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October 11, 1926.

Prof. W. B. Matthews,
 Central High School,
 Louisville, Ky.

My dear Prof. Matthews:-

Permit me to thank you for the invaluable service you rendered the cause at our banquet Sturday night. I doubt very much whether Mr. Dix and Mr. Lotspeich ever attended a social function which they enjoyed more and which showed more intelligence, culture and refinement. Mr. Dix has made a special request that I secure a copy of your address that he may file away with the books which we presented him and which he prizes most highly. May I not, therefore, ask you to forward me at your earliest convenience, a copy of your address?

Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply,
 I am with cordial good wishes

Yours truly,

James Bond
 Director Interracial Commission for Ky.
 State YMCA Sec. for colored work.

JB:S

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
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April 16, 1926.

Dear Friend:

I am undertaking to give you and other members of the Commission, without comment, what seems to be the facts in the awful crimes that have been reported to have been committed in Lexington and Madisonville.

LEXINGTON.

Harris. Harris, a negro of low mentality and no education, has already been hanged for the crime of assault. It appears that he was in partnership with Bryant, a white tenant, in a bootlegging enterprise and, full of bootleg whiskey, had gone to Bryant's house to adjust some business transaction in which they were both concerned. In the controversy that arose Harris killed Bryant, two children and wounded Mrs. Bryant. In his last confession to a priest, it is claimed that Harris while admitting the shooting disavowed the charge of assault, claiming that he was forced to make that confession at the point of pistols by the guards who took him to the penitentiary for safe keeping. Narrowly escaping lynching by the white prisoners in the penitentiary he was taken back to Lexington under military guard and at great cost to the State was tried and convicted in sixteen minutes.

Merchant. That Merchant, a white man, assaulted two colored girls, the younger being eleven years of age has never been questioned by anyone. In the midst of his trial recently a request was made for an examination into his sanity with the result that he was adjudged insane at the time of the trial and consigned to an insane asylum. There was no excitement at his trial and no thought in the minds of the colored people of lynching or any kind of popular demonstration.

Hill. Hill's wife was discovered dead and Hill himself so seriously wounded as to appear to be unconscious. A Negro who had been to the Hill residence to collect a bill was brought before Hill and identified as the man who killed his wife and wounded himself. The Negro, Lewis, stoutly maintaining his innocence, was arrested and placed in prison. From the beginning grave doubts were expressed as to Lewis' guilt and the actions of Hill aroused suspicion. The physician who examined him claimed that the wounds in his head were not sufficient to cause unconsciousness and it was asserted that a fall down the steps might have produced the injury. The Negro has been released and Hill himself arrested charged with the killing of his wife, it being claimed in some quarters that the insurance policy which was carried on Mrs. Hill's life was the motive. The Interracial Committee of Lexington has been active in all three cases and has insisted on a thorough investigation and the punishment by law of the guilty.

MADISONVILLE.

Two instances of assault by colored men upon white women have been reported, when these colored men are claimed to have held up parties of white men and women holding the men under guard while assault was made upon the women. In the first case the Negroes arrested have been released and mystery still surrounds the alleged crime. In the last reported assault three Negroes are held, two of them having been sent to Frankfort and one to Eddyville for safe keeping and the date of the trial has already been set at Madisonville. In the development of the case, it has been found that three or four disreputable white women had been keeping company with the Negroes under arrest. These white women have been arrested and placed in jail. Many believe that this phase of development explains either directly or indirectly the whole situation at Madisonville.

The Interracial Committee at Madisonville has been active during the entire period of excitement and together with other citizens and committees have asked for a most thorough investigation demanded for the protection of womanhood, as well as the punishment by law of all criminals.

The annual meeting of the Southern Interracial Commission recently held at Tuskee, April 8 - 10, was, in the judgment of all who attended, the best ever held in the history of the movement. Bishop G. C. Clement, Mrs. Atwood Martin, Dr. John Little, P.C. Dix, and James Bond, all of Louisville, attended the sessions of the conference.

With cordial good wishes, I am,

Yours truly,

James Bond
Director Interracial Commission
for Kentucky
State Y.I.C.A. Sec. for colored
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Prof & Mrs. W. B. Marthe
2721 N. Chestnut
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May 29, 1926.

My dear Co-Worker:

You will doubtless be interested in knowing that the brother of Bunyan Fleming, of Madisonville, one of the men who is now awaiting the death penalty for an alleged crime of which he contends that he is innocent, also the wife of Mr. Fleming, will be present at a Mass Meeting to be held at Quinn Chapel Church, 9th & Chestnut Sts., Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. An interesting program will be rendered and it will be to your advantage to not only be present yourself, but to have all your friends and acquaintances there.

We were greatly disappointed not to have had a full attendance of our workers at our call meeting the past Wednesday night. While we feel that every worker is doing all that possibly can be done to your advantage to make the drive a success, yet we are of the opinion that much more might be accomplished by concerted effort; and there can be no CON-CERT unless there is a getting together, and a comparing of notes, and an exchanging of ideas. For this reason we ask that you please be present at the meeting of the workers on Monday Night, May 31, at 8 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A.

Cordially yours,

G. P. Hughes
Chairman Campaign Committee.

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May 29, 26

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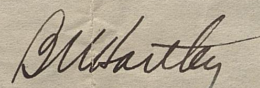
Mr. W. B. Matthews, Principal
Central Colored High School
Louisville, Kentucky

My dear Mr. Matthews:

The following girls passed the test for entrance to the Colored
Normal School:

Griffin	Snipes
Raynes, W.	Hall, H.
Haddox, L.	Owens, M.
Jetton, G.	Winstead
Hall, C.	Fuller, Z.
Wilson, E.	Clement
Byars, Z.	Woods, G.
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Abell	

Very truly yours,



Superintendent

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July 7, 1926

Mr. W. B. Matthews
Principal, Central Colored High School
Ninth and Chestnut Streets
Louisville, Kentucky

My dear Mr. Matthews:

It is true that we refused Ernest Taylor Ellis because of his classification in the "lower third of his class in Scholarship, personality and character." Our only information on this point was that contained in the record blank which you sent us. On that blank, a copy of which I am enclosing, you underlined the words "lower third" in questions 8 and 9. In some cases we not infrequently admit students who are reported to be in the middle third of their class in scholarship but are reported as being upper third in character and personality. We have even admitted some who have been in the lower third in scholarship when this deficiency has been offset by superiority in personality and character, but I do not know of any case in which we have admitted a student who has been reported as being in the lower third of the class in both scholarship and character.

In my correspondence with his people I did not refer to the fact that you stated that he was in the lower third of his class in respect to personality and character. I always try to tell the parents in general terms and avoid if possible doing anything that will place the principal of the school in an embarrassing position. You will see, therefore, that our classification as to his personality and character are on your statement and that only. If there has been a mistake I shall be glad to have you will out the enclosed blank, and I will substitute it for the one you formerly sent.

I have a letter from the father written me June twenty-seventh. I have not replied to it and I do not see how I can reply without stating the facts that I have recited in this letter. Perhaps you would prefer to see him yourself and explain the situation.

Mr. W. B. Matthews -2-

I hope I have made myself clear, and in admitting your students I have tried to base my judgement solely upon your report.

Very sincerely yours

George P. Phenix
George P. Phenix
Vice Principal

GPP-HB

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July 10, 1926

W. B. Matthews, Prin.
Central Col. High School
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Matthews,

Will you kindly send me the names and addresses of the three young women in the graduating class of 1926 who held highest honors. If there are any other girls whom you are interested in having attend college, we will be glad to have their names and addresses also. The two young women whom you sent us last year are making good records. I have been interested to notice how exactly they have worked as you prognosticated.

Thanking you for this favor, I am

Most cordially yours,

Lucy Hale Tapley
President.

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August 9, 1926

Prof. W. B. Mathews
2122 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Friend:

I unhesitatingly recommend to you for the place in Mathematics now vacant in your High School, Miss Annie L. Sheffield, 429 ~~Fleet~~ ^{First} St, Albany, Ga.

Miss Sheffield is a college graduate of Atlanta University and has taught very acceptably and satisfactory High School mathematics with us. She has had three or four years experience as a teacher, is lady like and a Christian. She is also studious and resourceful. She wants to get into some High School.

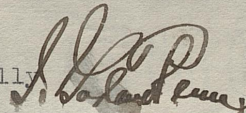
I just heard from her since I talked with you. Prof. Maxwell is going to University of Colorado to complete the course for his Master's degree.

We saw Mrs Mathews and Louise yesterday and hope they will stop with us on their return.

When I talked with you I forgot to give you my telephone number. It is not in the telephone book here so we missed Madam and Louise when they arrived. We hope however, they will stop awhile on return.

With all good wishes.

Yours faithfully,



911 N. Clay St
Richmond Va.,
Aug. 25, 1926.

Mr. M. B. Mathews
Central Colored High School
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Mathews:—

I am informed by
Prof. B. L. Taylor of this city that
there is possibly a vacancy in
your High School. If some has
not as yet been filled I would
thank you to consider my appli-
cation.

I am twenty seven years
old and am a graduate of Va.
Union University, Richmond Va.,
receiving my B. B. degree June
1923. However since that time

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Mr. A. St. Holmes
210 E. Clay St.
Richmond, Va

Lawyer James I. Carter
523 N. 2nd St.
Richmond, Va

The above named persons have
known me since childhood.

Thanking you for your attention
to the same, I am

Very truly yours,
Chester F. Taylor

I have been engaged in the
Life Insurance business, repre-
senting the Nat. Benefit Life Ins.
Co. as State Manager in North
Carolina. During my college work
I did special work in Education.

Prof. Taylor states that the
position to be filled is that of
Mathematics Teacher. I have
never taught Mathematics but feel
that I could do the work satisfac-
torily.

Concerning my character and
ability I refer you to the follow-
ing persons:

Prof. Miles W. Connor
Va. Union University
Richmond Va.

1249 Truquant St.
Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 30, 1926.

Mr. O. B. Matthews, Principal
Central Colored High School,
Louisville, Ky.
Dear sir,

I have been informed by Dean Holmes of the School of Education, Howard University that my name has been submitted to you for your consideration as a teacher of mathematics in the Central Colored High School. I am writing to emphasize the fact that I am much desirous of becoming a member of your faculty.

I am a graduate of Howard University and will gladly furnish desired reference both of my work done in college and my standing in my home community.

As the time for the opening of school is rapidly approaching, I am very eager to know if there is any possible chance for me to become a member of your teaching force.

You will. Please answer immediately so
that I shall know what to do in case of other
offers being presented.

Hoping to hear from you immediately, I
am,

Most respectfully yours
Jesse D. Springer.

Mr. R. Springer
244 Trenton St.
Memphis, Tenn.



2121 W. Chestnut
Mr. H. B. Matthews, Principal
Central Colored High School
Louisville, Ky.

N.C. College,
Durham, N. C.,
Jan. 23, 1927.

Mr. W. B. Matthews,
Central Colored High School,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Sir,

You have received by now, I trust, two letters, one from Dr. Shepard and one from me in regard to the proposition of my teaching Latin in your school.

enclosed you will find the snap, I spoke of.

Thanking you again

I am

Sincerely yours

Esa C. Connor

N.C. College

Durham, N.C.



made a good mark in English for December but he went down in his English Exam. Please Prof Matthews, look into this matter and if there is any way possible let him go on. I am sure he will work hard to keep up.

Yours most respt
Georgia Goodale

Anchorage Aly Jan 27-4
Prof. W. B Matthews,

My dear sir: -

I am in distress again over my boy. I was down to see you about him several month ago and after that he showed such marked improvement that I felt assured of his promotion. It seems that he passed

in every thing but English
and his teacher feels doubtful
about that. Now
Prof; while William
passed in Latin, he is
only in Latin II and
he should be taking
Latin IV. So you
can readily see that
if he fails in English
He will have to re-

peat his Sophomore term.
I know you do not realize
what this means
to me - what a struggle
it is to keep him going.
For ours is a large family
and we are hardly able
to send him and his
father threatens to take
him out if he fails.
William has been
working very hard and

Louisville Ky
Feb 4th 1847

Mr Matthews.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending my boy
John Young to school
Monday. Please let him
enter, for I am so anxious
for him to make something
out of his self. I try so
hard to make my children
do what is write my boy is
worse then the girl. she
always tell me when John
does something I even tells
on her self. so when John
misses a day, please notify
me or tell me

daughter L. Leona Young
~~my~~ Am Oblige,
Mrs Anna D Young
620, W. M. St.
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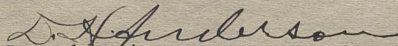
Mr. W. B. Matthews,
2121 W. Chestnut Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My Dear Mr. Matthews :

This is to inform you that I am candidate for President
of the K.N.E.A. and would be very glad to know that I
could depend on your support.

Inclose you will find a stamped envelope for an early
reply.

Respectfully,


President,
West Kentucky Industrial College.

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May 9, 1927

Prof. W. B. Matthews,

My dear Principal,

Since the present status of colored schools presents very definite problems in Negro education it is very necessary that the teachers having charge of the training of Negro youth should work together in the solution of these problems. In many instances we find the training of young people in Negro schools inefficient because teachers in elementary schools are not in sympathetic touch with the teachers in high schools and colleges, and vice versa.

It is the effort of the National Association to institute a program of group action which will make it possible for us to intelligently pull together with definite plans in the improvement of educational opportunities for Negro youth.

We are very anxious to have every teacher of your faculty become individually affiliated with the National Association. We must have their intelligent sympathetic interest. We feel that you are in position to contribute very effectively to the success of this very movement, and that you will cooperate in every way possible with us, in carrying out the year's program.

Enclosed are samples of literature which can be furnished you to supply needs in your efforts to secure membership and subscriptions. All memberships should be sent to C J Calloway, Tuskegee Institute, Ala. I shall always appreciate a word of encouragement from you, however.

Yours for a strong teacher organization among teachers in colored schools.

Cordially,

W. A. Robinson
President

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May 9, '27

Prof. W. B. Mathews
2221 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Va. State College,
Ettricks, Va.,

June 9th, 1927.

Prin. W. B. Matthews,
Central Colored High School,
Louisville, Kentucky,

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter dated June 6th I am sending testimonials, references and on this sheet I shall put a schedule of summer school study.

- (a) Summer 1913 - Study of Algebra and Geometry under Dr. Stone of N. J. (one of compilers of Stone Millis Mathematical texts). He instructed at Hampton Inst., Va.
- (b) Summer 1915 Study of Chemistry under Prof. Carver of Tuskegee.
- (c) Summer 1919 Study of Algebra and Physics at Columbia University Evening School, New York City
- (d) Summer 1924 Study of inorganic Chemistry and Physics at Chicago University, Chicago
- (e) Summers 1925 and 1926 Study of inorganic and organic Chemistry at Illinois Review School, 111 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

I have enclosed references for my work at all schools except one - namely George R. Smith College, Sedalia Missouri where I taught inorganic and organic Chemistry in the College Department during the year 1922 - 1923. I haven't President

Hayes address - of course there is no George R. Smith College now - it was destroyed by fire.

My years of experience have totaled nine - during which time I have had to teach subjects other than my specialties whenever there was a loss of a teacher - I have had to help out on Psychology, English, History and Latin, at various places and times.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Miriam Sims J. Tooke.

722 Sycamore St.
Owensboro Ky
June 18 1927

Prof. W.B. Matthews
Central High School
Louisville Ky.

Dear Prof. Matthews:

Through the Chicago Defender of this week I understand that a member of your faculty in the person of Mr. W.H. Perry is to be appointed as principal of one of the schools in your city.

If this be true, then am I right to assume that you are looking forward to filling this vacancy for next year? I am sure that there probably many applications on file for this position. I am also aware that your recommendation will have great bearing on the person elected.

I am filing application with the Board of Education for a position and if such a vacancy should exist I should gratefully appreciate your recommendation. You are acquainted with my record from High School days forward. Having been elected to my present position largely on your recommendation I have striven hard to redeem your word, and thankfully I may say I have met with some little success.

Hoping you may find reason to assist me in this, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Bates Caedwell

317 W. 138th St.
New York, N. Y.
June 18, 1927.

Mrs. W. B. Matthews
Central High School
Louisville, Ky.
Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 15th received and contents carefully noted. In reply, I wish to say that I have had four years of experience as a Teacher. According to the requirements I accept your offer of a hundred sixty dollars (\$160) per month and the night school work in addition at thirty-six dollars (\$36) per month.

Enclosed is a letter of recommendation given me by the Superintendent from the last place in which I taught.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours truly,
Annie B. Yancy.

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

R. E. DAUGHERTY
DIRECTOR

June 23, 1927

W. B. Matthews, Principal
Central Colored High School,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. Matthews:

In checking the Shops this year, I find that quite a number of tools were missing. In my judgment, it is quite a reflection on the teacher when any great number of tools are missing from their Shops. In view of the fact that all teachers are responsible for all articles of equipment, I think that when a teacher loses same they should pay for the loss. Two years ago this same thing happened. Several of the teachers came to me and petitioned me to let them off from paying for the tools in view of the fact that repairmen had been in the shops during the year, thus making it hard for them to state whether the boys lost the tools or they were taken by the workmen. While I excused them, yet, at the same time I felt there was no justification for the shortage.

Every teacher should have his shop so organized that a complete Inventory of all that is in the shop could be easily carried by the teacher. I shall leave it to you to check these shop teachers, and shall ask you to hold them responsible. Accompanying this letter is a list of the tools missing from the various shops.

Very respectfully,

R. E. Daugherty
Director

Articles of Equipment of Central Colored High

Missing - June 14, 1927.

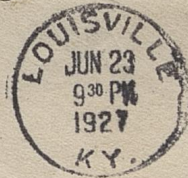
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Mr. W. B. Matthews,

2121 West Chestnut Street,

Louisville, Kentucky.

1010 Jefferson St.,
Nashville, Tenn.
June 28, 1927.

The President,
Central High School,
Louisville, Ky.
Most Honorable Sir,

I am in search of a position as a teacher in your school for the ensuing term. I am graduate of Fisk University with a major in Education and have had a considerable training in Music.

As to my character and ability as a teacher, I shall be pleased to send you at your request such recommendations as you may desire.

I hope, dear sir, that you will find it convenient to help me. Should you not be able to do so, would you favor me

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by telling me of a place where there
may be a possibility of my securing
work?

Thanking you in advance for your
consideration and hoping to hear from
you soon, I am, yours truly,
Charles E. Berry.

FROM
CENTRAL COLORED HIGH SCHOOL
NINTH AND CHESTNUT STREETS
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Jan 28, 27

Mr. Charles E. Berry,
1010 Jefferson St.,
Nashville, Tenn.

317 W. 138th St.
New York, N.Y.
June 30, 1929.

Mr. W. B. Matthews
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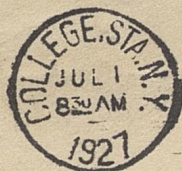
Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 21st
received and in reply will say that
I shall arrive in due time to report
for duty on September 5th.

Thanking you, I am

Yours truly,
Annie B. Yancey.

Annie B. Hancey
317 W. 138th St.
New York, N. Y.



Mr. W. B. Matthews
Central High School
Louisville
Ky.

301 So. Dubuque Street
Iowa City, Iowa
July 7, 1927

Mr. W.B.Mathew
Prin., High School
Louisville, Ky
My dear Sir:

Thru this medium I am respectfully making application for a position on your High School faculty.

I am a graduate from Iowa University, where at present I am pursuing my master's work in Biology. I have a major in Biology & Sociölogy, and a minor in Spanish, however, I feel best fitted to instruct in Biology because I have taught same at Wiley College. I have testimonials and recommendations, of which I shall gladly forward to you should you so desire, nevertheless, I beg to refer you to Prof. H.F. Wickham head of the department of Biology here and under whom I had my work.

Should you be interested I shall appreciate a favorable reply, I am

Yours very truly,

C. Lawrence L. Hunter

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Mr. W. B. Matthews

Principal of Central H.S.

Louisville Kentucky

My dear Mr. Matthews:

A few weeks ago I sent you a letter in which I expressed a desire to serve you in the capacity of Physical Director and Teacher. Although I have been waiting eagerly for an answer from you, I must assure you that I have not confined my activities entirely to the restless, nerve straining, pass-time of merely waiting. Since writing you I have staged successfully Pittsburghs' first colored track meet. During this period of waiting I have also made very rapid strides in the University of Pittsburgh in securing a much longed for and coveted Masters Degree.

In closing allow me to extend to you my heartiest greetings and thank you for your very earliest reply.

Respectfully yours
Max Bond
Physical Director

15 Van Norden Street
Cambridge, Mass.
July 14, 1927.

Principal of Colored High School
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Sir:

I should like to apply for a position
as Teacher of French or Spanish in the Colored
High School of Louisville.

I am a graduate of Radcliffe College.
During the summer of nineteen hundred and
twenty-six I took a course in Principles of
Teaching in Secondary Schools and a Demonstration
Course in the Teaching of French, at the
Harvard University Summer School.

For references, I refer you to Dean
Brown of Radcliffe College.

Sincerely yours,
Margaret M. Perez.

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

221 Ashland Pl.,

N. Y. C. A.

July 20th, 1927.

Prof. W. R. Matthews:
Central High School.
Louisville Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of recent date was read and contents noted with care. In reply I will say that I am writing Mr Brown, I am sure his delay is due to his being away from his school at present; Mr Brown travels during the summer months. Therefore he is usually out of town about this time. However I am writing him I am sure that he will send you all information as soon as he gets your letter. I understand that Miss Truman is in New York State, But I don't know the city but I shall do my best to locate her. I hope that you will hear from Mr Brown

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very soon For I am writing him this
after-noon I shall urge him to write
you. I am sure he will for he has
known me since I was quite a child.
Hoping that We may soon have our
terms agreeable, I am

Sincerely Yours,
Lula B. Whitehead.

6549 E. Berhart Ave.
Chicago Ill.
Aug 4, 1927

Professor Matthews.
Principal of Central School.
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

I hereby make application for a position as teacher in your school.

I am a graduate of one of the Chicago Public High Schools, and of the Chicago Normal College. In High School, I finished the four year General Language Course, the language specialized in being Spanish. During my four years in High School, I, also, pursued the course in Dramatic Art which I continued in the Normal College. I have studied Oral Expression, Public Speaking, Diction, Acting, and Play Production. In High School, I took the required course in English and did extra work, also. In the Normal College, I had two years instruction in the Teaching of English. This course comprehended methods of teaching Reading, Composition, and Literature.

I would be glad to secure a position as teacher in your school and shall appreciate whatever favors you may do.

Yours Truly

Adine V. DeLuc

221 Ashland place
Brooklyn N. Y.
Aug. 5th, 1927

Mr. W. B. Matthews,
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville Ky.
Dear Sir:

I heard through
Miss Whitehead that there is
a vacancy in your school
for a "Domestic Science" teacher,
and I am writing to say
I will accept the position
if my credentials are
favorable. I am a graduate
of Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee
Ala, Class of 1923. I taught three
years in the "Union High
School, of Greenville S.C.,
having charge of the Domestic
Science Dept.

I am also a graduate

from the "Household Science
Dept. Pratt Institute, Brooklyn
N. Y. year 1927.

For reference you may
write to, Dr. J. L. Mann, Supt. of
City Schools Greenville S.C.
Mr. Frederic Howe, Pratt Inst
Brooklyn N. Y.

Thanking you in Advance
for any consideration, I am
Respectfully yours
Maud N. Miller

P.S. Please let me know at your
very earliest convenience, as I would
like to make my plans for the
fall. Here is a snapshot, if desire a
larger one I will have some made
by your request.



Alfred H. ...

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August 11, 1927

Prof. W. B. Matthews
Prin. of the Central High School
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Prof. Matthews:

We have received an interesting and encouraging letter from the Rev. Dr. J. A. Martin of 123-14th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn. He thinks that the lodges in America should raise a Defense Fund to be used in behalf of Colored People through the N.A.A.C.P. I am much of his opinion. I want to get your opinion and co-operation in the matter.

Rev. Martin urges us to send the representative to the Supreme Lodge of the Masons in Chicago for August the 13th. We would certainly do so if the invitation had not come too late. At this time several of the Executives are taking their annual vacation of thirty days and I have a previous engagement from the 11th to the 15th.

But I am wondering if you and Mr. T. Clay Moore of Nashville whom Rev. Martin also mentioned, cannot take the matter up with the Masonic Supreme Lodge and see if we cannot be permitted to make a winter speaking tour under the auspices of the Masonic Lodges to encourage them to make a contribution that will make towards a national Defense Fund? As Field Secretary of the N.A.A.C.P. I would be glad to make out an itinerary for lectures to Masonic Lodges and to Masonic Grand Lodges at some convenient time in the fall or winter or early spring. I suppose the Supreme Lodge would have to authorize or encourage the Grand Lodges and the subordinate Lodges to make such an effort.

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Prof. W. B. Matthews:

It may be that you and Mr. T. Clay Moore and others who are interested in the Legal Defense of Colored People and who believe in the N.A.A.C.P. may work out some better program by which we may reach the Masons and get them to lead off in a Defense Fund for the N.A.A.C.P. I hope you will give us the benefit of your frankness and opinions. I feel sure that if the Masons should lead off in this matter other lodges will follow.

Very truly yours,

William Pickens

William Pickens

Per.....*W.B.*.....

WP:VM

Dictated by Mr. Pickens but signed in his absence.

Aug. 17th '27
827 Indiana St.
Lansing, Mich.

Mr. W. B. Matthews
324 - E. 43 St.
Chicago Ill.

My dear Mr. Matthews: -

I am in receipt of your recent letter and I regret to say that I have contracted for work for the coming year.

I have, however, a friend who might be available. The person to whom I refer is Mrs. Julia Marsh, 2723 Sherman Ave. Washington D.C. Mrs. Marsh has been a teacher of Domestic Science at Institute W. Va. for the past two years. She was a very efficient teacher Mrs. Marsh has her degree from Howard Univ. and has had

about ten years of teaching ex-
perience. If you would care to
consider Mrs. Marsh I am sure
you would make no mistake
in so doing.

Very sincerely yours,
Othello D. Tate

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August 24, 1927.

Prof. W. B. Matthews,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

In keeping with our conversation last Saturday evening at the dinner table, I wish to say that Prof. and Mrs. Crampton, the friends of whom I spoke arrived yesterday to be our guests for a few days. Prof. Crampton is the man whom I feel quite sure would fill with credit the position as teacher of mathematics in your school, should the vacancy still exist.

Briefly, he is a graduate of the University of Pittsburg. He holds a degree in electrical engineering, having majored in mathematics. His experience has been in doing work in several of our state schools, namely Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas. It was during his stay in Arkansas under the administration of my husband that I had an opportunity to see the excellency of his work and to note with pleasure his fine spirit of co-operation.

Should you be interested in his application, I shall be pleased to have him file it with you at once. Hoping to receive a favorable reply at your earliest convenience, I am

Very truly yours,

Naola M. Smith.

Mrs. C.W. Smith,
4818 S. Parkway,
Chicago, Ill.

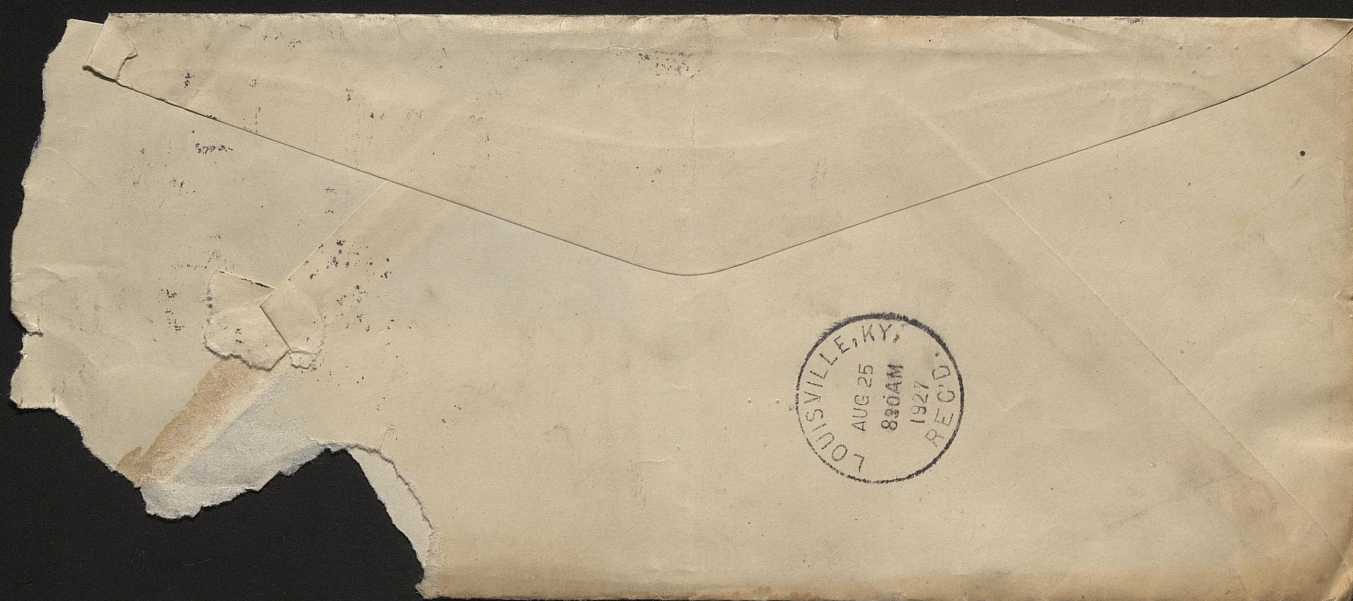
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Prof. W.B. Matthews, Principal,
Colored High School,
Louisville, Ky.

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Montgomery, Ala. Aug. 25, 1927

Prof. W. B. Mathews,
Louisville, Ky.
Dear Prof. Mathews;

I am writing to ascertain if you have had the
two places, one for domestic science and one ~~for~~ for domestic atr filled.

I have a good teacher, a graduate from Wilberforce University, ~~whom~~
whom I would like to recommend or put you in touch with if you still
need a teacher of Domestic Science.

Sept. 12th. Hope you are well and happy. I am getting for my opening
Best wishes,

Your friend,

W. T. Breeding

135 Thomas Ave.,
Dyersburg Tenn.
Oct. 14, 1927.

Prin. City or Central High School,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:—

I am writing you to
if there is some chance of
me getting a position in your
School as an assistant either
this or next term. What ever
you do will be highly appreciated.

I lost my father last
May and two sisters leaving a heavy
burden on Mother sister and me. I wish
to teach in a School where I can get
at least \$75.00 or \$80.00. I am in charge
of work at a small town, Trimble, Tenn.
but it doesn't pay enough.

I had to leave a good in
La. on the account of having to be ^{at} home
with my people. I have in mind, if
I could get a chance to work there
with you and your Co-workers. It
would be a treat to me.

If you can get me a Three
Teacher School I would be proud.
What ever you do will be highly
appreciated. I have had nearly 14 yrs
of experience in the Schoolroom as
a teacher. Completed High School at
my home. Bruce High School,
Dyersburg Tenn. Later attended
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.
Completed two Courses: Normal &
Commercial. Permannship Course
Zanerian College, Columbus, Ohio.
I hold Permannant License State of
Tennessee. Please let me hear from
you concerning this matter, for I sure
need your help. I am a Christian Young Man.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Yours Sincerely,

James C. Eldred

Prof. Jas. Elrod,
Dyersburg,

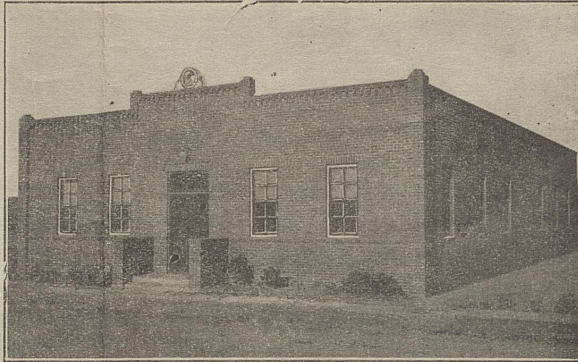
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The Principal,
City Colored Schools,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

I am contemplating attending the Sunday School Congress that is to convene in your city June the 6th. 1928, and am writing to ask you to please be so kind as to select me a location (room with board, other conveniences) near where the session is to be held, and inform me the rate per diem for such accommodation, if convenient for you to do so, and upon receipt of your letter giving the location, and address of the proprietor, I will send deposit. Private location is preferred.

Thanking you in advance to give this matter your attentions,
I am,

Yours truly,

C. H. Toney
Principal.

KEMPER HARRELD

Concert Violinist

459 Tatnall Street, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia

March 15, 1928.

My dear Sir:

The Morehouse College Glee Club and Orchestra has an engagement in Chicago on April 30 and would like to appear in Louisville on the way up.

We are enclosing the copy of a newspaper article written by O.B. Keeler, one of the leading critics of the South, that appeared in the Atlanta Journal, our foremost afternoon paper. It speaks for itself of the opinion of others about our organizations.

We could come to you April ^{25, Wednesday.} ~~24, Tuesday.~~ Possibly Tuesday, May 1st.

Our terms would be \$200, you to bear all local expenses, such as room and board for thirty to thirty-five men - furnishing an auditorium and piano tuned to proper pitch, advertising. We furnish attractive window cards. We should arrive probably in the afternoon and stay overnight leaving after breakfast the next morning.

If you cannot handle this personally, perhaps you can hand this letter to some one that can. If so, it will be a great favor.

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I am

Prof. W.B. Matthews,
2121 West Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Yours truly,

Kemper Harrelld
Kemper Harrelld, Director,
Morehouse College Glee Club and
Orchestra.

We find that the local management in most cities can secure free room and board for our students through families in Baptist churches.

By O. B. Keeler of the Atlanta Journal.

A curious study in music was afforded by the annual concert of the Morehouse College Glee Club and Orchestra, Friday evening, at Sale Hall chapel, and the privilege of attending it was by no means unappreciated by at least four Caucasians.

The study in music was in the evident ^{ambition} of the translated citizens of these United States to present recognized music of the Occident. The program offered Rossini, and Schumann, and Mendelssohn - of the masters - and Vioutemps and Hubay and Cadman, Coates and Speaks. And others. A well-selected program, and a severe one, for any organization; for a collegiate glee club, a nearly impossible one. I think I never have heard a similar organization which could have tackled so monumental an evening with such admirable results.

Now, the orchestra, conducted by Kemper, gave a thoroughly adequate reading of two of the toughest little bits in music - Rossini's Semiramide Overture and Midsummer Night's Dream. These are matters of regular music, as I have no need to inform any musician. And they were extremely well played, especially in the strings, which feature strongly both compositions. The French horns, too - most difficult of instruments - were admirably carried.

But it was in the vocal numbers of this remarkable program that I could most easily trace the path of Occidental influence. The glee club was the best example, and the quartet, which is (I should say) an organization that by all means should retain its identity after leaving school, because it is too good to be dissolved.

Ensemble, the club sang "In the Time of Roses" and "Coming Home" and then Schumann's great song, "Two Grenadiers," and they landed with the last one. The bounding spirit of the Marcellaise in the closing stanzas of the old song, struck a sudden spark in the singers that kindled fire in the audience; they sang with a superb dash and abandon; and I cannot recall a better presentation of this grand old chorus. Levi Terrell and Howard Branch, tenor and baritone, both gave their solos acceptably but it was in the quartet that they shone and in the final number where Howard Branch led a truly remarkable version of "The Road to Mandalay."

After all, it comes down to this. Careful training and a natural bent for music, plus expert direction, accounted for admirable offerings of the so-called refined music of our pet composers. But in that the students of Morehouse were only a unit of a thousand others. But when they came to their own numbers - notably an exquisite rendering of "Lindy Lou" - they were unapproachable. They could play and sing the music of the Occident; but many others can do that too. In their own realm, they were beyond compare. I could listen to that quartet all night and not nod over my breakfast.

Now, no one in the world (in my humble opinion) can sing "Mandalay" with Reinald Terrenrath, but this boy Branch, with the support of the glee club and orchestra, gave what was to me a perfectly new presentation of Speaks' great bit of work, and I'd like to hear it exactly as given once a week the rest of my life.

The Morehouse concert was a notable event, and the director is to be complimented sincerely on his program and its presentation.

THE GLEE CLUB

<i>First Tenor</i>	<i>Second Tenor</i>	<i>First Bass</i>	<i>Second Bass</i>
L. R. Terrill	O. C. Beverley	W. R. Perry	M. G. Duncanson
R. Lawrence	W. N. Booker	H. W. Branch	R. I. McKinney
A. C. Randall	T. M. Alexander	H. C. Jones	G. P. Maddox
S. H. Forehand	O. E. Jackson	G. W. Laws	W. J. Adams
H. W. Apple	H. R. Jerkins	P. D. Simmons	C. L. Searles
S. Tarver		E. E. Green	H. C. Chambers
		J. A. Mitchell	B. F. Smith
		B. H. Parks	A. L. Hill

Pianist for the Glee Club—Orville Moseley.

THE QUARTET

<i>First Tenor</i>	<i>Second Tenor</i>	<i>First Bass</i>	<i>Second Bass</i>
Royal Lawrence	Levi Terrill	Howard Branch	Richard McKinney

THE ORCHESTRA

First Violin—J. H. Wheeler, J. A. Williams, O. E. Jackson, A. R. Brooks, L. C. Mann, G. P. Maddox, H. C. Jones.
Second Violin—J. O. B. Moseley, W. R. Perry, H. M. Bennett, C. C. Walker, Jr., J. A. Joyner.
Viola—B. H. Brown, C. H. Wardlaw.
Violoncello—Theodore Nash.
Bass—R. J. McKinney.
Flute—A. A. Reid.
Oboe—John Hope, Jr.
Bassoon—O. Coker.
Clarinets—E. S. Lang, Irving Woods, G. W. Cabanis, Jr., H. C. McKinney.
Saxophone—E. F. Driskell.
Trumpets—K. D. Days, L. E. Bell, F. D. Jenkins, J. F. Clark.
French Horns—H. R. Jerkins, W. L. Dixon.
Trombones—H. McElrath, H. C. Chambers, A. Bibb.
Tuba—B. F. Smith.
Tympani—C. L. Reynolds.
Percussion—A. F. Walker.
Piano—P. D. Simmons, Willie Mann.

ANNUAL CONCERT

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE

Glee Club and Orchestra

KEMPER HARRELD, *Director*

Friday Evening, February 10th

1928

EIGHT O'CLOCK



SALE HALL CHAPEL

MASON & HAMLIN PIANO

PROGRAM

1. ORCHESTRA—Overture, "The Merry Wives of Windsor"-----Nicolai
2. GLEE CLUB—"Where'er You Walk"-----Handel
3. TRUMPET—Concert Polka -----Boos
KENNETH DAYS
4. QUARTET—"Until" -----Sanderson
5. VIOLIN—Concerto in D Minor (Romance, Allegro)-----Wieniawski
OLIVER JACKSON
6. GLEE CLUB—"Songs My Mother Taught Me"-----Dvorak
 "Sylvia" -----Speaks
 "Morning" -----Speaks
7. PIANO—Canzonetta -----Schutte
 Coasting -----Cecil Burleigh
 ORVILLE MOSELEY
8. BARTONE—A Song of the Heart-----J. Rosamond Johnson
 HOWARD BRANCH
9. ORCHESTRA—Spinning Song -----Mendelssohn
 Waltz from the Ballet "Dornroschen"-----Tschaiikowsky
10. QUARTET—Negro Melodies
11. GLEE CLUB—"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"-----William Reiddick
 College Song

A SONG OF THE HEART

I

My heart is a golden instrument
With a thousand golden strings;
You touch its magic chords, and lo!
It trembles, throbs, and sings.

II

My heart is a rose at twilight
That sways in the evening breeze;
You press its petals red, and lo!
It stirs with ecstasies.

III

My heart is a Knight in armour clad
That bows at your command;
You bid me fight for love, and lo!
My sword is in my hand.

"SONGS MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME"

(Written by Antonin Dvorak, for con-
tralto voice and piano. Arranged
for men's voices by Carl Deis.)

Songs my mother taught me
In the days long vanished;
Seldom from her eyelids
Were the tear-drops banished.

Now I teach my children
Each melodious measure,
Oft the tears are flowing
From my mem'ry's treasure.

"MORNING"

Words by Frank L. Stanton.

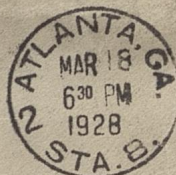
"WHERE 'ER YOU WALK"
(Tenor aria from the opera "Semele."
Arranged for men's chorus by
C. G. Spross.)

Where 'er you walk, cool gales shall fan
the glade;
Trees, where you sit, shall crowd into a
shade,
Where 'er you tread, the blushing flow-
ers shall rise,
And all things flourish where 'er you
turn your eyes.

Never star was in the sky,
Winter winds went wailing by,
Not a violet was in bloom,
Not a rainbow rimm'd the gloom.
But the lights' on cot and clod,
Earth is happy, and thank God,
It's morning!

Morning on the holy hills,
Meadows that enfold the rills,
Morning in the heav'ns of blue,
Morning in the eyes of you:
In the dear and dreaming eyes
Where the kind God made my skies,
It's morning!

Tatnall St., S.W.
REHOUSE COLLEGE
ATLANTA, GA.



Prof. W. B. Matthews
2121 West Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

Wilson High School
Florence, S.C.
May, 8 '25

Prof. H. I. Matthews
Principal, Central High School
Louisville Ky.

My dear Prof. Matthews:-

No doubt this communication will surprise you, but I chanced to read an Annual of yours, & was impressed with the personnel of your faculty.

Can you recommend me a man for Manual Training to work in an Accredited School. I want a man that is settled, or rather matured.

I notice you have a man from Bradley Polytechnic Institute in Peoria, & I know he surely must be well prepared.

In fact I want a man that is a teacher as well as a workman.

Now, can you recommend a

a teacher for Science & Mathematics.
I want a matured person, with
First Grade License.

If you can favor me with
this information, I shall appreciate
it beyond measure.

May I hear from you by return
mail.

With best wishes,

I am,

Yours truly

Felix A. Curtright

Principal, Wilson Graded ^{High} School
Florence, S.C.

STRAIGHT COLLEGE

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THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
2420 CANAL STREET

JAMES P. O'BRIEN, D. D., PRESIDENT
2338 CANAL ST.

June 25, 1928

Mr. Silas P. Washington
17 DeBlois Street
Newport, Rhode Island

My dear Mr. Washington:

I should have written to you long ago, but only the other day did I hear from Miss Crain. I think she has been ill, and a good many of my letters have remained unanswered. From time to time, I learn that a letter which seemed to be overlooked has been receiving attention. I know that she has you in mind, and I sincerely hope that the right place may presently appear.

I am very glad to have your good letter of the 21st, and to know of your successful completion of your course of study. You are a good man to work with, and I am frankly sorry not to be working with you next year.

In my next letter to Miss Crain, I will mention you again, not for any particular thing, except to keep you fresh in her mind.

Please remember us very kindly to Mrs. Washington.

Sincerely yours,

O'B:F

J. P. O'Brien
Dear friends -
Heartly congratulations, you
have surely done well. Success to
you -
Your friend
L. P. O'Brien

2915 Garfield Ave. So.
Minneapolis Minn.
July 5, 1928

Prof. W.B. Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Matthews,

I write to inquire into the situation in regard to Central High School. Is there any possibility of your needing an experienced Romance language ^{teacher} in that institution? I am a graduate of University of Kansas H. B. 1920 - now pursuing courses leading to a master's degree here at the University of Minnesota.

In all I have had six years of experience in the teaching of French and Spanish particularly. However, I have had sufficient training and experience to allow me to teach associated subjects in the fields of Languages and History.

From 1920-22 I taught at Tuskegee Institute Alabama; 1922-25 Lincoln High, Kansas City, Mo; 1927-

28 at Lincoln University & S. Jefferson
City, Mo. From all positions that
I have held you may secure or
I can have sent letters of recommendation.

I know personally some residents
of your city whom I feel would
give you personal recommendations,
among these Miss Lucille Hughes Roberson,
sister of Miss Nellie Hughes, whom I
am certain you know. Doctor Orrill
Ballard knew me as a teacher in
Kansas City, when he was interne
there in Old City Hospital.

If you are desirous of having
further information concerning my
training and experience, please
send an application blank and I will
be pleased to fill it minutely. I also
have on hand an official transcript
of all my courses pursued at University
of Kansas. I had a major in French;
minor in Spanish and have also
taught Latin and History.

Very sincerely,

(Miss) Blanche L. Peterson.

1714 Chambers Ave.,
St. North, Texas.

July 10, 1928.

Prin. H. B. Matthews,
2128 N. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Matthews,

I am afraid that the letter I wrote you in June failed to reach you; so I am following it up with this one.

I am awaiting the outcome of our proposal. I am anxious to hear from you relative to that matter. I am fully confident that I can "put over" the idea you suggested not only to your great satisfaction, but to the satisfaction of all concerned. I am also sure that I can handle the high school work, as you suggested, in connection with the orchestra.

Permit me to say that an orchestra or band, trained by one of your own faculty members, will certainly enliven the school spirit and reflect credit to

you and the school. I say this because
it is true. The very same results will be
obtained whether through your engagement
of me or some one else.

I have withheld my contract here
until I can hear from you. I should
be very glad to receive a favorable reply
from you in the near future.

Hoping for you every possible success
in all of your uplifting work, I am

Very sincerely yours,
D. S. Holiday.

1003 Cypress St.
Chattanooga, Tenn.
July 14, 1928.

Dear Prof. Matthews:

I am writing to ask if there are any vacancies in your High School and if you think I could possibly secure a position in the Louisville Schools this Fall?

I graduated from Atlanta University with the degree of Bachelor of Art in 1913 and since then I have been teaching in the High School here. I hold a Permanent High School Teachers Certificate issued by the State

Board of Education² at Nashville.
I have taught History² and Algebra
for quite a long time² and I believe
I could give satisfaction, if
you secured me a position.

Please let me know if you
think I can secure an appoint-
ment. I am anxious to make
a change because I must
have more salary, and I judge
that the salaries in Louisville
are very good. Am I right about
that?

Prof. Matthews, I will more
than appreciate anything you
can do for me. You may not
remember me, but I remember
that you often attended
F.U. Commencements during my

Student days.³

Hoping soon to hear from
you,

I am Sincerely,

Emma J. Henry.

P.S. I almost forgot to tell you
that I can furnish very good
recommendations, if you are
willing to consider me.

Charleston Negro Public Schools

Department of Printing

RICHARD H. BROXTON, DIRECTOR
1702 Piedmont Rd.

Charleston, West Virginia

July 30, 1928

Prof. W. B. Matthews,
Central High School,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Matthews:

Through you, as promised, I am making an application to the Board of Education, of Louisville, for the position of Instructor of printing in the Negro schools.

I am at present employed as director of printing in the Negro schools of this city, which position I have held for the past five years. My work has been satisfactory, and contract has been signed for another term beginning in September.

My present salary is \$170 per month.

I want to change for the reason of my long desire to live in Louisville, for its superior social environments for my family and where I can serve a greater number in a greater city, than the one in which I now live.

I enclose letters of reference as to my work and standing here. The originals are in my possession.

I hold a first grade (5 year) certificate to teach printing in the public schools of West Virginia.

Am also familiar with the building trades, and can teach masonry in connection with printing, if necessary. I am employed by the Board of Education to do and supervise the masonry repair work on the school buildings during the vacation period.

Am willing to teach U. S. history or Civics until there is a vacancy in the printing shops.

Will be glad to come this year, if notified in time that I may in turn notify my school board, as I could not cause them any embarrassment because of their kindnesses to me.

Hoping that you will bring this letter to the attention of the proper authorities at your earliest convenience, I am,

Respectfully yours,

Richard H. Broxton

Phone City 1796

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632 W. Walnut Street

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General Manager

Louisville - Kentucky
August 2, 1928.

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Prof. W. B. Matthews,
2121 W. Chestnut St.,
City.

Dear Sir:

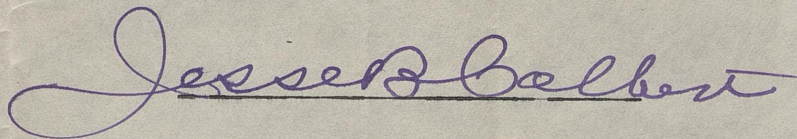
I am enclosing a copy of the application
blank for teachers.

I wish to thank you for your co-operation
in our work. Knowing something of your interest in the
cause of education, I am glad to have you on our advisory
board.

We are the first and only colored teachers
agency listed in the state, while there are four others,
all white.

We will be glad to receive any helpful
suggestions from you, at any time.

Yours very sincerely,



JBC/BB

17 De Blois Street
Newport, R. I.
Aug. 3, 1928

Dear Mr. Matthews,

Since I left Louisville this summer I have come to the decision to take up some other work. The details of it have not been definitely decided upon, but I do not think that I shall return to Louisville this fall. Consequently it is my wish to get into communication with you concerning this matter as I realize that the fourth of September is not far away.

I wish to recommend to you for the position which I had my older brother. He has had five years experience teaching high school and college mathematics and science, but this year he took his degree at Rhode Island State College besides having studied at Iowa State College. This with the experience that he has had with this kind of work makes him quite capable of putting across the material which we give. My brother is going to write you

a letter of application very soon. I hope very sincerely that you and he can reach an agreement.

How are Mrs. Matthews and Louise? I had expected to hear from Louise by this time. Give them my very best wishes.

I hope that your summer school work was pleasant and successful and wish for you a very pleasant year this year.

Very truly yours,
Samuel J. Washington.



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INSTITUTE, W. VA

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7 August 1928

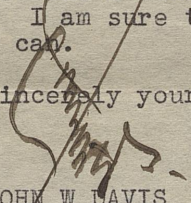
Mr. W. B. Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Allow me to thank you for your letter of August sixth. I am delighted that you arrived home all right. I am sorry that I could not spend more time with you even though you were under the same roof with me. My wife and children join me in kindest regards to you, Mrs. Matthews and Louise.

I shall call on you freely with respect to the work of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools for the next year. If we work together we shall make this a banner year for the Association. I am sure that you will do all that you can.

Sincerely yours,


JOHN W DAVIS
President

1023 N. Elm Street
Henderson Ky
Aug 9-1928

My dear Prof. Mathews:

In May I applied for a position in the Central High School. I received a letter from Mr Hartley stating that he did not anticipate any vacancies, but that he would place my letter of application on file for future reference. I have never filled out a formal application blank as one was never sent to me.

I am writing to you because I know that you are acquainted with both my father and mother and I am hoping that you may be able to assist me in securing an appointment there. I graduated from the Ky. State Normal at Frankfort Ky. in 1922; and from Butler College June 18, 1928, receiving an A. B. degree. I have both Ky State License and Indiana State License. I have had one year of experience teaching in the elementary public schools of Greensboro N.C. and I hold a letter of recommendation from Mr. W. B. Windsor, Superintendent

of Colored Schools of Greenators.

I am prepared to teach English, Spanish, Sewing, Cooking, and Education in high school.

I am writing again to Mr. Hartley and I have given him your name as a reference.

I thank you in advance for any assistance you may give me.

yours Truly

Anna Ruth Mundy

1023 N. Elm St.
Henderson, Ky 9/21/31
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Aug 9, '28

Prof. W. B. Mathews
Principal of the Central Colored High School
West Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky

A. and J. College.
Greensboro, N.C.
August 15, 1928.

Prof. W. B. Matthews.
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir;

I have recently learned that there is now a vacancy in the Manual Training Department of Central High School. I am taking the liberty to make application for this position.

A few weeks ago, I sent a formal application blank to the Board of Education of Louisville. As to educational qualifications, I am a graduate of Tuskegee Institute, and

have taken three years of extension work through Chicago Technical College. My teaching experience covers about eight years. Four years of this time was spent at the Kentucky Normal & Industrial Institute, Frankfort, Ky. and four years at A. and T. College, Greensboro, N.C.

My salary here is \$1920.⁰⁰ per year. To begin work there, I would accept the same salary.

I refer you to the following persons for expressions as to my ability:

Prof. F. M. Wood. Supervisor of Colored Schools; Baltimore, Md.
Mr. A. Button, The Craft Shop,

108 W. Market St. Greensboro, N.C.
Mr. Alvin G. Peely, Registrar,
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama;
Mr. A. W. Ferguson, Architect,
A. and T. College. Greensboro, N.C.

Awaiting the courtesy of
your earliest convenient reply,
I am

yours truly,
Alfred D. Lomax

514 Fuller Ave.,
St. Paul, Minn.,
August 28, 1928.

Prof. W. B. Matthews, Principal,
Central High School,
Louisville, Kentucky.
Mr. Matthews,

Dear sir:—

I am hereby making
application to you for a position as
teacher on the faculty of Central
High School. Mr. J. O. Blanton,
who was at one time a member of the
faculty of Central High School, advised
me to write to you. I am a graduate
of the University of Minnesota

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with a B. A. degree. Since my graduation in 1927, I have taught the senior year of high school English at State Normal School in Montgomery, Alabama. My major sequence in college was English, and my minor Sociology; however, I have taken extensive work in Psychology and Political Science. My teaching preference is English, naturally.

Mr. Blanton could possibly give you a little more detailed information concerning the work which I have taken.

Sincerely yours,
(Miss) Rachel Hooden.

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August 31 1938

Mr. W. B. Mathews
W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

My Dear Mr. Mathews --:

I am informed that you are in a position to send me whatever credits for high-schoolwork is due one, Elizabeth Rowland an orphaned child who is now making her home with a white family in Ft. Wayne,

We are hoping she will be able to take a course in Nurse Training and it would necessary for us to have full knowledge of her Elementary and High-school work.

Please answer at once ,

Respectfully Yours.

Edgar J. Unthank
Exe. Sectary.

2547 Downing St. Denver Colo
August 21, 1928

Prof. W. B. Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir;

I wish to apply for a position as teacher in the schools of Louisville for the ensuing year. I am a graduate of the University of Nebraska Lincoln, Nebraska holding the degree of A.B. with Zoology as major. I finished in the pre-medic department of the Arts & Sciences college and am qualified to teach Zoology, Chemistry, Sociology and Philosophy.

Rev. N. D. Shambogner has spoken to you of me and I am writing now to make the application of which he spoke.

Although I have no letters of recommendation on hand at the

present time I will give the
names of several responsible men
who can recommend me.

Bishop C. L. Mead 1820 Broadway Denver, Col.

Dr. Robt. Willcott, Dept. of Zoology, U. of Nebraska
Lincoln, Neb.

Dr. J. O. Kirtley, dept. of Sociology and
Dr. Patterson, dept. of Philosophy
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.

Dr. M. S. Savage, Clark U., Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. J. L. Farmer Samuel Houston College
Austin, Tex.

I sincerely hope you will be
able to place me there this year
and I shall heartily appreciate any
help you may be able to render.
May I hear from you at your convenience?

Very truly Yours,
Shumport Logan

Tennessee Agricultural & Industrial State College

W J Hale, President

Nashville

October 8
1928

Mr W B Matthews
2121 W Chestnut Street
Louisville, Ky

Dear Mr Matthews:

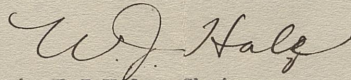
It has been suggested that I call a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools at Tuskegee for December 4 and 5, 1928.

The Annual Farmers Conference will be in session at that time and it will be easier to get traveling expenses to attend these conferences.

What is your reaction on the suggestion?

With best personal regards, I am

Yours very sincerely,



W J Hale, Chairman
Executive Committee
N A T C S

WJH:P