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## No Negro Clerks Hired At Food Stamp Office

### Janitor Only Is Employee

When the food stamp law went into effect in Des Moines last month, for the use of thousands of persons on WPA and direct relief rolls here, a headquarters was opened on August 23 at the northeast corner of East Sixth and Locust.

In setting up the office for the WPA people to come to buy the food stamps, Floyd J. Moeckly was transferred from a Polk County position to operations manager of the Food Stamp Division of the Polk County Social Welfare Board.

The setting-up of an office force was immediately begun as Mr. Moeckly needed cashiers, clerks, typists, file clerks and adjusters to operate his department.

A representative of the Bystander paid Mr. Moeckly a visit this week to learn from him how his office force was secured.

In an interview he revealed that applicants for the various jobs were sent to his office by Miss Fulmer, then employment field supervisor for the state of Iowa.

Sixty applicants were sent to be interviewed by Mr. Moeckly and two representatives from the Federal Surplus Commission Corporation, which comes under the department of Secretary Wallace of the Department of Agriculture.

These applicants were interviewed, their education, experiences, civil condition, dependants, qualifications, weighed, measured and voted upon by the committee of three and then sent back to Miss Ulmer's office to be accepted or rejected.

One Colored Man Interviewed  
Asked if he had interviewed any Negro applicants for any of the jobs to be filled, Mr. Moeckly replied that "Miss Ulmer sent over one colored man who had been employed at the State House."

Further conversation revealed that he was rejected.

The highest paid men for the WPA jobs get \$94.90 per month. They are classified as "foremen" by the WPA but in food stamps' office as

cashiers. There are 16 clerks; four typists who get \$68.90 per month each.

The lowest paid man is the janitor who draws \$52. per month; and he is a Negro.

Mr. Moeckly revealed that he had nothing to do with the hiring of the janitor. "He was here when we moved in," Mr. Moeckly informed.

"The janitor is generally thrown in with the building," the reporter commented as both smiled.

"The only person I actually picked was my secretary," Mr. Moeckly added.

### Elimination Contest in Bystander's Talent Show to Be Held on Sept. 25; Winners to Appear Over KSO

"I am sure I can win" is the statement and feeling of many of the entrants who this week turned in blanks for the Bystander's fourth annual state-wide Talent Show.

Some of the more confident entrants refer to their previous victories, deposit their blanks in the boxes

at many of the leading business places, Ys and Centers in the city, and are standing by waiting for the big night of the show which will be on Monday, Oct. 2, at the Jewish Community Center.

The elimination contest will be held on Monday night, September 25, at the Billiken ballroom.

Winners of this contest will be given an opportunity to broadcast on a fifteen-minute program over station KSO, at 3:30 p. m., October 1.

Judges selected for the contest are Dutch Schmidt, theatrical booking agent; Miss Sarah Steele, music instructor at East Side Community center; Miss Palmer, in

charge of the music department at Younker's department store.

If you have musical talent or a feeling of rhythm don't be bashful. This may be your opportunity to be "discovered." Get a blank, fill it out and turn it into the Bystander office or leave it in one of the Talent Show boxes.

#### IN THE NEWS



SPECK HOWARD

Touissant (Speck) Howard who will direct the Bystander's fourth annual Talent Show which will be staged on Monday night, October 2, at the Jewish Community Center.

### Return A. M. E. Ministers

Minneapolis—In order to accommodate the large crowd of African Methodist Episcopal visitors and delegates to the Northwestern conference of the fourth Episcopal district, of the A. M. E. church, the final session Sunday night, was held in the large auditorium of the First Presbyterian church.

Bishop John A. Gregg, presiding over the district, read the pastoral assignments and appointments Sunday night and made a few changes.

The conference opened Tuesday, September 5, with the Women's Mite Missionary Society holding the initial services. Leaders in this service were Evangelist Estella Broomfield of Des Moines, Mrs. Mary B. Ray of Minneapolis, Mrs. Cudellus Jackson of St. Paul.

#### Dollar Money

Dollar money reports for the district totalled \$5,000 with St. Paul church of Des Moines, of which the Rev. H. C. Boyd is pastor, leading with a report of \$504. St. James church in St. Paul with the Rev. G. H. Hayden, pastor, was second with a report of \$447; St. Peter's church in Minneapolis, the Rev. C. F. Stewart, pastor, was third, with \$435. Bethel church in Des Moines had a report of \$75 for dollar money.

#### Appointments

Des Moines district—W. H. Ogilton, presiding elder; Coufeli Bluffs, Rev. George Slater; Bethel, Des Moines, H. J. Parker; Clarinda, B. F. Moses; Osceola-Albia, L. L. Johnson; Clinton, W. M. Berry; Oskaloosa, L. London; Davenport, W. R. Stewart; Muscatine, A. R. Parks; Keokuk, W. F. Ogilton; Ft. Madison, Mt. Pleasant, C. H. Copeland; Ottumwa, J. Ervine; Washington and Fairfield, Rev. A. L. Preston; Newton, R. C. Campbell.

St. Paul district—T. B. Stovall, presiding elder; J. L. Hayden, St. James, at St. Paul; C. F. Stewart, St. Peter's at Minneapolis; W. S. Johnson, Ft. Dodge; W. R. T. Robinson, Wildwood, Alberta, Canada; L. L. Robinson, Winnipeg, Canada; J. A. Bradford, Yankton, S. Dak.; Paul Moore, Sioux City; J. W. Collins, Cedar Rapids; W. A. Thomson, Waterloo; H. Reddick, Wayman, Minn.; C. S. Spears, St. James, Minneapolis; Boyd Patrick, Gregg Mission in St. Paul.

Evangelist of the conference; Estella Broomfield, Effie Majors; Mauricha Parker; Mary Belle Doyle, Azalia Spears, Julia Smith, Rachel Turner, E. Bolds.

The 1940 conference will be held in Des Moines, at the Bethel A. M. E. church.

### NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS MEN AT OKLAHOMA CITY



### Mrs. Griffiths to Court in \$1000 Suit

Mrs. Bessie Griffith, 1656 Maple street, who is attempting to collect \$1,000 from the city of Des Moines for injuries she alleged she suffered last December, was in the district court this week when her suit, was reopened by attorneys Monday.

The case was declared a mistrial by District Judge Russell Jordan in June when a prospective witness loudly discussed the case while jurors were filing from the courtroom for a recess.

Frank Davis, a city attorney, told the jury in this opening statement Monday that Mrs. Griffith had brought 14 previous personal injury suits in the last 11 years under the names of Tate, Wood and Hart. Two of these were against the city, he said.

H. H. Sawyer, attorney for Mrs. Griffith, told the jury his client had been involved in "five or six" other suits of this type, but he was confident her sincerity in the current action would be well established by evidence.

Mrs. Griffith alleged she stepped in a hole in the pavement at Second Avenue and Locust street, last December 3. She suffered a wrenched back and ankle, Sawyer said.

TOP ROW LEFT: R. E. Clay of Nashville, Jesse O. Thomas, Urban League Executive, A. L. Lewis, Florida Insurance Executive and George W. Cox, of the North Carolina Mutual.

TOP CENTER: Two scenes from the Parade on Wednesday morning.

UPPER CENTER: A group of Business League officials—reading left to right—George W. Cox, Durham, vice president; C. A. Barnett, Chicago, publicity director; T. H. Hayes, Memphis, former member

executive committee; A. L. Holsey, Tuskegee, secretary; A. L. Lewis, Jacksonville, treasurer; J. R. E. Lee, Jr., Tallahassee, registrar; Dr. J. E. Walker, Memphis, newly elected president; B. G. Olive, Jr., Memphis member steering committee; Joseph P. Goddes, New Orleans, regional vice president; Don Davis, Hampton, chairman executive committee; Maceo Smith, Dallas, regional vice president; J. B. Blayton, Atlanta, vice president and comptroller; G. D. Rogers, Tampa, member executive committee; C. C. Spaulding, Durham, president-emeritus; J. O. Thomas,

New York, transportation commissioner Roscoe Dunjee, Oklahoma City, member executive committee; Dr. F. D. Patterson, Tuskegee, chairman steering committee; James Rouco, Hitchcock, Okla., member executive committee; W. M. Cooper, Hampton, member executive committee; R. E. Clay, Nashville, general organizer; Carlton Gaines, Detroit, member steering committee; L. C. Blount, Detroit, regional vice president.

SECOND ROW: left to right—more scenes from the parade.

THIRD ROW LEFT: "MISS MUSKOGEE" with Dr. F. D. Patterson in the background.

LOWER RIGHT: President Spaulding and Dr. F. D. Patterson registering on arrival at Convention Hall.

CENTER LEFT: Officials of Oklahoma Business League discussing plans for the convention. Seated left to right—George R. Ragland, Dr. A. P. Bethel, W. J. Edwards, Pres., and Atty. H. McK. Rowan, secretary. Standing left to right—W. W. Adams, A. O. Tonnyeon, Jimmy Stewart and J. M. Collins.

CENTER RIGHT: Joseph Goddes and Roscoe Dunjee enjoying one of Secretary Holsey's stories.

THIRD COLUMN RIGHT: Executive Committee, Housewives League of Oklahoma City. Reading left to right: Mrs. Anne G. Williams, Mrs. B. J. Ashley, Mrs. A. P. Tannyhill, Mrs. Grace Hill, Mrs. A. E. Harris, Mrs. Zelda Booth, Mrs. Frances Edwards, Pres.

LOWER RIGHT: Dr. Patterson crowns "Miss Oklahoma" while Vice President Blayton looks on.

LOWER CENTER: Gov. Phillips of Oklahoma, addressing assembly in Municipal auditorium with President Spaulding in the background.

MRS. ELLA BERRY  
Chicago—More than 5,000 fraternal, political and civic leaders all joined in paying last tribute to Mrs. Ella G. Berry, past grand daughter ruler of the Improved Benevolent Order of Elks of the World, who was buried in Lincoln cemetery Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Berry died early Saturday, Sept. 9, at her home 3506 Michigan avenue, here. She had been ill one year.

Y SECRETARY HERE  
Miss Marie Mayberry, new Y. W. C. A. secretary at the Blue Triangle branch, arrived in the city Tuesday morning to begin her duties.

"I am sorry that anything like this had to happen," Mr. Estes said and added "I try to do all I can to cooperate with everyone."

Undertakers in Row  
On a charge of threatening to commit a public offense, L. Fowler of the L. Fowler and Son Funeral home, 1701 Walker avenue, was arrested on a warrant Monday, September 11. He was released on a personal bond and his hearing set for September 21 in Judge C. S. Cooter's court.

The warrant was obtained by John M. Estes of the Estes Funeral home, as the result of complications which arose and his life threatened on Saturday evening, September 9, when he went to claim a body that a family had desired transferred from Fowler's to Estes, Mr. Estes revealed in an interview.

Mrs. Manuel Hit by Auto  
Mrs. George Manuel, 1516 Illinois street, was severely injured Monday morning, September 11, as she alighted from the University street car at 39th and University.

Mrs. Manuel was almost to the curb when a car driven by Duane Cochran, 16-year-old white lad, 1334 32nd street, going at a high rate of speed hit her knocking her down and turning her over three times.

Chester Williamson, 1022 Woodland Avenue, who was an eye witness to the accident, and a passenger on

the University car, administered first aid treatment and accompanied her to the Broadlawn and Methodist hospitals.

Two badly sprained ankles, and numerous bruises over the body were among the injuries she received.

Mrs. Manuel is the daughter of Mrs. Helen Carter, 1172 13th street, and the wife of George Manuel of the home address. Her condition is reported much improved.

Cochran pleaded not guilty before Judge Charles S. Cooter to a charge of passing a street car unloading passengers. He was released to appear October 2 for hearing.

Talent Show, October 2

# Where to Attend Churches in Des Moines

**CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
East 17th and University Avenue  
Sunday school at 10:30 A. M. R. C. French, Supt. Noonday services at 12:30 P. M. Y. P. W. W. at 6:30 P. M., Leslie Ward, Advisor. Evening services at 8:00 P. M. Weekly services: Tuesday night, general services at 8:00 P. M. Friday night, general services at 8:00.

Elder Eugene Robinson, Pastor.  
**DES MOINES CHURCH**  
WEST SIDE A.M.E. ZION CHURCH  
1125 West Third St.  
S. S. INGRAM Pastor

Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Sunday worship 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Mid-week prayer service, Thursday, 7:30; worship 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.;

**CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ninth and School Streets  
Rev. G. W. Robinson, Pastor.

Sunday school at 10 A. M., F. C. Goggins, Supt. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Evening worship at 7:15 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 P. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday at 8 P. M. Choir rehearsal, Friday at 8 P. M. Mission society meets every Friday afternoon at 2:00 P. M.

**BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH**  
1530 E. University Avenue  
Sunday School 9:30 A. M. Wm. Summerville, Supt., Junior Church, Mrs. Mary Belle Deyle, Advisor, Morning Worship, 10:45; Evening Worship, 7:30 P. M. A. C. E. League, 6:30 P. M. Mrs. Goldie Fant, President. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday Evening, 7:30; Choir rehearsal Thursday evening 7:30. A Cordial Welcome is Extended To All.

**CHRIST'S SANCTIFIED HOLY CHURCH**  
Elder A. R. Brewer, Pastor  
1521 E. University Ave.  
Sunday morning prayer service, 8:00 A. M.; Sunday school, 12:30 P. M.; Preaching service, 8:00 P. M. Y. P. E. L., 6:30 P. M.; Sunday evening Preaching service, 8:00 P. M.; Tuesday evening, Bible study, 8:00 o'clock. Friday night, preaching service, 8:00 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

**UNITY STUDY CLASSES**  
1068 Twelfth Street  
Sunday school at 12 to 1 P. M.; Sunday: Lessons in Truth, Thursday evening at 8 to 9 o'clock; Prosperity and Health Silence, every day except Saturday and Sunday, 12 P. M. to 1 P. M. "Our Daily Word" we take subscriptions. Private appointments. Mrs. Hazel Browne, leader, 1068 12th. All are welcome. Undenominational.

**ST. PAUL A. M. E. CHURCH**  
Rev. H. C. Boyd, Pastor  
12th and Crocker  
Sunday school 9:30 A. M.; morning worship, 11:00 A. M.; Evening worship, 8:00 P. M. A. C. E. League, 6:30 P. M. Lucas, Davis, president. Mrs. S. Joe Brown, superintendent of the church school. Midweek prayer service, Wednesday, 7:00 P. M. Choir rehearsal, Friday evening 8:00 P. M.

**MAPLE ST. BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Corner East 16th and Maple Streets  
A. Ross Brent, Pastor  
Order of service: Morning service, 11 A. M.; Sunday School, 1 P. M.; B. Y. P. U., 4:30; Evening service, 8 P. M.; Prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30; Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 P. M.

**MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
S. E. Fourth Street at Allen  
Rev. C. B. Wheeler, Pastor  
Order of Service: Sunday School, at 9:45 A. M.; Morning Worship at 11:00 A. M.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 P. M.; Evening Worship at 8:00 P. M.; Prayer service Wednesday at 8:00 P. M.; Choir rehearsal Wednesday, 9 P. M.

**PHILADELPHIA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
1150 E. Thirteenth Street  
R. P. Hudson, Pastor  
Order of Service—Sabbath school, 9:30 a. m.; morning worship, 11:00 o'clock; Young People's Mission Volunteer society, 3:00 p. m.; Sunday night, 7:30 o'clock, preaching; Wednesday night, 7:30 o'clock, prayer meeting. Bible Study League, night singing chorus, 7:00-10:00 p. m.; nursing class, Tuesday p. m.; teachers' meeting, Friday, 8:00 p. m.

**AYLES A. M. E. ZION CHURCH**  
709 S. E. Fifteenth Street  
Phone 4-2718  
Worship Services  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Class meeting Friday night. Rev. P. M. Marshall, pastor.

**BURNS M. E. CHURCH**  
811 Crocker Street  
Rev. John C. Bain, Pastor  
Order of service: Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; Morning service, 11 A. M.; Epworth League, 6:30 P. M.; Evening service, 8:00 P. M. Prayer and class meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 P. M. Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 P. M. A cordial welcome awaits you at Burns.

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
East Sixteenth and University Ave.  
Rev. Jordan W. Tur, Pastor  
Morning worship at 11:00. Sunday school at 9:30. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7:45. Week prayer service at 7:45. Choir rehearsal Friday evening at 8:00. Dr. L. R. Willis, director.  
**FIRST C. M. E. CHURCH**  
S. E. 28th and Murray  
Sunday School 9:30 A. M. Morning worship 11 A. M. Epworth League 6:30 P. M. Evening Worship 8:00 P. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 8:00 P. M. Choir rehearsal Friday at 8:00 P. M.

**HESTERFIELD SANCTIFIED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
409 S. E. 27th Street Phone 6-6983  
Pastor, M. J. Cranshaw  
Order of Service  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; preaching service at 11:00 a. m.; Y. O. at 8:00 p. m. Subject, "New Training for Service," four year course.

**SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH**  
S. E. 14th and Scott Sts.  
Rev. J. L. Lucas, Pastor  
506 Sheridan Ave. H. P. Ph. 4-3841  
Order of services: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning service at 11:00 o'clock. Evening service at 8:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

**CHURCH OF GOD AND SAINTS OF CHRIST**  
928 West 12th Street  
Evangelist E. Williams  
ORDER OF SERVICES  
Sunday night at 7:30 P. M.; Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.; Friday night at 7:30 P. M.; all day Sabbath, Sunday called Saturday; all are welcome.

**MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. L. G. Garrett, Pastor  
Order of Service: Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.; Worship at 11:00 A. M.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 P. M.; Evening services at 8 P. M.; Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M.

**FATHER BIRCHENOUGH AT ST. SIMON'S SUNDAY**  
The Rev. Allan O. Birchenough, priest in charge of the St. Simon Episcopal church, will conduct services Sunday with Holy Communion at 8 and 10:45 a. m.

**RETURNS TO MEXICO**  
Miss Ada Graham left the city last week for Mexico, Mo., where she teaches. She spent the summer here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham of the city.

**MISS CASSELL BACK HOME**  
Miss Ava Cassell, 931 Twenty-third, returned home Wednesday from the Broadlawn hospital. Her condition was reported improved yesterday.

The Ladies Aid of the Burns Methodist church met Monday night with Mrs. James D. Newsome, 1315 Laurel.  
The H. L. Overton club held a barbecue dinner on Thursday night.

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**DON ALBERT TO PLAY**  
HERE NEXT MONDAY  
Don Albert, "King of Swing," will play for a dance at the Billiken Monday night, September 18.  
This band is one of the largest and best swing bands in the middle-west.

**WEEKEND OUTING AT Y.W.C.A. CAMP**  
The Y. W. C. A. will conduct a weekend outing for all members and

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON SPECIAL EXECUTION**  
District Court of Polk County, Iowa  
STATE OF IOWA  
The Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, Plaintiff  
VERSUS  
R. P. Smith and Beatrice Smith, his wife; Miran Woods and Nina G. Woods, his wife; Isabelle M. Dunn; Mrs. O. H. Walker, otherwise known as Manona Walker; Mrs. O. H. Walker, Executrix of the Estate of O. H. Walker; Decedent; Gerald Harshorn and Vera Harshorn, his wife; E. J. Flanagan and Miriam Flanagan, his wife and Defendants, Polk County, Iowa.

Public notice is hereby given that, BY VIRTUE OF A SPECIAL EXECUTION TO ME DIRECTED, issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in favor of The Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio and against Miran Woods and Nina G. Woods, his wife; Isabelle M. Dunn; Mrs. O. H. Walker, otherwise known as Manona Walker; Mrs. O. H. Walker, Executrix of the Estate of O. H. Walker; Decedent; Gerald Harshorn and Vera Harshorn, his wife; E. J. Flanagan and Miriam Flanagan, his wife and Defendants, Polk County, Iowa, a judgment rendered by said court on the 1st day of September, A. D. 1939, wherein it was adjudged and decreed that the following described property, to-wit: Lot 161, except the East 54.62 feet thereof, (fronting 41.12 feet on the East side of Saylor Road, and being 164.12 feet in depth on the North line in Afton Place, plat of which is recorded in Book "67" on Page 134, records of Polk County, Iowa, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

NOW THEREFORE, public notice is hereby given that unless the said defendants appear at my office in Des Moines, on or before the 20th day of October, A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day, at which time said above described property is hereby advertised to be sold and pay of the amount of said execution, with interest and costs I will sell said property, or sufficient thereof, to satisfy said execution, with interest and costs at public outcry, to the highest bidder at the east front door of the Court House in Des Moines, Iowa, for cash in hand to pay off said Execution. Sheriff's Office, Des Moines, Iowa.  
V. H. WOOD, Deputy Sheriff of Polk County Iowa  
H. F. WOOD

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**REV. A. L. SPRIGGS**  
AT CORINTHIAN SUNDAY  
The Rev. A. L. Spriggs will preach at the Corinthian Baptist church Sunday, September 18. Last Sunday's services were conducted by the Rev. Ed Mason of the city.  
The pastor, the Rev. G. W. Robinson who left recently to attend the National Baptist Convention in Philadelphia, will return to the city Sunday, Sept. 24.

**FAMILY REUNION ON G. H. MASON LAWN**  
Mr. Fred H. Johnson of Kansas City, Mo., spent Labor Day with his mother, Mrs. Emma J. Mowmer and sister, Mrs. Mabel L. Mason.  
A family reunion was held on the lawn of Mrs. Mason. Other relatives in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Adam Johnson and daughter, Lucy Mae, Mr. and Mrs. David Bowmer, Mr. Hayward Hall of Elgin, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Mason.  
Rev. John C. Bain and son were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Brown, 1315 Day street, last Sunday, and on Monday evening, guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Newsome, 1315 Laurel.

**TRUSTEE DAY OBSERVED AT BURNS M. E. CHURCH**  
Speakers and special music will be featured for the morning, afternoon, and evening services Sunday, September 17, at Burns Methodist church.  
The occasion is the annual Rally under the auspices of the church trustees. Rev. J. C. Bain will preach at the morning service and Mason James will be the principal speaker at the evening service. Warren Cropp is president. Luther H. Smith, Sr., chairman of arrangements.

volunteer workers of the organization at the Y. W. C. A. camp near Boone, Ia., Saturday and Sunday.  
A discussion of association activities and an entertainment program have been planned.

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## RETURNS



**REV. W. H. OGLETON**  
Reappointed presiding elder of the Des Moines district of the Northwestern conference of the fourth Episcopal district of the A. M. E. church which convened in Minneapolis last week.

**MANY NEGRO LEADERS BELIEVE U. S. WILL BE DRAWN INTO WAR**  
Chicago (ANP)—If the new European war continues for any appreciable length of time, the United States will eventually be drawn into it, is the majority opinion of Negro leaders in a symposium conducted by the Associated Negro Press.

As to the advisability of a separate Negro division and what benefits would accrue to the race as a result of this conflict, these leaders are divided. Only in the belief that Negroes should fight any attempt to segregate them into labor battalions is there unanimity of opinion. Declaring himself for the methods and actions of Hitler and stating the sympathies of the American people and particularly Negroes must "almost naturally be on the side of the democracies," Dr. H. E. Clement, president of Atlanta university, says:

**Dr. Clements Opinion**  
"If the European conflict lasts over a year, it is almost certain we shall be drawn into it. Should this come, I believe Negroes should be included in all of the armed forces of our nation, serving in every branch. I should prefer to see Negroes completely integrated rather than formed into special divisions or units. But this is not a major question. "If the nation goes to war, we must fight as we have always done, and we must expect, with the victory, a larger measure of freedom and democracy for all of the peoples of the country."

Because "what affects Europe will ultimately affect America" and "the world is scientifically one today," A. M. E. Bishop David Henry Sims, Philadelphia, foresees America's entry if hostilities continue long enough. "Negroes who enlist will have a greater opportunity than before, for the reason that this war will bring a fuller consciousness of the Negro's worth and service," says the noted prelate. "I hate war, but since it must be, the Negro will share whatever good there is coming out of it."

Saying that if colored soldiers were to be exclusively as service regiments or stevedores, it should be fought to the fullest by all leaders and churches of both races, Bishop Sims added, "I favor opportunity for Negroes in the army equal to any other group, namely, on the basis of merit. I am opposed to compulsory segregation. The best service could be secured from Negroes in Negro units, but let them enlist also in whatever units they fit and desire."

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1-J-3974-1928-Graham Paige  
1-A-12631-1924-28-Dodge  
1-A-12652-1926-29-Nash  
1-A-12461-1927-Olds  
1-A-12471-1924-26-Olds  
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## Baptists Discuss Use of More Negroes for Defense

Philadelphia—Equal opportunities and increased enrollment for Negro citizens in national defense units was urged Saturday at the closing business session of the National convention.

Resolutions advocated the formation of a Negro national guard regiment in "the 30 states of the union where the Negro population warrants such action" and provision for civil aeronautic training schools for Negro pilots and officers in the United States army air corps.

Edgar Brown, president of the United Government Employees, Inc., said he would invite Negro representatives from 34 states to seek an audience next week with President Roosevelt to present their views on neutrality and national defense.

Philadelphia was invaded Tuesday night by an army of Baptists, who converged upon the city from all points of the United States.

By early Wednesday morning, Convention hall, ultra modern municipal building with a capacity of 12,000 was swarming with delegates, members and visitors, each with his own personal contribution to make to the 25th session of the National Baptist Convention, Inc.

The president of the convention, Dr. L. K. Williams of Chicago, distinguished private to a selected group of press representatives, the main objective of this huge gathering.

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