crowner, Emma Dudley, Nellie Buchanan, Eleanor Colvin, Audrey Davis, Goldia Ford.

May Fortune, Beatrice Hall, Ethel Hodges, Katharine Johnson, Mary Frazier, Emma Henson, Mary Hurt, Hilda King, Alice Hall, Doris Howell, Ellen Johns, Beatrice Mayo.

Hazel Phillips, Vivian Purviance, Jessye Valentine, Iris Wheaden, Beatrice Pitts, Lillie Ross, Annie Williams, Florence Purviance, Ruth Russell, Mamie Williams.

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Dr. Lerner backs integration in Maryland's mental hospitals

By MAX JOHNSON

"I personally feel that complete integration is needed to reduce the expenditures of the State's mental hospitals . . . but I can't speak for the other members of our committee . . . this subject was not brought up in our report."

Dr. Phillip F. Lerner, chairman f he Special Joint Legislative Committee Studying the Mental Hospitals of Maryland, has given this comment on the latest interim report of his committee to the Maryland General Assembly's Legislative Council.

"The active support of community organizations," Dr. Lerner suggested, "might do much toward bringing about such integration."

The commitee's report covered Crownsville State Hospital, at Crownsville; Eastern Shore State Hospital, Cambridge; Rosewood State Training School, at Owings Mills; Springfield State Hospital, in Sykesville, and Spring Grove State Hospital, in Catonsville.

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MENTALLY ILL colored citizens requiring hospitalization must go to Crownsville for treatment, even though they may live in the vicinity of one of the other State mental institutions.

In by-passing this racial discrimination practice in the State's mental hospitals, the report had this to say about a recommendation for a mental hospital in Western Maryland:

"This committee, with advice from a recognized authority in the mental health field, feels that thought should be given to a mental hospital in Western Maryland.

"Present therapy requires frequent visits from the families of these patients and this is almost impossible under the present system, with Springfield (about 20 miles from Baltimore) being the closest hospital to these patients and their families."

Crownsville is located 25 miles from downtown Baltimore and nine miles from Annapolis. The only passenger service to Crownsville from Baltimore is a once a day bus from a terminal at Howard and Lombard Sts.

Basic recommendations of the report were: 1. Further recruiting and maintaining of medical personnel; 2. Increased nursing and attendant services; 3. Broader psychological services; 4. Expansion of social services programs with added personnel; 5. Follow up clinics; 6. Increased payment for ministerial services, with a salary increase from the present approximately $5,000 a year for a full time religious director to a minimum yearly salary of $7,500; 7. Increased salaries in the categories above.

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REFERRING directly to Crownsville State Hospital, the report had this to say:

"As is well known, because of its relative isolation from the larger community centers, this hospital has considerable difficulty in regard to recruiting and maintaining all types of personnel.

"Consequently, salary adjustments, opportunities for training, and research, etc. constitute a far greater need than at the rest of the mental hospitals which, however, have similar personnel problems."

Dr. Lerner's committee recommended with these statements the following for Crownsville:

1. "The present psychiatric staff can not meet the needs of the hospital. An annual expenditure of $25,000 for consultant fees in the field of psychiatry for teaching purposes should result in a modified but effective psychiatric training and treatment program . . . as a major stopgap;"

2. "A modest increase in associated professional and ancillary personnel is needed. Especially this so in the departments of Social Service, Rehabilitation, Psychology and Nursing."

3. Research: "An estimate of a basic annual budget of approximately $50,000, with about $15,000 of this amount being for equipment and materials, and the remainder for salaries, has been made and the committee recommends such expenditures.

4. Physical Plant: (A) "A unit for continued care patients is needed. Such a unit of 200-bed capacity is recommended."

(B) "A unit of about 100-bed capacity for intensive treatment is needed urgently. There is no intensive treatment building at the present time at Crownsville, as in the case of the other State mental hospitals."

(C) "Such two buildings would correct the marked overcrowding that exists now at the hospital. For example, there is a building at present housing 639 chronically ill people, which has a capacity of only 282 patients."

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OTHER SPECIFIC annual salary adjustments recommended in stipulated amounts by Dr. Lerner's committee, as a means of attracting needed personnel for the State's mental hospitals, included:

1. Chief Psychologist —$6,344 to $7,609; 2. Psychologist — $5,029 to $6,034; 3. Case Worker I—$4,597; 4. Senior Case Worker — $4,826; 5. Psychiatric Case Supervisor — $5,732; 6. Social Supervisor — $4,438.

To justify these and other similar recommendations, the committee report stated in part:

"In the long run, Maryland is being penny-wise and dollar-foolish. Custodial care, no matter how good, will not enable patients to be discharged from our mental hospitals and return to their communities.

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The committee pointed out that taxpayers pay about $1,400 per year to maintain each of some 12,000 patients in the State's mental hospitals.

Some 5,000 of these patients could be discharged with intensified treatment, at a potential saving to taxpayers of $7,000,000 annually. The committee stated that the cost of recommendations to effectuate this reduction in expenditures to the mental hospitals is insignificant.

Dr. Lerner's committee members include: State Senators Phillip Goodman and Jacob Ramsburg; House of Delegates members George R. Hughes Jr., and Ira Bird Kirkland; Mrs. Mayme Oberfield, and Robert S. Hoyt, hospital administrator.

The annual interim report of this Special Joint Legislative Committee Studying the Mental Hospitals of Maryland sets a guide from which State budget appropriations are determined by the Governor and the Maryland General Assembly for such institution.

The term of the committee expires with that of the present General Assembly in 1958.

HOLY CONFIRMATION FOR MICHELLE, the organist, and seven others was administered Thursday night at the Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia. Bishop Gillespie Armstrong lays hands upon the musician whose real name is Austin Mitchell as Franklin A. Cox Jr., Cibyl Couche, Otis Smith and Dorothy Hopkins look on. Father J. McNeal Wheatley is rector; Father Boyce M. Bennett Jr., curate. Michelle is currently featured at the Postal Card.

$18 taken

Miss Elizabeth McDuffie, 28, of the 200 block Laurens St., told Northwestern police a boy about 9 or 10 years old came up and snatched her pocketbook contining $18 as she left a store in the 1700 block Pennsylvania Ave.

Yoked by youths

Milton J. Cobb, 30, 1600 block Thomas Ave., reported to Northwestern police that five teenage boys came up from behind and yoked him about 3 a.m. Sunday morning in the 1800 block Thomas Ave., making off with $7.

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SHE emphasizes Slimmerette's advantages, too, in developing good posture and bearing and giving the skin a firm, toned look.

Mrs. Mitchell's advice comes at a timely moment. Slimmerette has announced a limited Holiday Special, with a full month of reducing treatments for only $10.

MR. AND MRS. ARCHIE BULLOCK were married in his home, 334 Presstman St., Baltimore, recently. The bride is the former Miss Mildred Harris. The Rev. B. F. Jackson officiated at the ceremony.

Tipsters don't let holidays stop checks

Keen-eyed AFRO news tipsters who kept on their toes despite the holiday celebrations, are adding checks from the AFRO to the other good tidings they enjoyed.

The $5 check for the top news tip this week went out to the tipster who called in Christmas Eve about two elderly men and a baby losing their lives in fires.

A caller with an interesting statement on the Frederick Medders rape case in Ellicott City won the $3 check.

A call on the addition to the Rev. Daniel Rideout's family took the $2 check this week.

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ONE OF THE $1 winners had some progress to report, about the sign going up for the Upton Supermarket robbery.

Other reports for which $1 were paid tipsters included tips about accidents and the grand-about Dr. W. E. B. Dubois.

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MARCIA CHAPMAN

Announcement of the engagement of Marcia Chapman to Damon F. Mills, was made by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Chapman, Thursday. The bride-elect is a graduate of Pembroke College, Providence, R. I., and is attending Harvard University Graduate School working on a Master's Degree in science teaching. Mr. Mills is a second year University of Maryland medical student. Date for the wedding has not been set.

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