Mitchell threatened in poison pen note

(FROM PAGE ONE)

three weeks before the primary election — a "proper-looking gentleman" who would not identify himself stated that attempts are being made by certain elements to steal the election of Parren Mitchell and Milton Allen from blacks because their campaigns are showing encouraging signs."

At this point officials of the Supervisors of Elections have admitted that "irregularities' may have taken place.

In the same article the AFRO emphasized that threatening letters signed by a "Joseph Newman" were received by State Senator Verda F. Welcome and candidate Milton B. Allen. The address on the back of the envelope for the Welcome-Allen letters was the same as that of Mr. Mitchell's: Park Heights and Belvedere Ave.

In recent weeks, the AFRO reported that the FBI was continuing to investigate the matter and was awaiting word from the National office as to the validity of the handwriting and the letters.

According to what police told the AFRO, Joseph Newman "is a newspaperman on the corner of Park Heights Ave. and Belvedere. He has been checked out by the FBI. He has been interviewed and denied any knowledge of the letters. He gave voluntary samples of his handwriting and fingerprints."

Police are certain someone is using his name.

In talking with this newspaper, Mr. Newman and his wife, both stated that they knew nothing about the letters.

The letter sent to Mr. Mitchell in scribbled handwriting had the same obscene tone as those sent to Mr. Allen and Mrs. Welcome.

Mr. Mitchell will request police protection for himself and his home, the AFRO learned.

The sequence of events which has led to three black prominent persons receiving death threats is puzzling.

Friday, August 7th, Senator Welcome received a threatening letter in the mail addressed to her at 3423 Holmes Ave. with a return address on the back.

Mrs. Welcome said that she received such a letter and at first was not going to turn it over to the police, but upon consultation with her advisers, she did so. She received an additional threatening letter.

In the case of Milton Allen, police reports say on August 20th, Mr. Allen received a letter threatening his life. He called the Homicide Squad. Det. William J. Wiley of CID responed to his One Charles Center office.

Mr. Allen's wife, Martha, had opened the letter at home and saved it for her husband. The Northwestern District was then notified that Senator Welcome had received the same type of letter.

At that point, the FBI had told the AFRO that although results of the handwriting test were still awaited, they would not pursue the investigation further because U.S. Attorney George Beall — who would prosecute the case — believed the whole case was the work of a "chronic crank."

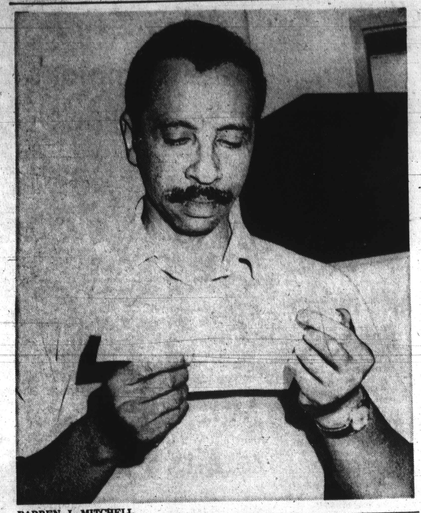
However, citizens had repeatedly called the AFRO and asked that something be done, lest the candidates follow the same fate of Martin Luther King.

Homicide detectives are reportedly still investigating.

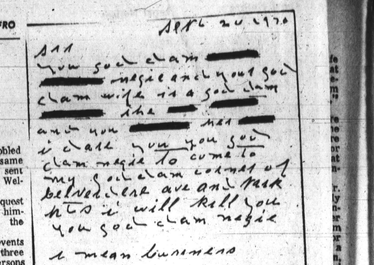
Again, the question being asked is, "Who is the 'Joseph Newman'?"

"Why has this person sought to threaten the life of a third prominent black person?"

With this third threat, who can now say whether the person is actually a crank or someone with a serious and determined plan?



PARREN J. MITCHELL
Examines poison pen letter



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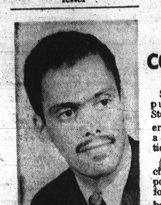
POISON PEN letter received by Parren J. Mitchell which said if "you come to my corner, Belvedere and Park Heights I will kill you."

GOP State's Attorney candidate 'unentangled'



LOCAL ARTIST and International Exhibitor William G. Bryant is the guest exhibitor of the West Belvedere Branch of the First National Bank of Baltimore. The exhibit is running from September 10-October 1. Mr. Bryant has exhibited in several national contests, had several one-man shows, and entered in international shows. Mr. Bryant will be exhibiting October 13-24 in the 34th Annual International Salon Show held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and will be entering in a national photo show being held in New Hampshire, starting the middle of September.

Sheldon Braiterman, Republican candidate for State's Attorney in the general election Nov. 3, issued a statement, the major portion of which follows:

"I very deliberately chose to file in an unopposed Republican primary for the single purpose of being able to launch a politically unentangled campaign for State's Attorney in this upcoming general election.

"Contrary to some ill-founded rumors and despite some minor partisan pressures, I have not and will not waiver from this intention

"I have long been convinced that the administration of criminal justice must be removed from party politics; that, at the least, candidates for the job of States Attorney should be able to cross-file with both parties on a non-partisan basis, as do judicial candidates.

"The recent democratic primary election ballyhoo and still uncertain outcome are, in the opinion of many knowledgeable attorneys, indicative of the extent to which raw politics have too long helped obstruct and overburden otherwise able State's Attorneys.

"My campaign will be dedicated to proving this particular point.

"In choosing a State's Attorney, I believe the public is entitled to know completely — for whom and for what, specifically, they may be voting.

"AS FOR WHOM, Braiterman shall make clear three things: first, I shall accurately inform the public in detail about my own academic and practical qualifications as a lawyer and as an administrator; second, I shall voluntarily disclose to the Supreme Bench of Baltimore and to the editors of the local Press the names of every client I have represented in a criminal matter so that at least some responsible citizens will know

Benefit concert for Hunter home

The 42-voice choir of Canaan Baptist Church, Washington, the Rev. Cecil Mills, pastor, will render a musical concert at the Union Baptist Church, 1219 Druid Hill Ave., Sunday at 5 p.m., for the benefit of the Ida Mae Hunter Home for the Blind.

Timothy Hatcher is the sponsor and Mrs. Ida Mae Hunter is the chairman.

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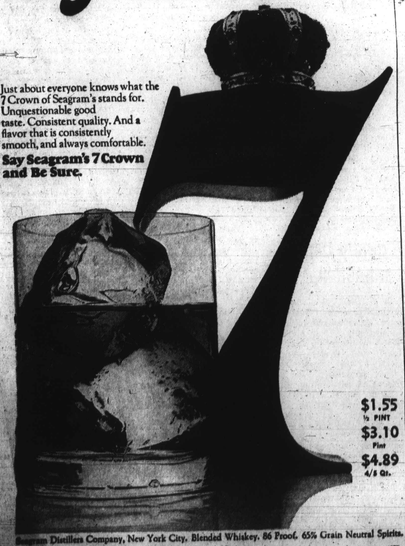

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—Gadabouting

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In looking just like something from the pages of Town and Country in a yellow and black ensemble . . from the chic yellow, black trimmed linen frock to the black and yellow shoes. Whether, said she, they wanted to or not, they WOULD look at her grandmother book . . . pictures of her new grandchild, Eric David Jones, born on August 10, the son, of the Ronald E. Joneses of Reading, Pa. Mrs. Jones is the former Mary Driver.

Vera Williams wore a brilliant cerise knit dress with the biggest multi-colored pussy cat bow ever, that made her look like a pretty pixie.

Georgeanna Chester was missing. . she was just too pooped to pop after the campaign of husband, Paul, newly elected clerk of the Court of Common Pleas; and her sister, Catherine Wilson, undergoing surgery at Hopkins the day before. Catherine is also a Girl Friend.

Anne Davis was all tied up with the upcoming wedding of her sister, Carol Shervington, which takes place, Saturday. Bernice Chatman was out-of-town attending a family reunion. Gwendolyn Lynch was draining a last bit of sea and sunshine at her Cape May summer home. And Frances Vessels and Laura Jones were recuperating from illnesses.

After all these absentees you probably wonder who did attend the luncheon.

Well, there were Maizie O. Rea, Fyse P. . . Gwendolyn Roper, Irma K. Roy, Gaynell Spaulding, Elizabeth Stewart, Anita Wansley, Doris Wheeler, Mae Williams, Vera Williams, Catherine Law, who heads the group; Lula Mackay and Olga Parker, who hosted the luncheon; Mae Parrott, Agnes Patterson, and Tinda Wilson, who says she is feeling great after her recent illness, and who was certainly looking great — a fascinating new hairdo.

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Do you know who gave the producer a run for his money at the Dental Au. Xiary's Fall Classics (a fashion show) at Blue Crest North, Sunday evening? The pretty people. The paying guests. The happy hostesses. That's who!

Ruth Croxton of Ruth J's Boutique, who collects some of the greatest togs in town, did a bang up show. So did the guests, many of whom had tipped into her Boutique before show time. Certainly Madam Chairman Bernice McDaniels had, and garnered that eve fe o-becoming black pants outfit she wore that evening. A slim tunic above slightly flared pants was garnished with sheer ruffles at neck and cuffs and spiced with rhinestone buttons. Her co-chairman, Mabel Byrd, was equally charming in a long skirted white lace with imposed braided pattern. Trudy Edwards chose an elegant quilted multi-colored gown which featured an intricingly cut out back and jeweled crossbound.

I might have saved that word elegant for the costumes worn by Olga Rodney and Jimmy LaForest. Both had on white coats, paved with pearls and underpinned with chic frocks. . But they were not at all the same costumes. Olga's was of a heavy creamy silk, and Jimmy's of sheer chiffon.

Janice Trimble (who with Dr. Trimble was celebrating a wedding anniversary that day) wore gold brocade pajamas. . and Jeannette Christmas, gold embroidered lace dress. Jerr Desbordes was in a sea green frock, magnificently jeweled at the neckline, and Mrs. Bruce Russell was in rose, also jeweled at the neckline and sleeves.

Mrs. George Taylor, of Columbia, Md., was in chic black. So was Mrs. Charles Campbell, who added sparkle to her dress with eye-catching jewelry. Rosalie McGuire's pale gray, floor-length gown had a completely jeweled top and Mabel Alleyne chose a soft pink two-piece, longette. Mattie Gardner is looking better these days . . had as guess at the affair, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davenport of Raleigh, N.C. The Davenports had driven up to bring their daughter, Connie, to Morgan State College. She's a sophomore at that college.

When Mrs. James Gibbs, who won first door prize, tripped down the runway in a white lace costume to garn the gift, she received as much applause as had models. Mrs. Lisette Williams, in a magnificently designed gown of African print silk, dilloed. She drew for second prize. Mrs. Norma Branch, who won third door prize, was in a black velvet ensemble; and Mrs. Ann White in blue, the gown paneled at the back and the panels edged in silver embroidery, and held by tiny blue bows placed at intervals down the back.

Then came David Scott. . not a clothes topic. . but the luckiest guy on the scene. Mr. Scott had what turned out not to be the winning ticket for the raffled money tree. That ticket was called, then rejected. But darned if Mr. Scott didn't have the second ticket drawn!

Mrs. Croxton (Ruth J) was unable to attend because of illness. Pam Fields, TV newscaster narrated. She was svelte in white wool pants, fitted blue tunic, and banded her head in a multi-colored scarf.

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Derek L. Jones celebrated his sixth birthday at a surprise party by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David E. Jones, at the Enchanted Forest in Howard County, recently.

The party, which originated in the Gingerbread House, began with the traditional cutting of the birthday cake and party favors, and from there spread out into the park.

After the party, Derek and his guests spent the day exploring the wonders of the Enchanted Forest's storybook land. Adults and children attending the day-long celebration were treated to an underground ride through Alice's Wonderland and a ferryboat ride to the island of Robinson Crusoe.

The honoree who lives in the 4800 block Rogers Avenue is a first grade student at Grove Park Elementary School. Guests at his party were:

Mrs. Carolyn Wells and son, Robbie; Mrs. Cynthia Black and son, Marty; Mrs. Augusta Stokes and son, Aaron; Mrs. Leonora McBride and sons, Alex and Vander; Mrs. Florence J. Erwin; Donald Glover, Wayne Boulkin, Al Rollin and Raymond Rullin.

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Among the exhibits at the Baltimore City Fair, which begins today (Friday) and continues through Sunday, is an exhibit by the National Committee on Household Employment which you will not want to miss.

NCHE is a non-profit, private organization based in Washington, which was founded in 1964 as a clearing house for community level activities to improve the economic and social status of the estimated 1.6 million household workers in America.

Space for the Fair booth is being provided by the Fremont Improvement Association Welfare Rights Organization, here. This is the group which recently submitted to Baltimore Model Cities officials a proposal to fund a household workers' cooperative. The cooperative would be located at the Fremont Center.

Ninety-eight per cent of household workers are women whose median income is less than $1,600 per year. Eighty-two percent of these women have an annual total family income below $2,000 according to U.S. Labor Department statistics released in May.

Compounding the problem, almost two-thirds, or more than one million of the women are single, widowed, divorced or separated, and therefore largely or entirely responsible for their own income. Approximately 200,000 are the head of a family, supporting children or other adults as well as themselves.

The prevailing pay scale for household workers in the Baltimore area is $7.00-$8.00 for an eight-hour day, according to Mrs. Miriam Taylor, secretary of the Fremont Improvement Association.

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Baltimore is a writer's dream, for there are always Baltimoreans going to interesting places and doing interesting things.

For example, Mary Carter Smith is just back from Pittsburgh, Pa., where, with Gordon Parks, photographer, author, movie director, starred on the "Salute to Blacks" program at Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. The event was a part of the library's 75th anniversary celebration. Mrs. Smith gave a performance for children in the Carnegie Lecture Hall, which included reading of her original poetry as well as folksongs from various regions in Africa.

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Also Dr. Dolly Walker, who zips about the world so fast that it gives one a headache just trying to imagine where she is any given day. Last week, however, she was in Italy. . having been in London, Liechtenstein, Hinkley and Liverpool, England. The previous weekend she was in Dublin, Ireland, then in France, from

Guardsmen in Atlantic City

By LILLIAN WIGGINS and NIKKI NAKATAN

WASHINGTON

Dr. James "Eddy" Cowan, the Commissioner of Health for New NJersey, was cited for his outstanding achievements at the Traymore Hotel in Atlantic City last weekend when the Guardsmen took to the sea shore.

Washington members and friends of the Guardsmen flocked to the boardwalk hotel early Friday and were lavishly entertained by the New Jersey chapter.

Also recognized for outstanding achievements by Dr. Cowan were Judge William S. Thompson, who will be honored with a testimonial dinner here soon; Commissioner Colston (Chuke) Lewis, president of the national chapter of Guardsmen who was recently appointed by the President to the Equal Empolyment Opportunity Commission; and Dr. Babe Swift for his appointment to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda.

Dr. Swift will retire in Reston where he remarked, "it's a nice place to raise up children."

On hand for the festivities which began Friday evening with a dinner dance were Dr. and Mrs. William Brownlee, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Genus, Mr. and Mrs. Wardell Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Crittenden, Judge and Mrs. William Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Irving, Althea and Larry Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Rogers.

It was filet mignon and the works for dinner Friday plus a swinging band which kept things alive until midnight. Following the main event it was room hopping until the wee hours in the morning or off to Club Harlem. Our host for Friday evening was Dr. and Mrs. Tony Langston, and their warmth made the guests very comfortable indeed.

Up it was early Saturday and a two-hour bike ride on the boardwalk with my children. We collected some sea shells, had breakfast and looked out over the inlet before bicycling back to the hotel with tired legs. Then it was beach time followed by a bit of shopping. With a bit of rest in between it was cocktail and dinner time again.

It was cool to chat with Roger and Annie Johnson of Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Walt's Faulkner of North Carolina who seem to have all the detail's worked out for their affair in February which is to take place in Greensboro; and Attorney Bob Rhone who enlightened us about a new Nixon appointee who is a brother. He was speaking of Sam Pierce who is the counsel for the Treasury Department.

As the conversation passed around the tab's the politically minded guests from both parties seemed to have favorei either Attorney Ramsey Clark or Senator Birch Bayh as a Democratic presidential nominee. Ramsey and Senator Edmund Muskie were figured as a good team.

On the other side, Nixon was given a good chance to win providing he gets the troops out of Vietnam.

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It came out that Dr. C. Mason Quick of Fayetteville, N.C. was in the hospital. Fay and Alex Riviera of Durham were on hand as makes side trips to Menton, Monte-Carlo and San Remo in Italy. Saturday, she flew to Tangiers, Morocco. Back to Madrid and Malaga, Spain, on to Lisbon, Portugal and is now headed for home.

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Mrs. Lillian E. Jones of Ivy Avenue, who is 85 years young, was given a surprise party by her family.

Mrs. Jones, the widow of J. Arthur Jones, a former supervisor of the Mutual of Baltimore, has been a resident of Morgan Park for 44 years. The honoree worked for 38 years at the Mutual of Baltimore as secretary to the late president, Harry O. Wilson, Sr. and also to the current president, Harry O. Wilson, Jr. who was a guest at the party.

Mrs. Jones retired in 1934.

To begin the occasion Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnson, Mrs. Zerita Thomas, Mrs. Vonzella Ford and Mrs. Veronica Westcott, former coworkers, were served a delicious lunch.

As the luncheon ended neighbors and former coworkers joined Mrs. Jones in delectable refreshments. These were served in a beautiful lawn setting of yellow and white umbrella tables with colorful appointments. As Mrs. Jones' mint green iced birthday cake with the number "85," formed by white candles was brought forth and her three-year-old great-grandson, Edward Carter Haley, III sang "Happy Birthday."

The guests had been requested to wear casual attire and this increased the comfortable, friendly and relaxed atmosphere which made this a memorable event for the honoree.

Emergency funds needed at the blind home

The Anna Mae Hunter Home for the Blind at 1321 Eutaw Place is in immediate need of funds to defray costs of emergency repairs.

According to the founder, Mrs. Anna M. Hunter, the fire inspector requires that the front, kitchen and laundry doors be re-hung to swing outward. One firm has given an estimate of $750 to do the job.

Other expenses exceeding $1,000 are the result of all of the 20 radiators needing repairs.

Mrs. Hunter states that the radiators must be drained and new valves installed to prevent leaking that has in the past years left wet, warped floors.

Persons who wish to make contributions may write or call Mrs. Hunter, 1321 Eutaw Place, LA. 3-6396.

All contributions are tax deductible.

were Helena and Walter Edmonds Ed and Elizabeth Williams, Billy and Milly Hall were Some of Baltimoreears; Ada and Rump Jones of New Jersey; Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Humphery Velma and Stretch Sydner of Detroit, he's president of the Detroit chapter and what a good showing his chapter made. I believe 25 out of 30 members attended.

Buddy Cowan and the wife were our host Saturday night and among the guis's were Vivian and Robert Scurlock, fashionable Marguarite Mays, ex-wife of Willie Mays; Barbara and Eddie Shelton, New Jersey Chapter, Less Hayling, M.D.; James "Muse" Parker, M.D. who presented the award to Dr. Cowan, Roland Brown, all of the Jersey Chapter and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown of New York.

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