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FOREWORD

IN PROPORTION to the Negro population in Des Moines, there is a shortage in every line of business, with the single exception of places to eat. Much improvement could be made in most of these; and no doubt will be in the near future.

THE INABILITY on the part of Des Moines Negroes generally and particularly those in business to cooperate gives the MAIN but not whole answer to the lack of more and better business places.

THIS SMALL Directory is that FIRST STEP necessary for business improvement and expansion. We had hoped to have a 100% representation of Negro business, BIG and Little; and delayed the date of printing twice in the hope of getting every one in.

WE FEEL that the smallest possible benefit, in dollars and cents, to any business listed in this Directory, will be at least five dollars (\$5.00) during a period of one year from date of publication. To say nothing of Goodwill, Community Spirit, etc.

WE HOPE those who stayed out this year will be with us in the 1940-41 edition.

IN OTHER states and cities, especially in the South and East, Negroes are holding their own in all the various lines of business, despite the depression. They have learned the value of improved techniques, and are co-operating as never before.

THROUGHOUT the United States we now have over 25 thousand successful businesses of all kinds. Have 23 Negro banks, 44 insurance companies. There are over 200 newspapers, magazines, etc.

TO ENCOURAGE and improve Negro business generally, there are now operating in the various states over 60 Negro Business Associations, Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, etc.

WHAT NEW business in Des Moines will we have? What improvements and expansion will we make within the next 365 days? How much real co-operation will we record in the 1940-41 Edition of the "Negro Business and Information Directory?"

THIS DIRECTORY is circulated in every Negro home in Des Moines; and several hundred white homes and business places that have found and still find satisfaction in using one or more of the various services Negroes supply—whether Catering, Cosmetology, Carpentry or Printing, Paperhanging, Painting, General Clean-up Service or Law, Medicine, Music, entertaining, etc., etc.

To these several hundred white homes and businesses that PRACTICE the Democracy which they preach, we feel that this little Directory will aid you in finding and experiencing other Negro services which you may not have known. We appreciate and encourage the increased extension of your valued patronage.

ADDITIONAL Copies of this Directory may be had for 5c per copy at the following places:

Community Pharmacy, 1200 Center Street, Phone 3-9860.

Walker Street Pharmacy, 1554 Walker Street, Phone 6-1875.

Crocker Street Branch Y M C A, 1023 Crocker Street, Phone 3-5611.

Blue Triangle Branch Y W C A, 1407 Center Street, Phone 3-4012.

Sampson Chicken Shack, 1246 East 17th Street, Phone 6-9302.

The Iowa Observer, 515 Mulberry Street, Phone 4-9913.

Consumers Buying Club, 416 East 6th Street, Phone 3-6317.

R. E. Patten, 821 14th Street, Phone 4-9469.

The Directory Committee parades just a tiny bit of pardonable pride for this tiny effort. Lots of work! Oh boy, lots of work! But the worthwhileness of the effort is instantly seen by anyone. Plans are now underway for a bigger, better next edition. We thank you, one and all for both the "heat" of criticism and the fragrance of praise.

THERE are none PERFECT. All errors and omissions are unintentional. Kindly forgive.

IF YOU change your address or phone number before the 1940-41 edition notify Secretary of DIRECTORY COMMITTEE, R. E. Patten, 821 14th Street, Phone 4-9469.

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PURPOSE

The setting up of an organization of bureaus or departments of the various business and professional groups for the understanding and settlement of local differences, and for a common advance toward the problem of providing more economic, civic and other opportunities for the Negroes of Des Moines.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall consist of Negro business and professional men and women and other interested persons, bound together by the common tie of being better citizens, and in the promoting of better business and other worthwhile things for Des Moines.

DUES

Class A—\$5.00 per year.  
Class B—\$2.50 per year  
Class C—\$1.00 per year.

## FRIEND

A FRIEND is a person who is for you always under any circumstances. ∞ He never investigates you. ∞ When charges are made against you, he never asks proof, he asks the accuser to clear out. ∞ He likes you just as you are; he does not want to alter you. ∞ He likes your success, and your failure endears you to him more. ∞ He is better than a lover because he is never jealous of you. ∞ He wants nothing from you except that you be yourself. ∞ He is the one being with whom you can feel safe. ∞ With him you can utter your heart, its badness and its goodness. ∞ You don't have to be careful. ∞ In his presence you can be indiscreet: which means that you can rest. ∞ There are many faithful wives and husbands; there are few faithful friends. ∞ Anybody may stand by you when you are right; a friend stands by you even when you are wrong. ∞ The highest known form of friendship is that of the dog for his master. ∞ You're in luck if you can find one man or woman on earth who has that kind of affection for you and fidelity to you. ∞ It is he that keeps alive your faith in human nature, that makes you believe that it is a good universe. ∞ He is the antidote to despair, the elixir of hope, the tonic for depression, the medicine to cure suicide. ∞ When you are vigorous and spirited you like to take your pleasure with him. When you are sick you want to see him. When you are dying you want to have him near. ∞ You give to him without reluctance and borrow from him without embarrassment. ∞ If you can live fifty years and find one absolute friend you are fortunate, for of the thousands of human creatures that crawl the earth, few are of such stuff as friends are made of.

Selected

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**BARBER SHOPS**

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**MINITURE SHOP (THE)**, Mrs. Agnes Eppright, 1143 Enos Avenue, Phone 3-8761.

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GENERAL CONTRACTING, A. A.  
Alexander, President. General con-  
tractor and civil engineer 309 Securi-  
ties Building, Phone 4-2889.

OWSLEY, ERNEST A., Contrac-  
tor, Plastering, Remodeling and Re-  
pairs. 1428 Wayne Street, Phone  
6-7509.

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thian Baptist Church, 9th and School,  
Phone 3-4073.

TUTT, REV. J. W., Union Baptist  
Church, 1446 Buchanan Street, Phone  
6-1990.

MARSHALL, REV. P. M., Kyles  
A. M. E. Zion Church, 709 S. E. 15th  
Street, Phone 3-8681.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST  
CHURCH, Rev A. Ross Brent, Pas-  
tor. Res. 1610 Walker, Phone 6-4287.

**OTHER CHURCHES**

WILLIAMS, EVANGELIST E.,  
(Church of God and Saints of Christ),  
2413 Garfield Avenue, Phone 6-4074.

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DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, 1150  
W. 13th Street. R. T. Hudson, Pas-  
tor. Order of Service: Sabbath  
School, 9:30 a. m.; morning worship,  
11:00 a. m., Young People's Mission-  
ary Volunteer Society, 3:15 p. m.  
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meeting.

(Column H)

**COAL DEALERS**

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**CLUBS AND LODGES**

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ATED CLUB, Mrs. Mildred Barker,  
President, 1351 Fremont Street, Phone  
6-6541.

**OTHER ITEMS ON  
FACTS ABOUT NEGROES**

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WILLIAM E. TAYLOR, now dean  
of School of Law, Howard Univer-  
sity, has articles in the "Iowa Law  
Review" for March and May, 1935 on  
"Titles to Land by Adverse Posses-  
sion."

(Column I)

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MARY B. TALBERT CLUB, Mrs.  
Olivia Hayes, President, 1537 Maple  
Street, Phone 6-3437

L. T. CLUB, Mrs. Mary Hardaway,  
President, 1128 11th Street, Phone  
4-8527.

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Washington, Secretary, 850 10th  
Street, Phone 4-6535.

TEN KEYS CLUB, Mrs. Agnes  
Eppright, President, 1143 Enos Ave-  
nue, Phone 3-8761.

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row, Secretary, 1060 12th Street,  
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will dissolve into a forgotten past  
when friendship to mankind becomes  
the accepted standard of conduct.

—Victor A. Olander.

ROOSEVELT CLUB, F. O. Mor-  
Building, over 207½ 6th Ave., Phone  
5-8676.

AMERICAN LEGION, Lincoln  
Post No. 126. Morris De Sleet, Com-  
mander, Phone 4-5320; Don Platter,  
Adjutant, 1142 Enos, Phone 4-2077.  
Legion Post, 750 W. 11th Street.

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ing and Sewing Club." Mrs. Leoma  
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tics, play reading and impersonation.  
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ONE OF THE most important  
contributions to the civilization of  
mankind was possibly made by the  
Negro—the invention of the smelting  
of iron.

NEGRO TALENT and ingenuity  
also furnished headlights for loco-  
motives, and the lubricant that makes  
the running smooth.

DR. GEORGE CARVER of Tuske-  
gee Institute, recognized as one of  
the most outstanding scientists of to-  
day, is a Negro and was educated at  
Iowa State College.

(Column K)

**DRUG STORES AND PHARMACIES**

**COMMUNITY PHARMACY**, Mr. J. W. Mitchell, Prop. Special attention given to our prescription department. 1200 Center Street, Phone 3-9860.

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**MORRIS, MRS. GEORGINE C.**, 955 17th Street, Phone 4-7776.

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**MORRIS, J. B.**, 203 Chemical Building, 7th and Mulberry Street, Phone 3-2822.

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(Column P)

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Prop. Beer, Sandwiches, Cool drinks  
to quench your thirst. 1017 Railroad  
Street, (West Des Moines).

(Column Q)

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Pleasant Rooms, 1067 W. 16th Street,  
Phone 4-1006.

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Street, Phone 3-5403.

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LA MARGUERITIA HOTEL,  
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Phone 3-5949.

RICHMOND, MRS. BERNICE,  
Furnished rooms, 1021 17th Street,  
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Avenue, Phone 3-8310.

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grapher 1320 Ascension, Phone  
4-5475.

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Stand off by yourself in your dreaming,  
And all of your dreams are vain;  
No grandeur of soul or spirit  
Can man by himself attain.  
It is willed we shall dwell as brothers  
As brothers then we must toil;  
We must act with a common purpose  
As we work in a common soil.  
And each who would see accomplished  
The dreams that He's proud to own,  
Must strive for the goal with his fellows  
For no man can do it alone.

Selected.

**SOCIAL WORKERS**

BESHEARS, MRS HELEN DAMERON, Probation Officer, Juvenile Court, 410 Courthouse, Phone 3-1121.

MEASE, QUENTIN R., Executive Secretary of Crocker Street Branch Y. M. C. A., 1023 Crocker Street, Phone 3-5611.

MORTON, MAYME E., 1177 12th Street, West Des Moines Community Center

MULLINS, WILDA BERNICE. Pupil Adjustment, Board of Education, 3425 Grand Avenue, Phone 7-1109.

PATTEN, MARGARET M., Director of East Des Moines Community Center, Community Chest Agency, 1438 Buchanan Street, Phone 6-5242.

SPROTT, WAURINE, Executive Secretary of Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A., 1407 Center Street, Phone 3-4012.

WEBB, CLARA, Case Worker, Polk County Emergency Relief, 801 2nd Avenue, Phone 3-1211.

WILLIS, MRS. ELLA, Case Worker, Polk County Emergency Relief, Office Phone 3-1211, 15th and Center Streets.

WRONG CONDUCT in us is responsible for all the ills of our country. And we cannot get right with GOD or our country until we get right with our fellowman.

OUR GOVERNMENT cannot be just to us until we are just to one another.

**SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES**

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA Sorority, Margaret M. Patten, Grammateus, (Beta Gamma Chapter), 1438 Buchanan, Phone 6-5242.

ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, Virgil Dixon, (Alpha Nu Chapter), 2529 Easton Blvd., Phone 6-3594.

DELTA SIGMA THETA Sorority, Sarah Steele, Secretary (Phi Chapter), 1101 School Street, Phone 4-7093.

IOTA PHI LAMDA (Business) Sorority, Evelyn Brooks, Secretary, (Alpha Delta Chapter), 506 S. E. 3rd Street.

KAPPA ALPHA PSI, Fraternity W. Lawrence Oliver, 1047 13th Street, Phone 3-3568.

**TAVERNS**

DIXON, ROBERT, 1112 Center Street.

BILLIKEN NITE CLUB, D. W. Mitchell. Dine and Dance at the Billiken Nite Club. Open every day from 4 to 1. Party Rentals. 12th and Center.

**WINDOW CLEANERS**

GAITHER, LOUIS. House cleaning in general. 1113 11th Street, Phone 3-1643.

HAMILTON, TROY, 1212 Center Street, Phone 3-7765.

**OTHER ITEMS ON FACTS ABOUT NEGROES**

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NEGRO INVENTIVE genius has been applied successfully from the ground up—from mining tools to flying machines, from cotton pickers to piano players, and some of the largest industries in the country are built upon the basic patents of Negro inventors—notably, a twenty-odd million dollars shoe machinery industry founded upon Jan E. Matzlinger's invention for lasting shoes.

THE NEGRO WOMAN is a shining star in all high lights of Negro history. From cooking—catering to music and manufacturing—entertaining and education.

Mrs. E. C. Berry, hotel; Marion Anderson, music. Madam C. J. Walker and A. M. Malone, toilet preparations manufacturing.

Ethel Waters, Ella Fitzgerald, Josephine Baker, entertainers.

Maudelle Brown of Chicago, first Negro woman dean of Girls in mixed schools, first Negro principal of mixed high school.

Mary McLeod Bethune founder and builder of school in Florida. Both high types in the field of education.

Still others, many others, in education and unselfish service, Nannie H. Burroughs, Maggie L. Walker, Fanny Jackson Coppin, Maria L. Baldwin, Lucy Laney, Charlotte Hawkins Brown and more than we have space to name.

**LESSON IN RIGHT LIVING**

"Do you wish for kindness? Be kind.  
Do you ask for truth? Be true.  
What you give of yourself you find;  
Your world is a reflex of you."

If thou would'st right the world,  
And banish all its evils and its woes,  
Make its wild places bloom,  
And its drear deserts blossom as the  
rose,—

THEN RIGHT THYSELF

If thou would'st turn the world  
From its long, lone captivity in sin,  
Restore all broken hearts,  
Slay grief, and let sweet consolation  
in,—

TURN THOU THYSELF.

If thou would'st cure the world  
Of its long sickness, end its grief and  
pain;

Bring in all-healing Joy,  
And give to the afflicted rest again,—  
THEN CURE THYSELF.

If thou would'st wake the world  
Out of its dream of death and dark'-  
ning strife

Bring it to Love and Peace  
And Light and brightness of immortal  
Life,—

WAKE THOU THYSELF.

—James Allen.



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**HE CANNOT READ HIS TOMBSTONE WHEN HE'S DEAD**

If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,  
If you like him or you love him, tell him now  
Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration.  
And he lies with wreaths of lilies o'er his brow.  
For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it,  
He won't know how many teardrops you have shed.  
If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him,  
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.  
More than fame and more than money is the comment kind and sunny,  
And the hearty, warm approval of a friend;  
For it gives to life a savor and it makes you stronger—braver—  
And it fills your soul with courage to the end,  
If he earns your praise, bestow it; if you like him, let him know it.  
Let the words of true encouragement be said.  
Do not wait till life is over and he's underneath the clover,  
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.  
Down the ways of truth and beauty, you can bless the deeds of duty,  
If you'll give a hearty handshake when you can;  
For no matter what you station, there's unmeasured inspiration,  
In the words of honest praising you

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can give your fellowman,  
If he needs your help befriend him, you can always love extend him;  
You can lift his load a little, ere the light of life is fled;  
Do not wait till he is sleeping, where the broken hearts are weeping,  
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

FROM LLANO COLONIST  
(Author Not Known)

**OTHER ITEMS ON  
FACTS ABOUT NEGROES**

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**PEDRO ALONZO**, a Negro, piloted one of Columbus's ships, "The Nina," when he discovered America.

500 **NEGROES** from Iowa formed a regiment at Keokuk and fought for the Union in the Civil War.

**THE FIRST** decision handed down by the Supreme Court of Iowa was for a Negro's Freedom.

**CORRECTION**

**WILLIS, DR. L. R.**, 205 Watrous Building, over 207½ 6th Ave., Phone 5-8676.

**A FEW HISTORICAL  
FACTS ABOUT NEGROES**

**TWO NEGRO** soldiers were the first Americans to receive the Croix de Guerre. And a Negro regiment had the honor of being the first Unit of all the Allied armies to reach the River Rhine during the World War.

**THE FIRST** champion in American pugilism was a Negro slave, Tom Molineaux of Richmond, Va., who in the first part of the 18th century won his freedom by winning a \$100,000 stake for his master.

**A NEGRO**, Joe Louis, is present pugilistic champion. His even temper and pleasant demeanor have won the praise of the sports world. His keen coordination of his fists and brain have won him about a million dollars.

**THE AMERICAN** Missionary Association was founded in 1858 at Berea College, Kentucky. Fisk University was established by the association in 1866. Talledega College in 1867. Hampton Institute in 1868, Atlanta and Straight Universities in 1869.

**NEGROES**, mostly thru churches, have contributed 58 million dollars for education; and continue to contribute thru the various churches, over 2 million dollars each year.

**THE FIRST** successful operation on the human heart was done by a Negro, Dr. Daniel Williams of Chicago.

**JAMES DERHAM** of New Orleans was the first recognized Negro physician in America. There are now nearly 6,000; and nearly 2,000 dentists. Most of them place the ideal of service to their people above material gain.

**JULIAN H. LEWIS** of Chicago is associate professor of Pathology at the University of Chicago, and pathologist at Provident Hospital.

**MACON B. ALLEN** was the first Negro admitted to the practice of law in the United States. He passed the examination in Massachusetts in 1845. We have had and still have many eminent lawyers. B. K. Bruce, J. W. Lyons, W. T. Vernon and J. C. Napier have served as registers of the Treasury of the United States.

**WILLIAM H. LEWIS** was assistant attorney general of the United States from March 26, 1911, to April 1, 1913.

**NEGRO LAWYERS** in the United States number about 1,500. They average up with others; but marked ability is displayed by many.

There are many others doing or have done similar signal service which lack of space prevents mentioning.

**PLACES OF GENERAL  
INTEREST****HOSPITALS**

**Broadlawns Polk County (Public) Hospital**, 406-10 Center Street.

(a) **Contagious Dept.**, St. Joseph Avenue.

(b) **Tuberculosis Dept.**, St. Joseph Avenue at 17th Street.

**Des Moines General**, 603 E. 12th Street.

**Iowa Lutheran**, E. 7th and Parnell Street.

**Iowa Methodist**, 1200 Pleasant St. **Mercy Hospital**, Ascension, between 4th and 5th Street.

**Retreat**, 28th and Woodland Avenue.

**Salvation Army Women's Home and Hospital**, 3027 Indianola Avenue.

**Veteran's Administration Hospital**, 30th Street and Euclid Avenue.

**GENERAL MEETING AND  
ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS**

**East D. M. Community Center**, 1438 Buchanan Street.

**Jewish Community Center**, 801 Forest Avenue.

**Negro Community Center**, 907 15th Street.

**Roadside Settlement House**, 602 Scott Street.

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# Places Of General Interest

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS

City Hall, E. 1st Street, between E. Locust and E. Grand Avenue.

The Coliseum, 101-07 Locust Street.  
Court House, between 5th and 6th Avenue, and Cherry and Mulberry Streets.

Historical Memorial and Art Bldg. of Iowa, E. Grand Avenue and E. 12th Street.

Iowa State Capitol, E. Grand Avenue and E. 11th Street.

Library Bldg., 1st Street, between Locust and Walnut Street.

Municipal Court and Public Safety, E. 1st Street, corner E. Court Avenue.

Shrine Auditorium, Pleasant Street, corner 10th Street.

United States Court House, E. Walnut St., corner E. 1st Street.

## CITY PARKS

Ashby Park, Ovid Avenue, between 38th and 40th Street.

Bates Park, Arlington Avenue, corner of Clark Street.

Burke Park, E. University, between E. 6th and E. 7th Street.

Des Moines Baseball Park, Holcomb Avenue, N. W. corner 7th Street.

Drake Park, Cottage Grove Avenue, between 23rd and 24th Street.

Good Park, University Avenue, between 17th Street and Keo Way.

Grandview Park, E. 29th and Arthur.

Greenwood Park, Grand Avenue, between 45th and 49th Streets.

McHenry Park, Oak Park Avenue and E. 8th Street.

McFae Park, S. W. 9th Street at Raccoon River.

Nash Park, University Avenue, between 9th and 10th Street.

Pioneer Park, E. Davis Avenue.

Redhead Park, Dean Ave., between E. 17th and E. 18th Streets.

Riverview Park, End of Corning Avenue, near 6th Avenue.

Seni-Cm-Sed Park, University Avenue, between 49th and 56th Street.

Stewart Square Park, E. Grand Avenue, corner E. 14th Street.

Union Park, E. 9th, between E. Jefferson and Guthrie Avenues.

Walker Park, Indianola Avenue and S. E. 2nd Street.

Waveland Park, 100 Polk Blvd.

## NEGRO CHURCHES ADVENTIST

Berean Seventh Day Adventist, 1049 12th Street.

Philadelphia Seventh Day Adventist, 1150 13th Street.

Free Seventh Day Adventist, 1049 W. 12th Street.

## AFRICAN M. E.

Bethel A. M. E., 1530 E. University Avenue.

First Colored M. E., 741 S. E. 28th Street.

Kyles A. M. E. Zion, 709 S. E. 15th Street.

St. Paul A. M. E., 12th and Crocker Street.

Second St. A. M. E. Zion Mission, 507 E. 2nd Street.

West Side A. M. E., 1125 3rd St.

Burns M. E., 811 Crocker Street.

West Side A. M. E. Zion, 1125 W. 3rd Street.

## BAPTIST

Corinthian, 9th and School Street.

Gospel Tabernacle of U. S. A., Inc., 1116 W. 2nd Street Place.

Maple Street, Baptist, E. 16th and Maple Street.

Mt. Olive Baptist, 511 S. E. 4th St.

Siloh Baptist, S. E. 14th and Scott Street.

Union Baptist, E. University and McCormick.

Mt. Hebron Baptist, West Des Moines.

## CHURCH OF GOD

Church of God, 1151 3rd Street.

Church of God In Christ, 728 S. E. 14th Court.

Church of God In Christ, 853 10th Street.

Church of God In Christ, E. 17th Street and University Avenue.

Church of God In Christ, E. 17th Street and Cleveland Avenue.

Church of God and Saints of Christ, 928 W. 12th Street.

Chesterfield Sanctified Church of Christ, 509 S. E. 27th Street.

Christ's Sanctified Holy Church, 1521 E. University Avenue.

## EPISCOPAL

St. Simon, 1227 School Street.

Unity Religious Science School, 1068 12th Street.