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'Ax Lovie' To Be Allowed No Visitors

Readers Flood AFRO With Letters About Bizarre Torso Death

PRINCETON, W. Va.—Arizona (Ax Lovie) Love, who confessed that she butchered and burned the body of the 73-year-old man she served for eight years as housekeeper, is denied visitors at Mercer County jail here.

She waived preliminary examination and is now awaiting action of the grand jury in January. She has not been allowed to make telephone calls or otherwise communicate with friends since her arrest.

The buxom housekeeper, who stands six feet tall and weighs 209 pounds, admitted to police, after a lie detector test, that she used a Boy Scout hatchet to chop up the body of Sunny Marshall, retired railroad brakeman.

Body Found On Dump

The story of the brutal crime was unfolded after police found the dismembered torso on a city dump where it had been taken unknowingly by William H. Wilborn who had hauled away some stinking garbage from the alley by the Gibson building.

The torso was in an old cabbage sack. In her confession, the accused woman said she killed the retired railroad brakeman because he owed her $56 and wanted her to move out of the house.

Burned Parts Of Body

She added that they had a fight during which she struck Marshall over the head with a poker and realizing he was dead decided to dispose of the body. With an ax she cut the arms, legs and hips and put them into a blazing fire in the furnace.

Because the remainder of the body was too large to go into the furnace, she put it in the cabbage sack and threw it in the alley. The state is prepared to ask for a first degree murder conviction which carries with it a sentence of death on the gallows.

AFRO Flooded With Mail

Meanwhile, in Baltimore, the AFRO was flooded with letters from readers who saw the story in this newspaper last week. They called the crime, "shocking," "dastardly" and "sickening."

Excerpts of some of these letters follow:

Like Fairy Tale

Washington—I don't believe it. No one could do to another being what this "Ax Lovie" is accused of. I think it's just a fairy tale

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ARIZONA (Ax Lovie) LOVE

ETHIOPIA'S ONLY PHYSICIAN DIES

ADDIS ABABA — Dr. W. Chas. Martion, diplomat, statesman, anti-slavery leader and Ethiopia's only physician, died here this week at the age of 87.

Broken Leg Prompts Investigation Of Arrest

Police Broke Leg Twice

Father Of Ten Suffers Beating In Park Arrest

Police Commissioner Ober Investigating Case Reports By Three Arresting Officers

The beating of a 35-year-old father of ten children by a Northwestern district policeman has caused an investigation by high-ranking police officials.

Police Commissioner Beverly Ober on Monday was studying reports by officers involved in the arrest of Otis Dickerson of the 1100 block Park ave., whose leg was broken in two places when arrested on Oct. 17.

Disorderly conduct and assaulting an officer charges were brought against Dickerson after his arrest in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad park at Brevard and Howard sts.

Taken with him were Nelson E. Bond of the 600 block Truxton ct. and a white woman identified as Miss Montez E. Neally, no address given.

Drinking Party Claimed

The arrest of the trio in what officers called "a drinking party" took place about 1:15 a.m. on Oct. 17. At a police court hearing that day the Neally woman was sentenced to 60 days in jail on vagrancy and disorderly conduct charges. Bond was fined $15 and costs.

Dickerson's case was postponed because he was undergoing treatment at University Hospital. When it came up the next day, Magistrate E. Everett Lane postponed it again in order to bring Bond back as a witness after Dickerson testified he had been struck unnecessarily.

'Too Much Force,' Lane Says

Declaring after a trial Friday that "a prisoner may use force in self defense if an officer takes undue liberties, Magistrate Lane said that he believed that "too much force" was used during Dickerson's arrest.

Among the officers involved are:

Patrolman Claude Mullis, who testified that he arrested the trio after an earlier warning to "move on" from a park bench, and called for a cruising patrol car;

Officer John Bromwell, whom Dickerson identified as the officer who broke his leg with a night stick after he was asked: "What're you black so and so's doing out here with a white woman?"

Keeny Claims Blow

Officer Russell Keeny, Bromwell's radio car partner who admitted that he struck Dickerson as they were entering Northwestern police station after the prisoner tried to hit him.

A total of five Northwestern district officers and two Central district policemen were on the scene of Dickerson's arrest at one time or another.

Leg Broken Twice

Dickerson, who accused Officer Bromwell of striking him twice on the leg while in the park, appeared in court Friday on crutches.

A large cast, covering his right foot and extending up his leg above the knee, bore a diagram showing that the leg had been fractured once just below the knee and again across the shin.

Officer Bromwell, who said that he and Officer Keeney went to the park after getting Patrolman Mullis' call that "two colored men and a white woman were staging a drinking party," denied hitting Dickerson at all.

Hit Once, Officer Says

Officer Keeny said he hit him on the leg once, but that this was at the station house, not the park.

Milton Allen, attorney representing Dickerson on behalf of the NAACP, questioned the officers sharply as to just what was taking place when they arrived on the scene, and as to how many times Dickerson was struck and where.

"It seems unreasonable," he said at one point, "that a man with an opportunity to fight in the park would wait until he arrives at the station."

Story Different

Dickerson claimed that he had not been drinking with the others at all, but that he was passing through the park from his home nearby, enroute for hamburgers and an early morning paper, when he met Bond, a friend of his.

Magistrate Lane gave him a suspended fine of $25 and costs

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His right leg broken in two places by a Northwestern district policeman, Otis Dickerson, 1109 block Park ave., sits at home while police officials investigate the incident.

College Students Expelled For Cutting Freshman's Hair

Maryland State President Says Boys Violated Rule Deliberately

PRINCESS ANNE, Md. — Two male students were permanently dismissed from Maryland State College here on Tuesday, following a hearing before the college executive board on charges of hazing a freshman.

They are Arnett Mercer, 810 Peach Orchard lane, Turner Station, Md., and Charles "Petite" Matthews of Washington, D.C.

Both were accused of having participated in the lights-outs hazing of Alvin Harris, a 19-year-old Virginia student, whose hair was cut Indian style on September 24.

Anti-Hazing Rule

The rule under which the students were dismissed was posted at the beginning of the school term, and copies were placed in the dormitory rooms of all upperclassmen.

After a heated session on Tuesday, President J. T. Williams ruled that Mercer and Matthews would have to leave the campus for violation of the rule which specifically prohibits "hazing or attempting to haze a fellow student."

The violation was "deliberate," the president's statement points out.

Occurred In Darkness

According to Mercer, who arrived at his home near Baltimore on Friday, the incident occurred in the darkness of the lobby of Dormitory No. 1.

A few minutes previously, a group of about 30 students had been joshing about cutting the hair of freshmen students when Harris entered.

The lights were switched off suddenly, and when they were turned on again, Harris accused Mercer, (whose room in the dorm was across the hall from Harris') and "Petite" as the men who cut his hair.

Student Denies Act

Mercer denied having taken part in the hazing.

The incident was not reported to the college president until about Oct. 15, it is asserted.

Despite assertions by some stu-

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Slim Myers Freed In Pistol Beating

Alonzo (Slim) Myers, popular sportsman and realtor, was arrested on Friday on charges of pistol whipping an interior decorator accused of stealing two cases of whisky from his garage.

After a hearing Saturday morning in Northwestern Police Court, Magistrate E. Everett Lane dismissed the charges against both Myers and the other man, Sylvester Pierson, 49, 500 block Mosher st.

The 35-year-old Mr. Myers testified he saw two men run out of his garage in the 2100 block Presbury st. around 3:30 p.m. Friday and when he went to investigate found Pierson. He admitted striking the man with his pistol but said he did so only after the man acted as if he were going to strike him.

Pierson denied stealing any whisky from the sportsman. He

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436 DAYS

since charges were filed and sustained against the Superintendent of

Boys' Village

The January grand jury recommended that no State employee should be named to the Board of a State Institution.

Don't Be A GWDBTV!!

The new motto carried in the folio line on each page of the AFRO this week might take a code expert to figure it out if it weren't in this political year of 1952.

It means simply: Don't be a Guy (or Gal) Who Doesn't Bother To Vote. Be sure to go to the polls on Nov. 4.

Deny Report Rev. Harrison To Quit Shiloh

Pastor Absent For 2nd Sunday In Row; Most Officers Mum

WASHINGTON

A widely circulated report that Dr. Earl L. Harrison, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, will resign was squashed emphatically Monday by Mrs. Beulah Murphy, church secretary.

She said: "Dr. Harris will remain here until he dies." She made this assertion as she laughingly shunted aside the rumor circulated in the church during the Sunday morning service.

Dr. George T. Walker, chairman of the deacon board, and Dr. Theodore George, chairman of the trustee board would not confirm nor deny the report. According to an anonymous source, if Dr. Harrison offers his resignation, it would be done as a test of his strength among the congregation.

The pastor's friends believe that it would be overwhelmingly rejected and would tie in with his 22nd anniversary sermon to be delivered Nov. 16.

Special envelopes have been distributed among the congregation for contributions toward this special service, the AFRO learned.

Dr. George Explains

In his statement Dr. George explained, "No one can anticipate what the church will do. Any information should come from the Rev. Mr. Harrison."

Further attempts to get Dr. George to give a direct yes or no answer proved futile as he advised, "Wait until Dr. Harrison returns to the city." The same view was expressed by Dr. Walker.

Mrs. Sadie Crump, chairman of the deaconess board, said "I don't know anything about it." The efforts to reach the Rev. Mr. Harrison who is reported to be out of the city, proved futile.

On Sunday, several persons at

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Harlem Turns Out For Adlai With Parade

Leaders Give Pledge During Final Drive

By JAMES L. HICKS

THERESA HOTEL, N.Y. — In one of largest and wildest ovations ever given a presidential candidate anywhere in nation, 200,000 cheering Harlemites greeted Adlai Stevenson with a torchlight reception and parade demonstration, excelling anything ever seen here in one community in this town of big shows.

Greeting Stevenson in the identical block where Eisenhower had drawn only 15,000 a few days before, Harlemites left no stone unturned to overshadow the Eisenhower show.

Before the evening was over, political writers aboard Stevenson train agreed that if things were left to Harlem, Stevenson was already elected.

Rises To Occasion

Great show that it was, Stevenson rose to the occasion. He was sharp, he was sarcastic, he was witty and he talked sense. And Harlem loved it all.

After he had fought his way through the mob to the platform erected in front of the Theresa Hotel, Stevenson lost no time in telling huge crowd what they seemingly expected him to say.

He began with an attack on Eisenhower in which he accused Ike of speaking with "Every voice but his own." He accused Ike of using the voices of Byrnes, Talmadge and Nixon. The crowd booed as he called their names.

Then Stevenson said: "But I speak the same way in Richmond that I do in New York and I say the same thing." The crowd roared.

See "Real Stevenson"

"And" he continued, "for better or worse, you have already seen the real Stevenson and in the

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Accused Husband Faints In Arms Of Police Officer

Jealous Mate, A Taxi Driver Begs Forgiveness Of Victim's Sister; Married Only One Month

By BUDDY LONESOME

BALTIMORE — An attractive Virginia-born bride of just one month was killed instantly, Friday morning as she was preparing breakfast for her taxi-driver husband.

After shooting his 28-year-old wife, Luvenia, with a 12 - gauge shotgun, Willie Crosby, 33, 5715 Osprey Circle, Holabird Homes, fainted in the arms of police summoned to the neat frame bungalow by neighbors.

The motive for the shooting is still a mystery. At first police indicated that Crosby claimed he shot in self defense. Police have tagged a pearl-handled automatic as evidence.

Conflicting Motives

After repeated questioning, however, the man told police he was jealous of his wife. On Saturday, the day after the shooting, he called the murdered woman's sister, Mrs. Minnie Bell, 2509 Madison ave., and asked forgiveness, declaring he shot his wife by accident.

LUVENIA CROSBY

The couple was married in September after a whirlwind courtship which began this summer while Luvenia was a passenger in Crosby's taxi-cab.

She later told her sister, Mrs. Bell, that Crosby asked for a date at that time, but she refused, giving him her telephone number instead.

"For the next three or four weeks," related Mrs. Bell, "Crosby called my sister almost every day. Finally she gave him a date, he seemed like a nice guy, so she started going steady with him.

Liked By Parents

"Before she married him, Vee took Crosby to our home in Kelmarnock, Va.; and both my mother and daddy liked him.

"Soon after they got married, Vee told me he was insanely jealous of her. There was no reason for this though, because he would take her to and from work in his taxi-cab.

"Vee was a sweet girl and he didn't have to kill her," Mrs. Bell tearfully concluded.

According to witnesses, after Crosby killed his wife, he called a neighbor, Golden Williams, and asked the man to call police as he had killed his wife.

Ten Officer On Scene

Patrolman Charles Harold, assigned to patrol the project areas, received notice of the killing from a workman employed at the housing project.

When Patrolman Harold rushed into the home, Crosby was sitting in a living room chair—gazing dejectedly at his wife's limp body.

Mrs. Crosby was lying on the floor in front of the kitchen stove. Beneath her body was a rapidly spreading pool of blood, while the gaping hole in her abdomen mutely proclaimed the force of the shotgun pellet.

Just Cooked Breakfast

A knife evidently planned to butter toast on a kitchen table, was near the victim's outstretched hand. On a drainboard near the kitchen sink was a plate containing an egg and two sausage cakes.

In response to Patrolman Harold's call for assistance, radio patrol cars soon converged on the project. Lt. Otis Bradley ordered Mrs. Crosby's body moved to City Hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

When Crosby was led from the

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12 Hurt As Bus Plows Into Truck

Twelve persons — most of them domestic workers returning home — were hurt, Monday night, when a Baltimore Transit bus rammed into an oil tank truck at Reisterstown rd. and Lynnbrook ave.

Reported injured were:

Mrs. Lavinia Campbell, 43, 1200 block Sharp st., arm and neck injuries;

Miss Bernice Stewart, 17, 1500 block Hopewell ct., back injuries;

Mrs. Magnolia Douglas, 38, 1200 block W. Franklin st., head injuries;

Miss Mary Pollerd, 33, 1500 block McCulloh st., leg and head injuries;

Mrs. Elizabeth Disharoon, 40, 900 block Harlem ave., leg injuries;

Mrs. Elsie Reddy, 40, 1600 block Druid Hill ave., facial and neck bruises;

Henry Smith, 42, 1100 block Dorn ct., knee injury;

Mrs. Clara Saunders, 34, 400 block Fremont ave., neck injuries;

Mrs. Dora Jones, 43, 600 block Lee st., chest injuries;

Mrs. Martha Jones, 39, 2200

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Ike Repeats Civil Rights Fight Pledge

GOP Candidate Offers 8 Pledges To Crowd Of 2,000

By SAMUEL A. HAYNES

NEW YORK—With his mind on Harlem but his heart in Dixie, General Eisenhower by - passed discussion of a compulsory FEPC in a brief, uninspired address Saturday afternoon in front of the Hotel Theresa.

Slapping at the Democrats for failure to enact civil rights legislation, he declared,

"This crusade is pledged to use every single item of leadership and influence it has to eliminate it. It intends to enforce the full Constitution, not part of it. Specifically, something has been said about my past efforts to eliminate segregation in the services.

"In the nation's capital we have the poorest possible example given to those of other lands of what this country is, and what it means to each of us.

"So far as there is power placed in me as an individual or officially, I shall never cease to work with all the power I can to get rid of that kind of thing in the District of Columbia.

Extends Pledge

"Let me extend that. Wherever the Federal Government has responsibility; wherever it collects taxes from you to spend money, whether it be in a contract for recreational facilities or anything else that it does for a citizen of the United States, there will be no racial discrimination as long as I can help it in private or public life.

"Wherever funds are used, where Federal authority extends there will be fairness."

Raps Political Promises

He avoided discussion of FEPC —which he said in Newark, N.J., on Oct. 17 should be left to the states—with this dig at the Democrats:

"I don't come before you to engage in any competition in political promises" which the opposition knows cannot be fulfilled.

General Eisenhower substituted eight pledges he said his party would fulfill if he is elected President, in lieu of strong civil rights legislation, as a bait to the voters of Harlem.

Pledges Equality

Boos mingled with mild cheers as he enumerated these pledges before an unenthusiastic crowd of 2,000 people:

1. That the Republicans will enforce the full letter and spirit of the Constitution to insure equality of citizenship.

2. That where the federal government has responsibility, the Republicans will see that there is no discrimination in public or private life.

3. That, if elected, he will never cease to work to end segregation in Washington, D.C.

4. That he will do away with segregation in the armed forces.

5. That the social security program will be expanded and improved.

6. That never again will the Republicans allow a depression.

7. That members of his administration will be fair, just and friendly.

Rally Lacks Spirit

8. That the Republicans will set

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B-U-L-L-E-T-I-N

HATTIE McDANIEL, TV's 'BEULAH,' DIES IN CALIF.

HOLLYWOOD — Miss Hattie McDaniel, radio, television and movie actress, died here Sunday after suffering from cancer for longer than a year.

(Full Story Inside)