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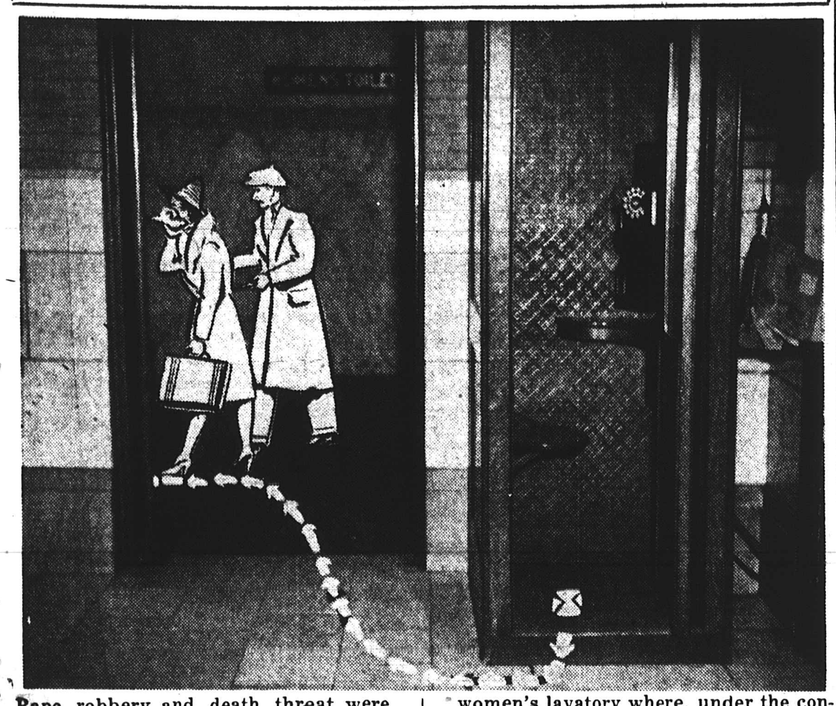
SEMI-NUDE NURSE ASKS HELP AFTER ATTACK AND ROBBERY IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

WHERE SEX FIEND ATTACKED NURSE



Rape, robbery and death threat were what Miss Gertrude Scott reported to Wilmington (Del.) police last Friday after a sex maniac forced her from the railroad station telephone booth (right above) through two small rooms to the women's lavatory where, under the constant prodding of a knife, she was attacked and robbed of her jewelry, a dress, overcoat, and an overnight bag. Artist's drawing shows how attack was made.

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Sex Maniac Robs Nurse

WILMINGTON, Del.—Miss Gertrude Scott, local nurse, was attacked, robbed and stripped of her clothing in the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, by a sex maniac, Friday, while en route to Philadelphia to attend the Chi Delta Mu Fraternity formal dance.

She went to the telephone booth in the women's room to phone friends in Philadelphia that she was taking the next train, Miss Scott reported.

While in the booth a man tapped on the glass and asked if the overnight bag on the outside belonged to her. She gave an affirmative answer. A few minutes later he knocked again and asked the nurse if she were taking the next train out She nodded in the affirmative again.

Brandishes Knife

The culprit disappeared for several minutes, apparently long enough to see that the way was clear. He returned to the booth, opened the door, brandished a knife.

He then dragged the nurse to the women's lavatory where he deposited a nickel in a private compartment, blindfolded, dis-

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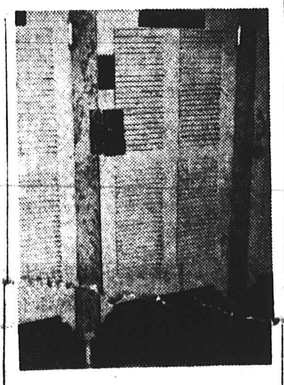

Women's lavatory in Wilmington (Del.) railroad station into which Miss Gertrude Scott was dragged and attacked last Friday evening. Miss Scott, a nurse, had missed her train to Philadelphia and was telephoning friends the reason for her delay when she was attacked.

Attack Victim

"If you as much as step outside the door, scream or call, I will step back and cut your throat," was what sex fiend told Miss Gertrude Scott (above), attack victim of Wilmington, Del.

Louis Wins $100,000 Suit

CHICAGO—A $100,000 libel suit against Joe Louis, heavyweight boxing champion, was dismissed in Federal Court Saturday.

The suit, filed by Sheridan Bruseaux, colored detective, was dismissed by Judge John P. Barnes on the grounds that the case did not come under the Federal court's jurisdiction. Barnes

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Dunbar Junior High Teacher Resigns Post

Miss M. Williams Gives no Reason; Instructor Elected

Miss Margaret Williams, teacher at the Dunbar Junior High School, and popular club woman of the city, resigned from the school system this week.

No reason for the resignation was given by the board at its meeting Thursday, the resignation merely being accepted. Miss Williams told the FRO-AMERICAN that she had no statement to make.

Miss Maria Dotson was elected to an elementary position by the board. Four Class II substitutes were transferred to the Class I list. They were: Miss Nettie P. Harris, Milton E. Stanley, Miss Camilla H. White and Miss Doris G. Williams.

George L. Moore was assigned as a special substitute at the Douglass High School at $1100 per annum.

Dr. Phifer Appointed

Dr. Theodore Phifer was appointed secondary physician at the Douglass High School at a salary of $500 per year. Dr. Phifer succeeds Dr. Maceo Williams who resigned.

The salaries of senior high school teachers appointed at the last meeting of the board were as follows: Miss Catherine B. Jordan will receive $2400; Mrs. Edna O. Gray and Miss Melissa S. Perdue, $2250 each; and Houston Jackson, acting supervisor of history and junior high teacher of history, $2240.

Mrs. Sarah C. Fernandis, president of the Co-operative Women's Civic League, was granted permission to use the auditorium of the Douglass High School for an entertainment. Mrs. Clara Hardesty was given a waiver of tuition for her nephew, Richard Williams, 11.

Schools Entered

Three schools were entered, a report of the business office showed. School No. 101 was entered on January 15, and the lock broken from the coal house for portables. Desks and cupboard were ransacked at School No. 125, and School No. 107 was entered on January 25, but the thieves frightened off by approach of officers.

Clan Turns Out for Judge Black Down in Bama

The capital is laughing uproariously about the Hugo Blacks.

He's a member of the U.S. Supreme Court and admitted he held membership in the Ku Klux Klan.

Had the Senate known it, he would never have made the grade.

Here's the story, as told by John O'Donnell. It took place at the Gulgrave Club tea.

Mrs. Black regaled friends of her recent happy visit to Alabama; how her family and the justice's family had a grand reunion.

"How delightful," commented one club member. "It must have been a real gathering of the clan."

Silence followed. You could have cut it with a knife. Then everybody talked at once to change the subject.

Five Months to Go, Inmate Skips "Cut"

His two-year sentence completed but for five months, John Wells, it was said, had been working with a group of other prisoners about a mile from the main buildings and was not missed until the evening check-up after he failed to answer to the roll call.

According to Warden Wallace Quenstedt, none of the other prisoners said they had seen him go. Wells was to have been released in June.

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Senators Walk Out on Bilbo

Only 4 in Seats as He Boasts Senate Will Never get to Vote on Anti-lynch Bill

By JASPER

Only four Senators were in their seats on Tuesday to hear Senator Ted Bilbo (Dem., Miss.) harangue the empty chairs with an 11,000-word speech setting forth reasons why all colored people should go back to Africa.

Senator Bilbo's contribution to the filibuster came after the Senate had spent half the day adopting a conference report on the Housing Bill.

Connally Complains

Senator Tom Connally (Tex. Dem.) chief filibusterer, complained bitterly over the empty seats and mourned the fact that only Chavez (N. Mex.), Byrd (Va.), Barkley (Ky.) and Lundeen (Minn.) were present.

Senator Millard Tydings (Dem., Md.), who was reported absent

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Sheriff Ousts Aged Man with $12,000 Cash

By J. ROBERT SMITH

If you had more than $12,000 in cash and property would you balk when the city boosted your ground rent on the house in which you lived from $13 to $40?

Well, that is what Levi W. Perkins, 65-year-old recluse, musical mystic, carpenter, plumber, plasterer and bricklayer, did, and the sheriff "set him out" on Wednesday.

Two Iron Safes

He has taken his two iron safes, which officials say contain more than $12,000, and six wagon-loads of what looked like an assortment of junk, and moved from the home he had owned since 1903 at 1361 Ward Street and gone to another house he owns at 506 W. Lee Street.

All because he objected to the city's raising his ground rent from $13 to $40.

To an AFRO-AMERICAN reporter he was reticent about his reputed wealth. He stated that he came in possession of his wealth by hard work and drastic economy. Born in Worcester, Md., he was brought to Baltimore when eighteen months old.

He attended the city public schools and boasts of an eighth-grade education. After graduation, he became an apprentice in the mechanical field, and in his early twenties went into business for himself.

Still Ambitious

Perkins told the AFRO that he saved as much money as possible with the idea of retiring to some Maryland farm for the rest of his life.

He has been married to one Miss Arie L. Young but divorced her more than half a century ago.

He took to his new address on Lee Street his favorite piano and scores of barrels of literature dealing with science, labor, industry and agriculture.

Said by neighbors to be in the habit of playing his piano or organ at midnight, the aged man said that was the only time that he had to himself.

Music, as he said, was a consoling factor in his life and he best enjoyed it when the world was asleep.

A self-taught musician, the old man declared that he pounded away on his organ until he was able to play sufficiently well to amuse himself.

His favorite pieces are, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty," "Have You Trials and Temptations?" "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," and other religious numbers. He was baptized a

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3 Ministers at Rites for Student Killed in Crash

C. J. Griffin, Jr.'s Hampton Associates Are Pallbearers

With four of his former schoolmates acting as pallbearers, Clarence Jesse Griffin, Jr., Hampton Institute junior of 1601 McCulloh Street, who died on Monday as a result of an auto acident, was buried in Arbutus Memorial Park on Thursday.

A light rain that began falling in the early afternoon failed to hinder several hundred persons from attending the services held in Sharp Street ME Church by the Rev. J. T. Colbert.

Mrs. M. Hawkins and Moore Carson rendered vocal selections and remarks were made by the Revs. Ward D. Yerby, W. H. Jackson, and M. Johnson. Funeral arrangements were handled by Mrs. George Holland.

Many Flowers

A large number of floral designs were received along with many messages of condolence from friends in Baltimore and elsewhere. Among those who sent telegrams were: Mr. and Mrs. D. Arnett Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard L. Heiner, Samuel Joynes; Ill. T. B. Watkins, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Nettie Kyler, Tallahassee, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. James Branson, New York; Mr. and Mrs. H. Hopkins and Mrs. Frances Howard, of Atlantic City,

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Quotes Farley as Saying F.D. Wants Lynch Bill Passed

By JOHN JASPER

The President wants the Antilynching Bill enacted, a spokesman for James J. Farley, Democratic National Committeeman and Postmaster General, told the AFRO on Tuesday.

"The President not only favors the measure," it was said, "but it is the President's Bill."
bill."

The statement was in reply to the AFRO's request that Mr. Farley ask Mr. Roosevelt to use his influence to break the filibuster.

Mr. Farley was advised that popular sentiment prevails that the President's failure to make a public statement is being interpreted to mean indifference and that snooty speeches of Southern Senators about colored people are causing resentment from colored Democrats.

Florida Solon Wants Racial Problem Solved

Asks Congress to Study Means of Excluding Colored

Representative Lex Green (Dem., Fla.), who wants America to settle its race problem by removing any possible threat of accession to power by colored people, introduced a bill on Friday asking Congress to investigate the whole subject.

The solon proposed an investigation by a joint committee composed of five Senators and five Representatives appointed by the Vice-President and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

Wants Study Made

As defined in the bill, the duty of the joint committee would be "to investigate the problems arising from the presence in the U.S. of substantial numbers of persons not of the white race, and methods and plans whereby these problems may be solved and the U.S. may escape evils inimical to the welafer of its citizenry."

The committee would be required to report its findings to the Senate and the House w one year after the adoption the resolution.

Amalgamation Suggested

In introducing his resolu Mr. Green said the commi could study the question wh er or not it would be wise possible "that the four or five colored races in America be amalgamated and one absorbed by the whites of America; also

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Col. Marshall of 8th Illinois Dies

CHICAGO — Funeral services for Col. John R. Marshall, former head of the 8th Illinois Infantry, retired, were held on Tuesday at Grace Presbyterian Church, Thirty-sixth Street and Vincennes Avenue.

He was a native of Alexandria, Va., and received his education in the public schools of Alexandria and Washington, D.C. He served with distinction in the Spanish-American War as colonel of the 8th Illinois Volunteer Infantry.

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Chinese Divorces Wife as Cheater

"East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet," someone has said, but if they do meet, trouble may begin—at least it did for Sam Lee, Chinese laundryman, who won an absolute divorce this week in the circuit court.

It seems that Mr. Lee, of 542 N. Calvert Street, left his wife, Mrs. Hazel Lee, of 732 Waesche Street, in September of 1936 to return to his native home for a short time, and upon his return in February, 1937, he told the court, he found his wife keeping house for another of his countrymen, Robert Lee.

The Sam Lees were married in Yonkers, N.Y., on March 25, 1935, by a Protestant minister, and have no children. Mrs. Lee did not contest her husband's suit.

"I heard they were living together," Mr. Lee said, "and I went to see my wife and my wife told me she was living with him, and I talked to Robert Lee and he also told me the same thing—that he was living with my wife."

affections to Robert Lee. Joseph E. Green of 1125 N. Gilmor Street said he saw Mrs. Lee in an apartment at 806 Fremont Avenue which she shared with Robert Lee.

Police School to Hear Battle

Marse S. Callaway, Republican leader, left, Saturday, for New York where he will confer with Lieut. Samuel J. Battle on the latter's appearance at the police school on February 28.

The New York police authorities have placed their approval on the visit that Lieutenant Battle will make to Baltimore, Mr. Callaway told the AFRO.

Reckless Drivers Cited for Court

William Sedgwick of Glen-Burnie was cited for a traffic court hearing after his auto collided with one operated by William Borger, white, of 4221 Belmar Avenue, at Burgundy Street and Fremont Avenue, Tuesday.

Sedgwick was charged with operating a car without either a license or registration card, and reckless driving. Borger was

Reno for Joe Louises—Maybe

NEW YORK—Sports writers insist that after the Louis-Schmeling battle Joe will take

Rev. T.J. Cheyney Dies

The Rev. Thomas J. Cheyney of 518 St. Marys Street, after a long illness, died at the Baltimore City Hospital on Wednesday.

He leaves a wife, Mrs. Helen Cheyney, and several children. He will be interred at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Monday afternoon, following funeral services at St. John A.M.E. Church.

Security Board Wants Women's Married Names

Women who obtained so-

send in their new names to prevent confusion in the keeping of their wage accounts for Federal old-age insurance.

A card for this purpose, designated as "Employee's

Request for Change in Records" is now available at any one of the board's 323 field offices located in strategic centers.

Social security account card holders may use this new application form also to correct misstatements as to age, address, or any other

NAACP Group to Probe School Jam

Antilynch Bill Valid—Wagner

The Senate should pass the Wagner-Van Nuys Antilynching Bill and then let the Supreme Court worry about its constitutionality, Senator Robert F. Wagner (Dem., N.Y.), co-author of the measure, told that body

ern filibuster began on January 6, Senator Wagner stated that the bill should be brought to a vote, with the issue of its validity being left to the courts.

Plenty of Precedent

The New York solon, who spoke for an hour and a half, pointed out that there is a wealth of precedents to support the measure and that many constitutional lawyers both in and out of Congress agree that it is valid.

The Constitution makes it the

Following a series of complaints and protests against certain prevailing conditions in the public schools, the NAACP executive committee voted to begin an investigation, at a meeting, this week.

A committee, headed by Carl Murphy, to work with W. A. C. Hughes, attorney for the local branch, in making preliminary plans, was appointed. On the committee also are Mrs. William H. Dean and William N. Jones.

Cites Complaints

Letters read by Mrs. Lillie

high school, and the breaking up of junior high school classes because of lack of classroom space.

In one of the letters it was

Booker T. Washington Junior High School was con-

1400 students, it has been necessary to crowd around

Despite crowded conditions, county pupils are being sent there. This reflects a condition unfair to colored children in both the county and city, the committee points out.

many protests from parents whose children have been transferred from the junior high school to Douglass. This, it was stated, breaks into the junior high program as outlined in the public school system.

Stagger System Unfair

The stagger system proposed at one of the schools also places added work on some teachers whose schedules are already crowded, it was explained.

Attention was also called to the fact that this doubling of class work was being resorted to

Test Survey Needed

While the committee will make a preliminary inquiry and confer with school officials, it was suggested that the entire system needs a survey to check on the basic administration of colored schools.

The Rev. George F. Bragg, Jr.,

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Wonderful!

TARRYTOWN, N.Y. — An unidentified member of Father Divine's cult is said to have returned, last week, and paid an Orchard Street merchant $20 for merchandise he allegedly stole during a fire

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