Matron slays boyfriend who snatched off her red wig

Mrs. Bernice White, 40, 1900 block Perlman Pl. was convicted of manslaughter recently and is presently out on $1000 bail Criminal Court Judge James Perrot thas not imposed sentence. He is waiting for the results of a medical report.

Court records state the matron and a man she said was her boyfriend, John Logan, 52, became involved in an argument about her wearing a red wig.

According to the records Mrs. White said, "He was very jealous. He snatched my wig from my head and threw it across the table."

Court records quote her as saying, "One of his punches knocked my glasses off. I left the house. When I got out front, I took my knife from my pocketbook and put it in my coat pocket.

"I knew how he liked to keep beating on me. I was standing on the porch trying to get back in and he started up the steps. He said, 'do you want to fight?'

"He started towards me and that is when I pulled the knife out. He came after me with a large stick with a skate on the end of it. He swung at me and said he would kill me. He missed me and I stabbed him.

"He tried to come after me again and I told him I would stab him again if he kept messing with me."

According to the records, the matron stated the victim had been her boyfriend for five years. The stabbing occurred in the 5000 block Elmer St. The victim lived in the 1600 block Erickson PL.

-Army

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and attorneys and "finally got squared away."

Capt. Sewell and his wife, Mrs. Anna Mae Sewell, have two children, Robert Lee Sewell who will be three in April and Robert Austin Sewell who will be two in July.

When asked how the realization of his higher rank and privileges will effect Christmas, Capt. Sewell said, "We are happy. We have plenty food and we are warm. We're thankful."

Mrs. Creigler's gift to Provident

Mrs. Theresa Beatrice Creigler has picked an unusual way to celebrate her 78th birthday.

Grateful for her good health and happy life she has arranged to do volunteer work at Provident Hospital every week day.

The spry, twinkling Mrs. Creigler was born in 1895, and is a native of Baltimore.

She has worked at numerous occupations during her lifetime, but likes the work at Provident best.

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"There is always something to be done," she says. "I help with discharges, answer questions for patients, see to it that they have what they need, make beds . . . everything."

Mrs. Creigler sees the most important part of her work at the hospital as one of talking with and consoling the patients.

"So many of them are alone, or a bit frightened. They want someone to stop by and chat, to really show an interest."

She has nothing but praise for Mrs. Lightfoot, the head nurse and the entire staff on 7 East. Another Provident employee Mrs. Creigler greatly admires is Mrs. Ruth Brown Patient Advocate.

Mrs. Creigler's community involvement is not confined to Provident. She is a long-time member of the Sharon Baptist Church, and is chairman of decorations for its Birthday Circle.

In her spare time, this energetic woman takes care of a young niece, and enjoys the garden and trees at her Strathmore Avenue home.

HOME IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS

Matron who changed lottery ticket freed

After spending 40 days at the Maryland Correctional Institute for Women, Mrs. Alice Beaufort, 21, who was accusd of changing a lottery ticket to get a $50,000 prize, will be home to enjoy Christmas with her family.

The matron was found guilty of false pretense on Nov. 8 by a jury. Judge Robert Gerstung presided at the trial.

On Wednesday, Judge Gerstung suspendel her 6-months sentence and placed the defendant on parole for the balance of her sentence.

According to court records, the matron was charged with false pretense in connection with the $50,000 winning lottry ticket 079833 drawn Aug. 30.

Mrs. Beaufort was arrested and charged by State Police on Sept. 14 with "willfully and knowingly attempting to alter a Maryland State Lottery ticket with attempt to defraud."

Lottery officials said when the agency packed up the ticket and checked it out, it appeared to have been tampered with. The agency said a number appeared to have bn typd in.

-FBI still

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award of $50,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspects.

The FBI has also posted warnings at all nation's airports and notices in the 50 states for the clean shaven bandits who wore no disguise.

The FBI states the money stolen—was in $1's, $10's, and $20's with few $100 bills and believes "Some of it will turn up here soon."

According to investigators the two men undertook the daring daylight robbery about 8:30 a.m. as the employees were going into the bank.

They tied up five employees and the manager with rope, neckties and cord, slipped the money in small denominations into three bags and went out.

The FBI said the bags included a blue gym bag, green cnavas bag with handles and a white canvas bag. The robbers brought the rope with them.

Anyone who has information of value should call direct to the Baltimore FBI Office-AC 301-265-8080. The first caller with correct information will get $50,000 no questions asked and all in strictest confidence.

OUT WALKING his usual one mile a day to Patterson Park, Samuel, Washington, 105 years old Christmas Day, was just coming home when snapped by AFRO staff photgrapher Roman Hankewycz this week. He stated, "I'm going to be 105 and I'm still going strong." The snow was 4-inches deep and the temperature 22 above Zero.

Legislators want city to make settlements

Members of the joint Baltimore House-Senate delegation to the General Assembly indicated that solid support for proposed 1974 municipal bond issues may not be forthcoming until the city can reach agreements with various groups.

The mayor had hopes of early introduction and approval of the $35 million bond package with the delegation giving its full support to each of the nine issues.

However, Del. Kenneth Webster, D-8th, says he will not give his support to the $4.2 million solid waste issue until agreement is reached with Northwest Baltimore residents on a site for a proposed trash transfer station, slated for $500,000 of the requested fund.

Sen. Clarence Mitchell III D-4th, says the delegation will again resist lifting the loan interest ceiling until "lending institutions of the state live up to agreements to develop and present to the city government and legislators a proposal making mortgage loans available for inner city property and low and middle income buyers."

He says he will attempt to hold back approval of the mayor's $10 million home mortgage loan issue and $1 million home rehabilitation issue until the agreement has been presented.

"These institutions have a moral obligation to assist in a very meaningful way the rehabilitation for home ownership of housing in this city. Through their ignorance of the mortgage needs of the city, they have contributed to the decay," he declared.

City officials are still negotiating with members of the savings and loan and banking institutions.

Webster says that because the residents of Northwest Baltimore are against placement of a transfer station at Northern Parkway and Wabash Avenue he will urge resistance to the solid waste issue until an agreeable site is selected.

At a Wednesday meeting, the Department of Public Works gave detailed explanation why one of two alternate sites suggested by Northwest Baltimore Corporation was not suitable, according to Mrs. Ruth Wolf Rehfeld, executive director of the group.

She says the department is now checking the group's other suggested site the old North Avenue produce terminal under Jones Falls Expressway, and another site presently occupied by the Gas and Electric Company at Northern Parkway and Nome Street.

The city will call a community meeting for residents when a site is to be agreed upon, she said.

The city is also seeking $1.8 million for a renovation loan, $6 million for City Hall modernization, $3 million for commercial renewal, $1 million for street lighting and $13 million for sewer and drains.

OFFICERS OF LOCAL 111, The United Papermakers and Union, AFL-CIO and THE AFRO-AMERICAN COMPANY signed three-year Union contract recently. Left to right, John H. Murphy, III, president; Roosevelt Jordan, International Representative, UPIU; Mrs. Frances L. Murphy II, chairman of the board; Mrs. Bertha Jordan, president of the union. Standing are Frederick Howard, vice-president in charge of production; Mrs. Eva Barnes, union financial secretary and Robert Hillman, labor lawyer for AFRO.

—Mr. Washington

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day, Washington, deacon of United Freewill Baptist Church, and his wife both answered that they would have Christmas dinner at the house of a friend who happens to be a deacon also.

"Being born on Christmas, you get a different feeling than others," he told the AFRO, continuing, "I won't be getting many Christmas presents, but my one Christmas present is living to see Christmas."

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Stanley Beckett Eastside florist

Stanley A. Beckett who owned and operated the St. Francis Flower Shop for over 30 years, died of a heart attack on Nov. 26 at his home, 1500 N. Caroline St. He was 59 years of age.

Mr. Beckett attended Baltimore city schools and was graduated from Frederick Douglas High School in 1932.

During World War II, he entered the military forces for several years. After an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, he returned to Baltimore and opened a flower shop on Mount St. Later, he moved his shop to Caroline St.

Stanley, as he was often called by friends and customers, will be long remembered for his artistic arrangements of flowers for weddings, banquets and funerals. He will also be remembered for his benevolence and unselfish response to community needs.

Frequently he presented, gratis, flowers to the elderly and deprived; to new schools; and to persons entering new or higher positions.

For many years, Mr. Beckett was a member of St. Francis Catholic Church of Baltimore, and many believe that he adopted the name of this church for the name of his flower shop.

Mass for Mr. Beckett was held at St. Francis Catholic Church. His is buried in the Baltimore Catholic Cemetery. He left, to mourn his loss, two cousins and many friends.

THE ARTIST — David Murray, Baltimore native, age 38, is a self-taught sculptor and painter. His "Mother and Child" on Page One this edition, are included in the Baltimore Black Arts Calendar on sale at Hutzlers. Copyrighted by Willie Birch and Father Henry J. Offer, the notable 1974 publication is sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Photos are by J. D. Howard. Murray has shown his works at Johns Hopkins University; Baltimore Museum of Art; 8th Annual Afro - American Art Show, Harlem, N.Y.; Wenzl Gallery, Harlem; Coppin State College, Baltimore; Smith-Mason Gallery, Washington.

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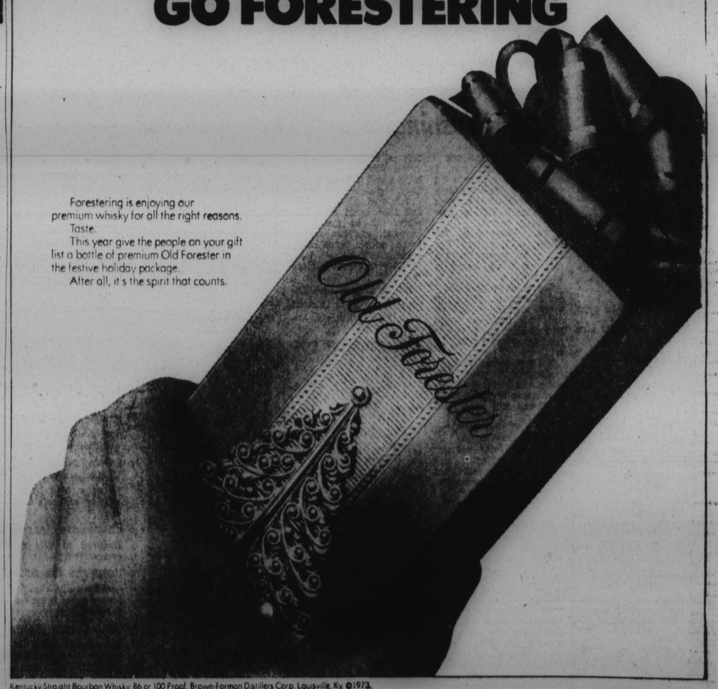

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Narcotics Violation — Darryl N. Davis, 2 cases, stet.

House Breaking — Darryl N. Davis, stet.

Robbery With A Deadly Weapon — Vernon Hawkins, not guilty.

Attempted Murder — William S. Jones, not guilty; Elmer W. Daniel, stet.

Burglary — Jeffrey L. Montgomery, guilty, sub curia; Same, stet, 2 cases.

False Pretenses — Charles E. Rhodes probation before verdict, and restitution of $1,553.30.

Robbery With A Deadly Weapon — Andre J. Coxson, nolle prosequi; Same, guilty, 15 years imprisonment, concurrent.

Attempted Rape — Anthony W. Joyner nolle prosequi.

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Rape — Donald J. Lowry, not guilty.

Robbery With A Deadly Weapon — William Ward, guilty, 7th count, 2 years imprisonment, concurrent.

Murder — Ethel R. Bryant guilty, manslaughter, sub curia.

Narcotics Violation — James F. Mills, 2 cases, stet.

Attempted Murder — Gary L. Scott, guilty 2nd count, 6 years imprisonment.

Attempted Burglary — James F. Mills, guilty, 18 months imprisonment.

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Assault — Cynthia S. Davis, acquitted.

Robbery With A Deadly Weapon — Eugene A. Henry, guilty, 3rd count, 8 years imprisonment, concurrent with present sentence.

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Robbery With A Deadl Weapon — Edward F. Roder guilty, 15 years imprisonment, suspended, probation for 10 years.

Attempted Robbery With A Deadly Weapon — Darryl Jackson, not concluded at a late hour.

Larceny After Trust — Richard C. Jones, nolle prosequi.

Homesteading office selects its staff

PHILADELPHIA — The board of Philadelphia's Office of Urban Homesteading, oganized in September, selected the office's first to staff members.

One is Dennis Fields, 26, interim director of the the Mill Creek Self-Help Center, a project of the Redevelopment Authority. The other is Marshall Freeman, 27, a rehabilitation specialist in the North Philadelphia office of the authority.

Both men were offered on laon by Lennox Moax, board chairman of the authority.

The Homesteading office will acquire properties in which owners have no further interest and turn them over at low cost to mostly poor people.

The office has not yet acquired any properties.

But Councilman Joseph Coleman, Urban Homesteading board chairman, said his office had already received offers of 200 to 300 properties.

Councilman Harry Jannotti, a board member, said his office had received 400 to 500 properties.

Both councilmen later said they supposed the properties were uninhabited, that their owners had been unable to sell them and would rather give them away than continue to pay taxes.

A Jannotti-sponsored bill, approved by City Council, would provide an incentive for owners to give properties to the office by removing any city financial claims against contributed properties.

Councilman Coleman also informed the board that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development "is now prepared to offer us properties for $1,000 each."

Coleman said these were properties that the government had acquired through default of FHA payments which could not be resold because of federal regulation prohibiting sale of homes containing poisonous lead paint.

Businessman plans Beale St. theaters

MEMPHIS—With the aid of a $250,000 Small Business Administration loan, a $125,000 local bank loan and personal funds of $55,000, George Miller, a black theater owner plans to build a $435,000 twin movie theater at the northeast corner on Beale Street and Fourth here.

This marks the first new commercial project to be announced for the Beale Street Urban renewal area since the land was cleared.

Towne II, as the theater will be called, will be about 13,000 square feet and seat 870. Miller Memphis, Inc., will build it on land bought from Memphis Housing Authority.

Rep. Dan Kuykendall of Memphis said the SBA loan is "one of the largest loans to be made to a small business in this part of the country."

However, A.G. Burkhart Jr., attorney for Miller-Memphis, said the SBA loan was not as large as expected and the second part of the theater may not be built until later.

The project is also getting help from the Presbyterian Church.

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Kuykendall and Harry Bass, president of Beale Street Development Corp., said there is no conflict between plans for the theater and development of the Beale Street area by Beale Street, U.S.A., Inc., headed by Ron Barassi.

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"But," Bass said, "we're not quite satisfied with the amount of minority participation in the Barassi group."

Ground breaking for the theater will take place early next year.

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"Beale Street is a natural because it has the black heritage of the whole world, not just Memphis. What would Beale Street be without a movie theater

"This market is greater than I ever really thought it was. I think it will be a going thing," Miller said. He also owns a theater in Helena, Ark.

Whites hope for crowd on ballot

DETROIT—With at least four possible candidates set to try for two legislative seats vacated by Mayor-elect Coleman A. Young and newly-elected City Clerk James Bradley, political observers say that white groups are hoping for a large number of black candidates so that the weekend black voting strength will be favorable to one strong white candidate.

Both Young and Bradley must resign from their legislative seats before being sworn into their new offices in January.

The contest will be heavy in Young's 4th Senatorial District that covers more ground than the 15th, represented by Bradley.

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While two black state representatives are said to be in the running for the senate, David S. Holmes and Jackie Vaughn, several others have indicated the possibility of running.

They include Russell Brown, an unsuccessful candidate in several campaigns; Tom Hayden Law, of New Detroit, Inc.; Wayne County Commissioner Joseph Young, Longworth Quinn, Jr., a member of the Detroit board of education and Harold Varner, former director of Detroit's Housing Commission. Varner has denied having any interest in the post.

Campaign set on college fund

SALISBURY, N.C. — A local committee to raise funds for the 1973 United Negro College Fund Campaign began intensive efforts in Salisbury, N.C. to raise $27,500 by the end of the year.

Headed by George H. Pounds III, plant manager at Fibers Industries, the letter campaign is making appeals to local citizens, business establishments, industries and foundations for contributions to support UNCF and its 40-member institutions.

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