

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT REVERSE FLORIDA DECISION; FREE FOUR MEN

Happenings and the People

By: D. L. H. W.

In my daily coming and going about the City, I naturally look at the dwellings, and I have often wondered why Des Moines citizens did not do something about it! Many cities have had the same problems; but they have secured through the Federal Housing Authority decent housing facilities. And, certainly Des Moines could stand a new housing project. If the government did not sponsor such a project for Des Moines, I feel safe in saying that there surely must be some substantial citizens in the city, who could sponsor a housing program. It would at least be a good financial investment.

Last Sunday morning, I saw manifested a real spirit of brotherly love. Rev. George W. Robinson, pastor of Corinthian made an appeal for aid of those made destitute by the recent tornado at Albany, Georgia. What struck us so forcefully, was not his asking for clothing; but his statement: "When you mail your package to the Red Cross at Albany, do not mark it 'FOB COLORED,' here was a man big enough to forget racial lines, though he knew that Negro needs far exceeded those of the whites.

Then on last Monday, we received another jolt. At the weekly meeting of the Negro Chamber of Commerce. Rev. Tutt brought home to his listeners the fact, that we, as Negroes must stop living off of theories, and prepare to live from the proceeds of our OWN economic enterprises. Good work Rev. Tutt.

I heard a couple of men conversing on Center Street the other day, one said: "We cannot trust one another." The other said: "I don't want any Negro handling my money." I listened to these two gentlemen, and the gist of their conversation ran just about like the two sentences above. We did however, learn one thing, i. e., That Negroes must stop looking for faults, and look for something worthwhile. Members of the other group don't trust each other, but that does not stop them from seeking to better their economic conditions.

Justice Black read the unanimous opinion of the United States Supreme Court, reversing the decision of the Florida court upholding the death sentence of four Florida men convicted for the robbery-slaying of a white man. Justice Black has by this time, I think, shown that even a Justice from Alabama can interpret the laws as they are written without bias and prejudice. It certainly was a victory; in that Justice McReynolds failed to deliver a dissenting opinion but concurred in the decision read from the bench.

Rev. Tutt for an Economic New Deal

Rev. Jordan W. Tutt, treasurer of the Des Moines Negro Chamber of Commerce, without regard to personalities, and taking the anniversary of Lincoln as his cue, Monday the 12th, at the Chambers weekly luncheon, blasted away at the failure of Negroes to seek tangible means of helping to solve their own economic problems.

A Progressive

Rev. Mr. Tutt, is of the progressive type, who believes in getting things done. He has shown unusual confidence and respect of his fellows. He is thoughtful and analytic in dissecting the economic ills of the Negro.

Ironically, Mr. Tutt pointed out that, "unless we begin to find some means of preparing our own weekly payrolls, instead of looking to the other group entirely for our weekly pay check we are doomed."

Must Awake

Although the Negro has made ad-

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REV. ROBINSON POINTS THE WAY

The devastating tornado that swept Albany, Georgia a few days ago, brought into evidence especially here in Des Moines, the fine spirit of brotherly love; "Their need is greater than mine," when Rev. Geo. W. Robinson, Corinthian pastor made known to his congregation last Sunday morning the need of the poor and destitute of both races. His appeal to send a box of clothing to the Red Cross for distribution seems to met a responsive congregation.

This fine spirit is a commendable one indeed!

FIRST FROM SCHOOL TO PASS BOARD

Mrs. Willa Munn, 1420 Maryland Avenue, passed the state board examination and received license as a professional beauty operator.

She is a graduate of the Crescent Beauty School and the first to pass the examination. Since November 16, 1939, she has been doing her apprenticeship work at the Lena's Beauty Salon.

East Center Holds Forum

"The Negroes Contributed in American History," was the topic of a panel discussion Monday evening the 12th, at the East Side Community Center.

The speakers were: Atty. W. Lawrence Oliver, Dr. Willard Johnson



W. L. OLIVER

and Mansen James, local insurance agent.

Atty. Oliver traced the Negro from Africa to his earliest known existence in America. Continuing he emphasized that of all the known African tribal groups; the Sengalese had produced the greatest number of intellectuals. He also pointed out that many Negroes in America, who have contributed to our great nation, could trace their ancestry to the Sengalese.

Dr. Johnson

Dr. Johnson, the second speaker, pointed out that Negroes, though subjected to exploitation and oppression, had been able to overcome much of these great contributions to the literary and musical world. Mr. Johnson told his listeners that of all the groups in America, the Negro had done much to keep America from becoming a melting pot.

Mr. Mansen James, the last speaker summed up the discussions with the admonition that our youth should become better acquainted with Negro history, and that the race have made worthwhile contributions not only to the literary and musical world, but they have definitely made a large contribution to our civic and political world. He then gave as examples of their great influence, by naming some of the outstanding political leaders of the Re-construction era.

HEFLIN TO APPEAR AT SCOTTSBORO HEARING

Montgomery (Ala.) Feb. 14 — Thomas Heflin, ex-senator from Alabama, has been asked to appear before the State Board of Pardons and Paroles when the petition for the freedom of the five Scottsboro boys comes up for hearing in a special session Feb. 15.

Ex-senator Heflin did not announce his intentions, but on the basis of his previous attitude on the case, he is expected to oppose it.

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Rescue Women Seized by Mob

Justice Black Renders Opinion for High Court

Washington, D. C. (Special)—History was made Monday the 12th, when the U. S. Supreme Court reversed the conviction of four Florida men sentenced to death for the robbery-slaying of a white man.

The unanimous opinion was read from the bench by Mr. Justice Black, former U. S. Senator from Alabama, whose appointment to the bench was the center of an angry controversy because of his onetime membership in the Klan.

"Victims of Prejudice" Justice Black amid a hushed chamber lashed out against 3rd degree police methods in obtaining confessions, he declared:

"Today, as in ages past, we are not without tragic proof that the exalted power of some governments to punish manufactured crime dictatorially is the handmaid of tyranny.

"Under our constitutional system, courts stand against any winds that blow as havens of refuge for those who might otherwise suffer, because they are helpless, weak, outnumbered, or because they are non-conforming victims of prejudice and public excitement.

The Accused

The men were Isiah (Izell) Chambers, Jack Williamson, Charlie Davis and Walter Woodward (Woodard). They were rounded up with more than a score of other men immediately after the killing of Robert Darcy at Pompano, Fla., in 1933, and no charges were filled until after confessions were obtained the following week.

Editors Note: (In Raiford, Fla., the four men asked officials to "please thank the court for us.")

(Convicted May 14, 1933, the four men are the "oldest residents" of Florida's death row. They have occupied "death row" cells almost continuously since May, 1933.)

BOOKS FOR NEGRO LIBRARY

Eva Jessye of choir fame has asked the public to donate books for a library to be established for Negroes in Sumpter, S. Carolina. Negroes are not permitted to use the public Carnegie library.

The Des Moines Branch N. A. A. C. P. has appointed A. P. Trotter chairman of a committee to gather books which later will be shipped to Miss Jessye. Those desiring to donate books may leave them at the Community Luncheonette, 1202 Center street or call Mr. Trotter at 3-2528.

RESIGNS

Owen Watkins, 1346 Fremont street, wishes again to announce that he has resigned as Mayor of Bronzeville.

Speaker Analyzes Race Superiority at Annual Interracial Sunday Program

Theories of racial superiority are just so much "bunk" Willard L. Johnson, director of religious education for Plymouth Congregational Church, last Sunday told observers of Interracial day.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson, who also is executive secretary of the Iowa-Nebraska Conference of Christians and Jews, addressed a city-wide congregation at St. Paul's A. M. E. church, Fifteenth and Crocker streets.

Waterloo NAACP Hold Celebration

LINCOLN ANNIVERSARY HONORED WITH DINNER

The annual Lincoln day celebration sponsored by the Waterloo branch, N. A. A. C. P. was held at Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church Monday evening, February 12.

Addresses were made by Mrs. Georgine C. Morris, of Des Moines. She gave a history of the early life of Douglass and the experience he encountered in order to secure an education.

"Douglass was a man who did not hesitate to do a job because it was hard," said Mrs. Morris calling attention to the hardships he encountered in his support of the anti-slavery movement. She closed by telling the audience that the work started by Douglass was being carried on by the N. A. A. C. P. and urged everyone to become a member.

Declaring that Lincoln was greater than the Republican party and he as a democrat was at home speaking of his life, Horace Van Meter, a Waterloo attorney, spoke on the life of Lincoln.

The program began with a dinner at seven o'clock. Rev. C. J. Grinnell of the Episcopal Church delivered the invocation after which the Negro National Anthem was sung. Atty. M. F. Fields is president.

Other out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Johnson, Guy Smith and Atty. James B. Morris of Des Moines.

opportunity for experienced training.

Committees Appointed

The Rev. G. W. Robinson, chairman of the commission, announced the appointment of the following committees for the year: Advisory—Mrs. Hoyace S. Hollingsworth, Casper Schenk, S. Joe Brown, the Rev. Stoddard Lane, A. A. Alexander and J. B. Morris; Church Relations—The Rev. Stoddard Lane, the Rev. J. W. Tutt, the Rev. R. M. Shipman, the Rev. H. C. Boyd, Frank T. Dillon, and the Rev. J. C. Bain; Education—Prof. A. L. Severson, the Rev. Willard L. Johnson, Mrs. J. B. Morris, Miss Roberta Maupin and Mrs. W. Lee Jordan; Industrial Relations—A. A. Alexander, A. P. Trotter, Mrs. Margaret Patten and J. B. Morris; Housing—Mrs. S. Joe Brown, Mrs. William Dudley, Anthony Sarcone, Mrs. A. D. George, Harry E. Terrell, Mrs. J. W. Tutt, F. O. Morrow and Mrs. L. R. Willis;

QUALIFIES



MILES PAIGE

New York, Feb. 15 (C)—"Five minutes residence in Brooklyn," said Mayor LaGuardia, "was sufficient to give Magistrate Myles Paige the necessary residence qualification which would enable him to become the first Negro member of the Court of Special Sessions."

Name Racial Group Heads

"There is no color line drawn among the personnel of N. Y. A. projects," Julius Fidler, Polk County National Youth Administration official declared in a talk before the Des Moines Interracial Commission Tuesday evening at North High school.

The speaker, in relating the scope and variety of the agency in the county, stated that there are now 1259 young people between the ages of 18 and 25 years of age now enrolled on the various projects and obtaining apprentice training in a large number of trades and tasks. Supplementary remarks were made by Frank T. Dillon, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who pictured the work of the N. Y. A. as a "stop gap," affording young people, out of school and unemployed, encouragement and

Seek Men Accomplices As Murder of White Farmer

Snow Hill, Md., Feb. 15—The eastern shore of Maryland, where poverty and misery reign supreme, and the natives eke out a bare existence is again the scene of racial disorder. Early Wednesday the 14th five state troopers overtook a crowd estimated officially at 1,000 at near-by Stockton, Md., and in a brief melee rescued two women who had been dragged from the Worcester county jail here several hours earlier.

The women had been taken into custody Monday afternoon for "investigation" in connection with the Sunday night slaying of Harvey W. Pilehard, Stockton farmer, and the wounding of his wife, Annie by three Negro men who entered their home demanding money.

Brought to Baltimore

The state troopers announced the women would be brought to Baltimore, Md., for safekeeping. Two men suspects were taken to an undisclosed jail.

Sergt. W. H. Weber of the state police was injured painfully when the rescue party clashed with the crowd. Gov. Herbert R. O'Connor announced from Annapolis, Md., he had received a report that Weber, battered on the head with a club, managed to load the women in an auto and drove away.

It was on the eastern shore and near the scene of the disturbance yesterday that Negroes have been the victims of angry mobs in the past.

ON EXHIBITION TOUR



Cortez Peters, nationally famed appearing at business schools and col- typist, is now in Los Angeles giving leges. He is a native of Washington, a series of typing exhibitions for the D. C. where he has his home office. Royal Typewriter Company. He is

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Fights Bill on Text Books

New York, N. Y.—Arthur Garfield Hays, counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, Sunday urged Mississippi's governor, Paul B. Johnson, to veto a bill providing for separate civics textbooks for Negro and white school children, on the ground that "it violates constitutional guarantees against discrimination."

The bill would eliminate from textbooks for Negroes instructions in such principles as voting.

ARKANSAS METHODISTS DENY FRAUD AND BRIBBERY CHARGES

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 14 (ANP)—A committee of Arkansas AME Church leaders, described as "officials of the Arkansas Newly Elected Delegates," this week denied the charge of irregularities and bribery in the Nov. 2, 1938 election of delegates.

The charge was allegedly made by Rev. P. L. Johnson, who, says the committee, was defeated at Newport in his annual conference election of delegates to the AME general conference, to be held in Detroit, in May.

BYSTANDER COOKING SCHOOL

Billiken Hall

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INSURANCE HEAD DIES

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 14 (ANP)—William Van Watson, president of the People's Mutual Benefit Association, died here Saturday evening. Well known in the civic and business life of this section, he is survived by his widow, a brother, A. H. Watson of Galveston and other relatives.

Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

CHURCH OF GOD
1151 West Third Street
ORDER OF SERVICES
Sabbath School (Saturday) 10:00 A. M.; Morning service, 11:30 A. M.; Evening service, one hour before sundown. Sunday evening service, 8:00 P. M.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
S. E. 13th and Scott Sts.
Rev. J. L. Lucas, Pastor
596 Sheridan Ave. R. F. Ph. 4-3840
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.

ST. SIMON EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1227 School
Father A. O. Birkenough in charge of services on the first and third Sundays. Services at 10:45 a. m. Church school 9:45 every Sunday morning.

MAPLE ST. BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner East 16th and Maple Streets
A. Rosa Brent, Pastor
Order of service: Morning service, 11 A. M.; Sunday School, 1 P. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30; Evening service, 8 P. M.; Prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30; Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 P. M.

ST. PAUL A. M. E. CHURCH
Rev. H. C. Boyd, Pastor
12th and Crocker
Sunday school 9:30 A. M., morning worship, 10:45 A. M.; Evening worship, 7:45 P. M.; A. C. E. League, 6:30 P. M.; Lucy Davis, president. Mrs. S. Joe Brown, superintendent of the church school. Official Board Monday evening, 7:30 P. M. Midweek prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Choir rehearsal, Friday evening, 8:00 P. M.

CHRIST'S SANCTIFIED HOLY CHURCH
1681 E. University Avenue, Phone 6-3383; Elder A. B. Brewer, pastor. Order of service: Sunday school 12:30 p. m. Sunday worship 2:30 p. m., Y. P. R. L. 8:30 p. m. Sunday night 7:30 p. m. Tuesday Prayer service and Bible Study 8 p. m. Friday Worship 8 p. m.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH
East Sixteenth and University Ave.
Rev. Jordan W. Tuttle, Pastor
Morning service, 11 A. M.; Sunday school at 9:30. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7:45. Mid-week prayer service at 7:45. Choir rehearsal Friday evening at 8:00. Dr. L. R. Willis, director.

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 night at 7:30 P. M.; Friday night at 7:30 P. M.; all day Sabbath, commonly called Saturday; all are welcome.

BURNS M. E. CHURCH
811 Crocker Street
Rev. John C. Bala, Pastor
Order of service: Sunday school 9:45 A. M.; Morning service, 11 A. M.; Sunday 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 special welcome awaits you at Burns.

CLEVELAND AVENUE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
1704 Cleveland Ave.
Elder S. Jackson, Pastor
The order of service at the church: Sunday School at 9:30 with Rev. Fostalis as superintendent. Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock. Y. P. W. at 6:30 p. m. with Vera Ferchman, leader. Evening night services at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday night Bible Band from 7:30 to 8:30. Weekly services Tuesday and Friday nights, 8 p. m.

LINCOLN POST & AUXILIARY
The Lincoln Post and Auxiliary celebrated Lincoln's birthday with a program at the Legion Hall, 750 11th street, Tuesday evening, February 12.

The following speakers appeared on the program: William S. Van Hamer, district commander; Oren Van Nieuwaal, state adjutant; George Mahoney, sixth district Americanism chairman.
Miss Frances Carter gave the Gettysburg Address. Oval Carter, Americanism chairman of the Post, presided over the program.

The Lincoln Unit Auxiliary 126 will sponsor an Americanism program at the Legion Hall, Tuesday evening, February 20.

The Boy Scouts, Junior Girls Auxiliary and the Sons of the Legion will be honored guests. Miss Marie Mayberry, executive secretary of the Blue Triangle Y, will be the guest speaker.
Mrs. Josephine Williams is Americanism chairman of the Unit.

PHILLY ALREADY PREPARING FOR NAACP MEET
Philadelphia, Feb. 14 (ANP) — Five months early this city is hard at work for the coming 31st annual conference of the N. A. A. C. P., June 25-30, with Mayor Robert E. Lambertson, honorary chairman, and Atty. Theodore O. Spaulding, general chairman of arrangements and supported by nine committees.

CORINTHIAN NOTES

By Clara Webb, reporter
Rev. Robinson delivered an inspiring message Sunday morning, February 11, on "Can any Good Come Out of Nazareth." He preceded his sermon by paying a deep tribute to Abraham Lincoln. The Gettysburg address was read.

The B. Y. P. U. presented four discourses on "Should Color be a Barrier in any phase of Life." Those participating were Mary Jane Dooley of the Register & Tribune, Hazel Schouze, State Supervisor of Nursing Schools; Armetta Sloan of Corinthian and Luther Ganton, Drake "U" Law student. More than 250 people were present.

Rev. B. W. Selin, pastor of the Union Park Methodist church, was guest speaker at the evening service. His sermon was preceded by musical numbers from representatives of his church.

BETHEL A. M. E.

CLOSES FOUNDER'S WEEK WITH MEMORIAL SERVICE
The celebration of Founder's week was closed Sunday, February 11, with a memorial service for Richard Allen, founder of the A. M. E. church. This program was sponsored by the senior choir of which Mr. Harrison Manuel is president.

During the service a large picture of Richard Allen was unveiled by Mesdames Dora Davis and Jennie Smith. Miss Dana Herndon and the senior choir furnished the music.

REV. ROMAN AT UNION

The Rev. Roman, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist church, will be guest speaker at Union Baptist church, East 16th and University Sts., Sunday, February 18, at 3:00 p. m. The public is cordially invited.
Rev. Roman is a new pastor in the city and is rendering most appreciable service.

EDITOR VANN ILL

Pittsburgh, Pa. (ANP) — Robert L. Vann, editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, lies seriously ill at Shady-side hospital here where he underwent a serious abdominal operation last week. Later bulletins, however, showed marked improvements in Mr. Vann's condition, and his rapid recovery is hoped for.

Mr. Vann, became a national figure when he bolted the G. O. P. and supported Mr. Roosevelt for the presidency in 1932. For militant support of Mr. Roosevelt, he was appointed special assistant to the attorney general of the United States. However, he remained in Washington but a short while; resigning he returned to Pittsburgh and assumed active control of his paper. His next sudden move was in 1938, when he bolted the Pennsylvania Democratic machine and supported Judge James, the successful Republican candidate for governor.

In recent months he has through his paper carried on a relentless fight against discrimination of Negroes in the U. S. Army and other branches of the government service.

WHITE COLLEGE PLANS \$20,000

MEMORIAL FOR NEGRO JANITOR
Macon, Ga. Feb. 14 (ANP) — A unique memorial, said to be without precedent in the Nation's history, was disclosed this week when it was learned that at Mercer's university, 107-year-old Baptist institution, a memorial will be erected honoring Robert E. Lee Battle, Negro janitor for 40 years at Mercer who died last Dec. 8, leaving an estate consisting mainly of a \$36 burial insurance policy.

New York, Feb. 14—The mass of Negroes are being surprised and the bulk of whites are being astonished, possibly shocked, concerning the many amazing facts of Negro life, past and present, that are being borne forth during the celebration of Negro History Week, February 11-18.

Daytona Beach, Fla. Feb. 15—Bethune-Cookman College is all dressed up. The Trustee and Advisory Boards, Faculty and Student Body join in the celebration on February 16 that marks the establishment of the institution by Mary McLeod Bethune. Here at Daytona Beach, Fla., there is an air of pageantry.
Joining the festivities is Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, as guest speaker, who will deliver an address which will be followed by the appearance of the distinguished tenor Mr. Roland Hayes. All this will take place on Sunday, February 18.

MEETING FOR NEGRO MEMBERS

L. J. Chapman, Negro Polk County Chairman is calling a special meeting Sat. Feb. 24 at 8:00 p. m., at the residence of Atty. Melvin Carl, 1117 W. 13th Street to clarify some misunderstanding relative to the Hatch and other bills, in order that persons employed by the federal government may know and enjoy the full extent of their civil liberties.
Authoritative interpretations by the President and U. S. Attorney General will be cited.

THEATRICAL WRITERS SELECT ALL-AMERICAN SWING BAND

FOR 1940
TRUMPET
First Band
Louis Armstrong
Erskine Hawkins
*Harry James

Second Band
Rex Stewart (Ellington)
*Muggsy Spanier

TROMBONE
First Band
*Tommy Dorsey

Second Band
J. C. Higgenbotham (Armstrong)
*Jack Teagarden

ALTO SAX
First Band
Johnny Hodges (Ellington)
Benny Carter

Second Band
Willie Smith (Lunceford)
*Charles Barnet

TENOR SAX
First Band
Coleman Hawkins
Chu Berry (Calloway)

Second Band
Lester Young
Joe Thomas (Lunceford)

CLARINET
First Band
*Benny Goodman

Second Band
Barney Bigard (Ellington)

PIANO
First Band
Teddy Wilson

Second Band
Count Basie

GUITAR
First Band
Charlie Christian (Goodman)

Second Band
Floyd Smith (Kirk)

DRUMS
First Band
Joe Jones (Basie)

BASS
First Band
*Gene Krupa

Second Band
John Kirby
*Artie Bernstein (Goodman)

Second Band
Pops Foster (Armstrong)
*Bobby Haggart (Crosby)

MALE VOCALIST
First Band
*Bing Crosby

Second Band
Bill Kenny (Ink Spots)

GIRL VOCALIST
First Band
Ella Fitzgerald

Second Band
Billie Holiday
BEST INSTRUMENTAL SOLOIST
First Band
Lionel Hampton (Goodman)

Second Band
Sidney Bechet
BEST COMPOSITION OF 1939
First Band
My Prayer

Second Band
Tain't What You Do
BEST HOT BAND
First Band
Count Basie

Second Band
Babe Ellington
*Denotes White Musician.

Also receiving votes:

TRUMPET: Red Allen, Ziggy Elman, Hot Lips Page, Cootie Williams, Taft Jordan. **TROMBONE:** Joe "Tricky Sam" Nanton—ALTO SAX: Scoops Carey, Benny Goodman. **CLARINET:** Buster Bailey. **PIANO:** Mary Lou Williams, Bob Zurke. **DRUMS:** Lionel Hampton, Cozy Cole, Sonny Greer. **BASS:** Wellman Braud, Walter Page, Jimmy Blanton, Freddie Taylor, Vernon Alley, Milton Hinton. **MALE VOCALIST:** Pha Terrell, Bon Bon, Cab Calloway. **GIRL VOCALIST:** Avis Andrews. **BEST INSTRUMENTAL SOLOIST:** Eddie South, Count Basie, Louis Armstrong, Charlie Christian, Benny Carter. **BEST COMPOSITION:** In the Mood, Moonlight Serenade, Sergeant Was Shy, All the Things You Are. **BEST BAND:** Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller, Jimmy Lunceford, John Kirby.

BYSTANDER COOKING SCHOOL

Billiken Hall
March 6-7
Original Notice
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA, IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY
Equity No. 10
D. D. Yarnall, Plaintiff,
vs.
Florence Emily Fitch, Charles Fitch, Ethel Pearl Rogers, A. L. Rogers, A. C. Chalmers for the Independent Berean Church Mission & Bible Training School, General Assembly of Free Seventh Day Adventists, Carl E. Robinson, Richard Johnson, Arthur H. Wright, Silas Wade, as Trustees of Des Moines Church "Free Seventh Day Adventists", J. B. Mosley, Representative and Agent for the General Assembly of "Free Seventh Day Adventists", General Assembly Free Seventh Day Adventists, Incorporated, General Assembly of Free Seventh Day Adventists, and all unknown defendants claiming any interest in and to the North 40 feet of Lots 3 and 4 in Block "B" in Day's Addition to Fort Des Moines, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

DEFENDANTS:
You, and each of you, are hereby notified that the plaintiff in the above entitled cause of action has filed his petition against you, and each of you, in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, wherein said plaintiff alleges that default has been made, under the terms of a certain promissory note, in the original principal sum of \$1000.00, dated June 7, 1927, and there remains a principal balance due on same in the sum of \$359.56, plus interest at the rate of eight percent per annum, and to the North 40 feet of Lots 3 and 4 in Block "B" in Day's Addition to Fort Des Moines, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

That subsequent to the execution of said note and mortgage, A. C. Chalmers, for the Independent Berean Church Mission & Bible Training School, General Assembly of Free Seventh Day Adventists, Carl E. Robinson, Richard Johnson, Arthur H. Wright, and Silas Wade, as Trustees of Des Moines Church "Free Seventh Day Adventists," by terms of the deeds of conveyance, assumed and agreed to pay said note and mortgage indebtedness.

Said petition further alleges that by reason of default by said defendants, the plaintiff has a right to a foreclosure of said mortgage and is entitled to recover from said defendants the sum of \$359.56, with interest thereon at the rate of eight percent per annum from the 1st day of December, 1935, and the further sum of \$22.25 paid by the plaintiff for abstract of title as therein alleged, and for the costs, including attorney's fees; that the aforesaid mortgage indebtedness is a first lien on the above described real estate.

Said petition further prays that above recited premises be sold, the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the payment of said note and mortgage, and that the balance of the proceeds be paid to the defendants.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY
Maggie Madison vs John Madison
To John Madison:
You are hereby notified that the petition of Maggie Madison is now on file in the office of the clerk of the District Court in and for Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bond of matrimony on the grounds: willful desertion for a period of more than two years.
For further particulars see petition.
You are further notified that unless you appear and defend on or before noon of the

THE MRP

MODERN NIGHT CLUB
WATCH FOR THE GRAND
OPENING DATE
1002 Center Street

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SOME FUN
EM, BOYS?
POLITICS
TAXPAYER
MORE TAXES



NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF MID-WEST

Notice is hereby given that at a Special Meeting of stockholders of the Mid-West Cap Company, held at the office of Lappen-Carlson & Clarke, 111 Southern Buery Building, Des Moines, Iowa, on the 7th day of December, 1939, notice of time and place of said meeting, as provided by the Articles and by statute, having been waived by the stockholders, the following amendments to the articles of incorporation of said corporation, as amended, were adopted by unanimous vote of the stockholders as follows:

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be MID-WEST HAT CO.
Article III of the Articles of Incorporation of the Mid-West Cap Company was stricken from said Articles and in lieu thereof, the following Article III inserted.

ARTICLE III

The object of this corporation is to conduct general wholesale and retail business of hats and caps at wholesale and retail and any and all other merchandise, having been waived by the stockholders, the following amendments to the articles of incorporation of said corporation, as amended, were adopted by unanimous vote of the stockholders as follows:

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NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF OPTICAL ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED

Notice is hereby given of the incorporation under the provisions of the Code of Iowa, 1939, and of the Code of Iowa, 1937, and all acts amendatory and supplementary thereto, of the Optical Associates, Incorporated, with its principal place of business in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

The general nature of the business to be transacted by the corporation shall be to purchase, sell, acquire and dispose of in any manner, manufacture and deal in goods, wares, merchandise and all kinds of personal property; to purchase, sell, take, lease, hold and in any manner acquire and dispose of real property wherever situated; and to enter into any contracts or leases pertaining thereto; to accept, hold, own, issue, and dispose of commercial paper of every kind and of every description incidental to, or necessary for the above objects and purposes.

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IN THE SHADOW OF THE STARS
By Abbe Wallace

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DELTA SIGMA SORORITY MAKE FINAL PLANS FOR 1940 JABBERWOCK

The Phi Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority met at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A., Wednesday evening, February 7, to formulate plans for their Fifth Annual Jabberwock. It will be held April 18, at the Jewish Community Center.

This is an annual project on the part of the Phi Chapter to raise funds for a scholarship award. Miss

Marguerita Green, a student at Iowa University, Iowa City, was the winner of the 1939 award.

Miss Roberta Maupin, president in a conversation with a Bystander reporter stated that "The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority wishes to have the cooperation of the clubs of the city in making the 1940 Jabberwock a success."

GRAND MATRON O. E. S. VISITS DES MOINES

Mrs. Julia E. Reed of Cedar Rapids, Worthy Grand Matron and Miss Jessie E. Walker of Marshalltown, Grand Secretary of Electa Grand Chapter, O. E. S. for Iowa and jurisdiction, spent Tuesday and Wednesday of last week in Des Moines in conference with W. C. Buice, Worthy Grand Patron and Mrs. S. Joe Brown, chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Chapter.

While in the city they were the house guests of Mrs. Cecil Brewton, daughter of Mrs. Reed.

PRESENTS FIFTH CONCERT

Mrs. Lucille Brown and Misses Emma Harris and Alice Kinney will be presented in their fifth vesper concert at the Maple Street Baptist church, Sunday evening, February 18, from 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.

HONOR WIVES WITH PARTY

Messrs. James Rhone and Leo Jones were hosts to a surprise birthday party honoring their wives, Messrs. James Rhone and Pinkie Jones. They were presented with birthstone rings with a diamond on each side from their husbands.

Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Carrie Washington; Mr. and Mrs. David Rhone; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buford; Mr. and Mrs. Sequoyah Buford; Mrs. Hiawatha King, Miss Bernita Washington, and Messrs. Willie Buford and William Headspeth. Many lovely gifts were received by the wives.

FORT NIGHTLY CLUB HOST AT VALENTINE DINNER

The Fort Nightly club entertained Saturday evening, February 10, with a Valentine Buffet dinner at the La Marguerita Hotel dining room.

Guests present were: Mrs. Joburness Kelso, Mrs. Reba Dean and Mr. and Mrs. John M. Estes; Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Trotter; Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Ewing, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Buice, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winn, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris; Mr. and Mrs. George Tymmony; Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Hyde and Atty. and Mrs. Mrs. W. Lawrence Oliver.

Members present were: Mrs. Lillian Edmunds; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clay; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benning; Mr. and Mrs. Oval Carter; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Esters. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Johnson, who are honorary members.

JR. N. A. A. C. P. RE-ORGANIZES

Mrs. Gladys Carr, supervisor of the Youth division of the N. A. A. C. P. has issued a call for reorganization of the Jr. N. A. A. C. P. The meeting will convene at the Negro Community center Sunday, February 18, at 4

All youths between the ages of 16 and 25 are cordially invited to attend and become a member.

VISITS HERE

Mrs. Willie Turner of Detroit, Mich., is here visiting at the home of Mrs. Alice Bell, 1164 14th street place. Mrs. Turner, the former Miss Willie Warden of this city, will be here several weeks.

CITY FEDERATION MEETS FEB. 16

The City Federation will meet at the Community Center, 15th and Central streets, Friday evening, February 16. The three speakers appearing in the program will be Mrs. Helen D. Esbears who will speak on "Race Relationship"; Mrs. Goldie Fant on the "Life of George Washington"; and Miss Winifred Brooks on "Ferdinand Douglass and Abraham Lincoln."

Mrs. Iva Ligon, chairman of the program, committee will preside at this meeting.

MRS. PRESTON HONORED WITH SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. Minnie Preston was honored guest at a surprise birthday party given at her home, 1435 DeWolf street, Sunday evening, February 11, by her daughter, Miss Dorothy Preston.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mesdames Zula Turner, Eddie Bell Pleasant, Bertha Chandler, Lena Moore, Monroe Wadsworth, Veinma Williams, Mabel White, Mary King, Georgia Jenkins Carrie Watson Effie Bogan, Jeannie Evans, Mabel Vandever, Minnie Watkin, Lucius Frazier, William Spriggs, Josephine Snyder, Blossom Mays, Lydia Ross and Lucile Rife.

Misses Maxine Preston, Ruby Kitchen, Emma Mae Williams and Messrs. Winston Preston, William Moore and Joseph Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. George Sampson and Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Johnson.

MOTOR TO IOWA CITY

Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris motored to Iowa City, Wednesday, February 7, surprising their son, James B. Morris, Jr., on his twenty-first birthday. They were accompanied by Guy Smith.

VISIT HERE

Misses Betty Jean Ross, Margaret and Harriet Maxwell; Mrs. Maxwell; Rev. E. C. Nelson, Messrs. Harold Flippings and John Brown were in the city visiting friends Sunday afternoon, February 11.

MRS. BEVERLY HONORED WITH SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. J. S. Beverly, 1320 E. 19th street, was honored with a surprise birthday party given her sister, Miss Nellie Green, at her home 1441 E. 19th street, Monday evening, February 12.

The color scheme was red and white. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Owen Watkins, Mrs. Wickley, and Mrs. Olivia DeVan.

RHYTHM FROLIC MEETS

The East Side Rhythm Frolic club met at the home of Lillian Caldwell, Monday evening, February 12. Prizes were won by Mrs. Jaunita Meeks, first; Elizabeth Sampson, second; and Frances Walker, third.

Mrs. Clara Quinn of Chicago, was guest of the club. Plans were made for a dance to be given at the Sampson's Annex, February 29. The next meeting will be with Isabelle Lewia.

ELEGANT EIGHTS MEETS

The Elegant Eight bridge club met with Delores Bailey, 1042 10th street, Wednesday, February 7. Bridge prizes were won by Bessie Caloway, Rosalee Elliott, and Obenitta Bundles, first, second and third prizes respectively. Obenitta Bundles will be the next hostess.

PARISENNE'S MEET

The La Parisienne club met Thursday, February 8, with Alma Burton. Bridge prizes were won by Anna Mae Lawson, first; Dorothy Madison, second; and Mexine Smith, third. The next meeting will be with Obenitta Bundles.

DELTA'S ANNOUNCE OFFICERS FOR 1940

The Phi Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority wishes to announce their officers for 1940. They are as follows: Miss Roberta Maupin, president; Miss Clara Webb, vice-president; Miss Sarah Steel, secretary; Mrs. Helen D. Beshears, treasurer; and Miss Winifred Brooks, rush chairman.

LEAVES TO ATTEND FUNERAL

Rev. H. J. Parker and Mrs. Cleve Smith left late Sunday evening, February 11, for Montgomery, Ala., to attend the funeral of their father, Rev. H. F. Parker.

In keeping with the program of the community in which it serves, the East Side Community Center is now planning to have its anniversary celebration on Sunday, March 3.

Mrs. Margaret M. Patten, Director of the Center, announces that, "the affair will be outstanding, and that the Center takes great pride in preparing for this celebration on the basis of service and achievement in the community."

WANTED TEN BOYS

To become the future business men of tomorrow!

SPEAKS



MRS. JOHN DREW

WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB MET FEB. 12

The February meeting of the Negro Women's Republican club was held Monday evening, February 12, at the home of Mrs. Gus Nichols, 1062 11th street.

Mrs. George Hines, prominent Republican leader in the state and county, spoke on "Drawing of Jurors," and the "Electing of a Committee Woman from a Precinct." Mrs. Thomas Marshall, a member of the Polk County Republican Central Committee, spoke on "Effective Ways to organize and know your Precinct."

Mrs. John Drew, president of the club, made a short speech on the lives of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. Musical numbers were rendered by Mrs. Sadie M. Hammit.

COMING-COMING

This paper will sponsor an "OCCUPATIONAL SKETCHES" Column. It will be designed to bring to the attention of the Public the work of specialities in various fields of endeavor who have escaped the notice of the job conscious. Here will be found true life stories of interesting people engaged in profitable occupations which youth too often presumes are closed. This column will be conducted by an able staff. Contributions of sketch subjects from our readers are solicited.

Is Your Subscription Paid Up?

Every Cook Has a Dish

Every cook has some dish or recipe that she or he likes to prepare as a surprise or a treat to her family or household. Fill out the blank and mail at once to the BYSTANDER COOKING SCHOOL STAFF, 302 Chemical Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa.

Your name _____
Address _____
How long have you been cooking _____
The favorite dish my family likes me to prepare is _____
(Give instructions for preparing—naming nationally advertised ingredients you use)
Remember the dates of the Bystander's Annual Cooking School and Home Institute—which will be on March 6 and 7.

... Marie Downing
Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.
BEAUTY AND ROMANCE
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The Larique Beauty Foundation was established by the Godfrey Manufacturing Company to study methods of preserving women's natural beauty, and to make the results of this research available to the public.

YOUR CROWNING GLORY

More letters come to me every day regarding the care of the hair than on any one other subject. For this reason I am going to make this an open letter to all those who have problems concerning their hair.

First and foremost, shining, lustrous hair is not acquired overnight. Hair requires daily care just as the skin does. Most of you wait until your hair has become dull, dry and brittle and then, in despair, you try to do a quick cure for it. There is no quick cure for lifeless hair.

Diet and Sleep Affect Condition of Hair

Your diet and the life you lead affect the condition of your hair. If you want the kind of hair that men admire and women envy, you must lead a sane, healthy life. Some of this burning, candle at both ends, I don't mean you must go to bed every night with the chickens, out you must average at least eight hours sleep every night in a well-ventilated room and get an hour's healthful exercise, preferably out of doors. And you must watch your diet. Eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables rather than sticking to a menu of starches and sweets. And drink lots of water. Beauty and health go hand in hand and if you take good care of your health, it will be reflected in your hair, skin and eyes, as well as in your frame of mind.

Brushing your hair every day is one of the most important external beauty treatments for your hair. Brushing keeps the hair free of dust, stimulates the natural oil in

DEATHS

FOUNDER OF MT. HEBRON DIES

Rev. Floyd Hardy, 76, died at the home of his son, George Hardy, 116 6th street, West Des Moines, Iowa. He was a resident of West Des Moines for twenty five years and died after several years illness.

Rev. Hardy, a former pastor of the Mt. Hebron Baptist church there, was also the founder. He is survived by one son, George Hardy and one niece, Lucille Shaw of Minneapolis, Minn.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 12, at the Estes Funeral home with Rev. L. G. Garrett officiating. Burial was in Glendale cemetery.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. WILLIAMS

Mrs. Hazel Williams, 49, Negro, of 1210 Park street died at Broadlawn General hospital Wednesday after an illness of several months. She had been a resident of Des Moines 15 years.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Maude Williams, Des Moines, and a brother Richard Harris, Oskaloosa, Ia. Services will be at the Estes Funeral home at 2 p. m. Friday. Burial will be at Glendale cemetery.

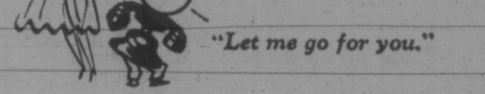
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In memory of William Rhodes

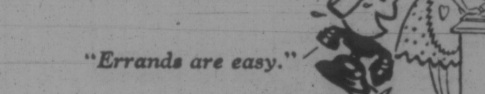
One year has passed,
Since death's said day,
When one I loved was called away.
God took him home
Within his heart
He will always live.
Friends may think we have forgotten
When at times they see us smile
Little do they know the heartaches
That our smiles hid all the while
God saw that you were suffering
And the hills were hard to climb
So he closed your weary eyes
And whispered "Peace be thine."
Mrs. Laura M. Rhodes, widow
Mrs. Eunice Rhodes Bates,
daughter
Frances Maurine Bates,
grand-daughter

Here's something about one of your best friends

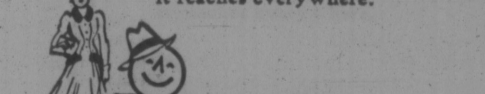
Your telephone's no stranger for you use it quite a bit. But maybe you could use it more and get more out of it.



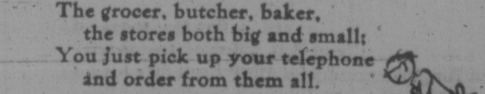
Most every day there seem to be some errands to be run. The quick way is to telephone—a jiffy, and they're done.



To talk with friends is a pleasure—it's a joy beyond compare; Your telephone brings them to you; it reaches everywhere.



The grocer, butcher, baker, the stores both big and small; You just pick up your telephone and order from them all.



"Send them right out, please."

To telephone is quite the thing in our own U. S. A. Where service always is the best and you've the least to pay.

