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MRS. CLARA JOHNSON LECTURES

Large Crowds Attend School and Home Institute

Negro Dramatic Student Given Lead in University of Iowa Play Grand Prize Award to Be Friday Evening at 10:00

Colored Warriors Battle Under Colors of 'Abraham Lincoln' Unit

WHITES AND BLACKS FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE

Morata de Tajuna, Spain, March 18—(ANP)—On the Jarama river sector in Spain's bloody civil war, one of the most unique units among the combatants is the Abraham Lincoln division composed of white and black troops supporting the Loyalist cause...

Two Suicides Hit Here Last Week

THEODORE EMERY, MRS. MABEL POSTEN ARE VICTIMS

Two suicides, a rare occurrence among Negroes, within three days hit Des Moines this week-end with alarming rapidity. Theodore Emery, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Press Emery, 800 S. E. Twenty-eighth street, was found dead Saturday from a shotgun wound...

France Appoints Negro Governor

Was Cited For Bravery During War Paris, France, March 18—Upon recommendation of the minister of the colonies, the French high colonial council approved without a dissenting voice the appointment of Felix Eboue to the post of governor general of Guadeloupe.

Born in Guadeloupe, Eboue was sent to Bordeaux, where he distinguished himself in his scholastic studies at the University of Bordeaux. Upon graduating he entered colonial service, in which branch of the French home government he became so proficient that he received four promotions within a period of two years.

At the outbreak of the World War he was chief of the colonial administrative staff, a position which he later resigned when his military class was called. He was twice decorated on the western front for bravery.

Though an impressive number of blacks have been rewarded with responsible positions for eminent services, this marks the first time that the highly sought post of governor general has been awarded by the French government to a black man.

"DE LAWD'S" SON DIES Chicago, Ill.—Nearly two years after the passing of his famous father, Laurence Harrison, widely known orchestra leader and violinist, son of the late Richard B. Harrison, "Du Lawd" of "The Green Pastures," was taken in death Wednesday.

Howard University Honors Its Seventieth Anniversary

SCHOOL'S RISE TO RECOGNITION CITED BY PHEXY

Idea of School First Born at Church Meet Washington, D. C., arch 19—An all-day celebration of the seventieth anniversary of the founding of Howard university was held Tuesday, at which time the Charter Day address was delivered by the Honorable Louis C. Cranton, former representative from the Seventh congressional district of Michigan. The speaker traced the founding of Howard university by General O. O. Howard, commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, and his associates as occurring at the same time that help was being given the freedom recently emancipated from slavery.

Dr. Johnson, president, in opening exercises, called attention to the fact that the university's charter from the government of the United States was granted seventy years ago and that the institution was really born in idea and in purpose in 1866, in a prayer meeting at First Congregational church still standing at the corner of Tenth and G street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

CHARLES GREEN IS BLACKHAWK CHIEFTAN

By James B. Morris, Jr. (Special to the Iowa Bystander) Iowa City, Iowa—History was made Tuesday night when Charles Green, a young Negro, gave a wonderful performance in the lead role of "Children of Thunder." It was the first time in the history of Iowa university that a Negro has been awarded this honor. Mr. Green played the part of Blackhawk, a historic Indian chieftain in the early days of Iowa. The dramatic role was well suited to the young star. Green is a senior in the school of speech and dramatics.

Besides his work in drama, Mr. Green is also very active in radio and speech. At the present time he has his own program on WSUI, the broadcasting station of the State university. The program, titled "The Negro in Literature," is presented four nights a week, giving the history and some examples of Negro literature. Some of the announcing for the station and training of some freshman speech classes are also handled by Mr. Green.

A graduate of Sumner High school in St. Louis, he was president of his class and active in dramatic and social affairs of the city. His talent not only lies in the above mentioned field, but also in athletics, having won his freshman numeral and minor "I" as a member of the Hawkeye track squad. He is a member of

THE ANNUAL OPERATION



New Justice Is Meted Out in Southern State Supreme Court

FREE TENANT CONVICTED OF SLAYING OVERSEER IN MISS. Jackson, Miss., March 18—(ANP)—In one of the few decisions of its kind ever rendered in the south, the state supreme court Monday freed Milton Jarman tenant farmer, who had been convicted by a lower court and sentenced to life imprisonment for killing a white plantation overseer.

Kept Her Riches Until the Last

WOMAN, WORTH \$6,000, DIES IN PADLOCKED HOME Birmingham, March 18—(ANP)—Money and property with a total value of \$6,000 were revealed Sunday with the death from natural causes of Sally Gray, eccentric and uneducated recluse, who died behind heavily padlocked doors.

Rep. Mitchell Tells Of His Legislation

EXPECT ANTI-LYNCH BILL ACTION WITHIN A MONTH Washington, March 18—(ANP)—Pointing out that his first bill introduced after election to congress was an anti-lynching statute, Representative Arthur W. Mitchell of Chicago declared Tuesday that he had at last succeeded in getting the chairman of the judiciary committee to hold hearings on this legislation, probably within the next month.

Passion Week Services Planned

Holy Week will be observed by the colored churches of the city, beginning Monday evening, March 22nd. Special services will be held each evening at the following churches: Monday—Corinthian Baptist church—Rev. W. H. Thomason and choir. Tuesday—Kyles A. M. E. church—Rev. C. K. Brown and choir. Wednesday—Maple Street Baptist church—Rev. R. H. Hackley and choir. Thursday—Union Baptist, Rev. C. B. Wheeler and choir. Good Friday services to be held by the united churches at Burns M. E. church, March 26. Services begin at noon, ending at 3:00 p. m.

Grand Prize Award to Be Friday Evening at 10:00

NEW FEATURES ADDED TO THIS YEAR'S SHOW

By Everett Wadsworth Staff Writer Too much praise cannot be given to the local firms, manufacturers and advertisers who made it possible for the grand opening of the Bystander's fourth annual Cooking School and Home Institute at the Billiken hall Wednesday evening to about two hundred and fifty people. Mrs. Clara Johnson, domestic science expert, explained and demonstrated the easy and economical way to cook.

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MRS. CLARA JOHNSON Third Year as Instructor

Magic Chef Range A modern Magic Chef gas range, furnished through the courtesy of the Des Moines Electric company, a Vitulaire ice refrigerator, distributed by the Des Moines Ice and Fuel company and Consumers Ice company, white table and kitchen cabinet and linoleum formed a 1937 streamlined kitchen on the stage. Mrs. Johnson was assisted by Mrs. Judith Wilson. The Friday fashion parade will be in charge of and directed by Miss Jean Morris, student of North High.

Thursday afternoon was the "maids' day off"; hundreds of domestics and day workers took advantage of the half holiday to attend the afternoon session. Ten baskets of food have been given to holders of the lucky numbers at each session.

Mrs. Helen Chenoweth Mrs. Helen Chenoweth, well known authority on home economics, discusses "Food Preservation and Modern Refrigeration." The local ice companies are presenting this speaker, besides a display of ice refrigerators.

SIX MEN EMPLOYED BY DES M. CITY RAILWAY As result of a committee headed by Ernest Thompson, Guy Jackson and Attorney Jas. B. Morris, who visited the city council several weeks ago in an effort to secure jobs with the D. M. City Railway Company, six Negro men started to work Monday morning.

Mitchell Names 2 More To School at Annapolis

GEORGE TRIVERS AND JAMES I. MINOR, JR. ARE APPOINTED Washington, D. C., March 18—(ANP)—Appointment of George Trivers, 19, a senior at Miner Teachers college, and James I. Minor, Jr., 18, a junior at Howard university, to the navy academy at Annapolis was announced Wednesday by Representative Arthur W. Mitchell of Chicago.

British Dentist in National Society

EMINENT SERVICE OF MAN IS REWARDED Georgetown, British Guiana, March 18.—The British Dental association elected to membership Dr. Frank S. Hunte, D. D. S., practicing dental surgeon of this city, along with eight other overseas dental surgeons at the first Empire dental meeting held in the Central hall, Westminster. Dr. Hunte's honor is in recognition

is used in most of the cooking and demonstrations. Chairs are being furnished for the audience by L. Fowler & Son and Wilson's Funeral Homes.

The grand award, an all-electric Mixmaster, is to be presented Friday night at the final session. The winner must be present at the time of the drawing at 10 p. m.

Bystander employes and relatives cannot compete for any of the prizes or awards.

Kitchen Cleaning One of the most interesting things women learn at the Bystander Cooking School is how to shorten hours of kitchen cleaning and how to do it without tedious rubbing and scrubbing. "However proud one may be of one's cooking," says Mrs. Clara Johnson, "the woman doesn't live who wouldn't like to dodge the time and effort spent in cleaning up."

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of eminent services rendered to the profession—science and art of dental surgery. The certificate of membership was awarded to him recently.

OPPOSITION TO HASTIE FADES AT HEARING

Washington, D. C., March 18.—The opposition to the confirmation of William H. Hastie as federal judge for the Virgin Islands faded completely in the committee hearings here March 10th. Senator William H. King of Utah said the sub-committee would make a favorable report.

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COOKING SCHOOL AND HOME INSTITUTE

The fourth annual Cooking School and Home Institute sponsored by the Bystander is now in progress. Originally styled a Cooking School, the affair has been enlarged to include every feature of home making.

Readers of the paper will note with interest the large number of firms and individuals who have aided in sponsoring the undertaking this indicating the interest they have taken in inviting them to buy and use their wares. Further, these firms and individuals indicate by this interest that they want the business of our readers and are glad to ask for it through these columns and in our project.

The Bystander brings to the community this service because it feels that the public is entitled to receive from its business institutions something besides a desire to make profits. It feels responsible for doing its part to bring worthwhile projects to the community.

It further desires to demonstrate to the public that Negroes can do things in a big way and that given the opportunity their projects can and do measure up.

Homemakers find at this affair an opportunity to learn how and when foods should be prepared in order to save and at the same time get the proper diet; they can learn how to decorate their homes properly and within the limits of their income; the latest cleaning devices; how to secure financial assistance to build and improve homes. In fact the Bystander believes that well kept homes and well fed families, even though not elaborate, make for better families and a better community.

The Bystander appreciates the kindness of all who in any way helped to make the Cooking School and Home Institute a success. It could not have succeeded without the cooperation of the public as well as the sponsors.

IT SHOWS UP HERE

The biennial jockeying over anti-lynching legislation in Congress has already commenced. Each bill on the subject introduced in the house of representatives has been referred to the judiciary committee, of which Representative Summers of Texas is chairman. As usual he has used every scheme imaginable to keep the committee from reporting the bill to the house and again as usual Representative Gavagan of New York is circulating a petition to discharge the committee and bring the bill on the floor of the house.

The N. A. A. C. P. intimates that Representative Mitchell is "playing ball" with Representative Summers and the others opposed to the bill, with a result that the legislation is in a muddle.

This situation is quite amusing when we remember that campaign spellbinders told us that the group traditionally opposed to the Negro were not running the New Deal and that we might look to friendly Democrats to do just as well by the Negro as the Republicans. In practice this does not work.

On more than one occasion the Bystander has called attention to the fact that practically all important committees in Congress are headed by Southern Democrats. Although Southern Democrats do not constitute

a majority in Congress, they muster sufficient strategy to block any legislation of special interest to the Negro and with which they disagree.

Of course the rock ribbed Democrats are opposed to much of the New Deal legislation. The inclination of the administration to centralize everything in the Federal government and to leave less freedom of action to individual states go against their grain but in almost all cases they have buried their heads in the sand in order to go along with a winning administration and enjoy the patronage and honor which go with it. These are the things which keep them in line. But when the interest of the Negro is at stake they balk and refuse to be herded; and the administration makes no effort to use patronage or any other political persuader to force them.

It is in an instance of this kind when true friendship is shown. Anybody can be a fair weather friend but when the fight is on the test comes. We want to see these political spellbinders use their influence with the administration to get something done.

MORE BAD EXAMPLE

Governor Murphy of Michigan ought to bury his head in shame every time he recalls that upon induction into office he took an oath to uphold and defend the constitution of his state. His anxiety to settle the General Motors strike made him aid and abet those who said to hell with the courts and refuse to pay any attention to its orders.

Now comes along the Chrysler strike; the judge issued an order for the sit-down strikers to vacate the plants and the strikers refused to obey the law—and Gov. Murphy does nothing about it.

All of this controversy indicates clearly that too many of our public officials are more anxious to court the favor of certain groups than they are to carry out the pledge they made to society when they assumed office.

The Life Story of Negroes of Note

By Mrs. Oscar Glass

ROLAND HAYES
1887—Georgia

Not long after that he made up his mind to enter Oberlin College of Music. He had saved a little money, and by giving recitals along the way he was sure he would have enough.

He appeared in several small Negro churches, charging an admission of ten cents. He received one-half of the door receipts and the church took the other half. But he had to pay all expenses. He discovered that he was not only failing to make anything but he was using his savings. There was nothing he could do but give up his plans to go to Oberlin—at least for the present. He would try to go to Fisk University instead.

After several unsuccessful attempts he finally found a place where he could work for his room and board and receive a dollar a week.

Although he was nineteen years old, he could do only sixth grade work. He entered the grade department of the school, making two grades the first year, and earning a scholarship.

He was very happy in the progress he was making, and was completely stunned when, one day he was called into the president's office and told that they didn't want a boy like him at Fisk. Asking the reason he was told only that his conscience should tell him why.

He had been at Fisk four years and was near the close of the third year of high school work but he left the school at once.

After working as table waiter in a club in Louisville, Ky., he went to Boston with the Fisk Jubilee Singers. They were giving a series of concerts there and asked him to join them. In a short time he was offered free tuition at the New England Conservatory of Music, but he preferred to study privately. He began his study with a splendid teacher, continuing eight years.

Working as bell-hop and messenger he earned seven dollars a week. It became necessary for him to bring his mother to Boston, so he rented a little flat for \$4.50 a week. The remaining \$2.50 had to feed them.

There was one big box in which his mother brought some bedding from Tennessee. Roland sawed up this box and made her a bedstead. A few other boxes served as a table and chairs.

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Health Talks

By Dr. C. R. Bradford

CARE OF PERISHABLE FOODS

Perishable foods are those which quickly deteriorate and become inedible because of decay, various forms of fermentation, wilting and drying. Decay and fermentation are caused by bacterial action. The first step in kitchen and sanitation with a view to the easy preservation of perishable foods in a complete cleaning and proper ventilation of these parts of the house in preference to all others.

Scraps of food should not be permitted to accumulate from one meal to another, nor should unused foods be left uncovered very long. Every effort should be made to keep the house free of flies. Typhoid fever and several other dangerous diseases may be transmitted from house to house by flies.

Special efforts should be made to insure children fresh foods at all times. Many of the intestinal and stomach conditions seen by physicians are contributed to poorly preserved foods. Mothers should be as alert about preserving foods as they are about preparing palatable or tasty meals. They should also know something about the vitamins and other constituents found in various foods to insure a well balanced diet for the family.

They had no other furniture except a cook stove.

Ten years later Roland Hayes' income for one season was one hundred thousand dollars.

He has sung in all of the leading musical centers of Europe and has appeared by "royal command" before European royalty. After his appearance before King George V and Queen Mary he was presented a diamond medal.

IN THE SHADOW OF THE STARS

By Abbe Wallace

YOUNGEST MENTALIST ON THE AMERICAN STAGE

NOTE:—Your question will be answered FREE in this column ONLY when a clipping of this column enclosed with Your Question, Your full Name, Birthdate, and Correct address. For Private Reply send twenty-five cents in coin or money order and a self-addressed envelope for my New Astrology Reading and receive by return mail my Free Advice on Three Questions. Do Not Send Stamps. Send all mail to Abbe Wallace care of the Iowa Bystander, 302 Chemical Building, De. Moines, Iowa

L. C. J.—Will you please tell me who went to see my husband and told him about my boy friend?

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L. G.—What is wrong with my back and will it interfere with my future vocation?

Ans:—You have strained your back and unfortunately you have not shown it the proper consideration. You can overcome this if you will only realize your back is "sick" and act accordingly. See a doctor immediately. This will in no way interfere with your future vocation.

M. L. M.—Will I be able to go back home and get away from the life I am living?

Ans:—By all means abandon your present life of wastefulness and dis-

His programs always include a few Negro spirituals. He has a deep appreciation of this music, although he sings in French, German and Italian. Mr. Hayes said: "I put myself into the hands of the Great Something that put me here, to use me." He believes his life has always been guided by a "Great Purpose."

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ORIGINAL NOTICE
In the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, Iowa, Myron N. Blank, Plaintiff,
vs.
The unknown claimants of and to the following described real estate, to wit: The East One Third (E 1/3) of the West One Half (W 1/2) of Lots 7 and 8 in Block 14, Fort Des Moines, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, and Central National Bank and Trust Company of Des Moines, Trustee under the W. L. White Trust Agreement, Raymond Blank, Jane W. Schlawig, Herman Schlawig, William M. Schlawig, Helen White Brand, William E. Brand, Frank Bredimus, Franklin W. Bredimus, W. L. White, Jr., Fern B. White, Helen White Kirby, Edward Kirby, Jo Ann Kirby, John Kirby, Margaret W. Kirby, Edwin Wright, Edwin Wright, Jr., Ruthven White and William H. Atherton, and all persons unknown claiming any right, title or interest, or who may hereafter claim any right, title or interest in and to the above described real estate, and all heirs, devisees, legatees, executors, legal representatives, assignees or grantees now living or hereafter born of Jane W. Schlawig, Herman Schlawig, William M. Schlawig, Helen White Brand, William E. Brand, Frank Bredimus, Franklin W. Bredimus, W. L. White, Jr., Fern B. White, Helen White Kirby, Edward Kirby, Jo Ann Kirby, John Kirby, Margaret W. Kirby, Edwin Wright, Edwin Wright, Jr., Ruthven White and William H. Atherton, or any of them, Defendants.

To each of the above named defendants: You and each of you are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Polk County, the petition of plaintiff in the above entitled cause demanding judgment and decree for the partition and sale of the following described real estate, to-wit: The East One Third (E 1/3) of the West One Half (W 1/2) of Lots Seven (7) and Eight (8) in Block Fourteen (14), Fort Des Moines, an addition now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Said petition states that the plaintiff is the absolute owner of an undivided two-thirds (2/3) interest in and to said real estate and that the other one-third (1/3) interest is now owned by the defendant Central National Bank and Trust Company of Des Moines, Trustee under the W. L. White Trust Agreement, for the benefit of Jane W. Schlawig, W. L. White, Jr., and Helen W. Brand, or their heirs or legal representatives, known or unknown, now living or hereafter born, and has been sold under order of the Court by the Central National Bank and Trust Company of Des Moines, Trustee as aforesaid, to J. S. Pochan, whose interests have been assigned, conveyed and transferred to Raymond Blank. Said petition states that the defendants have or claim to have some interest in and to said real estate, and said petition asks that their right in and to said real estate, if any, be fixed and determined by the Court.

Said petition further prays that the Court fix and establish that the plaintiff has an undivided two-thirds interest in and to said real estate absolutely and in fee simple, and that all the other defendants have a one-third interest in said real estate; that partition of shares that a sale of said real estate be ordered and that a division of the proceeds be made between the parties entitled thereto according to their respective shares.

Said petition alleges that the plaintiff did on the 4th day of December, 1936, pay to the Auditor of Polk County, Iowa, to redeem from tax sales of the above described real estate \$271.33, and to the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, for taxes and assessments upon the above described real estate the sum of \$2,848.55, and that plaintiff has a lien upon the share of the defendants on account of said payments in the sum of \$316.73, with interest from December 4, 1936, and said petition prays that said sum be decreed a lien upon the real estate of the defendants in and to upon the real estate of the defendants in and to the proceeds of the sale of said real estate, and if same be sold the same be deducted from the proceeds of such sale before distribution thereof and paid to the plaintiff.

Said petition further prays that the interest of the plaintiff in and to said property be established and quieted as against each and all of the defendants and persons claiming by, through or under them, or any of them, and that they and each of them be forever estopped from asserting any right, title or interest adverse to the rights, interest or title of this plaintiff, and adverse to the rights of any other persons determined by the Court to be the owners of an interest in said real estate.

Said petition also prays for general equitable relief and for costs, including legal attorney's fees.

For further particulars see the petition on file.

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the second day of the next term of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Polk County, Iowa, being the May 1937 term thereof, which will be begun and held at the Court House in the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on the 3rd day of May, 1937, you will be adjudged in default and judgment and decree will be rendered against you as prayed in plaintiff's petition.

BRAMMER, BRODY CHARLTON & PARKER Attorneys for Plaintiff Published in the Iowa Bystander February 22 and March 4, 11 and 18, 1937.

NOTICE TO REDEMPT FROM TAX SALE YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON THE 8TH DAY OF MAY, 1937, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, SITUATED IN POLK COUNTY, IOWA, (to-wit: Lot 12 Block 13 Oak Park, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold by the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes against the said real estate for the years 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, to Polk County, Iowa, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to Polk County, Iowa, by the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, pursuant to said sale, which certificate is now lawfully held and owned by Plaintiff, BRAMMER, BRODY CHARLTON & PARKER, Attorneys for Plaintiff, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within sixty days from the completed service of this notice.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1937. POLK COUNTY, IOWA. BRAMMER, BRODY CHARLTON & PARKER, County Auditor of and for Polk County, Iowa.

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By Dorothy, Wheels

NOTICE

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The Society Editor

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Cooking School

The cooking school is well under way now, with a great deal of success. Numerous club meetings and parties have been held. Every one is planning their Easter visits, trips and activities for the Easter holiday. Yours for more and better social affairs.

Clubs—And What They're Doing

The Top Hatters will meet Sunday at the home of Miss Lessie Henry, 1155 Fourteenth street. The club is holding a bank night at the East Side Community Center on March 22nd.

Mrs. Ira Hayes was hostess to the T. O. B. club Friday evening. The literary committee had charge of the program, which was an open discussion on "The President vs the Supreme Court."

The Mary B. Talbert club met March 10th at the home of Mrs. L. McKerson, 1112 Day street. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ada Jefferson of 848 Ninth street.

The Pals of Pleasure club held their weekly meeting March 11th at the home of Mrs. Hytwer, 1174 W. Second street. They plan to entertain March 20th, at the home of Mrs. Phyllis Jackson. Mrs. Ashby is the reporter.

The Welcome Circle will meet with Mrs. Maggie Abner at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Winn, 1109 Fourteenth street, Tuesday, March 23rd.

The Ten Keys will meet at the home of Mrs. Rose Brooks, 1307 Crocker street. Mrs. Viola Croft is hostess. After the business meeting the club will present Mrs. Francis Wells with a birthday gift.

The Blue Triangle mixed chorus had election of officers March 15th, as follows: Horace Brown, president; Myra Brooks, secretary; Ethel Blagburn, reporter.

The Les Bonnes Aimes club met with Susie Redd and Lorena McClain on Tuesday. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 23, at 1321 Ascension street, with Mrs. Irma Whitaker and Wanda Wadsworth as hostesses.

The chorus, under the direction of Mrs. George Crank, sang Tuesday evening at Winterset, Iowa, for a mother and daughter banquet given by the high school Girl Reserves.

The Mary Church Terrell club met March 1st, with Miss Birdie Winn as hostess. Dr. E. T. Scales lectured on "Rheumatism and Neuritis." March 8th the club met with Mrs. Mabel Brooks. Three minute talks were given by each club member. On March 15th the club met with Mrs. Joan Bullock. Mrs. Ella Willis lectured on "Learning to Live With Children." Mrs. Joburness Kelso sang a solo.

The L. T. club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Hardaway of 1128 Eleventh street Wednesday, March 17th. The evening was spent in a social way.

Virginia Picnic Association
The Virginia Picnic association will meet Sunday at the Community Center at 4:30. A special program is planned and Mrs. Helen Bechears will be the principal speaker.

The Modernistic club met Tuesday with Mrs. Muriel De Sleet, 3106 Bow-doin avenue. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mary Herdaway for rehearsal for the Jaberwock.

Mrs. Marie Clark of 1322 Day street entertained the Lark's Sewing club on Wednesday, March 17th. Mrs. Mabel Crowder of 1212 Day street will entertain the Sewing club March 21st.

The Misses Katherine and Dorothy McDonald of 1515 S. E. Herfflot street entertained at a party March 16th. Those sharing in the courtesy were: Johnny Williams, Levey McGuire, Ruby Lyle, Annabelle Patterson and Leon Patterson. Refreshments were served and cards were played.

The Royal Senators will meet at 1029 Seventeenth street, with Eddie Clark, Wiley Dixon and Art Bush as hosts, Tuesday, March 23. The president, Columbus Ware, was called out of the city indefinitely. The officers are now as follows: President, Oliver McKay; vice president, Wiley Dixon; secretary, George Turner; assistant secretary, George Stewart; and sergeant-at-arms, Willard Wilson. A stag party has been planned at James Allen's on March 20th. Invitations are extended to Royal Dukes, Sportsman and Ambassadors.

The Grand Auction Bridge club met at the home of Mr. Theodore Duncan, 1222 Center street. The prize was won by Theodore Duncan and Herman Wallace. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. Jake McKerson.

The Delux club met with Blossom Brewton as hostess on Thursday, March 18th.

Miss Virginia Mays, niece of Dr. L. R. Willis, visited over the week-end with Miss Georgia Edmunds. She was entertained at a party Saturday evening at the home of Miss Jean Morris 955 Seventeenth street.

Henry Johnson of the CCC camp at DeSota, Missouri, was a visitor in the city last week and called at the Bystander office while here.

Eleanor Powell, student at Iowa State college, Ames, Iowa, is in the city Tuesday to spend her spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morris, of 1046 Seventeenth street.

Mrs. Etta Smith of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Archie McGuire, who has been seriously ill, but is now much improved.

Lyle Wright, former North High football star and graduate, who has lived in Cleveland, Ohio, for several years, has returned to Des Moines for an indefinite stay. He was a visitor at the Bystander office last week.

Mrs. Rozetta Parker entertained her husband, David Parker, at a surprise birthday party at her home, 833 Ninth street, March 6th. Those sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. H. Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. S. Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Wilkinson and Paul Woods.

Dr. H. A. Martin, chiropractor, of Dubuque, Iowa, accompanied by his two daughters, attended the Midwestern Convention of Chiropractors at the Hotel Savery on Sunday and Monday.

Atty. S. Joe Brown, instructor of the class in "Race Relations" in the Des Moines Sunday School Institute, addressed a similar class in United Presbyterian church at Indianola on Sunday evening.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown was guest speaker at a joint banquet of the Girl Reserves and the Hi Y. boys of Winterset, Iowa, Tuesday evening. The mixed chorus from the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A., under the direction of Mrs. Geo. Crank, furnished the music.

Post To Give
Stag Saturday

The Lincoln American Legion post invites all Legionnaires to a stag to be given March 20th at the McCree hall, East Sixteenth and University. Free refreshments will be served. Sam Rhoads is the commander.

GOLDEN JUBILEE CHORUS TO REHEARSE TUESDAY

All members of Negro church choirs and others who sing are asked to be at a meeting at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A., 1407 Center street, Tuesday evening, March 23, to organize a mixed chorus, which will stage the "Cantata of Esther" during the Masonic Golden Jubilee, to be held in Des Moines on July 12 to 15.

Every one fifteen and over who would like to participate in this chorus is urged to attend this meeting. The Virginia Picnic Association will meet Sunday at the Community Center at 4 p. m. A pot luck lunch will be served.

SPEAKS ON CANCER

Dr. J. Alvin Jefferson will speak on "Cancer and Pre-Cancerous Conditions" at St. Paul church, Sunday evening, March 22, in observance of Cancer Week, which begins March 21.

SIMPSON SPEAKS AT COURT HOUSE

Lawrence B. Simpson, American seaman who was held in a Nazi concentration camp for eighteen months, will speak Monday night, March 22, at the Court House, under the auspices of the Des Moines Workers' Alli-

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"All your guys and your gals" with your "frocks" and "all-new frocks" will get a chance to show them at the Easter ball Monday, March 29th, at the Pla-Lan ballroom, Seventh and Grand.

T. L. (Speck) Howard, manager, has booked Jerry Hayes, well known entertainer, who is again the maestro of original Walkathon band for this holiday occasion.

MRS. HANDY DIES IN N. Y.

New York, March 18—(C)—Mrs. W. C. Handy, wife of the noted composer, died of a stroke at her home, 400 Convent avenue, Wednesday night.

NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE TO J. E. NEAL, person in whose name the property described below is taxed.

You are hereby notified that on the 6th day of May, 1935, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 11, Burton Gardens, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold by the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes against the said real estate for the years 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, to Polk County, Iowa; and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to Polk County, Iowa, by the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, pursuant to said sale, which certificate is now lawfully held and owned by Polk County, Iowa, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice.

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Who was the certain young man, who is a prominent leader of Corinthian Baptist B. Y., that was looking for a certain East Side girl (copper-colored gal), last Sunday night, and she was right under his nose. Too bad it wasn't a snake or he would have been bitten. I am ashamed of you, E. N. Why is it that L. F. doesn't like to be called "Society Red"? What two members of the Sigma Chi Omega club—male and female—doesn't seem to be able to get together? H. C. why don't you make a pass, since D. W. doesn't rate? I hope that some day Mr. S. H. will meet his Waterloo. Orchids to S. H. for apologizing to that certain person who reprimanded him. Personally I didn't think it was in him. Willie M., you will never know how happy we, L. H., E. L., and several others are to see you up and well again. Wonder how R. V. and Wimpy are getting along? R. V., why don't you get wise to yourself, or vice versa? S. B. seems to be

torn between two loves. Here's hoping that he will soon make up his mind, because I know one that doesn't like waiting. How is it that Jerome F. knows so much about other folks' affairs? Who is the tall handsome lad that visits Buchanan street quite often? B. Brooks, aren't you sort of—rocking the cradle? Leonard W. always said "that nobody worked but mules and fools." I wonder which fits him best. Ann, what happened Sunday night? T. M., you're not by any chance trying to get back home? Where was O. (Buck) P. last weekend? Not trying to keep something from the public, are you Buck? Why is it that P. Frazier doesn't put much trust in young women any more? Could it be something that C. T. or M. B. has done? A. Thomas seems to be losing his old grip. You understand, don't you, Al? Where does

Art W. keep himself? Orchids to the director of the E. D. Community Center, and to her co-workers for the splendid work which they are doing. What prominent and popular young man had to make a grave decision after the jamboree Sunday night? Pal, why don't you wake up to yourself?

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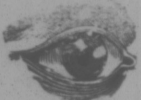
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SPECIAL PALM SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. SIMON'S CHURCH
The Rev. J. D. Griffith of Davenport will conduct services at St. Simon's Episcopal church Sunday morning. Holy Communion will be administered and special Palm Sunday music rendered.

OBITUARY
Mrs. Anna Rankin Benton was born in St. Elmo, Tennessee, June 15, 1885, and died March 8, 1937. She was married to Luke Benton in 1902. Four children were born, but have preceded her in death. She is a former resident of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and a member of the Eastern Star

Judge, House of Refuge, and the Sanctified Church of Christ. She is survived by her husband and sister. Funeral services were held March 11th at Bethel A. M. E. church, with Rev. C. H. Cranshaw officiating. Interment at Glendale cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS
We thank the friends for the kindness shown during the illness and at the death of our loved one, Mrs. Anna Benton; donation of cars; beautiful floral display; inspiring remarks of Rev. Cranshaw and the efficient service of L. Fowler & Son Funeral Home.—Luke Benton, husband.

OBITUARY
Rev. Andrew J. H. Rogers was born January 24, 1850, in North Carolina, died March 10, 1937, in Des Moines, Iowa. He was married to Elizabeth Thomas in August, 1883. He was a member of the Rising Star Baptist church in Pratt City, Alabama, ordained to the ministry in 1893 in Yale, Kansas, a member of Doric lodge, A. F. & A. M. and Princess Oziel chapter, No. 9, O. E. S. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Rogers; three sons, Iza, Willie and Henry of Chicago, Illinois; three daughters, Ophelia Hill, Sarah Jett and Jessie Mae Rogers, of Des Moines, Iowa. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 13th, at Corinthian Baptist church. The Rev. G. W. Robinson officiating. Interment at Glendale cemetery.

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BURLINGTON NEWS
Mrs. Bessie V. Johnson
The spring rally at Union Baptist church was a success. A Thompson raised the largest sum, \$60. The total amount for the day was \$68.20. The funeral services of James Crawford, who died March 25th, was held at Unterkircher's funeral home Wednesday. The Rev. E. A. London officiated. DeEdwin White organized a Boy Scout troop, which meets every Tuesday at the Masonic hall. Dr. Richard Davis of Monmouth, Illinois, was a guest of Miss Elizabeth Drew on Sunday. Mrs. Irene Brown and son, F. Morris Brown, were guests at dinner Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hicklin. The Misses Mary, Dona and Elizabeth Drew, Richard Davis of Monmouth and Morris Brown called on Miss Mary Francis Johnson on Sunday. Mrs. Rosella Shaw suffered from a fall en route to church Sunday. Mrs. I. B. Washington, who is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Johnson, is improving. C. Nickerson of Clinton, Missouri, visited relatives and friends here Sunday. Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. James Bowles were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Drew on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Wright's illness is not improved. Miss Marcella Marie White was united in marriage Saturday afternoon to Henry Haverson Shaw. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. White of Columbia street and is a graduate of the local high school. Mr. Shaw is employed at Hotel Burlington. They are at home to friends at the home of Mr. Shaw's parents on South Fifteenth street. The Happy Hour club is sponsoring a formal card party for Saturday evening, March 20th, at Masonic hall. The committee is composed of Goldie B. Irving, Duell Fultz, F. Pleasant and Evelyn Fultz.

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St. James A. M. E. church, Rev. William E. Guy, minister. Sunday, March 7th, morning sermon, "The Kind of People God an Use the Men of Integrity." Evening sermon, "What About the Cross" The church has 480 members. It will be safe to say that the members are very well pleased with the pastor and join the stewards in asking the pastor to send him back to us in the September conference of 1937. Mrs. Rose Baker of 666 W. Central is very pleased to be a member of the Bystander. Mrs. Smith of 939 St. Anthony avenue has been sick, but is better. Her guests last Sunday were the president and vice

IMPROVED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for March 21

JOHN'S PICTURE OF THE TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION

LESSON TEXT — John 19: 4-18, 25-30
GOLDEN TEXT — Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 1 John 3:16
PRIMARY TOPIC — When Jesus Died for Us
JUNIOR TOPIC — On a Hill Far Away
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC — Christ's Cross and Its Meaning for Me
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC — Christ's Cross and Mine

The cross is accepted throughout the world as the emblem of the Christian church. The death of the Son of God for the sins of the world is a focal point not only in history but in theology. It is for this reason that we give so much study to the cross and its meaning.
Calvary comes between Christmas and Easter. Jesus came as the Babe of Bethlehem—God incarnate in the flesh. He died for you and me. Death could not hold him. He arose in victory. He is now at the Father's right hand, an Advocate with the Father. He is coming again. Each statement is an indispensable truth!
The assigned text gives only a portion of the moving account of the trial and crucifixion of Jesus but suffices to bring before us in graphic contrast four pictures:
I. Pilate—Convinced but Afraid.
Pilate was in a most difficult position. To turn one way meant to incur the wrath of the Jews he governed. To turn the other meant that he would be accused of disloyalty to Rome. He was convinced that Jesus was innocent, but was afraid to follow his own convictions.
Many there are who follow in his steps. They know what they ought to do with Jesus, but fear the comments of friends or loss of earthly advantage, and take their place with Pilate.

II. The Jews—Hostile and Hard-hearted.
The common people heard Jesus gladly. They loved him and would have followed him. But the Jewish leaders, and those whom they had misled, hated him with malicious hatred.
They are typical of those who in our day have long and repeatedly rejected the claims of the Lord Jesus on their lives. They have hardened their hearts against him until they have become embittered.
Paul says, "They received not the love of the truth that they might be saved, and for this cause God shall send them a strong delusion, that they should believe a lie" (II Thess. 2:10,11).

Let those who have long rejected the Saviour be warned lest they also crucify afresh the Son of God.
III. The Disciples—Remembered by the Saviour.
The thoughtful tenderness of Jesus in providing for his mother even in his own hour of deep suffering, moves upon our hearts and urges us to follow his example. This is a hard world; let the followers of Jesus be tender and kind.
In thus caring for his mother, Jesus gives thought also to the new responsibility of the disciple "whom he loved." We at a sacred and responsible trust, but is it not true that we also are called and commissioned by him?

IV. Jesus—The Saviour.
To see the guiltless, spotless Son of God hung on the cross in propitiation for our sins is to bring us to our knees to cry as did Martin Luther, "For me, for me!"
Majestic in the assurance that he laid down his own life, he walks as a King in the midst of all the confusion round about him.
He was silent. His enemies made great noise and cry against him. Pilate questioned him again and again. Few were the words he spoke, but fraught with more meaning than all the words of men.
2. Strong. All through his life and in his death one is impressed by his strength. All too often sacred art, drawing on its imagination, presents our Lord as an effeminate weakling. No; he was and is gloriously strong.
3. Sympathetic. We have already dwelt on his tender love for his mother. Gentleness is always an attribute of strength, not of weakness.
4. The Saviour. When he cried "It is finished," he did so in no weak submission to an inevitable death. No; he had wrought out redemption, a complete and finished redemption for you and for me.

Now Is the Time
To be always intending to lead a new life but never to find time to set about it, this is as if a man should put off eating and drinking and sleeping from one day and night to another, till he is starved and destroyed.—Tillotson.
Delight in Beauty
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