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State's Attorney Office Is Different From A Movie

SAUL HARRIS
Runs office like a business

By SHELIA SHIELDS

In a quiet, restful looking office of the Baltimore City Court House, sits an unpretentious man — Saul Harris, State's Attorney for Baltimore.

Mr. Harris, or State's attorney Harris, is minus the glamour Hollywood has guilded on the District Attorney, a title given his counter-part in other States.

Average height, sturdily built, with graying hair, Mr. Harris may be seen standing at the entrance to the office, arms akimbo, as he greets friends who may pass.

Or he may be seen through the open door of his office bent over a huge mahogany desk, concentrating on assorted papers.

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OTHER TIMES, his presence may be indicated by his closed office door, behind which he carries on his confidential conferences.

His primary duty, as administrative head, is to coordinate activities between his 17 assistants and his investigative staff, which consists of seven detectives and plainclothes officers.

"The Hollywood prototype of "Mr. District Attorney," is not here.

Our "Mr. State's Attorney," is not a guy who has an uncanny nose for sniffing out the guilty;

His work is minus the murder-a-minute drama seen on the television screen;

He doesn't jump into a police car, and with sirens screaming, chase suspects in his wee hours of the morning, or lead suspects through long hours of grueling questioning.

State's attorney Harris is a business man — and acts like a business man in administrating the affairs of his office. He leaves police work to policemen and his investigating staff.

MR. HARRIS and his attorneys represent the State—the public — and collect evidence against alleged criminals for the protection of society. The investigative officers aid in the collection of evidence.

Mr. Harris stepped into his post by Supreme Bench appointment when J. Harold Grady resigned to become Mayor of the City earlier this year.

Before that time, Mr. Harris had acted as deputy assistant to Mr. Grady for three years. Joseph G. Koutz, a former assistant, is now deputy to Mr. Harris.

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BORN IN Baltimore, the State's attorney attended public schools here and also the Deickman's Private School, which is "extinct now," he explains.

He received his law degree from the University of Maryland Law School, attended the Baltimore Business College, and graduated from the former Mrs. Rose Breslau.

Before entering the State's Attorney's office in 1944, he practiced private law more than 35 years.

Proud of his staff of assistants, Mr. Harris says, "We try to find the best qualified men irrespective of race, creed or religion — everybody might not agree with me on that."

He added, "We do not go by quota . . . if the vacancy is there and the young man has promise and a good background, he is welcome.

"All I want is qualified men," he says.

Included in the staff of 17 assistants is James W. McAllister.

Tall, handsome and suave, Mr. McAllister earns his daily bread prosecuting alleged criminals.

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"THE PURPOSE of the law is to protect society and to protect the rights of the defendant.

"I want to help society make the best use of its laws," says Assistant State's attorney McAllister.

Formerly in a law firm with James L. Bundy, W. A. C. Hughes, Calvin A. Douglas and Benjamin H. Foreman at 1803 Pennsylvania Ave., Mr. McAllister was appointed to the State's Attorney's office in January of 1958.

"Practicing private law is one thing, and performing duties as an assistant in the State's attorney's office is altogether another," he says.

Each day begins for Mr. McAllister and other assistants at 8:30 a.m. and lasts until 4, "or until I finish whatever work I am doing," Mr. McAllister adds.

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"I have to go into court (to prosecute cases) every other day. On the days in between, we are busy preparing for future cases," Mr. McAllister says.

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"PREPARING FOR future cases," he explains, involves talking to witness who are sometimes unwilling to reveal their information, consulting with the investigative staff of the State's Attorney's office, and digging deep for law points in the Criminal Court library.

Of all the cases Mr. McAllister has handled, he will not select a "most interesting one," nor will Mr. Harris.

"All of them are the 'most interesting,'" Mr. McAllister says. Each defendant is thoroughly interested in what will happen to him—I am interested in what happens to him, too.

"I am interested to see that justice is done in each case I handle," the attorney adds."

In the 1958 Report of the State's Attorney office, some cases cited as their most "memorable cases," will also be remembered by readers from reports on them in the AFRO.

Among them is the case the report labels as "Murder A La Carte," in which Joseph Lee Fowler Jr., 28, a veteran paraplegic confined to a wheelchair, was sentenced to 12 years in Penitentiary for having his father killed.

The friend, who did the "favor" of shooting the elder Mr. Fowler was sentenced to 15 years.

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ANOTHER CASE cited was that of Isaac Bullock, 29, who was sentenced to the gas chamber for criminal assault of two women—one a housewife, the other, a blonde medical student who requested his death sentence be commuted.

It was.

The case of the three prowling policemen was also cited. In this case, three officers, vowed to protect citizens and uphold the law, committed eleven burglaries which netted them $7,633. Each received 8-year terms.

A fourth case was that of John R. Banks, 24, and Lester Rory, 31, who were each sentenced to life imprisonment plus 55 years for the robbery and murder of Joe Nathan McElvern, who was snatched by the defendants while Mr. McElevern was waiting for his wife to leave night school.

Also the case of Walter J. Smith, 22, who declared he was not "dangerous" because he was a psychology student even though he staged six armed robberies and pointed his loaded gun at two police officers.

He was sentenced to 30 years.

IN SOME cases where the extenuating circumstances are [illegible] to fight and the Assistant State's attorney may see where great punishment to a defendant would be unjust, he may recommend to the court that the defendant be sentenced for a lesser count of criminal charge, or dismissed.

From 1957-58, the State's attorney's office handled 7,464 cases. This number included cases in Domestic Relations which also comes under the State's attorney's office — appeals from police courts, delinquent hearings and habeas corpus proceedings.

Five thousand, two-hundred twenty two of the cases were handled in Criminal Court.

Of that number, the State succeeded in presenting evidence to convict 3,828 defendants; 504 acquittals were won by defendants and 27 were dismissed at the request of the State because of insufficient evidence against them.

Two hundred and sixty were granted probation without a verdict. 506 cases were thrown out by the State and three cases were dropped at the defendant's death.

OTHER ASSISTANTS in the office are:

Miss Lucy Ann Garvey, Robert V. Lazzaro, Irene L. Lusby, Frank J. Marcellino, E. Thomas Maxwell Jr.; Charles E. Moylan Jr., James W. Murphy, Thomas C. Nugent, Norman Polski, Howard G. Reamer, Julius A. Romano,

John W. Sause, John C. Weiss, Russell J. White, Jr., Edward Wheeler.

Members of the Investigating staff are:

Lt. Vincent D. Gavin, Sgt. Francis W. Woods, Sgt. Dennis P. Mello, Officers Howard L. Muhl, Thomas Carpenter, Frank V. Seglinski and August B. Loetz.

Miss Antoinette C. Cimino is secretary to Mr. Harris;

Indictment clerks are Misses Marlene DiFrancisco, Anna DellaRose; senior stenographers: Misses Rosalie Krider, Helen Hagegeorge, Edna Logan, Mary Nelligan and Mildred Plisken.

JAMES McALLISTER
One of the assistants

WHAT THE RETIRED DO

Joseph Spriggs enjoys Lafayette Sq., his old friends

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Joseph Spriggs has lived at 1357 Woodyear St. for more than 50 years and has been a member of Metropolitan Methodist Church 55 years.

He and his wife, Mrs. Mamie Spriggs have been married for 51 years and they have reared a family of 11 children.

Among their countless acquaintences are neighbors, church members and friends in every section of the city. Some of them are friends of longstanding, some for more than 50 years.

Therfore, when we ask "what do retired citizens do?" . . . it is natural to assume that Mr. Spriggs, who is 71 years of age, now spends the golden years of his life among friends.

And— that is exactly what Mr. Spriggs does. Mr. Spriggs reports: "I'm just as happy as I can be now that im retired. I have a fine family, a good home, plenty of friends and I spend my time enjoying it all."

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MR. SPRIGGS, who retired three years ago, was formerly employed as a lumber sorter at a local lumber firm for 15 years. Before that he worked as a longshoreman for the Merchant Miners Transportation Co. 21 years.

A hard worker all his life, Mr. Spriggs was able to purchase a modest home and tuck away a nest egg so that when he finished his last day at work he could retire to the comfort of his home with his family and settle down to work in his church.

But, most of all, Mr. Spriggs is able to meet his old cronies in Lafayette Square where they can spend glorious hours on the bench "remembering when."

As good, solid citizens of the Baltimore community for half a century, as pillars of the church for "nigh on to 60 years, Mr. Spriggs and friends may well be called the historians, the sages, the philosophers of the town.

According to Mr. Spriggs, he himself has always been alert to the times and he can recall highpoints in events from the Baltimore fire of 1904 right down to yesterday.

Methodist Church history is his best subject since he has served as a faithful Metropolitan Methodist Church member under nine pastors and has never missed a camp meeting from the Eastern Shore of Maryland over to Philadelphia, Pa. in the past 40 years.

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WHEN INTERVIEWED by the AFRO, Mr. Spriggs was at home as the sunshine has gone from the square.

Sitting at the old - fashioned round table in his dining room, he recalled many years ago when Baltimore was young.

He said: "It's getting cold now but I can remember when winter blew in some time around late October.

"For sure, snow was here by Thanksgiving and hung around until early spring.

"The Light Street wharf was filled with small wooden-hull boats like "The Louise," "The Cambridge" and The Susquehanna."

"They hauled general merchandise between Baltimore and Eastern Shore.

"We often sit in the square and talk about it. Now, food, vegetables, chickens and fruit are all hauled by truck on fine highways and over the Bay Bridge.

Continuing, Mr. Spriggs said: "Down on the docks the longshoremen didn't know a thing about strikes. Times have really changed.

"The church has not changed so very much, however. I have attended camp meetings each year and the greatest change is in the way folks get there.

"Whereas, they used to come by horse and wagon, now they travel in fine cars of all colors of the rainbow."

Mr. Spriggs says he believes the most popular Methodist camp meeting is the Magothy Camp Meeting held each Sunday before Labor Day at Mt. Zion Methodist Church, Magothy, Md.

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ON THE subject of rearing children, these days, as compared to when the Spriggs family was growing up, Mrs. Spriggs joined her husband in saying "children today are different."

Mrs. Spriggs adds:

"I used to dress my brood in white and sit them on the steps. They would not move off those steps even if I went downtown and came back a little later.

"We had them all sitting up in Sunday School and they behaved themselves.

"We did not allow them to go to the movies until they were old enough to earn their own money.

"They learned responsibility early. I would lend them some change once in a while and they knew they were supposed to pay it back on time."

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MR. SPRIGGS has never attended a moving picture, but his favorite TV show is "Amos and Andy."

Mr. Spriggs is a distant relative of the late Tim Moore, "the Kingfish," who died this year.

Favorite subject of Spriggs and Friends gathering in the Lafayette Square, is the long ago days when "The Kingfish appeared on the Royal Theatre stage and spent many nights at the Spriggs home.

Next to TV favorites is the Perry Mason show but the radio morning church services are Mr. Spriggs' best loved programs on tue air.

Mr. and Mrs. Spriggs were married March 3, 1908 and on March 3, 1958 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party with over 200 guests.

AFRO pictures taken on the occasion are in their album of favorite family photographs

The Rev. Mr. John A. Holmes, father of Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, the former Morgan State College president, was pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist Church and read the vows at the Spriggs wedding.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Spriggs were members of the Metropolitan Church when it was located on Orchard St. and the Rev. Mr. Holmes, the Rev. T. B. Perkins, and the Rev. R. W. S. Thomas were pastors.

When the Metropolitan church moved over near Lafayette Square in 1927 the Rev. E. S. Williams, was the first pastor. Following him came the Revs C.Y. Trizz, who remained 13 years; Fairfax King, five years; Eli Lee, four years.

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MR. SPRIGGS recalls with fond memories the five years the Rev. Kelly Jackson was his pastor and the three years the present pastor, the Rev. Frank Williams has led the congregation.

Mr. Spriggs served as class leader at Metropolitan for 30 years. He is also a longtime member of the Methodist Men.

Mrs. Spriggs is a member of the Penny Club and the Sick Committee. She is also a member of the United Women who are women church workers of all denominations.

The Spriggses have seven living children, five daughters and two sons.

They are Mrs. Lillian Mouzon, 806 Monroe St.; Thomas Spriggs, 3002 Westwood Ave.; Mrs. Eleanor Mills, 804 McKean Ave.; all of Baltimore; Mrs. Naomi Jenkins, 403 Burway, Dundalk, Md.;

And, Mrs. Helen Clayton, Rye, N.Y.; Harry Spriggs, 570 St. Nicholas Ave., New York City; and Miss Mary Spriggs, Scarsdale, N.Y.

The Spriggs grandchildren number 23.

Five of them were reared in the Spriggs home. They are Leon Clayton, a Baltimore Transit Co. driver; Miss Bettye Spriggs, a Morgan College clerk; Mrs. Doris Cooper, a housewife, Phillip Spriggs, a Baltimore City employee; Mrs Shirley Harris, a Department of Motor Vehicles clerk.

There are 18 Spriggs great grandchildren.

MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH SPRIGGS
Have lived on Woodyear St. for 50 years.

All hospitals are that way

By MOSES J. NEWSON

Here life begins . . . here the living bring their hurts and ills and here life ends.

No other place on earth so often reflects with such forceful clarity the human gamut of joy, of pain, of anxiety, of hope and of the peace that comes as life departs.

This is a hospital.

It could be any one anywhere in the world.

This one is called Provident.

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SOME OTHERS are smaller. Some are larger. But in all, the same things go on day and night.

the shifts change for the men and women who do the work of mercy.

New babies come and go. New patients come and go.

Doctors study to keep up with improving methods.

New equipment, new medicines, new treatments . . . they come all the time.

Theodore Perkins, administrator at Provident, keeps enlarging the staff . . . because the population grows and the babies and the patients keep coming.

THERE WERE 164 more babies last month. There were 1,911 last year at Provident.

Their coming brought the greatest of joy.

A total of 2,877 men, women and children brought their hurts and ills to Provident and the clinic last month. There were 29,881 of them last year.

They were the faces of anxiety; then relief when the news was good.

The physicians found it necessary to admit 515 of those who came for further treatment. Last year they admitted 5,543.

They were the ones in great pain.

The inevitable end came to some here last month, others last year.

This drama goes on day and night here and over the world, 365 days a year.

And for those who come to Provident and the other hospitals as the main characters in the story, there is no other place where mercy in th needed doses is to be found.

And not one whose need is great, be he little or big, rich or poor, cometh at any hour, day or night, when the door is not open.

Hospitals are that way.

73 years at City Hospitals

On the afternoon of May 19, 1886, Baltimore police stopped an 18-year-old girl who was wandering aimlessly through the streets.

She told them she worked as a domestic, but could give no information about her family or relatives.

There was no Welfare Department then so the officers had the teenager admitted to Bay View Asylum, the city's catch-all "Alm's House" for all types of patients.

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TODAY THAT same girl, 91-year-old Rachel Hayden, has the longest tenure, 73 years, of any patient at Baltimore City Hospitals, which in 1927 absorbed the Bay View Asylum.

Tuesday afternoon a reporter went to the hospital to get the "Rachel Hayden" story.

Miss Hayden was eating in one of the dinning rooms of the recently renovated Infirmary Building, along with several other elderly patients. Their's seemed to be a very happy world.

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"RACHEL, RACHEL," one of her fellow women patients called out to let Miss Hayden know someone was looking for her.

Looking up, she smiled and uttered a sound, interpreted by Fred Warren, superintendent of the infirmary as "You want to see me?"

Noticing the happy twinkle in her eye, Mr. Warren was asked what is the secret of being happy after spending 73 years in a hospital?

"She has no worries, she is not aware of the pressures of today's society," Mr. Warren pointed out.

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THE SUPERINTENDENT said the 91-year-old patient knew all her needs would be taken care of by the hospital.

She has no problem of food, clothing or shelter.

He said he remembered only one occasion during her long stay at the hospital when she was upset.

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"FOR AS long as anyone at the hospital can remember," he said, "Rachel has carried a tray of 30 empty medicine bottles from the fifth floor to the dispensary on the first floor."

Three years ago she was ill and, was not permitted to attend to the three-times-a-day chore.

"Rachel became so upset," Mr. Warren continued, "the doctors ordered her nurses to let her continue taking the bottles to the first floor."

He said the chore was her real purpose in life and she looks forward to the task.

Actually, there is no useful purpose served by carrying the bottles, but Miss Hayden began to carry them a long time ago, and as long as she wants, there will be empty bottles to carry from one floor to another.

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THE 91-YEAR-OLD patient seems to have remained a teenager of another era.

To communicate her thoughts she utter happy laughing sounds which are interpreted by the nurses.

She enjoys television, movies, circuses and picture magazines.

She has saved holiday cards received from individuals and groups.

As far as the hospital officials know, she has no known relatives.

Apparently, the once wondering youngster who, according to her record, has received no schooling and is a Catholic, has found happiness and a family in City Hospitals.

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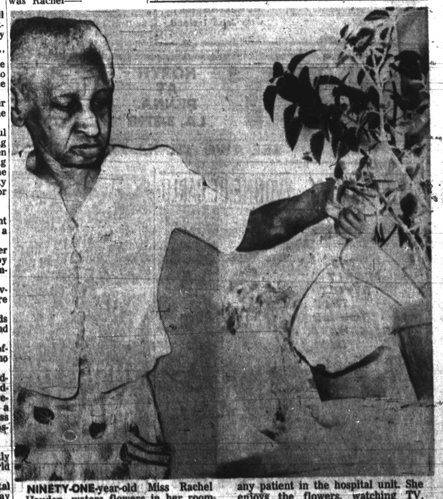
SHE SMILES frequently and the cares of the world mean nothing at all to her.

For 73 years the hospital has been her home, away from tension, anxiety, the urge to be a success.

She'll never leave the hospital until her life reaches the final act and then the Rachel Hayden story will close.

Perhaps 73 years ago there was someone who lost a daughter, a sister or a wife, and never knew what happened to her.

And perhaps that someone was Rachel—



NINETY-ONE-year-old Miss Rachel Hayden, waters flowers in her room in the City Infirmary. Miss Hayden was admitted to the Infirmary on May 19, 1886. She has the longest tenure of any patient in the hospital unit. She enjoys the flowers, watching TV, movies and picture books. Last week she went to the Shrine Circus.

Gardening Tips

By JOE (GREEN THUMB) SHEPPARD

Your lawn is the heart of your landscaping scheme, and its appearance goes a long way toward determining whether you derive pleasure or chagrin from the view at your walk or driveway.

If you have any idea that you can now push the old mower into an out-of-the-way corner of the basement or garage and forget about your gardening duties until next spring because the grass has stopped growing, guess again.

To begin with, if you live in the Mid-Atlantic area, you're not yet through with the mower.

Alternating spells of rain and sunny weather with a few light frosts thrown in have left most unmowed lawns in this area a bit on the splotchy and (literally) seedy side.

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ONE LAST mowing before a hard frost results in heaving which will make a considerable difference in the winter appearance of your lawn and will bring down tall patches of grass which otherwise would act as leaf catchers.

By now your lawn is probably well covered with fallen leaves. Don't make the mistake of raking them up and jamming them into your trash cans or of burning them.

Those leaves, which now seem only to be adding to the generally unkempt late-fall appearance of your lawn can save you a considerable sum in the cost of lawn and plant food or may be used as a mulch for cold-tender plants and bulbs.

You may either run the mower over them where they have fallen and rake up the chopped leaves or you may rake them into a pile and run the mower over the pile several times.

After chopping, however, the leaves should be raked up and moved to an out-of-the-way corner to be wetted down and left to form leaf mold and the basis for a compost pile.

Under no circumstances should layers of whole or chopped leaves be permitted to remain on the lawn, since they tend to smother the grass.

THE CHORE of getting the leaves ready for the compost pile done with, one may give thought to putting the mower away for the winter.

See that it is cleaned. Remove all encrusted mud, matted grass or rust from all surfaces.

Check its cutting edges for sharpness or for nicks and burrs. If it is necessary to send the mower out for repairs of this type, do it now.

Check the adjustment of all moving parts.

Sandpaper wooden handles that show signs of nicks or splinters.

Go over all exposed metal surfaces of the mower with a cloth which has been well soaked in a medium grade of motor oil.

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IF YOU are the owner of a power mower, read carefully and follow its manufacturer's instructions for the emptying and cleaning of its tank and cylinder or cylinders.

You may then put your mower away — in the driest part of your garage, storeroom or basement.

Next week: Prepare now for spring flowers. If you have any question about gardening please address them to Joseph Sheppard, AFRO-AMERICAN Gardening Section, 620 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1, Md.