

# IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORS TO OBSERVE BUSINESS WEEK HERE APRIL 14 TO 20

## Happenings and the People

By: D. L. H. W.

At week, we asked our public to send us their views, pro or con, and in our mail we found this very interesting letter.

"Just a few lines to let you know that I think the suggestions you make in your current column are splendid.

I also want to commend your column, relative to the "Hot Mikado" seating incident.

It takes a lot of courage to tell people things they don't want to believe. But since someone must do it, and since you have taken over that task, I hope your courage will increase.

Sincerely yours,  
L. G. (Letter is on file)

These lines are being set to paper, hard by the entrance to a certain building where youth come and go. And too, as I read the copy of our columnist "Dribbles" where she relates what youth think about "success."

Gathered in that meeting—Junior NAACP meeting last Sunday, were young people hell bent on tracking down that illusive will-o-wisp—the answer to what was their idea of success, and the answer to the race problem. Naturally I was surprised to find modern youth engaged in such an under taking; not only because I wondered how they found time to squeeze such things in between the jittersbugging, but because I had labored under the false impression that we had settled all that satisfactorily back when I was in school.

I recall only too distinctly how youth would go forth to commune and break bread with other youth of both races and return bringing glowing reports of how they had jointly slain the dragon of race prejudice, and how they had found the correct idea of success.

I read her column with avid attention and was thrilled to learn that as soon as the younger generation of the ruling class competed their studies—don't ask me what studies—and took over things on the outside, the lot of the oppressed or should we say hardpressed colored man would be greatly improved.

By the time I graduated and sallied forth into the world, I blissfully assumed that utopia would be an accomplished fact and all erasing on my part would be unnecessary—this was my idea of success.

From then until now, I have not been particularly obsessed with the desire to make the world over, but have tried to struggle along with the world as I found it.

Of course, to be sure, the present-day youngsters have a couple of slants that we missed. They talk most disrespectfully of the rich, bunched landlords, bankers, big businessmen and absentee farmers all in a group of economic royalty who oppress and exploit the masses.

I recall the day when such sacrifice would not be tolerated and it was our duty to sing spirituals for all the economic royalists who visited us in the hope that these plaintive wails would soothe their savage souls and loosen up their pocket-books.

I understand that this practice is still practiced in some parts of the land.

We, as a race in my day left a lot of unfinished business—that is the problem solvers—among them were: Our idea of success as a whole was; the colored race wanted to be saved from something or other.

We, newspaper columnist and writers not excluded, have the erroneous conception that all the colored folk are huddled together just waiting for the savior to come along. This is not true.

Negroes, speaking in the broader sense, are a rugged individualist lot and have as many problems and points of view as we have people. We are human beings first and Negroes second.

If a person of color does something praiseworthy or something to be condemned, he generally does it first as a human being struggling to give expression to some particular talent, or lack of it, within him. The sooner we learn that no one

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## Farley Opens 'Booker T.' Stamp Sale

### Business Week to Close with Public Meeting

IOTA PHI LAMBDA Business Week will be celebrated this year from April 14 to 20. During this annual observance the members emphasize the benefits of Business Education. Public meetings, vocational aptitude, clinics, trips to business and industrial centers, business show, and round-table discussions, are some of the ways in which Iota sorors in the various chapters show the opportunities for Negro women in the business field. Applications for the National Scholarship, which is awarded to a June or midyear high school graduate interested in business administration, are received during this period.

Alpha Delta, local chapter, will launch plans during this busy week, which will climax with a public meeting Sunday afternoon April 21 at the Negro Community Center at which time a Vocational Aptitude Clinic with men and women speaking on the subject of their favorite vocations. High school students will be their guest. They will also conduct a round-table conference of employer and employee which will be participated in by some of Des Moines outstanding men and women.

A Typewriting contest by expert typist will be another feature. Applications for the National Scholarship will be received from some High School or Mid-Year graduate at this time.

Name Delegates  
Mrs. Gertrude North, president of the local chapter, Evelyn Brooks, secretary and Mrs. Susie Hart, chairman of the Educational Committee were elected delegates to the Western Regional Conference which will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, May 3-4-5 and 6, with Sigma chapter as the host.

### Maple Street to Celebrate Anniversary

Commencing Sunday afternoon, April 21, and continuing through the 29th, Maple Street Baptist church will celebrate its 40th anniversary, and the 10th of its present pastor, the Rev. A. Ross Brent.

Guest Speakers  
Rev. J. L. Lucas, pastor of Shiloh will preach the anniversary sermon. Rev. Theo. Lovelace, Chicago, Field Missionary Worker, will be the principal speaker, Monday evening, April 29, which will also be designated as the "The Pastor's Anniversary. Banquet Night."

Various churches, their pastors and congregations will participate in these anniversary programs throughout the week of celebration.

school of thought is typical of the whole Negro race, that our wishes, desires, hopes, aims and interests do not come in block, the sooner we will be on the road to finding some sort of solution to some of our problems for some of our people.

We will advance only as fast as those who have the stuff on the ball get out in front and stay there, and our progress from darkness to daylight will come only by sending up one rocket at a time, not by illuminating the sky with the uniform brilliance of the whole race.

### Atty. Rush Will Speak at Union Baptist

Sunday April 14, will be "Women's Day" at Union Baptist church, E. 16th and University Ave. Program at 3:00 p. m. Attorney Gertrude E. Rush, Mrs. Beshears and other prominent local women will appear on the program. The program is under the auspices of the Building Fund Group No. 11, J. Tate, captain.

Miss Mayberry Speaks at Union Baptist Church!

"The Art of Being a Woman" will be the subject of Miss Marie Mayberry's speech at the Women's Day program at Union Baptist church, April 14th.

### Deltas Ready for Annual Jabberwock

The Des Moines Phi chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will present its sixth annual jabberwock at the Jewish Community Center Thursday night, April 18th at 8:15, with eight pledge clubs entered with humorous and fantastical skits.

Origin  
The jabberwock is an imaginary creature, so called, because of the many different parts of other animals which are needed to make him

### Elks to Observe Education Week

40 STATES, AFRICA, CENTRAL AND B.W.I. TO BE REPRESENTED

Washington, D. C., April 12—Beginning Sunday, April 14, and continuing throughout the week, the Improved, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World celebrated its fifteenth annual Educational Week in its 1,200 lodges, temples and auxiliaries which are located in 40 states of the union, in Africa, Central America and the islands of the sea.

The various Elks units will carry out a program which has for its object the increase of interest in education and the aid of those children who are indigent and so are unable to obtain education at the college level. The program provides for brief addresses in all churches where invited, parent-teachers' meetings, public assemblies where discussions of educational problems and necessities are had and

### Fort Dodge Woman Earns Title of 'Queen of Chicken Fryers'

Ft. Dodge—There is a woman in Fort Dodge who spends the greater portion of her time in her kitchen appeasing the appetites of those who enjoy delicious golden fried chicken, as only you get, at the Creole Inn.

This woman is Mrs. Emma Lewis known to thousands in the Middle-west as "Emma, the chicken fryer." She has earned for herself the title of "Queen" of the Iowa chicken fryers. And no one will deny her the right to this title. In Fort Dodge and surrounding cities it's "Emma" they trek, when fried chicken is wanted. Be they poor or rich.

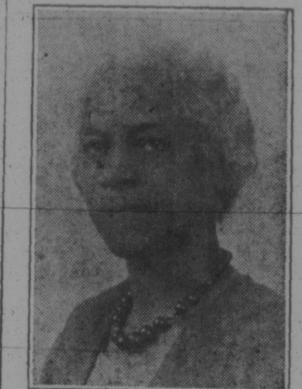
Wins Friends  
Choice chickens, how to prepare them and courteous services, she says, won the public, both white and colored in Fort Dodge and hundreds of patrons from other Iowa and Middle-west cities. It is no wonder then, that she is Fort Dodge's "Queen" of chicken fryers.

Emma conceived the idea of turning her knowledge of frying chicken into profitable employment eleven years ago, without sufficient funds, but with a faith that she felt would not fail her. And it didn't. She has established two chicken shacks in Ft. Dodge, and served some of the City's and Iowa's most influential citizens.

Native of Illinois  
Mrs. Lewis was born in Decatur, Ill., her parents were excellent cooks before her, so naturally she turned to cooking as a livelihood after coming to Iowa, and obviously feeling that Ft. Dodge offered certain advantages for Negroes, she embarked upon her career that has since made her famous—delicious fried chicken.

She maintains a staff of some ten employees, all colored. At the Creole Inn, 407 3rd Ave. South, a dinner is assured of efficient and courteous service by Miss Maxine Hawkins, formerly of St. Louis, and who Confucius would have most surely called a petite and efficient head waitress.

### Woman's Day Speaker



Atty. Gertrude E. Rush

### NEGRO DEMOCRATIC COUNCIL TO MEET MONDAY EVENING

The Negro Democratic Council will hold a general business meeting Monday evening, April 15th at the West Side Community Center, 18th and Crocker streets. An election of officers will be a feature of the evening's business.

The chairman, Mr. Mease, also announced that a prominent democrat would also be present as guest speaker, after the business session.

## Mitchell and King Nominated Tuesday; Choice of Parties in Race for Congress

Chicago, April 11—(Special to the Bystander)—Illinois has just come through one of the hottest primary elections of all time. In Chicago where the machine always seeks to outdo the downstate districts, all elective offices were hotly contested.

### Mitchell Renominated

Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell, Democrat from the 1st district was easily renominated over his opponent for a fourth term. The vote was: Mitchell, 16,677; W. S. Townsend, 3,157. Former State Senator William E. King had no trouble disposing of former Congressman Oscar DePriest for the Republican nomination.

### Miss Johnson Polls Small Vote

The Republican vote was: W. E. King, 8,420; P. B. Prescott, 1,962; Oscar DePriest, 1,774; C. C. Hansberr, 734; Miss Kathryn M. Johnson, noted social worker and first Negro woman to run for Congress received 270 votes; B. W. Clayton, 153; R. E. Parker, 121; J. G. Blake, 85.

Final results in the 3d district drastically altered early returns, giving one of two Republican house nominations to a dead man. He is Representative A. Andrew Torrence, who was killed by a disgruntled former precinct worker the day before the primary.

### Death Called Murder

A coroner's jury decided yesterday that Torrence had been murdered by

Cornelius Woodard, of 3558 Indiana avenue, who was captured and died of copper sulphate poisoning a short time later. A verdict of suicide was returned at an inquest into Woodard's death.

Torrence's name received 4,440 votes against 2,402 for the third high man, Joseph E. Snowden, Mrs. Mabel Reinecke and Harry Lipsky, members of the election commission, said that Torrence's vote will be proclaimed the same as tho he were alive. John F. Tyrrell, attorney for



KATHRYN M. JOHNSON

Miss K. M. Johnson, war-time nurse who was defeated in Tuesday's Chicago primaries.



A. W. Mitchell, incumbent democratic Congressman from the predominantly colored 1st district (Chicago) was easily renominated for a fourth term.

### Sell First Washington Stamp at Tuskegee Ceremony

### Des Moines NAACP to Meet

A special membership meeting of the Des Moines Branch N. A. A. C. P. will be held at the Negro Community Center Tuesday evening, April 16 at 8 o'clock. Delegates will be selected to represent the branch at the first state conference of branches which will be held at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A. Friday, May 26.

benefit entertainment for the Elk's scholarship fund.

Tuskegee Institute, April 8 (ANP)—Before the largest crowd of visitors which has attended an event at Tuskegee institute since the 50th anniversary celebration years ago, Postmaster General James A. Farley delivered the annual Founder's Day address here Sunday, and launched the first day sale of Booker T. Washington stamps. Notables from every section of the country, white and colored, were in attendance during the crowded two days of ceremonies which included, besides the Founder's Day celebration, the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, the dedication of the new U. S. Extension Service building and the opening of the John A. Andrew clinic which brought 200 physicians to Tuskegee.

### Program Broadcast

A coast to coast broadcast heard the Founder's Day exercises when President F. D. Patterson spoke, Roland Hayes sang, the famous Tuskegee choir under the direction of Wm. L. Dawson rendered selections and Wm. Jay Schieffelin, chairman of the Tuskegee trustee board introduced Mr. Farley.

Postmaster General Farley, declared: "That the names of two Washingtons stand out in the annals of this country's history. "One was called the Father of his country," he said, "the other, was certainly a Father of his people."

### Buildings Monument

"Every one of Tuskegee's 130 buildings is a monument to Booker Washington's faith and achievement," Mr. Farley continued. "When he looked upon this spot 69 years ago, only an ancient church and a tumble-down cabin confronted his eagerness. Every one of the 2,000 faces of your student body, the thousands of faces of students that have gone before you, and the thousands of workers' faces throughout the nation brightening up at the mention of their Booker T. Washington, now are monuments to his name.

### 150,000 Pieces of Mail

With the final count not as yet completed, tabulations show more than 150,000 pieces of mail serviced and cancelled before midnight and the definite indication that this figure will be substantially increased when all of the mail bearing date of April 7, 1940, has been serviced and cancelled.

The Booker T. Washington stamp was included in an original commemorative group called Heroes of Peace, sponsored by the late Michael L. Eidaness, Jr., former superintendent, under Walter Brown, of the division of stamps, along with the other educators whose likenesses have been placed on stamps, during the Hoover administration according to Waldo Fawcett, Washington star, but it remained for Mr. Farley to authorize the issuance of this stamp commemorating Booker T. Washington, peerless Negro educator.

### TO PRESENT PUPILS

Mrs. G. T. Fant, sewing instructor of the East Side Community center, 1438 Buchanan, will present her pupils in their annual spring session preview. This will be held at the Bethel A. M. E. church Friday evening April 19.



DINNER AT EIGHT

SOCIETY



CITY-WIDE CLUBS TO HOLD PEP MEETING AT NEGRO COMMUNITY CENTER

ALL CLUB REPRESENTATIVES MEET

The city representatives of all clubs met at the community center at 8 p. m. April 8, to discuss the plans for a pep meeting which is to be held at the Corinthian Baptist church, Sunday May 5. All clubs are to be present and give their club colors and yells. Next meeting will be April 19. All representatives are to be present.

SILVER TROPHY TO BE PRESENTED

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Two new innovations this year, will be the introduction and presentation of a Silver Trophy, given by Joseph's Jewelry Company as first prize; second prize will be a Delta Prologue and Epilogue along with the acts.

These efforts are annual and to raise funds for some student in the community who has proven herself worthy of being aided in the furtherance of her education in some college.

Phi chapter has given scholarships each year with the exception of 1935, that year no student qualified. Phil's latest recipient was Miss Haley O. Johnson, now at A. and I. Nashville, Tennessee. The 1938 recipient was Miss Marguerite Green, who is studying at Iowa University.

Mrs. Ruth Whitworth, dramatic director of the WPA Dramatic and Arts Class will direct the skits. Who ever attends this jabberwock will not only enjoy an hour or so of hilarious fun, but will aid in continuance of some Des Moines girl's higher education.

Miss Roberta Maupin, is president of Phi chapter, Miss Sarah Steele, is chairman of the jabberwock committee, while Mrs. Helen Behears, is chairman of publicity, all are assisted by the entire membership in an effort to make this years jabberwock the largest and most beneficial of any of past years. Admission is 25 cents.

NEW CLUB FORMED

The Elite Club was formed last Sunday, by a group of young ladies, who are interested in social studies. At present officers are temporary but an election of permanent officers will be within the next few days. At their meeting last Sunday, at the Blue Triangle Branch of the YWCA, Miss Naomi Gillmore, presided as temporary chairman.

ROSETTA PARKER HOSTESS

The La Parisees club met last Thursday with Rosetta Parker, 833 9th. The evening was spent playing bridge. Winner of the first prize was Alma Burton; second, Anna Mae Lawson; third, Geraldine Carr. Mrs. Jett gave highlights on the Federation for May and June. Next meeting will be with Theresa Stevenson.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB MET

The Three Purpose club met Wednesday evening, April 3, at the home of Mrs. Geraldine Burke, 1041 16th street. After the business the evening was spent playing bridge. Prizes were won by Mesdames Helen Martin, first; Verda Spangler, second; Geraldine Burke, consolation. Mrs. Bertha Walters received guest prize.

MET AT CENTER

The Dilletante Club met at the Community Center with Mrs. Lillian Edmonds. Mrs. J. J. Stanton was the guest speaker, her subject being "Home Furnishings."

BENEFIT CARD PARTY

The Monarch Club and Royal Dukes are sponsoring a benefit card party at the Community Center April 15, for the benefit of the suits for the Community Center softball team.

TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The youth forum of the Friday Education group will meet Wednesday at the Community Center and hold election of officers. Harry Flippings, chairman.

CARNIVAL DAY

A. A. Hardaway announced the Boy Scouts of troop 59 will sponsor a carnival May 10, at the Community Center.

CLUB MET

The Mercerie Club met at the Community Center April 10 with Mrs. Gertrude North.

TO MEET AT HOTEL

The Regal Contract Bridge Club will meet Friday, April 12 at the La Marguerite Hotel with Mrs. Dalga Hammitt.

LA FLEUR DE LES CLUB MET

The La Fleur De Les Club met April 5 with Dearthour Terrel. Cards were the diversion of the evening. Prizes were won by Breatrice Jackson and Frances Bonwell. Dorothy Vaughn will be the next hostess.

VISITOR IN CEDAR RAPIDS

Mrs. Helen Beshears, local Juvenile Court worker, was a Sunday visitor in Cedar Rapids.

SPEND SPRING VACATION IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

Robert Hyde and Oscar Glass, students at Lincoln University in Chester County, Penn. spent their spring vacation in Washington, D. C. They reported Willie Clinton of Des Moines doing fine in his studies at Howard University. They also reported that the Kappa Basketball team at Lincoln in which they played won the championship. They sent an invitation to the "Formal Dance" given by Epsilon Chapter of Kapper Alpha Psi of which they are members at the Little Theatre Hall at Lincoln.

TO GO TO KANSAS CITY

Mr. and Mrs. T. Roosevelt Elliott of West Des Moines and Mr. and Mrs. Carey Washington of 908 23rd street place are spending the week end in Kansas City, Mo., with Mrs. Henrietta Land, a cousin of Mr. Washington and also a sister, Mrs. Della Postum of Kansas City, Kansas.

DRIBBLES

By "THE DRIP"

Is Juanita S. trying to freeze E. C. out for A. Holt?

Noticed Henry Spriggs and Mary Ruth C. had that certain look for each other Saturday nite.

Bootsie Thurston and Brech W. still holding hands.

Freddie Bells new crush now is Fannie Mae Watkins.

Paris W. and M. C. tripped quite lightly Saturday nite, where was "Dopey?"

At Fun Nite at the "Y" Carl Fracton was rushing Miss Margaret Harris from Hanibal, Mo., who by the way, writes songs and stories. She thinks Des Moines is a 'swell' place. It's DEAD it is!

He: "Where you going?"

She: "To Church."

He: "Come on, I'll take you."

She: "If you are going, I won't go!"

He: "Well, we will go home then."

So she walks a block ahead, while trails along. Shame on you Pauline.

In spite of what you may have heard Dorothy C. can croon like mad.

C. N. demanded that her present heartbeats be at a certain place at 10:15 or she was coming after him.

He appeared at 9:30 to save his face lest she make a return trip. Is C. N. letting Mildred Mayberry put skids under her?

Is Commodore Russell the reason A. Bell stays in so close now?

Betty P. is it true you are planning on taking a life partner, "Till death Do Us Part?" K. P. can't seem to make up his mind between B. Y. and JDN but the letters song to him is "I can get along without you, Very Well." Frank K. is making a lot of trips to 1069 12th street, but he appeared at the Community Center to escort Miss E. De Van home, and by stepping on Howard Smith's toes. There has been a little misunderstanding by some people to the parties, Butch and Lu have.

Note:

Please take no stock in what you read as it was merely put in—in fun and was not intended to mean the way it was read.

After hearing the Junior N. A. A. C. P. forum last Sunday, I asked a few, "what their Idea of Success was: Chas. H. Jr. "One who makes the most money—has most influence." Jim Stafford: "Accomplishing out of life what one wants to be."

Ty Hall: "Complete happiness." Chas. Boston: "Personal success, and whatever satisfies you." Winifred B.: "To get out of college, get married; have half-dozen children and possibly a farm." Hester G.: "Leadership—have people look up to me." Eleanor D.: "The ability to do more than one thing well and to be tops in one."

Mary L. Watkins: "A social worker." Roy Ferguson: "Success is known as that mystical concatenation of circumstances known as

getting the breaks—" Saw Evelyn Jewett an Al Powell window shopping in the late hours of evening.

Until another drip session, I bid you A'Revoir.

INVITED TO WORLD'S FAIR

Full season invitation to the Iowa Bystander was this week extended by the New York World's Fair, Inc. The Bystander is the only local community newspaper so recognized. Last summer Bystander reporters covered the Fair for Iowa readers, taking active part in the large press confab conducted by Grover Whalen on the Fair grounds to devise ways and means of obtaining adequate coverage of the multitudinous exhibits.

LINCOLN POST NEWS VETERANS EMPLOYMENT

Of vital interest to the veteran in employment week starting in May. While most of our members are working, there can be improvement, both in line of job and the pay. It is to the veterans interest to watch the outcome of this plan closely.

We are glad to note that all veterans confined to the facility are doing fine. Keep it up buddy.

The entertainment chairman will begin shortly a series of entertainments, and we hope that the post as a whole will attend.

We are glad to know that our Commander, who has had a severe cold is still, kicking but not high.

I know that our comrades and their friends will be glad to hear that we are going to retain several veterans on the city payrolls. Maybe more later on we hope.

Comrade Leroy P. Bird Reporter

The L. T.'s entertained their husbands Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Sam Jordan, 1029 10th street, with a Dutch Lunch. Bridge and pokero were the diversions of the evening.

The Mary Church Terrell Club met with Jessie Davis Monday April 8.

The Fortnightly Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clay Saturday April 6.

Mrs. A. J. Esters was hostess to the Contract Bridge Club Friday April 5.

The Larks Sewing Club met April 3 with Mrs. Ella Mitchell, 1324 Day street. Mrs. Maude Woods was hostess.

Mrs. Sophia Hampton, 1420 Maryland, is still quite sick.

Frank Caldwell was a week end visitor in Des Moines enroute from a trip in the west, to his home in Chicago. While in the city he visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Harris, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Glass, Mr. and Mrs. I. Shelton and Mrs. Alice McDowell all of whom were old friends of Mr. Caldwell in Keokuk, Ia. He left for his home Tuesday evening.

Catholics Sponsor Lynching Exhibit

New York, April 10 — An exhibit against lynching and in favor of the passage of the federal anti-lynching bill now in the Senate is being held here at the De porres Interracial Center, Vesey Street. The exhibit opened April 8 and will remain until April 18.

Senator Robert F. Wagner, one of the sponsors of the anti-lynching bill and Senator James M. Mead, both of New York, have sent greetings to the exhibit and have promised to visit it if they are in New York city before it closes. Mayor F. H. LaGuardia also has been invited to visit the showing.

Loaned by NAACP

Largest piece on exhibit is the original of Reginald Marsh's famous drawing, "This Is Her First Lynching." This drawing appeared first in the New York magazine and later the original was presented to the NAACP by Mr. Marsh. The association loaned it for the exhibit. A wood-carving of lynching, "Dixie Holiday," by William Mosley, and several drawings touching upon lynching and the anti-lynching bill are featured in the exhibit. Photographs and a literature display round out the showing.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Catholic Interracial Council and the committee in charge consists of Dr.

REV. ROBINSON, LOCAL PASTOR IN "CALVACADE" TO WEST COAST

Rev. George W. Robinson, pastor of Corinthian Baptist church, and General Moderator of the General Association of Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota and Nebraska, left the city Tuesday for St. Paul, Minnesota where he will join Dr. L. K. Williams of Chicago, President of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., and thirty others on a "Good Will Tour" of the Convention to the Pacific Coast. A banquet dinner will be served to the visiting clergyman. Words of welcome will be by the Hon. William Fallon, Mayor of St. Paul, and His Excellency, Governor Harold E. Stassen of the state of Minnesota.

Another group will form at Omaha and go via of Denver. The two groups will unite at Spokane, Wash., from this point the joint group will visit all principal cities of Washington and including Van Couver, B. C., Portland, Ore., California; Arizona and New Mexico.

Purpose

The purpose of this Good Will Tour is to sell the work of the Colored Baptist to our Western cities and it is the first attempt of any Negro denomination to visit the Western part of the United States and certainly the largest contingent to visit at one time.

Rev. Robinson is chairman of the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, he will represent this department on this trip.

Hudson Oliver, Gerard L. Carroll, Maceo A. Thomas, and George K. Hunton.

MARIAN ANDERSON CONCERT TO BENEFIT FOR NEGRO GROUPS

New York, April 8 (C)—Proceeds from the concert to be given by Marian Anderson on May 26th at Carnegie Hall, except cost, will be divided equally among four negro national organizations, was announced last week by her legal representative and New York Tax Commissioner Hubert Delany and her manager S. Hurok.

Miss Anderson, although heavily burdened by engagements, is giving this concert for the organizations because she feels that the social service and citizenship rights for negroes in America needs to be focused on the minds of all citizens of the country.

The organizations to be benefited by the concert are: The National Urban League, The National Associa-

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Center Set For Frolic April 25

1940 Eastside Communitary Center April 25 as, in a community Center April 25 Tom Conmises to be the outstanding of the season according to lead and gained from reading the Anti-lych which is now about com-

terbugs, dramatics and will be among the many ns. Social and civic groups have already lined up Patten, Center director week that there is more in year than there has ever using citywide support for 50 extravangaza.

the years of the Center's has been a haven of re-Miss Roberta Maupin, President, ast Des Moines youth. It's Mrs. Helen Beshears, Chairman program under capable Mrs. Helen Beshears, Chairma-ers has been developed under its present director,

n. to this gala affair, is You may get your tickets elling 6-5242, to avoid the

roadcast on i-Lynch April 29

ton, D. C., April 17 — A broadcast urging passage of anti-lynching bill will Monday, April 29, by Sen- F. Wagner of New York, Neely of Virginia, and per of Kansas, it was an- re today.

roadcast has been arranged by National Broadcasting over its "network" from 1-p. m., eastern daylight e. ce senators, who are porters of the bill will



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shoulder to keep awake.

Undoubtedly the majority in America favor the allies. And Germany's recent move is so reprehensible to that majority that it behooves level headed people to help hotheaded people stay on an even keel. We just don't want to get mixed up in Europe's troubles; our minds must stay made up on that.

Word seems to be going around that Joe Louis will retire after three more fights. We are inclined to favor his proposal. There is no point in hanging on until his crown is lifted when he could quit as an unbeaten champion with sufficient money to keep him the balance of his days.

## HAPPENINGS

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Progress was ever thus. Where would we humans be today if one prehistoric man hadn't the gall to stand up and walk on his hind legs? The others simply followed suit as they mastered the art—and so walk we.

These two last paragraphs, my dear DRIP sum up my present-day idea of success.

## BOOKS

**THE GANG GOES UP HILL**  
By Webb Waldron in Graphic—March, 1940

For generation after generation probably nothing has plagued society more than the boy gang. It seems to be an accepted fact that boys were just naturally devilish and there was nothing to be done about it but to "beat the devil out of them"—if you could catch up with them. In case you couldn't do that—well you would just have to grin and endure them.

These theories must have been due to lack of understanding because those who do understand are producing proof that boys are not devil-street, did at her home in Fish, under proper guidance, are ing, April 5, at 8:15 for a real asset to their community.

Mr. Waldron describes just such Muchachinoch, Iowa, Fe experience in Pittsburgh's Harlem. 1902. At an early age she in the crowded Negro section the netted with the church a hate of juvenile crime was appalling married Frank Villa Neub—much higher than among white union one daughter, Mar children. Fortunately Pittsburgh's safety head did not jump at the con-

The last twenty years clusion that Negroes are inherently more criminal. But just why did 1936 she married Ebert (this condition exist? Then it oc- sides Mr. Howe, she is scurred to him that the white children her father, Pearl Thomas had several community houses. The la, two sisters, Mrs. Fra Negro children had none.

He talked things over with the Miller of Des Moines an secretary of the Y. M. C. A. who Mrs. George Cheatum, he happened to be a young man of un- and son-in-law.

usually fine character, plus consid- erable scientific knowledge of crime. Plans were made, a little money col- lected, a community house came in- retted assisted by Rev. H. to be. Not a very well equipped facility. Burial was at place but one where the children can meet and enjoy themselves at some- thing besides stealing, breaking win- dows and so on.

They are organized somewhat as a city—"Hill City". The mayor is an 18 year old boy. They have their "court" presided over by a 16 year old girl. When a citizen of Hill City gets off on the wrong foot he is haled into Judge Ester's court. Some offenses are too serious to be han- dled here and must be tried in the regular juvenile court. But a good many cases are disposed of in Hill City court. Of course the court of public opinion has as much power with children as it has with adults.

The promoters of Hill City do not claim to have solved their crime problems. But in the one short year of their work crime has dropped so noticeably that they are encouraged to continue—to continue learning, all together.

Louise Glass

## ON BUSINESS TRIP

George McDavis, advertising manager and Daniel L. H. West, circulation manager of the Bystander made a business trip to Sioux City and Ft. Dodge over the week-end in the interest of the Bystander.

While in Sioux City, they were the guest of Dr. Dobson and attorney H. T. McKnight. In Ft. Dodge, they were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emma Lewis, 407 8rd St. South.

# Health Hints

By Dr. C. R. Bradford

## DIABETIS

This is a disease in which the pancreas a small gland fills to secrete enough insulin to destroy the carbohydrate foods eaten daily. Diabetes is a common disease in the United States and Canada. It occurs in all decades of life, developing most frequently between 40-60 years of age. In the United States the death rate is increasing, heredity still stands as a basic upon which diabetes reacts; a careful history from patients dwell in 20-30% of cases revealed that some ancestor suffered from the disease.

The symptoms of diabetes are thirst; frequent urination and loss of weight. Other symptoms of less frequent occurrence are itching, weakness, constipation and increased appetite.

With the advent of insulin for treatment and accurate laboratories examination of urine and blood the outlook for diabetes has been much improved. The average death rate has risen from 44-62 years. Most diabetics today, do not die of this disease but of the resulting complications, such as heart disease and infections. All diabetics should be under the supervision of a physician.

## FAILURE TO CALL UP THE ANTI-LYNCHING BILL, OR EVEN TO DISCUSS IT

New York, April 10—Since last November, Senator Alben Barkley (D) of Kentucky, Senate majority leader, has refused to commit himself on the Anti-lynching bill or to hold a conference to discuss this legislation either with the NAACP or with Senator Robert F. Wagner, one of the sponsors of the bill.

This information was revealed today by the N. A. A. C. P. as the organization made public a letter to Barkley regarding his failure to set a date for calling the bill up for debate despite the fact that the Senate Judiciary Committee has voted the bill out, and the legislation is now on the Senate Calendar.

## ADMIT NEGROES IN KENTUCKY TO GRADUATE SCHOOLS IN STATE

SAYS N. A. A. C. P.

New York, April 10—The solution to Kentucky's problem of what to do with Negro college students who wish to pursue graduate and professional training within the state is to admit these students to state institutions without further ado.

This was the position taken by the NAACP in a letter to Frank L. McVey, president of the University of Kentucky and chairman of an advisory committee appointed by the Governor of Kentucky to look into the matter in the light of the Supreme Court decision handed down in the Gaines case.

## HOUSING PROJECT BRINGS JOY TO AGUSTA'S POOR FAMILIES

Agusta, Ga., April 10 (ANP)—The problem of sanitary, comfortable, low-rent housing has been solved for scores of this city's low-income families now living in the newly-finished Sunset Homes, federally-sponsored project, managed by S. L. McCoy, well known young real estate operator.

McCoy said many of the homes are already occupied and WPA workers are beautifying the grounds, planting trees, grass and shrubbery. The modern living quarters provided at Sunset Homes and at Gilbert Manor—the two projects constructed here

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Ball Loops To Be Organized

Initial meetings of the baseball and softball committees will be held during the coming week to formulate plans for the operation of leagues this summer. Representatives of teams in the various sections are also invited to sit in.

Tentative plans call for junior and senior softball leagues and the church baseball league. The latter loop was revived last summer after being inactive for several years. The St. Paul A. M. E. team, under the management of Clark Yaeger, won the 1939 title. The season's campaign was climaxed by an all-star East-West game played at Western League park in September which the west side team captured 6 to 2.

Harold Carr's Negro Community Center aggregation took first honors in the senior softball division, nosing out East Des Moines Center in the final week of the title race. St. Paul A. M. E., Estes Funeral Home, Fowler's Funeral Home and Corinthian Baptist finished in the order named.

The meeting of the baseball committee and representatives has been set for Monday at 7:30 p. m. The softball groups, senior and junior, will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

## Brown Tops Cage Scorers

Individual scoring figures recently compiled for the past basketball season reveal Eugene "Bus" Brown topping the senior circuit in total points with 91 markers chalked up in ten games. A veteran campaigner with approximately a dozen years of senior league activity behind him, Brown outdistanced a host of younger sharpshooters to again rank himself as one of the leading players of the loop.

Jimmy Stafford, a newcomer to local basketball ranks, came through with 87 points to take second place in the counting, shoving Jack Howard to third position with 82 points. Incidentally, Howard finished in third last year with 75 points, while Bus Brown held fourth rung in the 1939 rankings. Melvin Madison was the 1939 leader with 81 points.

Martin Wyatt, southpaw forward of the Hawkeyes, led the intermediate scoring brigade with 67 points. Bub Burrell, of the same team, finished in second place with 52 markers and was tied with Jimmy Payne, also of the Hawkeyes, with 52 points. Kenneth Palmer headed the point-making in the western junior league with 63 points, while Walter Robinson topped the eastern junior section with 42 points.

for Negroes, mark a great step forward in solving the local housing situation.

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fighters from a nut house upset you. After all, it's a part of the ballyhoo.

## VANDEVER LOSES PRO DEBUT

Bob Vandever, local footballer who recently turned professional boxer, lost his opening bout at Ottumwa after a series of odd happenings according to reports. Bob had the fight in the bag when he was fouled. The rules state that a boxer shall be given a five minute rest and then try to continue. Bob did so, but he was too weak and sick from the foul that he just couldn't go on. He promises to fix things up next time.

Outdoor sports begin with the coming of warm weather. Soft ball will soon be under way. Harold Carr had the best soft ball team in town last year and no doubt intends to have one again this year. The East Des Moines Community Center is turning out some strong athletic teams and may wind up on top of the soft ball heap.

Art McCune is being groomed as a possible North High pitcher. Hope he can make the grade. If he does he will be one of the few Negroes who has won honors in this sport. Harold Wilkinson the trumpet player was the first local Negro to play baseball at North. Lee Kemp pitched a few games for them and lately Melvin Madison kicked first base for the pink and green.

## GRAVES DEFAULTED IN A. A. U. MEET

Twelve ounces kept Morton Graves from a chance to go into the semifinals of the national A. A. U. boxing tournament. This is the first time in his life that Morton was ever overweight for any of his bouts. His natural fighting weight is around one twenty four, so he must have gained about three pounds overweight. Most amazing.

The daily papers have been so full of the doings of white boys that they just sort of neglected Morton whose record will match that of anybody's since he got into this thing three years ago. Graves has lost just one fight to a boy from Iowa, and has established himself as undisputed featherweight champion of the state. At Cedar Rapids, three years ago they threw a welterweight in there and even then the boy had to have a home town decision to win from this busy sharp punching buzz saw. That was the last fight Morton

lost and since then he has gone further in the national Golden Gloves meet and the national A. A. U. meet than any other local boxer. He has entered practically all the meets held in the state and engaged in countless exhibitions around always bringing home the bacon.

It is time he got the recognition he deserves.

## TWO NEGROES NAMED FOR GUGGENHEIM FELLOWSHIPS

New York, April 10 (ANP)—Two Negroes, Richmond Barthe and E. Franklin Frazier, are among the 73 Guggenheim Award winners, who will receive fellowships for research and creative work, it was announced by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation this week.

Barthe, 39-year-old sculptor of this city, will execute a memorial to James Weldon Johnson, noted writer for which he was recently commissioned, and E. Franklin Frazier, professor of sociology at Howard University, will make a comparative study of the Negro family in the West Indies and Brazil.

Richard Wright, author of the current best-seller, "Native Son" was the lone colored recipient of a Guggenheim fellowship in 1939. The Foundation, established in 1925 by former United States Senator and Mrs. Simon Guggenheim as a memorial to a son, has granted 913 fellowships in the past 15 years to assist original work by scholars and art-

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