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FLORIDANS FOOLS THEMSELVES

A bill has been introduced in the legislature of Florida requiring the schools to provide different textbooks for Negro pupils from those to be used by whites. The sponsors of the measure referred particularly to the fact that all material concerning voting and kindred subjects be deleted from the books provided for Negroes.

Well, just what will those people do next? About everything imaginable has been tried calculated to embarrass the Negro and retard his progress. Undoubtedly some of the people spend all of their time planning against the Negroes of that state.

If readers will recall a bit of current history, they will remember that Negroes of a Florida city voted in large numbers in an election last year. Evidently the authors of the measure feel that this provision would prevent a recurrence of it in a thing. Then too 1940 elections are bound to be important and they don't want Negroes help in deciding them.

The bill will pass the legislature undoubtedly. And it is bound to provide just another measure for the supreme court to knock out and another blow to the high handed rule of those people who would deny Negroes their rights under the constitution.

THE CITY ELECTION

In spite of little apparent interest, more than thirty candidates are in the field for nomination in the city primaries March 12. This does not include municipal judges. And more are bound to enter before the last date for filing.

Two years ago, in spite of a rather spirited campaign, we salvaged next to nothing out of the election. And the same situation will prevail unless there is more concerted action in backing candidates in the final election.

As the situation stands today, some city councilmen have had their jobs reduced to mere office boys. Boards and commissions have been so thoroughly entrenched that nobody has a ghost of a show to get behind them. The water board upon which no Negro has served in spite of promises of some mayors that this situation would be absolutely nothing.

arranged where candidates are sponsoring beer parties for voters as evidence of their interest in the votes of certain precincts. This, the Bystander believes, is highly improper and an insult upon the intelligence of good citizens. And as one candidate puts it, "people who look for this type of electioneering are just as apt to vote for the opposing candidate as the one who furnished the beer."

Other cities are making progress in their recognition of worthy Negroes for important posts. Des Moines has just as many in proportion and it ought to respond just as far in proportion to other places.

Unfortunately, we hold no jobs of any consequence in the city administration. Once a door was open, but it stands closed today. The Bystander has not undertaken to endorse any candidates so far. It has preferred to see the issues shape up more definitely. But it does propose to support candidates who offer some decent consideration to Negro voters and it will make no difference whether that candidate has a good or poor chance to win.

BOOKS

ARMIES WITH WINGS

By James L. H. Peck, Dodd Mead and Company, New York, 1940 Review by Louise Glass

We, whose knowledge of mechanics hovers near zero may shy off from this book when we discover that it is so technical. But we need not. Even though a number of diagrams and technical terms are used, the vivid, youthful, dashing style of writing makes it intensely interesting.

This book covers only 269 pages but it is crammed with information. Although he is only 27 years old Mr. Peck is recognized as an authority on military aeronautics.

Having pushed aside his literary ambitions to take up flying, he later combines the two in "Armies With Wings."

The first part of the book gives minute description of the different kinds of planes and bombs. The author also tells of the extremely rigid tests and the intensive training a pilot must undergo.

Discussing the important place the plane holds in today's scheme he reminds us that it was the plane that made the decision at Munich in 1938. The irony of this has mocked us day after day.

When at last the world decided that the Wright brothers were not crazy after all; and that men really could build a machine that could be guided through the air, hope knew no limits. Now, that troublesome problem of distributing perishable foods was solved. In fact, the plane meant a more abundant life. Civilization was marching on—and on. But reading Mr. Peck's account of the ruthless destruction of cities and their inhabitants by bombing planes, we can only hope and pray that, instead of pushing us forward the plane doesn't push us back six centuries.

While piloting a plane for the Republican Air Force in the recent war in Spain, Mr. Peck got some first hand knowledge of the terror of the destruction, the slaughter of which the bombing plane is capable. He saw it with his own eyes. He points out that in this country to qualify for army air service a boy must have had at least two years of college. While in Spain he saw superb flying by boys who had not gone beyond junior high school. He doesn't see that a Ph. D. would be of much value so high in the air.

The human element, the psychological side of flying is especially interesting. Because of the enormous

Health Hints

By Dr. C. R. Bradford

ACNE

Acne is an inflammatory disease involving the face back and shoulders. The skin is greasy, contains many blackheads, and the acne lesions which are at first popular, become pustular, then finally dry up with more or less crusting. This disease has its origin sebaceous follicles and is due to the over activity of the sebaceous glands.

Acne is essentially a disease of adolescents, but a considerable proportion of the cases persist well into middle life.

The Acne patient should be given a thorough physical examination so that a possible seat of infection may be found. Usually, however, the disease responds all to slowly to any type of treatment.

MAYOR MARK L. CONKLING

Mayor Mark L. Conkling announced his candidacy for the office of Mayor in an address to a group of friends assembled Saturday at his campaign headquarters which have been established in the Fleming Building, 214 Sixth Avenue. The text of his talk was as follows:

"Approximately two years ago I was selected by the City Council to fill the unexpired term of the late Mayor Dwight Lewis. I accepted this appointment upon the instance of friends who were desirous that an experienced business man assume the responsibilities of this position. Although new to elective office I have endeavored to familiarize myself with the needs of the city and to render a business-like administration.

Saves Money

A news item of the same paper carried the remark of Phil Sherman, chairman of the Citizens' Tax Committee, as follows:

"The committee is more than satisfied, and this city council deserves a lot of credit for earnestly trying to save money."

The same item quoted C. A. Crosser, secretary of the Bureau of Municipal Research, as follows:

"It has been quite a number of



MARK L. CONKLING.

years since any city council has accomplished a savings in compiling a city budget for the next fiscal year."

I have cited the tax problem as indicating what can be accomplished by the application of sound business principles to city affairs.

The present administration has seen the completion of a number of worthwhile public improvements completed through the made work program, including the sewage disposal plant, sewers, dam and bridges, the municipal garage, the University Ave. improvement, the airport extension, etc.

"During the past year and experiment has been instituted in a low cost housing project. A replica of the houses comprising the nationally known Ft. Wayne project was erected at 17th St. and University Ave.

"One of the most important problems confronting the council in recent years is that of adequate garbage collections.

Big Business

The operation of the affairs of the City of Des Moines is one of the biggest business ventures in the State of Iowa. The Commission Plan of Government contemplates the election of business men to the city council who are willing to devote their time to this civic enterprise. If you feel that I am qualified and can be of further service to the City of Des Moines, I solicit your support as a candidate for Mayor.

Mark L. Conkling has been the owner and operator of the Glasgow Hotel for twenty years. He is now located at 17th St. and University Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

Crocker Y

The East Des Moines Stars in the senior league cage race subjected the Neal Howard Coal quintet, pre-season favorites, to a 30 to 11 defeat on the West High floor last Wednesday evening.

The Coal crew has a chance this coming Wednesday night to hand the Little Rens their first defeat.

Booked for the same date is the intermediate clash between the first place H. I. B. Club and the Hawk-eyes at East High Thursday. The East Des Moines Stars scored the first win over Cascade Laundry 32 to 28. Lincoln Heights went down under the Negro Community Center combination with a 21 to 12 reversal. The Little Rens won over Wimpy's Steak House 30 to 20. The latter team played so roughly that the contest was stopped by the officials with three minutes of playing time remaining.

Table with 3 columns: Team Name, Wins, Losses. Includes Little Rens, East D. M. Community Stars, Roadside Settlement, Neal Howard Coal, Negro Community Center, Iowa Observer, Corinthian Baptist, Black Spiders, West D. M. Community Center, H. I. B., Hawk-eyes, Hardway's Y Stars, Roadside Intermediates, Tigers, Falcons, Negro Community Juniors, Commodores, Cubs, Wildcats, Blue Devils, Smith Brothers, Blue Jays, Hawks, H. I. B. Club vs Hawk-eyes, Neal Howard Coal vs Little Rens, Outside Game, Little Rens vs Ames Body Co., Cubs vs Wildcats, Outside Game, Little Rens vs West Des Moines Community Center, East Des Moines Community Stars.

8:45 p. m. Blue Jays vs Smith Brothers  
7:20 p. m. Hardway's Y Stars vs Roadside Intermediates  
8:00 p. m. Outside Game  
8:45 p. m. Neal Howard Coal vs Roadside Settlement

8:45 p. m. Blue Devils vs Wildcats  
7:20 p. m. Outside Game  
8:00 p. m. H. I. B. Club vs Hawk-eyes  
8:45 p. m. Neal Howard Coal vs Little Rens

8:45 p. m. Outside Game  
7:30 p. m. Negro Community Center vs Supreme Bread  
8:15 p. m. Little Rens vs Ames Body Co.  
9:00 p. m. Outside Game

8:45 p. m. Cubs vs Wildcats  
7:20 p. m. Outside Game  
8:00 p. m. Black Spiders vs West Des Moines Community Center  
8:45 p. m. Negro Community Center vs East Des Moines Community Stars

FORMER "Y" STAR ON FISK CAGE SQUAD

Arthur John Edmunds, January North high graduate, is playing center for the Fisk University basketball team of Nashville, Tenn., where he is attending school as a freshman, according to word received here.

The team is now making a tour of the South meeting Morehouse of Atlanta, Georgia; Florida A. & M., of Tallahassee, Fla.; Tuskegee Institute of Tuskegee, Alabama.

Edmunds is a former member of the Y Stars club quintet, well-known Crocker Y. M. C. A. league, title-holders.

CELEBRATES 22ND ANNIVERSARY

The Boy Scout Troop 59 wishes to announce their twenty second Anniversary of continuous scouting. The ceremonies will begin promptly at 8 p. m. Tuesday evening, February 27, at the Negro Community Center. Mr. William Burns is the present Scout Master.

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BY ALLEN ASHBY

IS JOE LOUIS GREAT!

As long as sports-writers and narrow minded people insist on taking Joe Louis apart, we feel we ought to defend him. See Taylor insists that Joe is not a great champion. Any number of people have insisted that this or that fellow could beat the champ. Your writer would like to know by what standards great champions are measured. They say he should be able to cope with any style and win. Well-the boy is still champ after nine starts.

We get quite a laugh out of the boys who bring up their silly arguments. If Godoy had a punch, if Galento were only taller, if Pastor had a punch, always "if." Then they make up a synthetic fighter, give him the best weapons of all the combined champions who were great and say this is the man to beat Joe Louis.

From the great John L. to the present all the champions had their weakness. Corbett make a sucker out of John L. He in turn couldn't take Fitzsimmon's body punches. Fitz couldn't handle Jefferies. Johnson outboxed Jeff and was in turn outlasted by Willard. We honestly believe if Joe were not a Negro, he would be hailed as the greatest champion of them all taking on all comers, and beating them.

Honestly things have reached a point where a man gets more honor and fame for lasting just a few rounds with Joe Louis than he would ever get for surviving a major sea battle. A man who is not kayoed by the champion is a bigger hero than one who stays in a war four years. Yet the boy is not great.

The real facts are that white people are just tired of Negro boxing champions. Joe Louis will pull big gates because ninety percent of the crowd will be white people wanting to be there when he is finally stopped.

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Jesse Owens, winners in the WHO Golden Glove tournament are working out daily for the big event at Chicago. The boys are receiving training by Benny Leonard retired undefeated lightweight champion. Benny says the boys have a chance to go places at Chicago, if they are lucky on the draw. Graves because of his speed and experience is given the best chance of the three although Owens with his terrific punch and Ellison with his long left are rated not far behind.

There have been consistent unfounded rumors that Don Turner who was robbed of his title in the final bout will make the trip because Frank Critelli who was given the heavyweight title, won't be able to go.

Basketball

For the first time in years the district basketball tournament now called the Polk County meet will have no Negro teams. We had organized our Neal Howard Coal team with this meet in mind, but the boys left like rats leaving a sinking ship and we were barely have five left.

The H. I. B.'s boys went to Ogden last Saturday and got a mild sample of what traveling Negro teams get all the time. The report is that they were robbed of the ball game. They'll do it every time boys.

DOUBT HOWARD ALUMNI CAN RAISE \$30,000 FOR MEMORIAL

Washington, Feb. 21 (ANP)—Recent public announcement of the intention of the general alumni of Howard university to memorialize Kelly Miller by raising a revolving fund of \$30,000, brings cheers and jeers. In appreciation of Kelly Miller's worth, cheers. From the standpoint of expecting the alumni to raise \$30,000 among themselves, even in years, the "jeerers" recall the flop of the general alumni's much boasted of dinner-to-be at the 1937 commencement.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK COUNTY.

Cyrus B. Hillis, Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Claimants of Lots 6, 7 and 8, except the West 50 feet thereof, of the Subdivision of Lot 9 of the Official Plat of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 31, Township 25 N., Range 12 W., West of the 6th P. M., now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, and the unknown heirs, devisees, administrators, successors, or assigns of such unknown claimants, including all persons claiming under mental or legal disability, having or claiming to have some interest in said property above described.

Edith H. Faville, Sarah G. O'Brien and F. O'Brien and her husband, Plaintiff, vs. The Independent School District of Des Moines, Iowa, W. C. Bishop, Plaintiff, vs. Max Ruffcorn, G. C. North, Plaintiff, vs. Polk County, Iowa, and Polk County, Iowa, Defendants.

Each of you, are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cases was filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in and for Polk County, Iowa, on or before February 15, 1940, claiming authority under the statute in force at that time to file a petition in and for a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

The above described real estate was conveyed by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, to the plaintiff herein by certain tax sale deeds described in the said petition, and plaintiff is credibly informed and believes that the defendants Sarah G. O'Brien and Ada F. O'Brien make some claim adverse to the title of the plaintiff in and to Lots Six (6) and Seven (7) above described; that the defendant Edith H. Faville makes some claim adverse to the title of the plaintiff in and to Lots Six (6) and Seven (7) above described; that the defendant The Independent School District of Des Moines, Iowa, W. C. Bishop, Plaintiff, vs. Max Ruffcorn, G. C. North, Plaintiff, vs. Polk County, Iowa, claims some interest in said property by reason of some unpaid personal taxes against prior owners thereof; said petition further alleges that the lien of said taxes, interest in or lien upon the said real estate, or any part thereof, the defendants to this suit, or any of them, may have had and was barred and cut off by said tax deeds and the tax sales pursuant to which the said deeds were issued, except the lien of outstanding regular taxes, if any; said petition also prays that the title to said property be quieted in the plaintiff herein, and each of them, and all persons claiming by, through or under them, and that the defendants herein, and each of them, and all persons claiming by, through or under them, be barred and forever estopped from having, claiming, or asserting any right, title or interest in or to said property above described adverse to plaintiff herein, and each of them, and the defendants The Independent School District of Des Moines, Iowa, G. C. Greenwald, Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and Max Ruffcorn, G. C. North, Plaintiff, vs. Polk County, Iowa, be enjoined and restrained from enforcing or attempting to enforce any special assessment liens against the said real estate, and said petition also prays for general equitable relief. No judgment for costs is asked against any of the defendants herein, except as to those defendants who may appear and contest this suit.

For further particulars, see petition when on file.

And unless you appear and defend therein to said court before noon of the 22nd day of the next March, 1940, Term of the above entitled court, which will commence at 10 o'clock a. m. at the District Court House at Des Moines, Iowa, on March 2, 1940, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon as prayed for in the petition.

T. C. JONES, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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THORO-BRED CLUB ANNOUNCES OFFICERS FOR 1940 AT ANNUAL DINNER

The Thoroughbred club announced their 1940 officers at their Annual Dinner held at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A., 1407 Center street, Wednesday evening, February 21.

ELEGANT EIGHTS MEETS

The Elegant Eight bridge club met Wednesday evening, February 14, with Obenita Bundles, 1431 Maryland Avenue. Bridge prizes were won by Felice Stevenson, Anna Mae Lawson, and Dorothy Cranshaw, first, second and third prizes respectively.

PARISENNE'S MEET

The La Parisienne club met with Obenita Bundles, Thursday evening, February 15. Bridge prizes were won by Alma Burton, Mary Ruth Simmons, and Geraldine Carr, first, second and third respectively.

RECEIVES BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Mrs. Pauline Howell, who has been ill at her home 906 Grove street, received from the Excelsior club of the Corinthian Baptist church a birthday cake and many lovely cards for her birthday.

HONORS SON WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Ruby Cooper, 1435 2nd Avenue, honored her son, Harold Maupin, on his eighteenth birthday, with a party at the Negro Community Center, Friday evening, February 16.

HONOR STUDENTS WHO PASS BOARD

The students at the Crescent Beauty School gave a party at the Polly's beauty shop, 1544 Walker street, honoring Mesdames Murlean Perkins, Hazel Daxling and Willa Munn who recently passed the Cosmetology board.

MISS GREENFIELD ENTERTAINS

Miss Odessa Greenfield, 946 16th street, entertained her cousin Miss Geneva Williams of Osage, Wyoming, Thursday afternoon with a luncheon and Thursday evening with a theatre dinner party. Guests were Mrs. Catherine Johnson and Miss Bernice Yeager.

MRS. HELEN BESHEARS SPEAKS

Mrs. Helen Beshears, Polk County probation officer, was the guest speaker of the Today's Study Club, 1130 35th St. Her subject was Juvenile delinquency. The Study Club is a group of white women, who are interested in the social welfare of the community.

ENTERTAINS FRIENDS

Mesdames Azalee Carr and Gladys Carter were hostess to a group of friends Sunday evening, February 18, at the home of Mrs. Carr, 1256 E. 17th street court, honoring their cousin, Mrs. Willie Turner, of Detroit.

TO CHICAGO

Mrs. Clarence Adams, 1209 Day street, left the city Sunday evening, February 18, for Ohio to attend the funeral of her uncle.

She takes her CITY glad of it, that we made her suit of it, Mr. Black

dent; Miss Ellen Strothers, ice president; Miss Anna Cornell, secretary; Miss Irene White, assistant secretary, and Miss Hester Gilmore, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Ritchey is advisor.

During her stay here she was the house guest of Mrs. Emma Mitchell, 1520 Wayne street.

CORRECTION

Mrs. Lillian Edmunds name was included in the list of guests at the Fortnightly club dinner which was published recently in this paper. We understand that this is an error, and make the correction.

HAS VALENTINE PARTY

The Mother's Clinic club was entertained at the home of Myra Jackson, 1651 Walker, with a Valentine social. Bingo prizes were won by Lotie Ross, Martha Wheels, Lucile Rice and Frances Bonwell.

Mrs. Florence Parker will be the next hostess.

Entrenous

Since each week brings us nearer and nearer to the greater Bystander Cooking School, and this is also Leap Year, we had better think about what we as women of the "unmarried school" can find to interest us.

Of course we all know that experience is the best teacher so let's see just what these ladies of the "married school" have to say:

Mrs. Arthur Turner who celebrated her thirty-fourth wedding anniversary last November gives advice from years of experience.

"Food is very essential, but it takes more than food. You can have the best food in the world, but surroundings and service means much."

"Take this from one who knows. Mrs. Murlean Perkins one of the petite beauticians who has been married for four years (slightly past the "Oh isn't it wonderful" stage) definitely states "Yes" . . .

Now Mrs. Fred Allen who celebrated her 15th Anniversary last December says, "I think the shortest route to a man's heart is food, and it certainly is my opinion. I often tell my husband, I won him with a lemon pie. Good food helps a lot in getting along and keeping the home fires burning."

Mrs. Edythe Bell stopped holding hands long enough to give me this statement on the subject: (Just think after two years still holding hands) "Did you say the shortest route to a man's heart is food? No indeed! If it had been food Willie and I would have been apart a long time ago. But come to think of it food is a little essential."

Mrs. Hazel Oliver gives us a little wiser slant on it, "When You're going with them there is a lot of things they just love, but after you get married you find they just hate it. Food does play a very important part in marriage."

One housewife who has had many campaigns of husbands is a staunch believer of the old saying, but stresses that "the utmost point is the quality and quantity of food. If a man is hungry he does not think of Love. If he gets a square meal—he might speak of love. If he gets a good old-fashioned home cooked dinner—he will do something about love. If he eats too much of the good home cooking—he will only get sleepy and indigestion will result. So be careful! From one or the wiser who wishes that her name be omitted . . .

So all of you unmarried ladies this food and love business is something where one is the constituent of the other. Remember the Bystander cooking school will be an opportunity to learn how to get or hold the man who likes to eat good food. It will be an inspiration for the woman whose husband never mentions her good food but nags about the heavy biscuits or the hard bacon.

Well, all good things must come to an end, so let this little saying be the thought for the next two weeks. We still think that "The Shortest Route To A Man's Heart is Food."

Remember the greater Bystander Cooking School with its many added attractions.

The Sepia Tattler.

NEGRO COMMUNITY CENTER NOTES

The Wednesday Parent Education group under the direction of Mrs. Beatrice Caldwell held their annual luncheon Wednesday afternoon, February 14, at the Center. Mrs. Bertha C. Laue, director of Polk County Emergency Relief addressed the group. Thirty-three persons attended.

Miss Eleanor DeVan student of Dowling college and Mr. Paul Williams a student of Drake "U" are the two new members added to the Center staff.

Mrs. Rosa Cunningham of the Business and Professional Women's group addressed the Women's Civic club, Thursday afternoon, February 15, at the Center. Mrs. Mabel Mason is president.

The Friday Parent Education group under the direction of Mrs. Beatrice Crank will meet Friday evening, February 23, at the Center at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Helen D. Beshears of the Polk County Juvenile office will be the guest speaker. All parents are invited to attend. Mrs. Edna Craddock is president.

The Young Men's club of the Center met Sunday afternoon, February 18. Mrs. Lillian Edmunds spoke to the group. Their next meeting will be Sunday afternoon, February 25.

HOSTESS TO FRIENDS AT BILLIKEN ANNEX

The La Fleur De Les club entertained at the Billiken Annex, Wednesday evening, February 14, with an Apron and Overall dance and Whist tournament. Sam Vaughn won first prize which was a basket of groceries and Arthur Robinson won a ham for second prize. George Stewart won the bobby prize.

The next meeting will be February 23, at the home of Hiawatha King, 1415 Maryland Avenue.

ILL

Mrs. Beatrice Johnson, 1251 Sampson street, has been ill at her home.

ENTERTAINS WITH VALENTINE PARTY

The Social Art club entertained with a Valentine party at the home of Mrs. Virginia Smith, 1001 17th street, Thursday afternoon, February 15. A plate luncheon was served and Mrs. Marie Kyser won the bingo prize.

Sharing the courtesy were Mesdames Sarah Kindred, Lula Thomas, Eva Roper, Margaret Cranshaw, Marie Kyser, Lettie Mash, Ella Dugglass, Viola Mays, Vera Williams, Mabel Hardaway, Pokahantus Ware, Iva Ligon, Verle Watson, Mary Tillman, Zula Turner, Nettie Thomas, Mattie Branch, Anna Ware and Mildred Barker.

MRS. S. JOE BROWN GIVES HISTORY OF NEGRO CHURCH

Mrs. S. Joe Brown, was race relations day speaker before the Missionary Dept., of the Grand View Lutheran Church at which time she gave the history of the Negro Church and gave some statistics on the Negro congregations and educational institutions for Negroes in the Lutheran denomination. She was presented by Mrs. Robert Swanson, the newly elected secretary of the Des Moines International Missionary Council; and was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Julia E. Reed of Cedar Rapids and Miss Jessie E. Walker of Marshalltown.

TO CHICAGO

Quentin R. Mease, Crocker YMCA executive, left the city Thursday night for a week's vacation in Chicago. While there, he will attend the national Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions held in the Chicago Stadium.

SAVOY NITE CLUB HAS PRIZE NIGHT

The Savoy Nite club, owned and operated by Robert "Bob" Ashby, located at 27th and Maury streets, announces their Prize Nite which will be held Friday evening, February 23.

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GUY SMITH HEADS JUNIOR N. A. A. C. P.

The Junior N. A. A. C. P. met at the Negro Community Center, Sunday afternoon, February 18.

The following officers were announced: Guy Smith, president; Annabelle Payne, vice-president; Edythe Gray, secretary; Fred Morrow, treasurer; Thomas Ayant, membership chairman; Clara Fant, finance chairman; Anna Morris, program and research; Evelyn Carr, press and publicity; Charles Howard, labor and industry; Nadine Robinson, education; and Alice Strothers, entertainment.

Mrs. Georgine C. Morris, president of the senior branch of the N. A. A. C. P. spoke to the group and impressed on them the duties that they as the Junior branch must do.

Mrs. Gladys Carr, advisor of the Junior branch, also spoke to the group. Mrs. Sarah Jett a member of the senior branch, was present.

The executive committee will meet at the Negro Community Center, Friday evening, February 23, at 7:30 p. m.

ENTERTAINS BETHUNE CLUB

Mesdames Cecil Taylor and Margie Kyser were hostess to the Mary McLeod Bethune club, Monday afternoon, February 12, at 1321 Ascension. A three course dinner was served. The members exchanged Valentines. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Iva Ligon, 2631 Des Moines street.

"NEGRO HISTORY WEEK" RECALLS LIFE WORK OF IDA B. WELLS

Famous Foe of Mob Violence Paved Way for Anti-Lynch Bill . . . A Friend of the Great Frederick Douglass, She Paralleled His Career.

Chicago, Feb. 21 (ANP)—Last week, as the citizens of this nation paid tribute and homage to Martyred President Abraham Lincoln, the Negroes of Chicago, guided by observance of the 15th anniversary of Negro History week, also paid tribute and homage to colored leaders who consecrated their lives to the principal that Negroes should be accorded those rights and privileges guaranteed by a constitutional government.

The Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, headed by Carter G. Woodson, designated Feb. 11-18, as Negro History week. The observance was featured locally by scores of meetings which emphasized the parallel between the lives of Abolitionist Frederick A. Douglass and Arch Foe of the Lynching evil, Ida B. Wells-Barnett.

Abolitionist Douglass, who, as editor of the "North Star", and as a silver-tongued orator used effectively both pen and voice in the physical and spiritual deliverance of his people, found, at his death in 1895, a powerful and able ally in Ida B. Wells, who held high the torch of understanding, racial tolerance and violent opposition to the lynch evil until her death here in Chicago, in 1931.

WHITE MILITARY POLICE ARREST ANYBODY; NEGROES ARREST ONLY NEGROES

Chicago, Feb. 22 (ANP)—Negro noncommissioned officers are detailed as military police but may arrest only Negro soldiers while white privates are named military police, and can arrest colored noncommissioned officers or any other Negro, according to Levi Pierce, former university student and member of the 9th and 10th cavalry whose recent expose of discrimination against Negro soldiers in the regular army has raked the war department in Washington.

Mr. Pierce, who recently purchased his discharge after 10 years of service, also said that despite federal statutes prohibiting the government from maintaining soldiers and detailing them as house orderlies and servants, those who rebel are court-martialed. Since there are no Negro officers to plead such cases before the all-white courtmartial, justice is seldom meted out to the colored soldier.

Each army post, said the former cavalryman, has from 40 men up detailed for police protection with two of these Negroes where colored soldiers are stationed. These posts include Fort Riley and Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Benning, Ga.; West Point and others.

New York, Feb. 21—In a telegram to Governor Paul H. Johnson, of Mississippi, the NAACP vigorously condemned the state's free-

DEATHS

MRS. HUMPHREY DIES

Mrs. Dora Humphrey, 54, 1514 DeWolf street, died at the Broadlawn General hospital, Friday, February 16, after a short illness.

She has been a resident of Des Moines for twenty four years, and is a member of St. Paul A. M. E. church and the Sisterhood Incorporated. Mrs. Humphrey is survived by her husband, P. T. Humphrey, two sons, Major and Willis Humphrey, all of Des Moines.

Funeral services were held at the St. Paul church, Tuesday afternoon, February 20. Rev. G. W. Robinson officiated. Burial was in Glendale cemetery. Estes Funeral directors were in charge.

bill, which passed the upper house of the state legislature February 8 by a vote of 37 to 9.

Urging the Governor to veto this vicious Anti-Negro bill, which would allow the state to designate to special civics books for Negro students in which the duties of citizenship and the necessity of exercising the right to vote would be eliminated, the NAACP's telegram advised the Mississippi chief executive that if the bill is passed, and he refuses to veto it, the Association will test its constitutionality at the first opportunity. No reply has been received as yet.

GOTHAM JUDGE CALLS FATHER DIVINE 'MENACE TO THE COMMUNITY'

New York City, Feb. 21 (ANP)—One of the first judicial setbacks received thus far by Father Divine was given the cleric last week, when Justice Jacob Panken in Domestic Relations Court denounced him as a "menace to the community" and particularly to the welfare of the children of his followers.

In a decision committing Roy Ferris, 15, to the State Training School at Warwick, N. Y., the court blamed Divine for breaking up the child's home by instructing his par-

ents to live apart. After telling of the neglect suffered by the boy, Justice Panken attacked the Divine religious creed.

ROSCOE BANE IS CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

Former Commissioner of Public Safety, Roscoe P. Bane, a man popular as well as well qualified by experience, has announced his candidacy in the race for mayor.

In an interview, Bane briefly outlined his platform relative to the "grave problems that confront the City" as follows:

"1. An immediate solution of the garbage question by cooperation with an coordination of the various departments of the City.

"2. A pledge toward a speedy solution of the assessment problem with fairness to all groups of taxpayers.

"3. The sponsorship of an economical administration with a view toward tax limitation.



ROSCOE P. BANE

4. Forward looking, far-sighted stewardship for Des Moines which will insure adequate factors to meet present and future municipal needs.

5. Participation of the City in low-cost building projects to afford underprivileged groups; low-cost housing units.

6. The unemployed of Des Moines must be given an opportunity to work at a decent wage and my efforts will be so directed that they may have work."

Such a program is fundamentally sound and attractive. It arouses community interest and guarantees a return to the good government and leadership Des Moines previously enjoyed.

It will suffice to state that I will record in the public record in . . .

IN THE SHADOW OF THE STARS By Abbe Wallace



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

M. P.—We have invested our money in some property and I wish to know if we will build soon or would it be for the best to move back to where we came from?

Ans: It is indicated to me that you will have a building erected on this property some time during the warm months of this year. You would be better satisfied to remain in the community where you are located now . . . if you continue your good work you will get the same SCHOOL for another term.

W. C. S.—I have been going with this man for over two years and he seems to think an awful lot of me and I wish to know if I should marry him or not?

Ans: He loves you . . . but he certainly is one of the most jealous individuals that you will ever come in contact with, and for this reason alone, he will make your life miserable if you let him. You could marry and be happy, but you must watch your step and not give him anything to be jealous about.

A. C. H.—Will I get to enter nursing school and tell me if I will be satisfied enough to stay there?

Ans: Make your plans to enter this school for nurses . . . you must prepare to stay there until you have finished your course. The work will be hard . . . but it will be ever so pleasant and different from your past life and you will make quite an efficient nurse.

H. C.—Tell me please who sent me this bicycle as I have been at a wonder since it came. Mother doesn't know anything about it but she has her idea and I wonder if it is true?

Ans: Yes, her suspicions are quite right. Your father did send the bicycle. He would like nothing better than to make up with her so that she would take him back again. I predict a reconciliation this year and you all three will be happy again.

H. C. R.—Is my cousin going to send for me this month and will I like it up there?

Ans: This cousin of yours doesn't have the money to send for you right away . . . if you expect to get to Kansas City by Spring, it will be necessary for you to make a little money yourself in order to pay your fare.

the Gethsemane Choral Singers of Cleveland, Ohio, in speaking to Benette college students and faculty, Wednesday.

Dr. Settle gave a short sketch of his life, taking pride in his reference to his birth and early boyhood five miles from Reidsville, where he was to give a concert with his famous radio troupe.

After graduation from high school, Dr. Settle completed his college education at night at Cleveland college, where he specialized in metallurgy. He worked in this field only temporarily, soon transferring to the ministry. He still pastors the Gethsemane Baptist church, one of the leading churches of Cleveland.

REV. SETTLE TELLS STORY OF HIS LIFE

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 21—"My inspiration to originate 'Wings Over Jordan' came many years ago, when I heard as a boy in North Carolina I heard my mother lift her voice in song, as she stood in the doorway of our little log cabin, overlooking the pine trees," said Dr. Glenn T. Settle, organizer and executive of BYSTANDER COOKING SCHOOL.

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**T. HARRY VICKER SEEKS OFFICE**

T. Harry Vicker, 46, of 1213 Filmore street, announced his candidacy for City Finance Commissioner, at the March Municipal Election.



**T. HARRY VICKER**

Mr. Vicker pledges a cooperative, efficient, and economical businesslike administration, and further states I HAVE GIVEN CONSIDERABLE TIME AND THOUGHT TO THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENTS, WHICH IS OF VITAL INTEREST AND IMPORTANCE TO EVERY TAX-PAYER IN DES MOINES, AND CAN PLEDGE YOU THAT I WILL COOPERATIVE AND PUT FORTH EVERY EFFORT TOWARD WORKING OUT A METHOD OF EQUITABLE AND JUST ASSESSMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE.

Mr. Vicker asked support of the voters, and referred to his past experience as qualifying him for the duties of the office, and the responsibilities of a Council Member.

**Motion Picture Executive**

For 16-years Mr. Vicker was connected with the motion picture industry as representative, assistant manager and office manager, during which time he was chosen to sit as a member on the joint board of arbitration of the film board, of trade, and as a member of the advisory committee of the Iowa State Theatre Owner's Association.

For several years he was chief deputy sheriff of Polk county, and last year was state motor vehicle department commissioner until a legislative re-organization step abolished the department.

Mr. Vicker is a Des Moines property owner and voter, is married and has two sons. He is a charter member of the Baldwin-Patterson American Legion Post, a member of the Masons, Grette, Elks, Moose, East Des Moines Club, and other organizations.

what is necessary to safeguard the wellbeing of a public office.

"I am sure I can prove myself worthy of the trust the people of Des Moines are required to put in their street commissioner, and will appreciate your vote in the city primary March 12th."



**C. B. STULL**

C. B. Stull, Attorney with offices in the Crocker Building, who has entered the race for a place on the municipal bench, speaks out plainly as to what he will do if elected Judge:

"Recently my candidacy was announced for the Municipal Bench and in furtherance thereof it is my desire to state that the incumbents of said Court are too little cognizant of the great functions of the Judicial Department of our government.

If elected, I pledge myself to the absolute performance of the impartial functions of the Court as framed and constituted by our predecessors of vision and foresight.



**ALEX H. WILSON**

on the Des Moines City Council as your Commissioner of Parks. Besides, for 35 years I have participated in the management of a business, I know the very real necessity of keeping expenditures within income; I know what it means to meet payrolls and taxes.

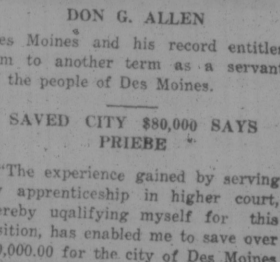
I am in favor of maintaining a square-deal program contributing benefits to all concerned. I believe that what Des Moines needs is less politics in City government and more common sense business judgment in the administration of municipal affairs, without prejudice or discrimination toward race, creed or color.

I am for better living standards,

**WALTER J. MASSEY**

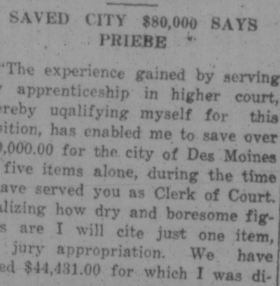
as business acquaintances with more than ten thousand homes. I feel I know what the people of Des Moines want in the way of good government. The conditions under which they live and make their living, have furnished a foundation and incentive for me to work out a program of Public Safety for the greatest number at the lowest possible cost. Under no circumstances would I sacrifice the good will and confidence I now enjoy in business and have spent all these years in earning, if I didn't feel confident of being able to render a real service; yes, one that will reflect credit.

I have always been honest and had the courage of my conviction. I be-



**DON G. ALLEN**

Des Moines and his record entitles him to another term as a servant of the people of Des Moines.



**SAVED CITY \$80,000 SAYS PRIEBE**

"The experience gained by serving my apprenticeship in higher court, thereby qualifying myself for this position, has enabled me to save over \$80,000.00 for the city of Des Moines on five items alone, during the time I have served you as Clerk of Court. Realizing how dry and tiresome figures are I will cite just one item, the jury appropriation. We have saved \$44,431.00 for which I was di-

**When Kidney Trouble Causes You to Get Up Nights**

When Bladder is Irritated  
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When Backache Results

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If you aren't feeling just right—are nervous—have dizzy spells and occasional backache—study your kidneys and learn more about yourself.

Through the delicate filters of the kidneys, acid and poisonous waste are drawn from the blood and discharged from the body thru the bladder—sometimes these filters are less active than they should be because of excess poisonous waste and kidneys do not function properly—they need harmless stimulation.

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So if you have such symptoms of kidney trouble as backache, nervousness, getting up two or three times during the night—scanty, burning or smarting passage—leg cramps—moist palms or puffy eyes get a 35 cent package of this grand and harmless diuretic at any modern drug-store—it starts the first day on its errand of helpfulness.

Don't be an EASY MARK and accept a substitute—Ask for Gold Medal Haarlem OIL Capsules—Right from Haarlem in Holland. GET GOLD MEDAL—the original—the genuine. Look for the Gold Medal on the box—35 cents.

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**Jitterbug Contest—Dancing—Free Beer**

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**JUDGE MOORE IS CANDIDATE FOR REELECTION**

Announcing his candidacy for reelection as Judge of the Municipal Court, Judge Moore says:

"I am a candidate for reelection and feel that my one term as Municipal Court Judge and citizen, and I



**C. EDWIN MOORE**

am willing to stand on my record." Readers of the Bystander are familiar with his past and the treatment given the colored folks both before and since his election to the bench, and he wishes to thank you in advance for whatever consideration rendered in his behalf.

**ORIGINAL NOTICE**

May Term 1940  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY

Margie Madison vs John Madison

To John Madison: You are hereby notified that the petition of Margie 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 of willful desertion for a period of more than two years.

You are further notified that unless you appear and defend on or before noon of the second day of the May term—1940 of this court, which commences on the 6th day of May, 1940, and hold in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon in accordance with the prayer in said petition.

GERTRUDE E. RUSH  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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