

Excerpt of letter from Edward E. Lowinsky of Black Mountain College,
Black Mountain, North Carolina, to Fred G. Wain:

"I am happy to tell you that I was fortunate enough to contact what seems to be an excellent musician through Howard University. The candidate in question is Mr. Mark Oakland Fax of Rochester, New York. Mr. Fax received his Bachelor's degree in music from Syracuse University in 1933. He was Director of Music at Paine College from 1934 to 1942. Then he went to the Eastman School of Music at Rochester, where he received last year his Master's degree in composition. He is thirty-five years of age and has a wife and two-year-old son. His wife is secretary at the INCA in Rochester and studies sociology at the University there. Mr. Fax' record is brilliant. He seems to be also a gifted pianist. The Board of Fellows offered him yesterday a Visiting Lectureship for the rest of the Spring Quarter. He has a piano recital in Rochester on April eleventh and a choral concert on April fourteenth. He told me over the phone that he is very eager to join us immediately after this last concert. We hope that he will come here with his family. At least we urged him to do so because we felt in the case of Percy Baker very sorry that he had to separate from his family in order to be here."

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