

[01 August 1911]

Say Mr Matthews I have wrote you repeatedly about some matters and have had no reply. so will ask again what must a member pay to obtain full Benefits under six months when his Policy only call for half.

I sent you Sam West Policy to have Benjamin changed or another name added to have made my remittance for the last two weeks with report but have ^{had} nothing at all more than I received my Life Register sheet and Policies have you receive each remittance

is there any thing expected of me that I have not ^{done} if so please let know in time and keep me posted on all lines you will greatly oblige your humble servant by so doing yours very truly

PS will go to Augusta Monday. J. L. W. Greenwood

Carrollton Ga 2-1-11

Hon W. B. Mathews Atlanta Ga

Dear Sir I guess you would like
to here from your servant once and
a while well I guess I am doing
very well how ever I am trying
to do the best I can to make the business
a success I have the best Business
of any agent in Town yes nearly as
much as the other two combined and I
shal not be satisfied until I place
some business in every home. I think
my debit is holding up fairly well,
have just received my Straight Life
Policies I think they are just fine and
believe the members will be well pleased
with them I will also know how to talk
this line of Business, better

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ATLANTA, GA.

June 30, 1911.

Mr. W. B. Matthews,
399 Houston St.,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir: -

It is the wish of the Chamber of Commerce to teach the youth of Atlanta to celebrate the 4th of July in a sane and safe manner. To that end a number of lawyers in the city have been appointed to deliver brief 4th of July speeches, not exceeding fifteen minutes in length, to the children of the city at the different playgrounds, at ten o'clock, Tuesday morning, next.

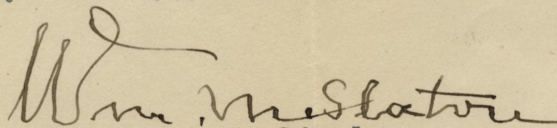
I hereby appoint you to address the children of your race on the significance of that historic day.

Please tell them in simple language the cause and the meaning of the 4th of July.

You will see your name published to-morrow morning and afternoon, as the 4th of July orator, to speak at Storrs School yard, at ten o'clock, Tuesday morning, July 4th.

Please call me over the telephone and accept the position.

Very sincerely, your friend,


Supt. Schools.

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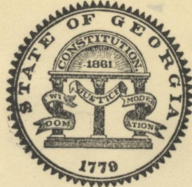
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ATLANTA, GA.

Dear Sir:-

June 19, 1911.

As a member of the ways
and means committee
you are hereby requested
to be present at a meeting
of the committee Tuesday
evening June 20th at
8:00 clock P.M. at 210 Auburn Ave.
for the purpose of hearing a
report from the Campaign
committee and further perfect
our arrangements in the
interest of Atlanta's platform
and the candidates sake Let
H. P. Ferrell. Fail not business
of importance. Yours in F. & B.
E. L. Collier, Chairman

Vienna, Ga. 6/10/11.

The North Carolina Ins. Ass'n,

Durham, N.C.

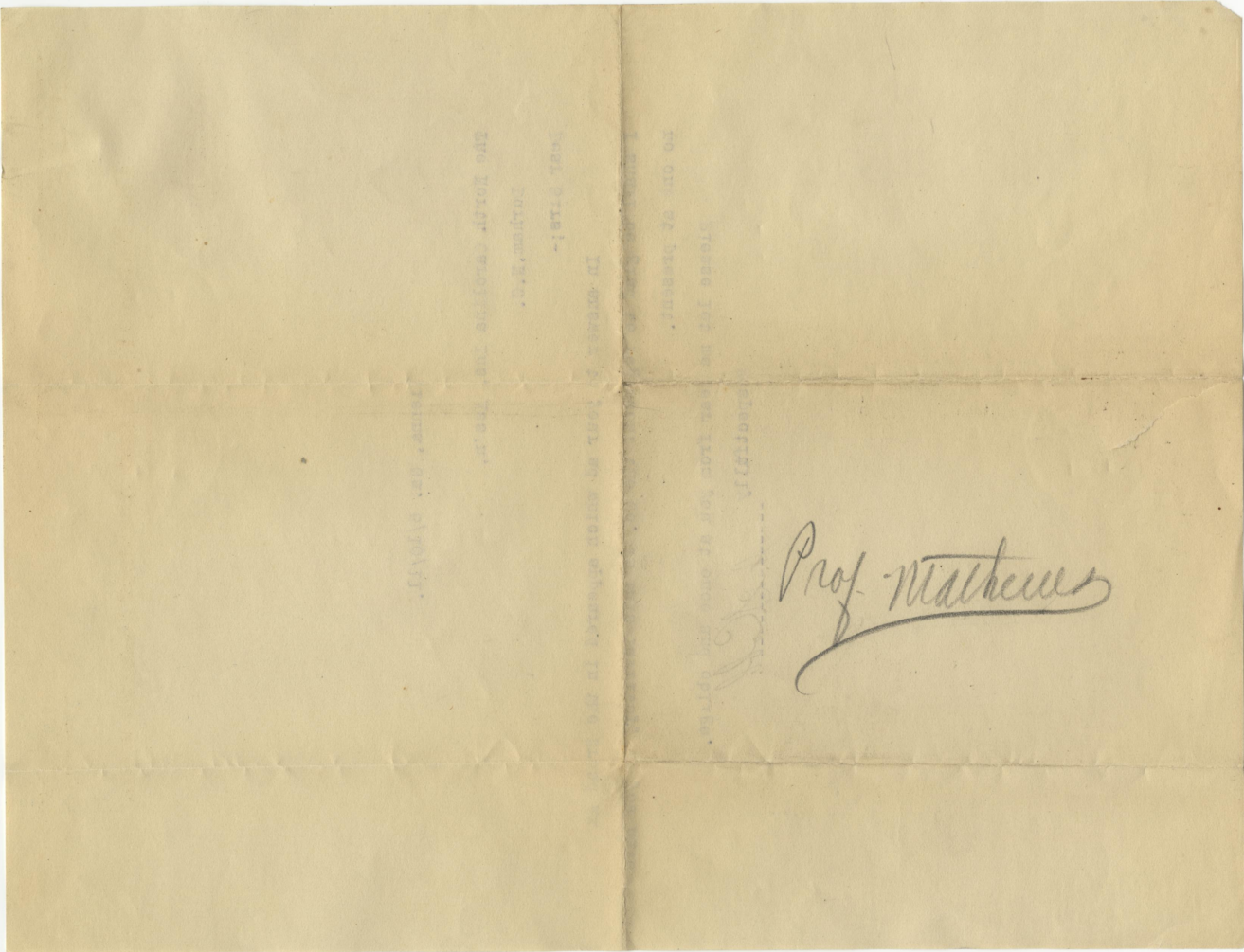
Dear Sirs;-

In answer to your ad which appeared in the Broad Ax
I shall be glad to represent the Co. in this Territory if you have
no one at present.

Please let me hear from you at once and oblige.

Respectfully

J. E. Cobb



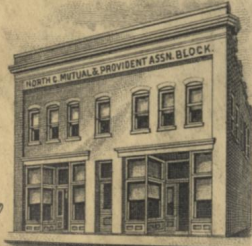
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Prof. W. B. Matthews,
155 Auburn Ave.,
Atlanta, Ga.

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Atlanta, Ga.
Feb 4, 1911.

Dear Sir:- you are earnestly requested to be present Monday Feb. 6 at 7:30 P. M. at Dr. Jones Drug Store 165 & Frazier St. To be examined for the new lodge of Oddfellows. This is our last meeting and also your last chance to get in this.

Remember date. Feb. 6.

G. W. Owens M. W.



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Mr. W. B. Matthews.
399 Houston St.
City.

Atlanta Ga

18 Waddell St

Jan 24 / 11

W.B. Matthews

Dear Sir tell me
something about the directory
you have gotten out &
what do you get for an
answer & abiji
John T. Patterson M.D.

Jan. 24, 1911

W B Matthews
399 Houston St
Atlanta Ga

714 - 9th St
Augusta Ga.,
Feb 1st 1911

My dear Prof Matthews:-

I recognize that you are a very busy man. Please let me say our program for the next meeting of the State Assoc is nearing completion. The following is an outline:

I Miss Gertrude Ware of the Atl. Univ. has accepted to preside over the Dept. of Kindergarten + Primary Work. Mrs Arthur Williams of the same school will discuss a topic under this dept.

II Miss Ina E. Jackson of Athens has accepted to preside over "Manual Training Dept."

III Prof G. T. Hubert has agreed to preside over "Agricultural Dept"

IV Miss Mary C. Jackson has consented to take charge of "Normal Work"

These persons have accepted to deliver addresses: Prof P. X. Ho

on "Compulsory Education" Prof W. E. Holmes of Macon has accepted to speak on "The Duty of the State of Ga to educate Her Colored Citizens"; Prof W. T. B. Williams of Hampton Va has accepted to deliver an address representing the Jeans Fund and as Pres. of the National Ass'n. for Teachers in Negro Schools.

Miss S. B. Laney will deliver an address.

These persons have been invited and we are awaiting replies, some have replied and the matter is under consideration and discussion.

- 1st State Sch. Commr Brittain.
- 2nd A specialist from the Agricultural Dept, Washington D.C.
3. Pres Pranson of the State Normal Athens.
4. Mrs Walter B. Hill, Athens.
5. Chancellor Barrow, Athens
6. Prof W. H. Croppman, Atl.
7. Dr C. W. Lee
8. Prof. R. R. Wright Savannah.

Prof Hope has been asked to take charge of the "College Dept."

You have been invited to take charge of "Grammar & High Schools."

And under each and all of these Depts. there will or it is our plan to have one or two other good educators appointed by the Heads of the Dept. to discuss topics.

I may have omitted some feature but in the main the above is above the scope of the program. I have outlined it to you in order for you to see what has been done & also what our plans are.

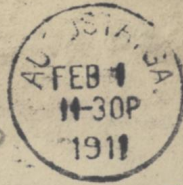
Will you please do me the favor to accept to preside.

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The Dept name for you herein,
and over which I invited you some
time ago to preside and let me
hear from you soon as
convenient.

I should not mind if you should
give publicity to these facts as
widely as you may see fit.
As yet I have not given
anything to the press. I
prefer to wait as far as I
am concerned to get the pro-
gram complete then an-
nounce. I'd thank you
to do if convenient to
let Prof Hope know.
I have most of the writing
to do myself
Yours truly
Frank Blocker.

After 5 days return to
ISAIAH BLOCKER, President
State Teachers Association
714 9th Street, AUGUSTA, GA.



Prof W. B. Mathews
Prin Houston St School,
Atlanta,
Ga.

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ATLANTA, GA.

Feb. 4, 1911.

Dear Brother:

You have been selected as a member of the Campaign Committee on account of our grand rally on the second Sunday in May to raise money for the erection of our headquarters in Atlanta, and you are hereby invited to meet the Committee at Mystic Hall, Cor. Butler Street and Edgewood Ave., Wednesday night, Feb. 8, 1911 at eight o'clock. Fail not as your presence is earnestly desired because we need your advice and resourcefulness.

Yours in F. L. & T.

B. J. Davis, D. G. S.



Scientia, amor et veritas

B. J. DAVIS, D. G. S.

16½ NORTH BROAD ST.

ATLANTA, GA.

Feb 4, 1911

*Prof. E. W. Matthews
Houston St School
City*

Elberton, Ga.

Nov. 16, 1911.

Prof W. B. Matthews,

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Yours of a recent date to hand and in reply will say that the rail book has not come and I have not been able to do any work.

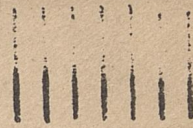
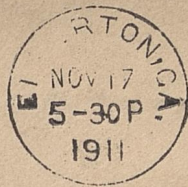
I am sure I could have done splendid work for you this Fall had I been supplied with the material to work with.

But as it is so near the holidays I fear that if the book comes I would be able to do as well as I

would like. I don't understand why the literature etc; have not been sent to me. However if I cannot work for you now, I hope I can work for you all during vacation. Mr. Anderson seems to be doing fairly well, with his work here.

I trust you Mrs Matthews and Louise are well.

I am yours truly,
P. J. Blackwell



Prof. W. B. Matthews,
155 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta,
Ga

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Atlanta, Ga., Sept, 23-/11. — 191—

Mr W.B. Matthews

399 Houston, St.

Dear Bro:-

You are expected to be present at the next regular communication of Refuge Lodge, Oct, 3-rd/11. Business of importance.

Also work in the first house. We have eight applicants for their first degree. Come prepared for service.

Fraternally yours.

Jesse.A.Scott. W.M.

S.S.Horn. Sect.

Note; The new M.R.A. law went in to effect Sept,14/11.

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Mr. W. B. Matthews,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

I am in receipt of your letter and I am always glad to hear from you.

Our Summer School has just closed and I have been in a rush for the past few days, even more so than before.

I understand that the Executive Committee will meet sometime in the early Fall and that they will appoint a secretary for the colored work and at present, your name is the only one being considered. I think you will make no mistake however, in going on with the insurance because the other may not materialize for several months. I am quite sure that the North Carolina Mutual people will treat you right.

I am leaving today for New York. Tell Mrs. Matthews I am going to write her a letter from there. I will look into the matter of the Association more fully and will inform you in a day or so.

With my best wishes all yours, I am

Yours very sincerely,

James E. Shepard
President.

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National Religious Training School and Chautauqua
FOR THE COLORED RACE
Durham, N. C.

Aug. 12,
1911

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Mr. W. B. Matthews,

399 Huston Street,
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Boston, Mass. Aug. 11, 1911

Mr. W. B. Matthews,
399 Houston Street,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Mr. Hartshorn has your letter of Aug. 5th, and asks me to reply, and suggests that you keep the books so that they may be sold whenever you have an opportunity. He is sure that you will do the very best that you can with them, and you may be certain that he appreciates your efforts in the matter.

He was taken ill during the San Francisco convention and did not attend a single session of the convention. He was obliged to return home direct, and to cancel some very interesting trips that he had planned. He is feeling a little better now and is planning to leave Boston next Tuesday, with myself, for a five or six weeks trip abroad, in the interest of the World's Convention of 1913. We expect to visit England, Belgium, Germany and possibly Switzerland and France before we return, the latter part of September.

With all good wishes, I remain

Yours very truly,

Geo. W. Penniman

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Mr. W. B. Matthews,

399 Houston Street,

Atlanta, Ga.

Monroe County
Juliette Ga

August 17th 1911

Prof - W. B. Matthews

Kind Sir I saw a little
pamphlet of the North Carolina
mutual insurance company
which is on and con-
tral by Messrs as I
am one indeed and in
truth and ablieves in
Race Pside Therfor please
Send me The popular
Strait life policy for children
and Adults and apoint
me as a Local agent if
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11617 L. W.

Mail you letter
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W. S. Clark
Juliette Ga

Rhd 1. box 59

Proper one for me
I think this county
(monroe) would be
a good field for me to
work it and joining
county I am moderator
of a association and
I think that I could
do a good work for
for our race on that
line so visit me on
return mail at once
as I have a lot of time
to devote to that kind of
work

Prof - W. B. Matthews
155 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta Ga

Michals 7-6-11

Prof. W.B. Matthews Sir:

After having seen your frame attached
as Representative of the D.C. & Gt
insurance Company; why, I became
interested in it at once. Thus you are
soliciting you to find out all
the detail about (first) the straight
(life) 2nd the sick & accident. So
give me your rates & details. I think I
can transfer 2 or 3 numbers at once
from the Federal Casualty Co, of De
Hrait Mich. I have been working
for this Co for 4 or 5 yrs. But they
fail to make good their promises.
I can assure you one if no more
if your inducements mean anything
that is to say, keep fair. So I'm yours
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~~P.C. Sheffield~~ P.C. A. N. E. C. Box 124

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Marietta, Ga., June 22, 1911

Prof. W. B. Matthews,
155 Auburn Ave.,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

I have this week made
some preliminary canvasses of
of ^{a few} prospective policy holders.
All promise to join, or transfer
to, the company I might represent.
I believe more than ever that I
can do a fine insurance bus-
iness here, if given a trial with
the N. C. M. P. A. Hope the license
fee will not hinder your starting
now. Perhaps I can get that re-
duced a little. Hoping to hear
from you, and favorably, at your
earliest convenience, I remain,

Yours ever,
L. B. Norris.

" "

RETURN AFTER 5 DAYS TO
L. B. NORRIS,
610 LAWRENCE ST.,
MARIETTA, GEORGIA.

June 22, 1911

Prof. W. B. Matthews,
155 Auburn Ave.,
Atlanta, Ga.



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 155 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta
 W. B. MATTHEWS, State Agent

Jan., 9, 1912.

Mr. Charles D. Hillis,
 Secretary to the President,
 White House,
 Washington, D. C.

This letter is written to call your attention to the Call of the Fulton County Republican Executive Committee, issued Jan. 2, 1912. The Call places all power in the Chairman and absolutely disfranchises every man in the county. In the selection of delegates to the County Convention, the District Convention, and the State Convention, the Chairman has delegated to himself the authority of a Czar. This is the way I see it from the reading of the Call, and this is the way my fellow Republicans of Fulton County seem to see it, judging from the dissention now developing in the County.

I am a freeholder, a registered voter and a Republican ~~who~~ ^{and} have all my life voted the Republican ticket, but never before, during a period of twenty years, ~~has~~ ^{has} such an edict ~~been~~ ^{gone} forth from this County.

The nature of the Call has thoroughly aroused ~~every~~ ^{the} Republican voters in this County and we all want to know if this method of naming delegates and conducting Republican Primaries, and especially of appointing delegates is endorsed by you?

I, personally, am for Mr. Taft for the next President, and am advocating his interests, but on every turn, I am met with the audacity, and ~~if you please~~, the iniquity of the PRINCIPLES of this Call.

It is intimated that, Mr. Johnson, in doing this, was carrying out your wishes and thereby doing what Mr. Taft wanted done. If this is the case, you may readily see what the results of a Primary would be in this County. I am anxious to be able to set the voters of this county right and to be able to instruct them with authority.

They are disfranchised and they know it. I don't want them to think that it has been done, through you, by the President.

The President knows me. I am the man who introduced him ^{to} the Negroes of the South at Atlanta Ga. just before his inauguration. It is truly ~~hoped~~ ^{hoped} that a change may be made in the method of managing affairs here.

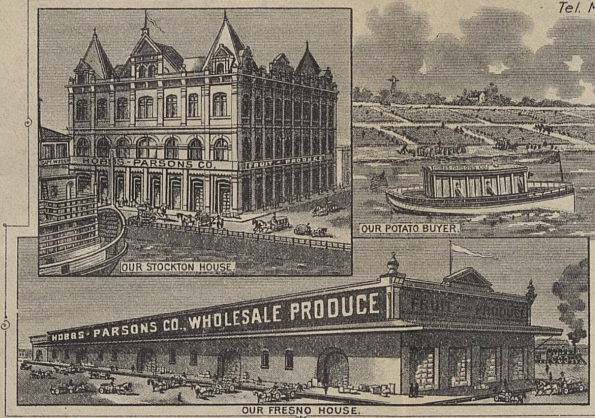
Trusting to hear from you soon, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

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Mr. W. B. Matthews,
Atlanta, Ga.

My Dear Mr. Matthews:

I know that you are a very busy man, but knowing also that you are a Christian man, I am taking the liberty of writing you.

As Superintendent of the Sunday School of the First Presbyterian Church of this City, I am deeply interested, as are the other Superintendents of the City, in keeping the large number of boys and young men now enrolled in our schools interested in Bible Study, in order to hold them for the Church and for the Master. We are fortunate at the present time in having most of our boys' and young men's classes in charge of business or professional men, and it is very noticeable that by their influence, as well as their teaching, they are doing a splendid work.

Following up this experience, we are anxious to have a testimony from you. Such a testimony from a well known business man, who at the same time acknowledges allegiance to Jesus Christ, would be of inestimable value in influencing these young men and boys in choosing whom they will serve.

If you can only take time to dictate us a few lines, using your regular business stationary, setting forth the esteem in which you hold the Bible, and especially the simple testimony that you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and have found joy and profit in His service, this will be greatly appreciated.

Your reply will not be published. We would like the privilege of reading your letter before the different Sunday Schools of the City, and before the Bible Classes of the Young Mens Christian Association.

Trusting that I may have the honor of a reply at your convenience, I am

Yours very truly,

A. L. Munger

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To the Officers and Members of Primrose Lodge #246
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Brothers:

I am again informing you that your June Tax of 20¢ per member for 1912 is still unpaid. I must insist now upon the prompt payment of this claim, or I shall be forced to use other means to collect it. This I have no desire to do. Hoping to hear from you by return mail regarding this matter,

I am yours faithfully,
B. W. Warren.

B.

Louisville Public Schools

Louisville, Ky.

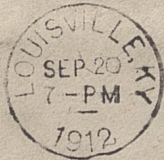
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Prof. W. B. Matthews:

Sir:-

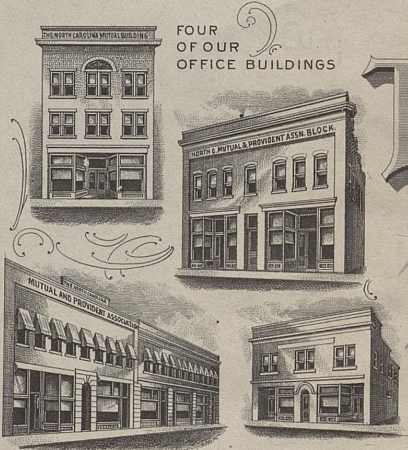
At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the "Louisville Teachers Choral Society," you (by virtue of being principal of the High School) was duly elected a member of the Executive Board. As secretary of the Board I take this method of notifying you. The Choral Society meets Wednesday Sept. 25-1912^{3:30 P.M.} Board immediately afterward.

Very Respectfully,
 Mildred Bryant - Director
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Nov. 7, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find receipt for six dollars and twenty-five cents, (\$6.25) which pays your quarterly premium.

We thank you very kindly for your prompt attention.

Yours very truly,

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Indianapolis, Ind., 26th.

1912.

[November 26, 1912]

Prof. W.B. Williams,

Louisville, Ky.

My Dear Sir:-

First of all, I wish to state that I was very much pleased with the brilliant and cordial reception tendered you by the Louisville people. I arrived in time to have matter set up but it did not appear this week on account of the lack of space and the having of two long Louisville letters coming from the same place. It will, however, appear next week and copies of same will be mailed you. Regards to Mr. Bullock. Wishing you a most successful school year, I am

Yours truly,

Cary B. Lewis
5400 S. Park Ave,
Chicago, Ill.

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ATLANTA, GA., Dec* 5, 1912.

Mr. W. B. Matthews.,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

We wrote you on November the 20th concerning an
account due for the Daily and Sunday delivered to you in
Atlanta from November 1, 1910 to the 1st of November, 1912.
\$14.00.

Will you please favor us with a remittance by
return mail? If you cannot pay all, we will accept something
on account -- would like to have a weekly or monthly remittance
regularly until this account is settled. We usually place
such accounts in the hands of an attorney or collecting agency
if not paid promptly but we would dislike to do so in your case.

Yours truly,

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION

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Louisville, Ky. June 11, 1913

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO MISS L. A. FUSTING, 601 PAUL JONES BUILDING, LOUISVILLE, KY.
TELEPHONE—CUMBERLAND MAIN 3456—HOME CITY 3456

This is to inform you that essay No 8139 submitted in the Jefferson Monument Fund Prize Essay Contest, in Class 4, Senior and Junior Classes of the Colored High School and submitted by a pupil of your school, was awarded the first prize of \$25.00.

Please let me have the name and address of the pupil who submitted this essay at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Jefferson Monument Fund,

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This is to inform you that essay No. 8151 submitted in the Jefferson Monument Fund Prize Essay Contest, in Class 4, Senior and Junior Classes of the Colored High School, was awarded a second prize of \$20.00.

Please let me have the name and address of the pupil who submitted this essay at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

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This is to inform you that Essay No. 8148 submitted by a pupil from your school in Class 5, Jefferson Monument Fund Prize Essay Contest, Sophomore and Freshman Classes of the Colored High Schools was awarded a first prize of \$25.00.

Please let me have the name and address of the pupil who submitted this essay at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Jefferson Monument Fund,

L. A. Fusting
Ass't Secy.

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This is to inform you that essay No. 8158 submitted by a pupil of your school in class 5 Jefferson Monument Fund Prize Essay Contest, Sophomore and Freshman Classes of the Colored High School, was awarded the second prize of \$20.00.

Please let me have the name and address of the pupil who submitted this essay at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Jefferson Monument Fund,

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Feb'y. 13, 1914.

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

My dear Friend:-

I was very pleased to receive your letter of the 10th inst. and wish to thank you for your kind words of congratulation and good wishes.

We were glad to learn that you are getting along well with your work though we regret to know that Mrs. Matthews' health is poor. We realize that this condition will make it hard for you no matter how successful you may be with your work from day to day. We both hope most sincerely that she will soon be entirely well and strong again.

As to the matter of Georgia news, I know of nothing that will be of special interest to you as I am quite sure you must see the Atlanta Constitution and Independent.

I am pleased to state that in our work here we have been getting along very well indeed this year up to this time and I think I can say a little further ahead and I am of course hopeful that we shall be able to close without adding anything to our present indebtedness.

Besides the gift of \$5000.00 to which you referred, we had a check for \$500.00 a few days ago to be used for a heating plant for our girls' dormitory. This will enable us to get

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Prof. W. B. Matthews: 2nd sheet.

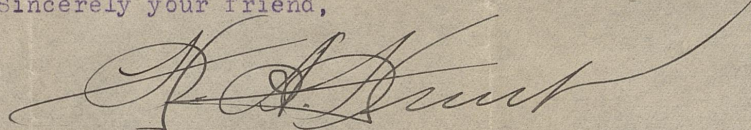
rid of the stoves, coal, smut and ashes and greatly lessens the danger from fire in that building.

Our attendance this year is the largest we have ever had. It will probably run in the neighborhood of five hundred before the end of the year. About 135 are boarders.

The outlook for our farm and garden crops is the best we have ever had and if things go well with us, we shall be able to reduce the cost of living next term.

Dorothy is at A. U., Hal and Adele both at home. They are all well and strong and my wife and I also are both quite well and we all join in kind regards to you, Mrs. Matthews and Louise.

Sincerely your friend,



After 5 days, return to

..... H. A. Hunt
FORT VALLEY, GA.

Prof. W. B. Matthews,

Central Colored High School,

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April 1, 1914.

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

Dear Sir:

I thank you that you will attend our
National Teachers' Association in Savannah
next July and read a paper before that body.

The opposition to the meeting in
Savannah to which you refer has about died
out. It looks now as though we will have a
great time.

Yours truly,

MW Dogan

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Prof. W. B. Matthews, Principal
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May 18, 1915.

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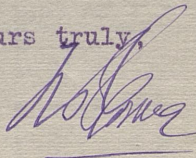
My dear Principal Matthews:

In reply to your confidential inquiry as to Mr
W. P. Welch, beg to advise that he served on this Faculty
as teacher of Carpentry some years ago - I think 1903-04.
He resigned his position during the year to accept a posi-
tion at Wilberforce University.

I note your statement as to your being in Georgia,
and I sincerely hope you may run over to see us. I don't
see why you can't so you may observe our progress. Of
course, you are keeping in mind to be at the Cincinnati
meeting. All signs indicate that it is going to be a suc-
cess.

With kindest regards to the good family, I am:

Yours truly,



Y/H

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May 21, 1915.

Mr. W. B. Matthews,
Ninth & Magazine Sts.,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Matthews:

In reply to your letter of

May 18th this office has not received your membership fee. Thank you for copy of receipt which you enclosed.

I expect to go to Louisville next week to look into the segregation matter and to have a conference with the officers of the Branch. I have written them to this effect and have also taken up with them the matter of not forwarding membership fees to headquarters. Possibly it has been overlooked in the excitement of this segregation case.

Trusting that I may have the pleasure of seeing you while I am in Louisville,

Very truly yours,

Mary Childs Nerney

MCN/EBH

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Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

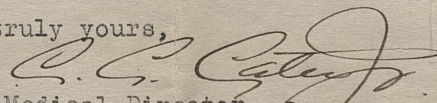
Before issuing insurance to applicants, it has been our custom to secure a report from some disinterested party concerning the habits, mode of living, etc., of the applicant.

Heretofore, we have been using a white company to give us these reports. We believe, however, that we can secure more reliable reports on our risks from colored people than from white people. For this reason, I am writing this letter to you to inquire if you will be willing to take up this work for us in your City. It will not interfere with your present occupation; your connection with the Company will be strictly confidential; no agent of the Company will be aware of your connection, nor any examiner, nor any applicant for insurance. No one except the few officers at the Home Office will know that you are giving these reports on applicants. You will not be required to sign your name to any report.

We desire to have a fair and unbiased report from you on any applicant whose name we may turn over to you. If you are not acquainted with the applicant, you can inquire from some one who may know the applicant. Envelopes will be furnished you for the return of your reports to this office, and they will not have the name of Standard Life on them at all. So you see, you will be free to give us your honest opinion on every risk without fear of that report ever becoming known to anyone.

Our fee for each report will be (.50) cents which is the fee the white organizations pay their inspectors. I am sending you enclosed a copy of the report which we would like to have you make. If you feel that you will care to undertake this work, I shall be very glad to hear from you at once. If you cannot do so, please keep this letter in strict confidence.

Very truly yours,


Medical Director.

CCC/OPW

Best wishes to Mrs. Matthews, Louise & yourself.

Inspector No.....

INSPECTION REPORT

PLEASE GIVE SPECIFIC ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION

Name _____

Address _____

Occupation _____

Other Occupation _____

Age _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE INSPECTOR:

Please furnish report on party named below. If you do not know party personally, make inquiries of others. Be sure your information is from reliable and unbiased sources. This party has applied to us for Life Insurance and if you are unable to report promptly, please write us. Most of the questions can be answered "Yes, or No.", and when you cannot give definite answers, give your best estimate or opinion; if any mistake has been made in name, or age, please correct. Make special effort to ascertain the age.

- 1 A—Do you personally know applicant named above?
B—If so, about how long have you known them?
C—Or, about how long have your informants know them?
D—How long since you or your informants have seen them?
(If not within ten days explain fully.)
- 2 A—Is the above age about correct? (If not, find out correct age.)
B—From what source did you get your information as to age?
- 3 A—Has he any occupation other than given above? (If so, what?)
B—Are any of his duties dangerous or unhealthful? (If so, what are they?)
C—Do any of his duties require him to handle intoxicants, live wires, dynamos, to go underground or on high structural works?
(If so, explain fully.)
- 4 A—Please make a liberal estimate of his gross worth.
B—About what would you estimate his gross annual income?
- 5 A—What is his general appearance, healthy or unhealthy? (If unhealthy what seems to be the matter with him?)
B—Do you learn of any past illness, body affliction or injury that might affect the risk? (If so, what?)
C—Has he any deformity, excess weight, or other peculiarity about his appearance? (If so, what?)
- 6 A—Do you hear of applicant or any of the family having had consumption, insanity, or any hereditary disease? (If so, give particulars.)
B—Do you learn that he has occupied the same home with a consumptive, or any other contagious disease? (If so, state particulars.)
- 7 A—To what extent does he drink; say 1, 2 or 3 drinks per day, week, or month, and whether mostly beer or whiskey? (Give definite answers if possible.)
B—Does he ever get so intoxicated as to need assistance?
C—If so about how many times per year does this occur?
- 8 A—Has he ever been an excessive drinker?
B—If so, about how often during the year, and the duration of his sprees?
C—If reformed, about how long since?
- 9 A—Do you hear of his using cocaine, opium, or similar drugs, or has he ever taken the Keeley or any other cure for excessive use of liquor or any other drug habit? (If so, please state which and when.)
- 10 A—Is general reputation as to character and morals good? (If not good, what is the nature of the reports against him?)
B—Do you learn of any domestic troubles, financial embarrassments, personal difficulties or feuds, or anything else that would impair the desirability of the risk? (If so, please give particulars.)
C—As a life insurance risk do you regard him as desirable or undesirable? (If undesirable, please state why.)
- 11 A—Give a short statement covering his business connections, working surroundings, also his social standing and home life.
B—If occupation is given as farmer state whether or not party owns farm or is wage hand, or a cropper.
C—Give number of rooms of house occupied by Applicant, and number of people occupying the house.
- 12—Amplify any answers not completed above.

- A _____
- B _____
- C _____
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A report on an applicant is more complete with a few general REMARKS covering his home life, associates, surroundings, tendencies, etc.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO
STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
P. O. Box 161
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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Mr. W. B. Matthews,
1730 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Personal

89- West-Pine St.
Atlanta Ga.

March 23- 1914

Prof W. B. Matthews.

Dear Sir & Bro.

Your letter dated Feb. 27th
received last week. I have
more from Bush St and
the people there just sent
me the letter last Friday and
we had met on Thursday night
but I will turn this letter
over to the Lodge this coming
meeting night. The \$2.20 pays
your dues up through Jan &
Feb. March Dues is \$1.20
The Lodge is getting along fine
we Banks $\frac{3}{4}$ of the money that

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was on hand last week. The amount we Banks was \$87.00. we have lost to members by Death lately Bro. Hank Bridger last September & Bro. John Lancaster we buried him yesterday. but we have not taxed any funeral yet.

I guess the Lodge will have the Lodge will have the K. of R & S. to write you after next meeting.

I beg to remain yours
in F. C. & B.

Arthur O Sharpe

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After 8 days, return to
AMERICAN CAN COMPANY,
ATLANTA, GA.

A. P. Sharke
89 - W. Pine St.

March 23,
1914

Mr. W. B. Matthews
1720 - W. Chestnut St.
Louisville Ky

Colesburg, Ky. 1-14-1914.
Mr. W^m. B. Matthews:-

Dear Friend

Please give this note to
Ricardo for his sister.

It is no use for me to send
it to my mother she will
not give it to her.

When Claudius was there
I could write to him but
I do not want people to
talk so much is why I
send this to you. Please
do not say any thing
to your wife, she do not
understand me and never
did and I guess never

will, for as a rule the
women folks cant
understand and its no
use to explain.

At any time during ^{the}
Summer you are welcome
to come and bring your
folks to the country and
visit me. It may be that
Aphelia, do not like to
come as so many others
I know do not.

Your welcome to come
if you like to.

Sincerely,

Leta B. Marshall.

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Louisville, Ky. Dec. 1st, 1914

Dear Friend:

Our Branch Y. M. C. A., is now in the midst of a Whirlwind Membership Campaign, Nov. 27th to Dec. 10th.

This Branch will be 21 years old Dec. 20th when the 21st Anniversary will be celebrated.

A fine membership showing is necessary by that time.

May we urge you to do all in your power to get ONE MAN to join by Dec. 10th.

As a fitting wind up of the campaign--a Members' Banquet, free to the entire paid up membership will be held Dec. 17th. Please reserve this date and be present on this occasion which we wish to make memorable.

The slogan is: Every member get another member by Dec. 10th.

Trusting for large results in this effort, I am
Very earnestly yours.

C. H. BULLOCK, Secretary.