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MITCHELL BATTLES RAILROADS

"SONNY" WILSON TO OPEN NEW CAFE

The very latest in dining places is being offered to Des Moines patrons by Vincent "Sonny" Wilson, popular young orchestra leader and vocalist, who announces the opening of "Sonny's" Grill, 1113 Center street.

In opening his place of business, Mr. Wilson states "that he has always believed that Des Moines people would appreciate and support the type of a cafe he has planned for them. One that combines the best in foods and service with an atmosphere of refinement and dignity."

The Grill has seating accommodations for approximately forty-five persons, and can be readily augmented to handle more than seventy-five patrons. Five modern booths have been installed for those who desire this type of service. A twenty foot counter embodying the newest features has also been provided.

Mr. Wilson is married, the father of two children and resides at 1200 Park avenue. A native of Des Moines, he has traveled extensively throughout the country gathering ideas, many of which will be incorporated in his cafe. For the past four years he has led his own orchestra at the Wooden Shoe club, one of the city's most popular suburban night clubs. He has also appeared on many programs before local groups as a soloist. He is a member and active worker in the Crocker Street Y. M. C. A., for a number of years a cabin leader at the "Y" camp. Mr. Wilson is also a member of the Young Men's Progressive club and the Ambassador club.

The Grill will open to the public Sunday noon, and thereafter from 7 a. m. until 12:00 p. m.

REV. J. C. BAIN TO ADDRESS ANNUAL Y. M. C. A. MEMBERSHIP DINNER

The annual membership dinner of the Crocker Street Branch Y. M. C. A. will be held in the dining room of the St. Paul A. M. E. church Saturday, May 14th, at 7:00 p. m.

Rev. John C. Bain, pastor of the Burns M. E. church, will be the principal speaker on the program following the dinner. The election of new members to the committee of management will be held and presided over by W. C. Buice, chairman of the board.

T. M. Kelley, chairman of the social committee, is in charge of arrangements and tickets for the dinner may be obtained from him or any member of the committee.

Dr. Inch Now Located At Sears Roebuck Store

Many Bystander readers will be pleased to learn that Dr. J. Merrill Inch, optometrist, formerly at Katz drug store, now is located on the balcony of Sears-Roebuck store.

The latest instruments for examining the eyes are used and the most modern lenses and frames are in stock.

Dr. Inch has used the Iowa Bystander for a long time to express his appreciation and make his announcements to his many colored patients who may have moved in the interim of their visits to his office.

ANDY KIRK BAND CAUSES SELL-OUT FOR MAY DANCE CORONATION

Just five more days, Tuesday night, May 17th, until Andy Kirk and his Clouds of Joy arrive in Des Moines for the May dance coronation at the Pla-Lan. "Speck" Howard, local dance promoter, has made every possible preparation to make this gala affair one of the biggest and merriest of all time.

FIRST TO RECORD
CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS



ANDY KIRK

SELL OUT OF TICKETS

THIS IS IMPORTANT—BE SURE TO GET YOUR TICKETS FROM AUTHORIZED AGENTS AS TICKETS WILL BE IDENTIFIED AT THE DOOR.

The whole state is expected to join the festivities. Reservations have been received from persons living in cities of bordering states. Tickets are being sold faster than ever before, the management reports. They are on sale at four convenient points here in Des Moines: Walker Street Pharmacy, Tolson's Cafe, Community Pharmacy and Hardaway's Tonsorial Parlor, No. 1.

KINGS, QUEENS AND ROYALTY

Andy Kirk, the "Sultan of Synco-pation," will exhibit the largest library of dance music in the world. Mary Lou Williams, "Queen of the Ivories," will be featured with the entire "Royal Court" of the Sultan's torrid pulse speeding, mad musicians when they play and sing until the wee hours of the morn for Iowa's rhythm and fun loving peers of swingdom at their coronation May 17th, Tuesday, at the Pla-Lan.

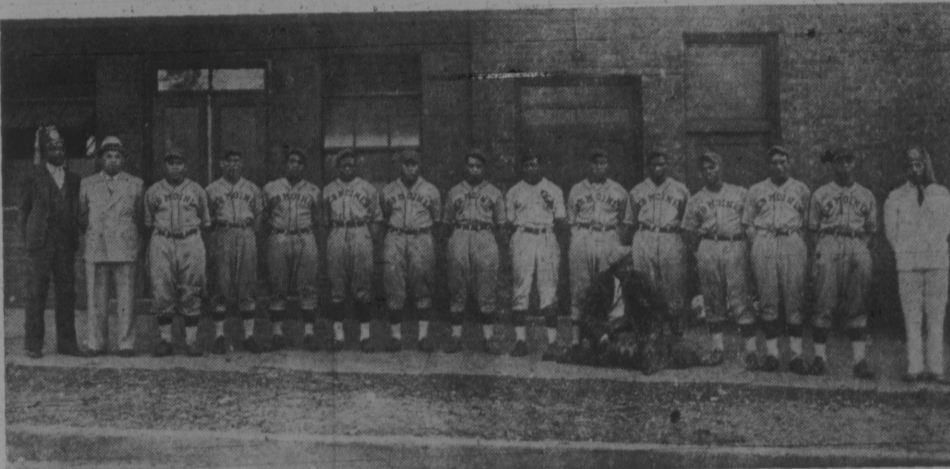
COURT UPHOLDS CIVIL RIGHTS LAW

Harrisburg, Pa., May 11—(CNA)—The recently enacted civil rights bill upholding the right of Negroes to be served in public places within the state was declared valid here this week by the Dauphin county court, which refused to quash an indictment against a white hotel manager accused of violating the law.

The incident grew out of a refusal of Franklin V. Moore, manager of the hotel, to serve a number of Negro school teachers during the 1936 session of the state legislature.

The charges were brought by Arthur H. Fausett, Esther Winters and Helen Morales of Philadelphia, who accused the hotel of withholding accommodations from them "on account of race and color."

BIG GAME SCHEDULED I. B. P. O. E. of W. CONVENTION



Though the weather has been cold, it has not in the least deterred the daily baseball practices of the Negro Elks team that will meet the white Elks in Western League park Sunday afternoon, May 29th, at 3:30.

Mr. Owen Watkins, Elks team manager, has announced that the competition will be on a par with that you would expect to see at a big league contest.

REINSTATEMENT - INITIATION

Essie Holt, exalted ruler of Hawk-eye lodge, No. 160, states that on Monday night, May 23, the lodge will hold reinstatement and initiation of

candidates. The special dispensation will close on that date. Application blanks may be obtained from any member of the Elks lodge. Up to this time about fifty applications have been made.

WOMAN SLAIN, MAN HELD FOR MURDER

Lying in a pool of blood in the front room of her home at 411 Shaw street, the body of Ruby Jett was found by her father, George Jett, who had been sleeping in a rear room of the house Wednesday morning. A bullet which lodged in the brain had entered through her nose.

Soon after discovery of the body the police arrested Frank Brown, who gave his address as 314 Racoon street, who is reported to have been a common law husband of the deceased woman at one time. He admitted having been at the home of the dead woman Tuesday night, but denied any knowledge of the shooting.

Had Quarreled

Inspector of Detectives Jack Brophy declared witnesses said Brown had quarreled with Miss Jett. When arrested Brown had blood stains on his shirt and wrist watch, Brophy said.

Brophy said Brown denied knowledge of the shooting, but admitted he stayed at Miss Jett's home Tuesday night. Claims by Brown that he left the Jett residence prior to the shooting were disputed by other witnesses, Brophy stated.

Revolver in Stove

A .22 caliber revolver was found with the handle burned away in a stove at the residence.

Coroner A. E. Shaw said the bullet found by the autopsy was similar to those in a pocketbook carried by Miss Jett. He said he was having a chemical analysis made of blood on Brown's shirt.

The autopsy showed, Coroner Shaw stated, that a revolver had been pressed firmly into the right nostril of Miss Jett's nose and fired.

Brown is held in the city jail. Formal murder charges will be filed against him. Mrs. Jett had lived in Des Moines eight years. The body was taken to L. Fowler & Son Funeral Home.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Lucy Lewis, Casa Grande, Ariz.; her father, George Jett, Des Moines, and two sisters, Kathryn Jett of Minneapolis, Minn., and Mrs. Jessie Sharp, Des Moines.

Young Negro Progressive Club Seeks Appointment

A committee of the Young Negro Progressive club, led by Allen Ashby, the president, called on Parks Commissioner Lee Keyser and Mel Harvey, secretary of the parks board, and who has charge of all the park work. During the conference both Mr. Harvey and Mr. Keyser announced that this coming summer the swimming pool at Good's park would be managed by Negroes, with a complete Negro staff. In other years the pool management has been under a white man and the rest of the staff has been Negroes. This year, announced Mr. Harvey, Mr. Squires, who managed the pool last year, would be placed in the position of a checker on a number of pools, and one of the boys who worked there last summer would have charge of the pool at Good's. There will be an occasional check-up by officials to see that things are moving smoothly, but that will be the extent of the supervision, Mr. Harvey said.

"I am glad to be able to keep a promise that I made to Mr. Ashby a year ago. At that time I told Ashby that as the Negro help at the pool developed, they would be given increased responsibility, and I feel that the time has come to do that. Either of the boys who worked there last year is capable of handling the job of managing the pool, and I shall make my selection upon the recommendation of Mr. Squires, who worked with them last year."

Mr. Harvey also promised to try to work out some system by which the tennis courts at the park would receive much better care than they have in the past. He said that he would try to work out some system so the pool attendants could be responsible for the condition of the courts.

Mrs. Judith Wilson Teaches N. Y. A. Class

Among the first to render a volunteer service in the instruction of National Youth Administration girls are Mrs. Judith Wilson, chairman of the house committee and member of the committee of management of the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A.

Maxine Sullivan CBS Star



Maxine Sullivan, whose "swing" interpretations of the old classics have had more than a little to do with the touching off of the "swing versus classic" fireworks, is a current and regular feature of the WABC-Columbia network. Maxine's program's of song, which may be heard Tuesday evenings at 6:45 p. m., EDST and Fridays at 6:15 EDST, emanate from Hollywood, where she is filling an engagement at the Versailles night club.—(ANP)

Y. M. C. A. Council Gets \$25,000

St. Louis, May 11—(ANP)—A conditional grant of \$25,000 from the Rosenwald Family association to the fiftieth anniversary fund of the Negro department was announced Wednesday at the annual meeting of the national council of the Y. M. C. A. at Hotel Jefferson.

The offer was made on condition that the Negro branches of the Y. M. C. A. succeed in their campaign this year to raise \$125,000, which

and her committee members, Mrs. A. L. Ward, Mrs. Georgia Guggins and Mrs. Clarence Bogan.

Mrs. Wilson and her assistants have instructed the girls in the art of quilting. Mrs. Bogan has taught flower making.

The class has been in progress for about two months. They are held at the Blue Triangle Branch.

White Woman Charges Tot "RAPED" Her

Houston, Texas, May 11—(Elaine Ellis for CNA)—A 26 year old white woman has seriously charged that a frail 12 year old Negro boy assaulted and "raped" her. This isn't funny. The child, Abner Windom, has been officially charged with "rape" in the juvenile court here, and southern justice being "what it is," may be forced to spend his youth in a reformatory.

Yet little Abner may be lucky at that. In Texas, especially in this lynch region of Houston, even children have fallen victim to the furious hatred of the lynchers. Less than three years ago two Negro boys, Ernest Collins and Benny Mitchell, were brutally put to death between Houston and Columbus. Ernest was only 15 and Benny only 16 years of age. They were arrested and charged with assault and murder simply because they had been seen picking peans near a creek where the body of a white girl was found.

will be supplemented by an allocation of \$100,000 from a special fund to make a total of \$250,000.

Colored branches throughout the nation this year are celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of organized Y. M. C. A. work among Negroes and are featuring the drive to raise the fund.

The "Rosenwald Family association is composed of members of the family of the late Julius Rosenwald, philanthropist.

BROWNS VISIT "ARKANSAS STATE"

Atty. S. Joe Brown returned last Sunday morning from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where he had spent a week giving his annual course of lectures upon legal and quasi-legal topics to the faculty and student body of the Arkansas State college, presided over by Dr. J. B. Watson, who was Atty. Brown's student at Bishop college, Texas, nearly forty years ago.

He was accompanied this time by Mrs. Brown, who in addition to giving one lecture to the entire assembly of four hundred students, was very much in demand as speaker before the various girls' organizations on the campus as well as before the women's clubs in the city.

Congressman Mitchell Loses First Skirmish Jim Crow Case

Chicago Examiner Rules "Negro Coach Meets Requirements of Law"—Attorney Westbrook to File Exceptions—Case To Be Heard Later Before Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington—Present Decision of Examiner Not Final.

Chicago, May 11—(By Albert G. Barnett for ANP)—Arthur W. Mitchell, representative in congress from Chicago's first district, lost the preliminary skirmish in his battle against the jim crow railroad cars of the south here Thursday, when William A. Disque, interstate commerce commission examiner, ruled that the "present Negro (jim crow) coach meets requirements of the law."

On April 20, 1937, en route Chicago to Hot Springs, Ark., Cong. Mitchell was denied Pullman accommodations (which his first class ticket called for) and was compelled to ride in the jim crow car (second class accommodations). As a result of the humiliating incident, Mitchell, through his counsel, Atty. Richard E. Westbrook of Chicago, filed suit in circuit court here against the Pullman company, the Rock Island railway, and the Illinois Central. The suit has jurisdiction in Illinois, because all the companies involved have general offices in Chicago.

Supplementing the Illinois suit, the congressman and Atty. Westbrook took the case to the interstate commerce commission, filing affidavits detailing the discrimination involved and basing the complaint on the railroads refusal to give Mitchell the first class accommodation his ticket called for. Mitchell retained the stub of his first class ticket, which Atty. Westbrook considers one of the main exhibits in the case.

The Examiner's Decision

Examiner Disque, after handing down his ruling at Chicago's Morrison hotel, recommended that Mitchell's complaint be dismissed. Disque's ruling was "As there is comparatively little Negro traffic and not likely to be such demand for Pullman, dining and observation-parlor car accommodations for Negro passengers as to warrant the running of any extra cars, the discrimination and prejudice is plainly not unjust and undue."

They report that the members of the Des Moines contingent at the college since the retirement of Miss Catherine Glass are Wm. (Bill) Parker, a recent graduate of East High, who is a freshman; Doris Bailey, a sophomore; Leonard Brown, a junior; Catherine Hawkins, a graduate of last year, who is assistant librarian, and Lucille Baker, a recent graduate of Iowa university, who is general stenographer and teacher of shorthand and typewriting, who are all quite well and giving a very good account of themselves, and asked to be remembered to their many relatives and friends in Iowa.

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EDITORIAL POLICY
 It shall be the editorial policy of the Iowa Bystander to voice the convictions of the Negro. Praise and criticism will be constructive in its nature, with a definite regard for the progress of all. We are under obligations to no one or organization, but we are free to print what we honestly believe, and we propose to do so with independence and fearlessness in defense of the principals of right as we see it.

LELAND W. GREEN.

JERSEY CITY DALLAS

Two representatives in congress were scheduled, but refused permission to speak at an open air meeting at Jersey City last week without permits because the officials knew their speeches attacked the city administration headed by Mayor Hague, who, by the way, is vice chairman of the Democratic committee. A careful examination of the speeches which the men proposed to deliver disclosed that they contained nothing that would brand them other than good Americans. The chief objection was their attack upon the honesty and integrity of the Hague political machine.

Charges have been made that communists sponsored the meetings at which these men were to speak and that the people of Jersey City were not willing to let this iniquitous organization get control of their city. The charge is quite familiar.

Last week the Ku Klux Klan, Sons of Confederate Veterans and Daughters of the Confederacy of Dallas, Texas, threatened to injure Walter White, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, if he came there to deliver a speech before the interracial commission. Balked in an effort to get the district attorney to stop Mr. White's speech on legal grounds, the chairman of the Sons of Veterans stated that he was willing to lead "any" method that might be chosen to keep this Negro from "coming into our midst, lecturing or talking on issues inimical to the interests of both the white and Negro races." Of course the "issues inimical" consisted of a plea for fair play, the right to vote, protection of the property and person for the Negro. And he winds up by saying the N. A. A. C. P. is financed by communists.

There is a certain similarity running through these stories. And the communists have a lot to bear, especially when sympathy is needed in justification for violating the law.

HOW WE THINK

In an interview here last week while attending a regional meeting of the Republican Planning Committee, William Hard, political commentator and an officer of the committee, criticized the trend of American thinking today in that there is too much of a tendency to think in terms of groups and sections rather than in terms of interest to the entire group.

Here in our democracy we started out on the theory that all men are created equal and are endowed with certain inalienable rights. Yet when we say this certain reservations are made. What happens is that we segregate groups rather than believe and act upon the noble principle upon which our institutions are founded.

Unquestionably there is too much bitterness existing between whites and blacks, Jews and a gentiles and capital and labor. This bitterness is intensified by organizations which thrive on such propaganda. Politicians utilize upon these organizations who make their doctrine political issues, often gaining office on that score alone. And yet we hold up our hands in horror about Hitler, Mussolini and other men of their type who dare to do openly what we wink at and do under cover in this country.

Hitler sympathizers seem to be getting bolder in America today. Numerous groups are springing up here and there. And vigilantes are organizing to put a stop to their activities, claiming that in them they see grave damage to our American system. The trouble is these vigilantes did not begin easily enough. They let groups like the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Shirts do their

Explains Why Dunbar Bank Quits; Negroes Did Not Support It

New York, May 11—(ANP)—From sources close to the officials of the Dunbar bank, a definite statement of the reasons which led to John D. Rockefeller's ordering the liquidation of the Dunbar National bank was made this week.

"The Dunbar National bank was established with a two-fold purpose, first to provide banking facilities for the tenants of the Dunbar and for the people of Harlem who at that time were without any bank in the general territory, and second to give training to young Negroes in banking. Later other banks established branches in Harlem, relieving the original necessity. The Dunbar National while not losing money was not a financial success. The maximum of the general accounts were low. Harlem residents who had substantial banking accounts did business elsewhere. In the meantime, the personnel employed had received valuable training which would stand them in good stead in future business efforts. Mr. Rockefeller felt that he had accomplished his objectives in bettering conditions in Harlem. The liquidation is proceeding in orderly fashion so as not to cause either business or personal inconvenience to those concerned. Negroes are now complaining about the loss of the \$3,000,000 institution, but the fact is they did not support it when they had the opportunity.

Little Theatre Group To Present Kiddie Minstrel

The Little Theatre group of East Des Moines Center are sponsoring a minstrel and review on Thursday, May 11th, at 8:15 p. m. at the Jewish Community Center. The minstrel first part features fourteen young boys, with Jesse Cooper acting as interlocutor. Introducing the Georgia Brown girls. The olio consists of a fast scene, followed by the Pep and Pepper Stepper girls in a fast stepping dancing act. The Corn State quartette, Chinese impersonator, ballet girls and military dancing act concludes the review. Beautiful costumes and catchy music accompany the review. Gertrude North, dramatic teacher, in charge.

Florida Masonic Grand Lodge Holds 69th Annual Communication

Jacksonville, Fla., May 11—(ANP)—The Union Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Florida and jurisdictions closed its sixty-ninth annual communication in the beautiful temple located at 410 Broad street on Thursday evening Hon. D. D. Powell, the veteran grand master, was re-elected after he was commended for steering the grand lodge clear of disaster during the recent depression.

NEGRO VETS HEAD MIGHTY MAY DAY MARCH IN N. Y.

New York, May 11—(CNA)—Headed by Negro and white veterans of Spain's armed struggle against fascism, 200,000 persons marched here on May Day, labor's international holiday, in one of the most thrilling sights this city has ever witnessed. A feature of the parade was the large Negro participation, with several thousand Negro trade unionists and members of the Workers Alliance and of cultural groups, marching under the banners of their organizations. Many more marched in the communist party contingent, comprising the majority of the Harlem division of that party.

duty work which in a way operates as a license for other kindred groups to do likewise.

Unquestionably Mr. Hard is right in his accusation. And while we are a little better off than many countries on this score, there is much to be done yet. He is in a strategic position to use his influence that the Republican Planning Committee include its findings the importance of America thinking and acting on the basis of a united America rather than on the basis of individual groups and sects.

SPORTS



By Allen Ashby, Sports Editor

SPORTS

With the Drake Kelays and the Perm Relays out of the way, and the district track meet history by the time you read this, we can draw a deep breath and get down to the next two important events of the day, the two big fights. What are Henry Armstrong's chances against Barney Ross?—We think that for once Henry has almost bit off more than he can chew. His chances for victory depends on a few things. Ross is admittedly the better boxer, as a good, straight counter puncher, can stay by his system and punch hard enough to bother his opponent, there should be no way for a hooker of Armstrong's type to beat him. Of course, anything can happen in a fight ring when two fellows get to swinging fists, so we may be surprised. If we are it will be because one of these things happened: Armstrong could set such a fast pace that he tires out the master boxer and wears him down to a walk, and then beats him. Ross could be so fast over Henry as a boxer that he will get careless and let down long enough for Henry to slam home a couple of damaging wallops. Then it may be that Ross can't punch hard enough to keep Armstrong off and that will surely be fatal. But with things as they seem to be, it is just like giving a man a short club and another man a long sword. We would rather have the sword.

With the Ross-Armstrong brawl out of the way, the haffyho will get under way for the Louis-Schmeling battle. Schmeling fired the first shot as he got off the boat by predicting a quick kayo over our boy, Joe has already said that he would flatten the German. Both of them can't be right. We have expressed our opinion on this fight in no uncertain terms a while back, and we will repeat the same thing we said then. We don't think the Number One Nazi is as invincible as the boys would have us believe. We know he can be knocked out, because there was never a man alive who couldn't be kayoed. It doesn't seem that a man could lay off for a couple of years at thirty-three, and then come back in the same shape he was before. We believe that Max Schmeling was at the very peak of his career the night he flattened our boy, and that he can never reach that same mental and physical fitness again. We also believe that Louis has just about reached his best, and will be at his height on June 22. Write your own ticket.

BASEBALL

There are several baseball teams under way with the coming of warm weather. The Des Moines Brownies, under Clarke Yeager, will play in the city league, and then we have the city stand-bys, the Capital City vikants, besides the Negro Elks under Owen Watkins. We hope the semi-pro league organized in the state is an evenly matched one and the clubs don't make a runaway out of the race. There is nothing like a baseball game between two good Negro teams to make one sit on the edge of his seat. Your scribe doesn't care a whole lot for baseball, but he will always turn out to see a game of this sort.

TENNIS

Tennis is getting off to a late start this year, due to the wet weather. The boys are getting ready as soon as possible, because the dope is that the annual Negro city meet will be held earlier than usual this year, and no one wants to be caught napping. The early meet will be a break for Paul Williams, who always plays his best tennis in June. Incidentally Paul is No. 1 on North High's tennis team this year.

DELTA OBSERVE MAY WEEK

The members of Delta Sigma sorority of the University of Iowa, Iowa City, entertained other Greeks and friends Sunday afternoon with a program and tea. The tea was held in the luxurious cafeteria lounge of the Iowa Memorial Union, which overlooks the spacious banks of the winding Iowa river.

Soror Helen Lemme, Phi chapter, was the gracious and charming hostess who welcomed the guests as they arrived. Soror Juanita L. Kidd, Alpha Theta chapter, showed unusual talent as she played sweet strains from Debussy and Grieg. Soror Olivia Merriwether, also of Alpha Theta chapter, a most elegant and well

MARY LOU WILLIAMS Featured With Andy Kirk



"Queen of the Ivorys"

Y. W. C. A. CAMP DATES ANNOUNCED

Announcement of the opening of the Des Moines Y. W. C. A. camp June 11th to August 28th has been made by Mrs. E. C. Lytton, chairman of the camp committee. Dates for Des Moines groups are as follows: Business Girls, week-end June 12 to 13; grade and junior high school, June 17 to 24; grade and junior high school, June 25 to July 2; junior and senior high school, July 5 to 12; a fifteen day period for senior high school girls July 13 to 22 and Blue Triangle Branch August 15 to 22. There will also be outside groups in camp, such as Older 4-H girls, July 2, 3, 4; Girl Reserves Area Conference, July 23 to 30; 4-H Girls, July 31 to August 7; Boone Girl Reserves, August 8 to 15, and Ogden Girl Reserves, August 23 to 28.

Camp is open to all girls from 8 years of age and up. Other members on the camp committee are Mrs. F. T. Johnson, Mrs. Charles Henshaw, Miss Ada Hershey, Mrs. L. C. Jordan, Mrs. C. H. Wiseman, Mrs. John McGill, Miss Adria Titterington, Miss Wearingie Sprout, Miss June Deadman is camp director and Mrs. Marysura MacGregor Nicholson is assistant camp director.

Health Chats

By Dr. C. R. Bradford

THUMB SUCKING

Thumb or finger sucking may begin soon after birth, and if not stopped early may persist for months or years. It is a natural habit for the baby to acquire, but is undesirable because it may deform the mouth or teeth. It is more easily prevented than cured.



When a baby first discovers his thumb or finger he naturally starts sucking it. At this time, and every time he does this thereafter, the mother should remove his thumb from his mouth and put a toy in his hand to divert him. If the baby sucks the thumb when he goes to sleep, stiff cuffs bound about the elbow, or mittens may be put on when he goes to bed. These should not be used continually, as they may keep the baby from learning to do other things with his hands.

The best way to break the habit is to keep his hands occupied with some toy. Do not punish the baby for thumb sucking, as this will only keep his attention on it and strengthen the habit.

poised mistress of ceremonies, gave the history of Delta Sigma Theta sorority and introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Gow Bush of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Bush, a candidate for the doctorate degree, is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

At the close of the noble and timely words of Mr. Bush, brother and sister Greeks rose at their respective fraternity and sorority hymns were played. Guests were served from a tea table tastefully decorated with crimson and cream flowers and lighted with waxed tapers.

Delta Sigma Theta is the only Negro sorority which has had a chapter on the University of Iowa campus. Sorors of this chapter now include those from Iowa and representatives from the states of Missouri, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

Week-End Guest
 Miss Thelma Major of Red Oak, Iowa, was the house guest of Mrs. Helen Lemme and Miss Juanita Kidd over the week-end. All three young ladies are members of Delta Sigma Theta sorority. Miss Anna Belle Jones, a charming high school senior, was also a guest and participant in the state music festival.

SOCIETY and CLUBS

Where they met, when, served by, etc.

The spring season of social events has begun with a whirl. You will no doubt be entertaining quite extensively for the next few months so why not



your articles to us right away so your neighbors may know of your social affairs. Remember the deadline is Tuesday, at 5 p. m. We will be only too glad to take your articles.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hayes of 1719 Walker street were host and hostess to the Social Hour club party at their home Saturday, May 7th. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Butts, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Wright, Miss Alyce McKee, Mr. Clarence Butts, Mr. Haywood Brewer and Mr. Glenn Hayes. Dancing and card playing were the evening's diversion. Reporter, Dolores Hayes.

The I. W. T. club met at the home of Mrs. Edward Allen on Wednesday, May 4th. The club has selected Hazel Murphy as reporter to take the place of Evelyn Pennell, who resigned on account of illness.

Miss Geneva Morrow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Morrow, was elected president of the Ivy Leaf club, which is a pledge club of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, at Tennessee State college, in Nashville. The next meeting of the I. W. T. club will be June 1 at Mrs. Gladys Carter's.

Lincoln post, No. 126, American Legion, is sponsoring a junior baseball team for all colored boys under the age of 17 years to be entered in the American Legion Junior league. Mr. John M. Estes of the Estes Funeral Home is coaching the boys and all boys of the required age are requested to meet at 811 Fourteenth street Tuesday evening, May 17th.

The Le Fleur De Les club met with Mrs. Frances Bonwell. Two new members were taken into the club. The evening was spent in playing whist. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Dorothy Morris, first; Ossie Miller, second. The next meeting

will be with Elsie Doyle. Mrs. Winona Thompson entertained the Bon Ami club at her mother's home last Tuesday evening. Following the business session, an entertaining social was devoted to singing and dancing and playing bingo. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Catherine Brown. Mary Parker, reporter.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Myrtle Miller, Wesley Burrell, Jr., Mrs. Anna Cabbell and Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Hunley motored to Oskaloosa and Ottumwa to spend Mother's Day with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Estes of the Estes Funeral Home, 811 Fourteenth street, have returned from a recent ten days' visit with their mothers in Baxter Springs, Kansas, and Joplin, Missouri, respectively. Mrs. Estes' mother accompanied them on their return and will make her home with them. Mr. Estes' mother has been ill for several years.

Bobby Hyde and Buddy Glass, who are attending Lincoln university in Pennsylvania, attended the Penn Relays in Philadelphia last week.

Mrs. Estella Broomfield, evangelist, preached the Mother's Day sermon Sunday afternoon at Bethel Baptist church, Colfax, Iowa, and also gave a group of readings. Rev. Ed Mason, pastor.

Mesdames Sadie Young and Effie Terrell of Chicago spent the week-end in Des Moines. Mrs. Young came to visit her husband, Geo. Young, who is recovering from an automobile accident. She was the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wilburn, 1715 Walker street.

Mrs. Terrell was the guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Simms, 954 Fourteenth street place.

A. A. Alexander and M. A. Repass, contractors, left Wednesday on a business trip to the Pacific coast. They expect to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. May Pride and Miss Venus Wilson of 1029 Thirteenth street left Sunday morning for Chicago, where they will make their future home.

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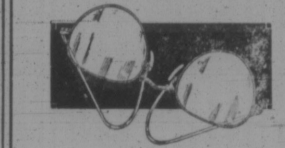
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The women of Iowa are uniting for the common good. Many new clubs are being organized to come in to our federation this year.

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WOMEN WANTED

God, give us women, is the cry. Women who are honest and will not lie; Women who are unselfish, kind and true; Women who have courage to dare

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH

An old time basket dinner will be held in the basement of the church Sunday, May 15th. This day will be known as Women's Day.

The Corinthian usher board's annual Mother's Day and baby contest ended with a big success Monday night, May 9th.

and do. God, give us women who'll stand for the right, Women who all evil are ready to fight; Women who are clean, whose word is their bond; Women who when called upon are sure to respond.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE THREE PURPOSE CLUB

The Three Purpose club was organized July, 1931, by Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, a past president of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

PLAN SPRING PARTY
The I-wanna club met with Mrs. Loretta Alexander as hostess, May 12th.

The La Parisienne club met Friday with Mrs. Maxine Smith, and Geraldine Ellis as hostess.

The Three Purpose club met Wednesday with Mrs. Gladys Carr, 1134 Fourteenth street, as hostess.

NEW CLUB ORGANIZED

A group of girls were organized Monday, May 2nd, at the East Des Moines Community Center into the Sue M Brown Federated Girls' club.

The Red Circle Girls' chorus will meet Sunday afternoon at 5:30.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Beginning May 23rd there will be a week of service at Shiloh Baptist church, leading up to the dedication services, which will be held at the church on Sunday afternoon, May 29th.

CHESTERFIELD SANCTIFIED CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 2nd, Bible service conducted by M. J. Cranshaw. May 6th, Dorcas Sewing club met with Mrs. Hattie Cooper, 1516 Buchanan street.

Hubbard, secretary; Hazel Craddock, treasurer; Dorothy Wheeler, sergeant-at-arms; Clara Fant, reporter. The club met Monday, May 9th, at the Community Center.

ATTENTION! Club reporters, please get your club histories in as soon as possible.

UNVEIL PORTRAIT OF DR. MARY F. WARING

Chicago, May 11—(ANP)—Members of the Mary Fitzbutler Waring club, headed by the president, Mrs. Gera E. Rollins, last Monday unveiled a portrait of Dr. Waring.

NOTICE

All clubs wishing to extend greetings to the Central association of Colored Women, which convenes in Des Moines, Iowa, July 24-27, may do so through our souvenir program.

IS YOUR CLUB HISTORY PREPARED? IF SO, MAIL IT TO AGNES MATTHEWS, 148 E. Sheridan avenue.

Obituaries

The funeral services of Phyllis Jones Stockard, who passed away May 2nd, were held from the Estes Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 4th, at 2 o'clock.

CROCKER "Y" NEWS

Opening games in the "Y" softball league will get under way this coming week on the West High stadium diamond at Twenty-first and High streets.

Five teams have entered the league to date, with a tentative entry of two other teams. Six teams will be necessary to make even pairings.

Baseball League

After some difficulty, the athletic committee has succeeded in getting the diamond at Birdland drive for the senior league baseball games this season.

Memorial Day Track Meet

Entry blanks for the annual Memorial Day track and field meet at East High stadium will be available the first of the week.

The committee is contemplating several changes in the handling of the meet, the most important being the classification of the divisions.

NEIGHBORING TOWNS

MASON CITY

Mrs. Maud M. Brewton. Mrs. Maud M. Brewton returned home Monday from Springfield, Missouri, where she attended the Central West conference, with Bishop R. E. Jones, D. D., L. L. D., presiding.

WASHINGTON

N. L. Black, Walter Williams, Mrs. Emma Black and Mrs. Walter Williams motored to Ottumwa on Tuesday afternoon to attend the district conference.

RED OAK

Ordination services were held for Mr. Ira Copper for the office of deacon. The council was composed of Rev. D. Carmel, Rev. J. A. Mosley, Rev. D. Nicholson, Rev. Clayton, Rev. Goldsmith and Deacons Jones, Crappelle and Cooper.

C. Banks of Omaha visited in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Davis, Mother's Day and Monday. Miss Anna Bell and Miss Thelma Majors went to Iowa City on Friday.

MORAN

At the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning, May 8th, a short program honoring Mother's Day was held at the St. John's Baptist church.

CEDAR RAPIDS

Bethel A. M. E. Church. The special Mother's Day services at Bethel church were well attended. The P. A. C.'s served a chicken dinner Thursday at the church.

MT. PLEASANT

Mrs. John H. Johnson is improved, after two weeks' illness, and she was presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers on Mother's Day.

The Churches Extend You A Hearty Welcome

Advertisement for 'The Word of God' featuring various church listings and services across Iowa, including Des Moines, Mason City, Washington, Cedar Rapids, and Mt. Pleasant.

JUDGE HALLAGAN ENTERS RACE FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Former Judge Frank B. Hallagan of Des Moines is a candidate for the Republican nomination for state representative in the Iowa legislature.

He is a member of College Avenue Church of Christ, is chairman of the official board, an elder in the church and a teacher of the Gleaners class. He is now and has been for many years past active in civic and Masonic affairs.

He is a former judge of the municipal court, has practiced law in Des Moines for more than twenty years and is senior member of the firm of Hallagan, Fountain, Stewart & Cless. He is married and has one child, and is also a veteran of the Philippines and world's war.

Judge Hallagan was a former member of the civil service commission of Des Moines.

JENE HAMMILL SEEKS RE-ELECTION

Jene Hammill, Polk county recorder, and a candidate for re-election to that office, cites the increase in last year's business over the 1936 total.



"In 1936, 60,088 instruments were filed for a total of \$23,243.90 in fees. My budget as fixed by the supervisors was \$24,470.00, of which \$22,188.05 was used. In 1937, 67,697 instruments were filed for a total of \$29,769.20 in fees, an increase of 7,609 in instruments filed and \$6,525.30 in fees collected over 1936. These figures show that the office of county recorder was self-supporting without cost to the taxpayers."

"If nominated and re-elected, I will continue to conduct the office of county recorder in the same efficient and courteous manner as I have in the past two years."

"MAC" BYERS SEEKS JOB AS FIFTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR



W. M. (Mac) Byers, former East High school and Iowa State college star athlete, has announced himself as a candidate on the Republican ticket for a seat on the Polk county board of supervisors.

Byers is a member of the Urban-dale Federated church, the American Legion, Elks lodge and is an assistant boy scout master. He has been active for eight years in the administration of the Johnston consolidated school.

COMMUNIST PARTY TO HOLD OPEN SESSION

Map Fight to Defeat Reaction in the 1938 Elections

"The Democratic Front—America's Answer To Reaction and Fascism," and "The Communist Position on Force and Violence" are the two topics which will be discussed by Edward Richards, secretary of the communist party of Nebraska, and Ted Boer, chairman of the communist party of Iowa, 704 1/2 W. Walnut street, Des Moines, on Saturday evening, May 14th. This meeting is open to the general public session of the party's 1938 state convention. The meeting will open promptly at 8 p. m.

A special feature of the open session will be the introduction of delegates representing the various sections and units of the communist party in Iowa. Ira R. Meade, widely known as the organizational secretary of the party in Iowa, will preside.

M. R. Carson, state organizer of the party, announces that the two day convention will open promptly at 1 o'clock p. m. Saturday, May 14, and will deal with questions of vital import to the people of Iowa.

APPLICABLE FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY

Assistant County Attorney Francis J. Kuble is a candidate for the Republican nomination for county attorney of Polk county in the June primary election.

Serving as an assistant county attorney since January 1, 1937, Kuble is making his debut as a political candidate. He has been active in the Republican party for a number of years.

Kuble stated: "The office of county attorney is an extremely important position to the citizens of Polk county. In view of my training and experience in all branches of this office, I believe I can best serve the interests of all citizens."

Kuble is a son of the late Joseph C. Kuble, pioneer East Des Moines crocker. He was born and raised in East Des Moines, where he received his grade school education. He was graduated from East High school in 1920, attended the Drake university law school and was graduated from Drake university in 1924. After several years of private practice he was appointed assistant county attorney.

Kuble is married and has three children. His wife, the former Frances Newlen, is active in the Parent-Teacher association. Kuble is a member of St. Augustine's church, the State and County Bar associations, the East Des Moines club, the Loyal Order of Moose and Waveland Golf club.

Lincoln Unit Auxiliary Represents

The sixty-sixth conference convened in Tulip city, Pella, Iowa, May 6 1938. The hostess and party chairman and officers wore Dutch costumes. Lincoln unit, No. 126, auxiliary was well represented with three delegates, one alternate and one member, namely, Mrs. Anna Mae Carter, Mrs. Josephine Williams, Mrs. Florence White, Mrs. Cora Chapman and Mrs. Frances Hall. Mrs. John Kirkley was elected Sixth district committeewoman; Mrs. Elizabeth Rhiner, vice committeewoman, and Mrs. Hilde Nesbit, secretary-treasurer.

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In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Helen Louise Davis, who departed this life one year ago today, May 13, 1937.

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Missing those hands that did their best,
Gone, dear daughter! Gone to rest.

Forgotten to the world by some, maybe,
But dear in our memory you will always be,
Your cheery smile and kindly ways are pleasant to recall
You had a kind word for every one and died beloved by all.

We mourn for her in silence,
No eyes can see us weep,
But many a silent tear shed
While others are asleep.

Sadly missed by her mother, father and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Josephine and Ruth.



MRS. RACHEL WESTON WORMHOUDT AND FAMILY

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It becomes my privilege and duty to endorse Mrs. Rachel Weston Wormhoudt, who is a candidate for secretary of state.

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Mrs. Rachel Warren Wormhoudt knows no one by race, creed or color. Like her late father, Rev. Frank E. Westop, ready to serve humanity. She has pledged, if elected, to do all that is in her power to assist our race, which I believe she will do. The time is at hand when we can

of the churches on Memorial Sunday, May 29th. The proceeds will go to help some world war veteran or his family who may be in need. Buy a poppy and in this way help us take care of our needy soldiers. Mrs. Josephine Williams, publicity chair-

support those who stand for right and righteousness.

This family has ministered to the needs of the Negroes down through the years at Mt. Pleasant. Helping the struggling Baptist church there. If this worthy woman is given a chance, she can do greater work in this state.

Therefore as many as can support her in the primaries on June 6th will be greatly appreciated by the people that her and her late father and wonderful mother have served.

(Rev. D. O. Bell,
218 So. Central Ave.,
Burlington, Iowa,
Pastor Baptist Church, Mt. Pleasant.

AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FIRST INSURANCE FINANCE COMPANY

We, the undersigned, George Olmsted, President and M. H. Elkinton, Secretary, of the

FIRST INSURANCE FINANCE COMPANY an Iowa Corporation, do hereby certify that at a meeting of the directors of said corporation, a resolution declaring the advisability of amending the Articles of Incorporation of the Company was passed and that subsequently, and in accordance with such resolution, a special meeting of the stockholders was held, at which stockholders holding all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation voted that the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation (as amended) be amended by striking out Section 1 of Article IV of said Articles of Incorporation (as amended) and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

"Article IV, Section 1. The authorized capital stock of this corporation shall be One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00), divided into Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty (15,250) shares, Fifteen Thousand (15,000) shares of which shall be Preferred Stock, each of the par value of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per share and Two Hundred Fifty (250) shares of which shall be Common Stock, each of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per share."

We do further certify that such amendment has been duly adopted and ratified as set forth herein above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have signed this Certificate of Amendment and have caused the corporate seal of First Insurance Finance Company to be hereunto affixed this 3rd day of March, 1938.

By George Olmsted, President
M. H. Elkinton, Secretary

STATE OF IOWA,
Polk County,

Be it remembered that on this third day of March, 1938, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared George Olmsted and M. H. Elkinton, to me personally known to be the persons named in and who executed the foregoing Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of First Insurance Finance Company, and each for himself acknowledged that he executed the same as his voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal at Des Moines, in the County of Polk, State of Iowa, the day last above written.

James M. Camp,
Notary Public in and for Polk County, Iowa.

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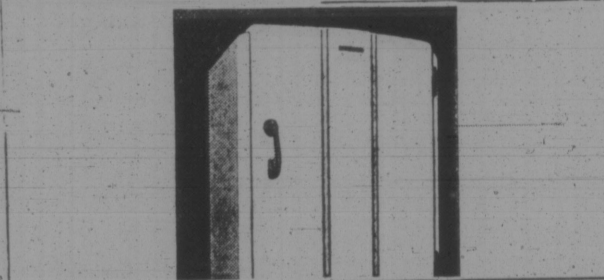
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