

News Briefs

From Far and Near

FILE CHARGES AGAINST TWO

Charges of breaking and entering were filed Saturday against John Mason, 35, and Kenneth Redrick, 21, in connection with a series of business house and box car entries, detectives said Friday night.

They pleaded not guilty before Municipal Judge C. S. Cooter and failed to furnish \$2,500 bonds. Hearings were set for Dec. 9.

Mason gave his address as 613 S. E. Tenth street, Redrick as 515 S. E. Scott street.

WRITES FOR MRS. DELLA ROBINSON

Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Della Forte Robinson, 62, 824 Twenty-fourth street, from the L. Fowler and Son home, with the Rev. Mr. Washington officiating.

Mrs. Robinson died at Iowa Methodist hospital, Nov. 12, following a year's illness.

Burial was in Glendale cemetery.

Negro Chamber Business Week Comes to End

Beginning the Des Moines Branch Chamber of Commerce's third annual Negro Business Week - S. B. Fuller of Chicago, president of the Fuller Products company, and also president of the Chicago Chamber of Commerce, was the only out-of-town expected guest to arrive here for the annual event.

He paid his own railroad fare to come to speak to the Des Moines people, expressing that it was a privilege to come to "see what the Des Moines Negroes are doing."

Other members of a Midwest conference of Negro Chambers of Commerce located in Omaha, St. Louis and Kansas City, expected to attend, did not come.

"Let's talk about Des Moines," Mr. Fuller emphasized in one of his principal talks. He pointed out "bad plumbing, homes that needed paint."

"With five or six thousand Negroes you could several Negro grocery stores here. You got no more than what the white man won't do for you," he said.

Mr. Fuller had a special message to the men. He said "nothing ought to be too good for the men to go out and get" for their wives.

"You can do more with \$100 on the fourth floor level) to do the proper time than ten thousand dollars waiting to catch him."

Minstrels Monday At Hoyt Sherman

The stage of the Shrine Auditorium is all set for the presentation of the Greater Monarch Minstrels, Monday evening, Nov. 24, at 8:15 o'clock.

Comedians, end men and members of the men's chorus and a crop of soloists with this season's hit tunes have been rehearsing for weeks and are ready to make their grand 1941 appearance.

Directing the show is Charles Woods with James Rhodes as Interlocutor. Morris DeSleet is president of the club.

Ike Smalls Heads Des Moines Branch

New, N.A.A.C.P. President Succeeds Mrs. Morris; Asks Cooperation of All Forces

Ike Smalls, head of the Smalls Medical Aid Society, and active worker for the betterment of race relations, was elected head of the Des Moines Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at the annual meeting held Thursday evening, Nov. 13, at the Maple Street Baptist church.

Mr. Smalls, a Jew, came to the city from Russia 28 years ago.

In an acceptance message the new president urged every Negro to become a member of the NAACP. Pointing out some of the existing race prejudices in the country, state and on defense projects and army camps, he pointed out that there were 70,000 Negro soldiers in the United States army - what are they serving for?

"Negroes can't live on promises. What we need is your cooperation," Mr. Smalls pleaded.

Mrs. Georgine C. Morris out-going president of the branch, who served the organization for two years, told of many cases of discrimination against the Negro throughout the country and locally in defense jobs. She said "we shouldn't kid ourselves. We should open our hearts and minds and see pocketbooks."

Mrs. Belle Williams was guest soloist. The Rev. Ernest Thompson gave the invocation. Annual reports were made by the following officers: Mrs. Azalia E. Mitchell, secretary; A. P. Trotter, treasurer; Atty. W. L. Oliver, of the legal redress committee; Mrs. Margaret M. Patton on publicity; Mrs. William Neal on membership.

John M. Coleman told of the progress that had been made in getting Negro boys entered in defense training courses at West Junior high school.

Mr. Coleman charged that the NAACP had "laid down on the job." Mrs. Morris made remarks in defense of the organization.

Other officers elected by ballot were: Mrs. William Neal, first vice president; Miss Adria Titterton, second vice president; John M. Coleman elected for secretary declined to Mrs. Goldie Fant; Miss Clara Webb, assistant secretary; A. P. Trotter, treasurer.

Members of the executive committee: S. Joe Brown, Mrs. Horace Hollingsworth, Mrs. Georgine C. Morris, Freddie Hawkins, Mrs. Julia Proctor, Rev. J. C. Bain, Mrs. Helen Be-shears, Mrs. Sarah E. Jett, Mrs. Azalia Mitchell.

Generous Gifts To Community Chest Fund

Mrs. A. A. Alexander, chairman of the Negro women's team in the recent Community Chest drive, reported this week an "over the top" quota for her workers. She has listed below the five to twenty-dollar contributors.

Twenty Dollars - A. A. Alexander and Roosevelt club.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Roberts - \$14.

Ten Dollars - Mrs. Margaret Cothorn, Mrs. Margaret M. Patten, Mary Church Terrell Club, Brotherhood Inc., Lincoln Post No. 126, Omega Lodge No. 1.

Negro Employees of Bookery Packing Co. - \$8; Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Bradford - \$7.50; Neal Howard Coal and Sand Co. - \$6.50.

Five Dollars - Corinthian Aid of Corinthian Baptist church, Mrs. A. A. Alexander, Lincoln Unit Auxiliary No. 126, Mrs. Joan Bullock, Dillitane club, Mrs. Nellie Eggers, City Federation, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Johnson, Monarch Club, Modernistic Club, Des Moines NAACP, Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Scales, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Trotter.

Working on Mrs. Alexander's team were the following solicitors: Mesdames Gwendolyn Fowler, Alberta Bradford, Alice Crowder, Joburness Kelso, Lillian Scales, Anna Mae Carter. They are putting their full dress of greens and ready to welcome the great of all the kiddies - Santa. Many of the housewives are now and until after Christmas they can be found in the toyments of many of the stores ways where there is a Santa

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aking of dressing up for Christ-two of the Marguerita Hotel ghs have been redecorated and light up Center street. One ng at 1423 Center is done in her brown and oceanic cream. Other is creamy (from the same trying to wear \$150 coat with youn) with the window-frames in a husband on a \$15 a week job. Gato red. All of the work has been a budget - women! If your husbands, through many torrents "of i. He still has a steeple (which on the fourth floor level) to do- when he gets that high up a cam- is waiting to catch him.

Looking like a Thanksgiving feast other evening at the home of Mrs. nella Parker on Easton. Centering table and surrounded by many

Homecoming Ends At Corinthian

The annual Baptist Homecoming of the Colored Churches of Des Moines will come to a close Sunday, Nov. 23, at 3 o'clock, in a general mass meeting.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, pastor of the Maple Street church. The Rev. J. W. Tutt will preside. The Maple Street choir will sing.

The annual observation opened Monday night and continued during the week with services at Shiloh, Mt. Olive, Union Baptist, Mt. Hebron and Maple Street.

The committee is: Rev. Tutt, chairman; Rev. McAllister and Rev. J. R. Roman, secretary.



Union Thanksgiving Day Service at Four Churches

The Des Moines Ministerial Alliance is holding union Thanksgiving services Thursday morning, at 11 a.m. at 45 o'clock, at Maple Street Baptist church for the East side church of the C. Corinthian Baptist church for on Long, West Side churches; and, at Shiloh Baptist church or the southeast drug churches.

On the West side Burns' Methodist and St. Paul A.M.E. members will hear the Rev. George W. Robinson deliver a Thanksgiving message. Joint choirs will sing.

Many Pay Final Tribute to Green Hutchinson, 113

A lasting tribute was paid to Green Hutchinson, believed to be the oldest man in Iowa and probably in the United States, Monday afternoon, Nov. 17, at his funeral services which were held at the St. Paul A.M.E. church.

J. A. Mitchell of the Better Government League said that Mr. Hutchinson was like an old oak tree that stands for centuries. A friend of Hutchinson's since he joined the League ten years ago, Mr. Mitchell said that the "old timer" had been a lover of humanity.

"I'm ready to go when the Lord wants me," Mitchell quoted Hutchinson as saying. "He set an example for us all to follow."

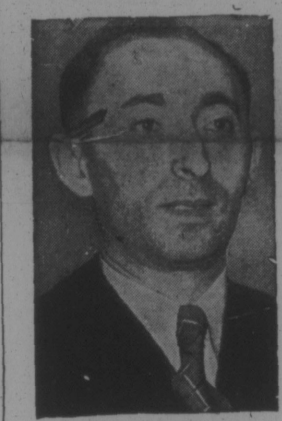
Green Hutchinson was born in Clark county Kentucky, July 5, 1828. He died November 14 at the age of 113. He lived in slavery until 37 years old and came to Des Moines in 1916. Mr. Hutchinson worked for the county until he was injured. Then he sold papers until he was no longer able.

He was afflicted with St. Paul A.M.E. church. Last July 3 marked his last appearance when he appeared in Greenwood park and sang "Old Time Religion."

The Rev. Peter Trucano, pastor of the Tennant, Ia., Methodist church, preached the funeral sermon by previous request from Mr. Hutchinson.

His pall bearers, friends of the League had been requested by the old man. They were Daniel O'Donnell, J. Alvin Mitchell, Alfred B. Olson, W. V. Wilcox, S. W. Helfenstein, and A. W. Eastridge.

NAACP HEAD



Mr. Smalls, head of the Smalls Medical Society, is the new president of the Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people, at the twenty-sixth annual meeting Nov. 13, at Maple Street.

Thanksgiving Dance At Shrine

The Shrine Auditorium will be the background of a huge night of fivety Thanksgiving, Nov. 27, when the famous New York radio andr econding maestro, Claude Hopkins, returns to Des Moines with his swing stylists.

Lincoln Post No. 126 of the American Legion who is sponsoring the dance has already distinguished itself with bringing in outstanding attractions.

Claude Hopkins last appeared in Des Moines several years ago when he played to a capacity house in the downtown Des Moines. For several years he played at the famous Rose-land Ballroom in New York and recently completed a successful tour through the Southeast and is now en- route to California where he will make several movie shorts.

The Shrine Auditorium has been specially rejuvenated for dancing. The entrance will be on Tenth street. Advance tickets are on sale at the usual places at 85 cents. The door price is \$1.15.

Chicago Business Leader, S. B. Fuller, Speaks Here

By Barbara Crawford

S. B. Fuller, president of the Fuller Products company of Chicago, was guest in the city last week end for the third annual conference of Des Moines Negro Chamber of Commerce. He was principal speaker Saturday night at the dinner meeting and Sunday afternoon, at the mass meeting held at Corinthian Baptist church, where several hundred persons gathered.

Mr. Fuller stressed business, as something we cannot do without. He roused the audience by his stirring remarks concerning the faults of the Negro race and telling how they could improve their situation.

"We have been praised too much. We are soft from praising. Criticism makes men great. Greatness is measured by the amount of criticism we can take. He that resents criticism retards his own progress," he stated.

Disputes Theory

He disputed the theory that Negroes have made progress in their 75 years of freedom. "Nearly everything we have belongs to the white people," he said.

Mr. Fuller, who is a Christian worker and the son of a "jack-leg" preacher, said that no people could ever build a strong church without having a strong economic background. He pointed out that the Jews understand God better than we do. "They are the best business people in America today," he commented.

"If God isn't in the program then it won't succeed," Mr. Fuller went on to say. "God must have been with the American white men or they would not have made the progress they have, but we need not pattern from them. Negroes have taken the white man for their god and lost sight of the real God."

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ness came civilization and out of civilization came the church."

Two Greatest Seasons - It was his opinion that business reacts according to religion. Christmas and Easter, two of the greatest business seasons, are tied up with Jesus, he said.

He criticized the Negroes for not having unity in anything. "You must have confidence in one another," he advised. "We can't have racial equality until we have pocket-book equality and that won't be until we get into the business field," he concluded.

Mr. Fuller was born in Memphis 36 years ago. In 1928 he came to Chicago with "only a pair of pants and an overcoat" in his possession. At first he worked in a coal yard, then he sold life insurance. Later he became a broker.

On June 4, 1936 he started the Fuller Products Co., and today he employs 500 people, 115 of whom are in the Chicago office. Branch offices are located in St. Louis, Detroit, Memphis and Baltimore.

He began his selling career when only nine years old. Although he never advanced beyond the sixth grade in school, since he was 17 he has studied from books and educated himself. He took a course in the science of selling and taught himself the rest of the time.

Mr. Fuller left Memphis determined to go in the manufacturing business. He advises young people to take salesmanship and commerce because it pays more than any other occupation. "Have one thing in mind, set out and meet opportunity on the road," is his motto.

MR. HARRY WILSON HAS OPERATION

Mr. Harry Wilson, 1029 E. Fifteenth street, a leader in Republican affairs here, underwent an operation this week at the Veterans' hospital.

WHERE TO ATTEND CHURCH IN DES MOINES

Methel A. M. E. Church. Rev. W. F. Ogelton. Pastor. 1524 E. University Ave. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning worship 11:00 a.m. A. C. E. League 6:30 p.m. Gloria White president; Mrs. G. T. Fant, superintendent. Evening worship 7:45 p.m. Official Board, Monday evening, 7:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer service Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal, Friday evening, 8:00 p.m.

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

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

ST. PAUL A. M. E. CHURCH. Rev. H. C. Boyd, Pastor. 12th and Crocker. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 7:45 p.m.; A. C. E. League, 6:30 p.m. Official Board Monday evening, 7:30 p.m. Midweek prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal, Friday evening, 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST. 851 Tenth St., Rev. E. G. Carter, Pastor: Sunday School—10 a.m.; preaching 11:30 a.m. Y.P.W.—6:30 p.m. Preaching, 8:30 p.m. Services 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; Rev. Harry Woods, assistant.

CHURCH OF GOD AND SAINTS OF CHRIST, 928 W. Twelfth Street. Services are held on Friday and Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until sundown. All are welcome. Evangelist E. Williams in charge.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH. Maple at E. Sixteenth St. Pastor, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, D.D.; Sunday school—9:30 a.m. Morning worship—10:50 a.m. Baptist Training Union—6 p.m. Evening services—7:30 p.m. Midweek prayer services Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal each Friday evening at 8 p.m. You are invited to attend our services.

COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

ART CRAFT CLUB: Mrs. Tull organized an Art Craft Club at the Center Nov. 17. The officers are: president, Betty Carson; vice president, Thelma Woods; secretary, Birdie Lee Crenshaw; and treasurer, Jeanette Shade. The members will make various articles of a craft nature which are wearable, such as pins and lapel gadgets.

WEDNESDAY AID CLUB: The Wednesday Aid girls meet regularly at the Center. They are sewing quilts which will later be used by the nursery school. The members of the club are: Betty Ellison Catherine Drenshaw, Catherine Ashby, Edith Carshaw, Doris Jackson, Gloria Jackson, Judy Johnson, Betty Weston, Doris Williams and Betty Thomas. Election of officers will be held this week.

STORY HOUR: The children in attendance at the story hour will be entertained on Friday by the Book-lovers club. They will present two plays "Cinderella" and "Sleeping Beauty."

CLAY MODELING: Miss Stewart is beginning a special class for adults in clay modeling. If you are interested call the Center.

C.C.C. CLUB: The C. C. C. Club is planning a Carnival for December. Many games and prizes will be available. There will also be dancing. The members of the club are: Sylvia Payne, Dorothy Williams, Berthaena Strothers, Willa Mae Hayes, Jacqueline Mease, and Lenora Smith.

SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM: Scottie Rolland, famed North High athlete of yesteryear, will have charge of the senior basketball team this season. Practice has started this week. All persons interested see Mr. Rolland on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings at West High gym at 8 P.M. Junior and intermediate teams are practicing regularly at West High gym on same evenings. Doc White is in charge. Boy Scout Troop No. 59: Mrs. Burks 1041 16th Street, won a ton of coal which was donated by Scout Troop 59. The drawing was held at the Center on Tuesday evening.

Xmas Cards: Classes are held at the Center on Tuesday afternoons at 3 p.m., at which time, instructions are given in Xmas Card making. Many new suggestions which are inexpensive are obtainable at no cost.

MARSHALLTOWN, IA.

Marshalltown, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. Lesley Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Morrow and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Maxwell of Detroit, Mich., have arrived in the city to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with their relatives and friends. Plans are being made for a Union Mission organization which will in-

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voive various churches of the city. Rev. G. A. Kendrick is serving as organizer.

Mrs. Olive Loggins of Des Moines was a visitor in the city Nov. 16, at the home of her niece, Miss Rose Bannan.

Information: Greeting everybody! Arthur Moore of Cedar Rapids was really warm at Yvonne Longus the other Sunday when he thought she was ignoring him, but she made up for it lately, I think. Hear tell Mose Shackelford was in town the other Saturday to ask Jimmie Dawson who Virginia is? He told me Willie Dell, who does your heart belong to? Gene Franklin or Albert Tibbs of Grinnell. Did you see Vernon Brown and Richard Clark fighting for the hand of the fair lady Elhora or a dance? It was amusing. Will somebody please tell me where Sammy Gillam and Vernon Brown hide out every Sunday night? This about ends our little chit-chat for this week. OI Man Jive

Fortune Teller Guesses Right

Shuffling her cards, a tea room fortune teller in New York city sagely told Emma Gross: "You will soon visit a large building and sign some papers." So it came to pass. That very night, Polk's Emma Gross visited the Queens night court, a large building and signed some papers. "I knew when the fortune teller said that," she said.



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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindnesses shown during the illness and at the death of Green Hutchinson. Especially do we thank the Rev. Peter Trucano and Rev. H. C. Boyd for the beautiful services rendered; J. A. Mitchell, A. B. Olson and Daniel O'Donnell for their sincere remarks; pall bearers and many friends, donation of cars, floral offerings and the Estes Funeral Home for their efficient services and generous gift. Signed by Mr. Frank Burks and family; and Mrs. Amanda Singleton.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to the many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses and courtesies during the illness and at the death of our wife and mother, Mrs. Della Robinson. Especially do we thank the Fowler Funeral Home for the satisfactory way in which they conducted the services. Signed by Lee R. Robinson, husband, and family.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their many deeds of kindness and courtesies, donation of flowers, and care at the death of my beloved wife, Mrs. Susie R. Mason. Especially do I thank the Revs. G. W. Robinson and H. C. Bold and the Ministerial Alliance and the L. Fowler Funeral Home. Signed by Rev. Ed. Mason, husband.

REV. MASON ILL

Rev. Ed. Mason, 1180 Fourteenth street, has been ill at his home. He was able to be up this week.

Doctor Prescribes 'Lots Of Whisky' for Patient

In artery ailments, such as arteriosclerosis or Burger's disease, patients are often attacked by muscular weakness so severe that their legs buckle under them. To tone up the muscles, doctors try to send a large supply of blood to the legs. For this they give drugs to expand the blood vessels, injections of salt solution, or even cut certain tracts in the sympathetic nervous system. As a check on the blood supply they take the temperature of the skin; if the temperature rises, they assume that the leg is getting a large supply of blood.

But Dr. Samuel Silbert of Manhattan's Mt. Sinai hospital has long been dissatisfied with this method of checking blood supply. He had a theory that there must be a difference between the temperature of the skin and that of the underlying muscles. With Physiologist Mae Friedlander and Physical Therapist William Bierman, he tested the effects of various common drugs on both skin and muscle temperature.

Aspirin, the experimenters found, merely raises the temperatures of the skin. Tobacco is harmful; it lowers both skin and muscle temperature. In their tests they decided that the most valuable drug for arteriosclerosis is alcohol, for it sends muscle temperature way up. "I make my patients drink plenty of whisky," said gentle Dr. Silbert.

African Native Adopts Strange Method of Pest

Many of the dark-skinned natives of central and southern Africa know how to raise crops before men from Europe came to their lands. Instead of hoes, they used digging sticks. Nowadays they are provided with hoes which they have obtained by trade with the whites.

The Belgian Congo is largely covered with forests, but there are stretches of grass land. When the grass is dry, it is burnt and the ground is broken up with hoes. Sometimes all the men and women of a tribe take part in clearing the land. The chief crops are corn and sweet potatoes.

When the crops are growing, children stand on guard, and are expected to scare away animals which might do damage. They throw stones, or shake sticks, at baboons and antelopes which come near. The hippopotamus is another animal which likes to visit gardens, especially at night. To save the crops from that beast, fences are built. A hippopotamus might easily butt down a fence, but he seems to fear a trap and let it alone.

Another source of food is hunting. Some tribes depend almost entirely on the game they kill. Their weapons include clubs, spears, bows-and-arrows, throwing knives and swords.

When fighting against other tribes the warriors sometimes put poison on the tips of their weapons. The poison is composed of juice from certain plants or venom taken from snakes.

African hunters kill elephants, lions, leopards, and many smaller animals. Elephants almost always are captured in traps before they are slain. Hunters of the Baganda tribe are not allowed to eat the flesh of elephants they kill, so they use it in trading with other tribes.

Miracle Plastic Is Perfect for Curtains

Imagine shower curtains which will not mildew, crack, crease, rot, fade, shrink or waterspot—and in addition are the most heavenly colors you ever saw and of a texture you love to touch. Sounds too good to be true, but along with the other miracles of modern chemistry which have given us such things as nylon stockings and lucite furniture, comes this new plastic for shower curtains.

This is not a coated or textile fabric, but is a plastic, similar to the glass-like suspenders and belts which will stretch and then return to original sizes. The curtains will also give slightly if pulled, but the curtain always returns to its original shape. There are window curtains to match the shower curtains so that the bathroom may be ensembled.

'Cleopatra's Needle'

A plaque giving a few historical details about "Cleopatra's Needle," the first explanatory notice that has ever been attached to the obelisk during its 60 years in New York, has been placed on the west face of the base of the monument in Central park.

Many visitors had inquired of park attendants, and of the department by mail and telephone, what the tall shaft of stone carved with Egyptian hieroglyphs was. Accordingly, the park department designed a plaque, which the New York Historical society had cast in bronze and which was set recently. It reads: "Cleopatra's Needle. This obelisk was erected first at Heliopolis, Egypt, in 1800 B. C. It was removed to Alexandria in 12 B. C. by the Romans. Presented by the Khedive of Egypt to the City of New York, it was erected here on February 22, 1881, through the generosity of William H. Vanderbilt."

Moving to Small Towns

A "back-to-the-country" movement of population seems definitely under way in Pennsylvania, but it is not exactly a trek "back to the land," H. R. Cottam, rural sociologist of Pennsylvania State college, commented in reviewing preliminary reports of the 1940 census.

More people leaving the big cities between 1930 and 1940 appear to have settled in small towns than actually became farmers. This shift in population may have been partly a reflection of the close business conditions which prevailed during the decade. Current industrial activity stimulated by the defense program may bring a temporary reversal from the trend.

The population of the state as a whole increased only 2.5 per cent in the past 10 years in comparison with 10.5 for the 1920-30 period.

500 Allen Weeds California is now playing host to more than 500 alien species of weeds that are costing the state millions of dollars annually. Some of the worst pests among them are comparative newcomers and one or two new species are slipping across the state boundary lines almost every year.

The estimate is made in a survey of weed problems in the state by W. S. Ball of the state department of agriculture and Dr. W. W. Robbins of the University of California college of agriculture. Some 25,000,000 acres of California rangelands, says the survey, are now dominated by alien plants which have replaced much of the native vegetation.

Telling Age of Fish

Telling the age, origin of fish and how many times they have spawned by their scales is a new technique recently developed by Dr. R. A. Nesbit of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and David H. Wallace of the Chesapeake Biological laboratory of Solomons, Md.

The scales of fish show annual growth "rings" much like the annual rings in trees. Fish scales are better age indicators than teeth in horses.

The portion of the scales shaped like an inverted "V" which lies underneath the skin reveals these "rings." They show up as blank spaces where the new scales were not laid down due to slowed growth during winter. It is necessary to use a microscope for accurate results.

1,086 Dolls 'Motherless'

The recent death of Mrs. Mary Anna Wherland in Fresno, Calif., left "motherless" a family consisting of 1,086 dolls which she painstakingly collected and cared for during the past 40 years.

The collection occupied 30 show-cases in the Wherland home and included dolls of every size and nationality, from all parts of the world. Mrs. Wherland began her unique collection when she decided to keep her children's dolls as remembrances. Through the years she added to this hobby until her home became a little girl's "paradise."

The collection will find a new home, with Mrs. Wherland's daughter in Eugene, Ore.

Patron of Rila Monastery

Although Bulgaria's famous Rila monastery has been pictured on many stamps, a new stamp introduces to philately the founder and patron of this 900-year-old monastery, Ivan Rilski, saint of the Greek Orthodox church.

Pilgrims to Rila are allowed to see and sometimes touch a mummified hand, sacred relic of St. Rilski. The relic is said to effect miraculous cures.

Rila monastery is shown in the background of the new stamp. There are 14 churches and 300 guest rooms within its walls. Views of the monastery have appeared on Bulgarian stamps of 1911, 1921 and the 1940 airmail issue.

History Explains April 1

Historical explanations of the fooling on April 1 are quite varied. One man tells us that the custom came from India centuries ago; another that it is a relic of the time when in calendar reform the new year was transferred from April to January 1 and the jokemakers bought "New Year's gifts"; others that it is a survival of folklore in France, whence it was carried to Scotland by some of the gay lads who fought for France when there was no fighting to do at home. In France, and in French Canada, the victim of a joke on this date is called "un poisson d'Avril." In Scotland he or she is a gawk, the local word for a cuckoo, reputed to be the most foolish of birds.

Depression Diet

Despite hard times, U. S. diets have grown more nutritious in the past 10 years. Reasons: (1) more home canning; (2) more truck farming; (3) wide government distribution of such vitamin-rich foods as oranges, grapefruit, milk, celery. In spite of all this, the average U. S. diet has plenty of room for improvement, especially in some southern rural districts where the people still live mainly on hog and

NOTICE OF DECLARATION OF FORFEITURE AND CANCELLATION OF REAL ESTATE CONTRACT

TO: GEORGE H. THOMPSON and GUSSE THOMPSON, husband and wife, Vendors: WHEREAS, on October 2, 1939, a contract was entered into between Joseph F. Bennington of Polk County, Iowa, party of the first part, and George H. Thompson and Gusse Thompson, then of Polk County, Iowa, parties of the second part, wherein first party sold to second parties the following described premises, to-wit:

Lots Twelve (12), Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14) in Lincoln Grande, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, for the sum of \$950.00, upon certain terms of payment provided for in said contract, and WHEREAS, said premises are now and have for sometime been vacant and unoccupied and abandoned, and WHEREAS, said contract provides that first party will sell to second parties the premises

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SOCIETY



THREE PURPOSE CLUB HAS DANCING PARTY

Ushering in the pre-holiday formal club parties, scores of guests in flowering formal gowns presented a beautiful parade of fashions at the Three Purpose club's annual Autumn dancing party at the Billiken Ballroom Monday evening, Nov. 17.

Mrs. Bertha Wolder is president of the club; other officers are: Mrs. Marylou Jackson, vice president; Mrs. Laura Gilbert, secretary; Mrs. Bernice Shepherd, assistant secretary; Mrs. Verda Spangler, treasurer.

Other members are Mesdames Geraldine Burks, Gladys Carr, Marie Clark, Lenore Johnson, Julia Proctor, Grace Shelton, Dorothy Wallace, Frances Wells and Doris Wilson.

DAUGHTER TO BELLS

Mr. and Mrs. William Bell, 3005 Third avenue, announce the birth of a daughter at Lutheran hospital on Wednesday, Nov. 12. The mother, the former Rosa A. Bell, and baby are doing nicely.

DR. THURMAN GIVEN RECEPTION AT HOTEL

Dr. Howard Thurman, dean of the theological department of Howard university, was honored at a reception at the Marguerita Hotel following his appearance at the St. Paul A.M.E. church where he was the guest speaker recently. Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn was hostess. Many guests had a chance to meet the distinguished visitor.

TO OBSERVE 21ST ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Commodore Hendricks, 1331 Center street, will observe their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Nov. 25.

MRS. KELLY VISITS IN KANSAS CITY

Mrs. Leona Kelly, 1043 Seventeenth street, spent the weekend visiting in Kansas City, Mo.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERTS HAVE GUESTS

Mr. Martin Mayberry of Wichita, Kas., Mrs. Bertha Edwards, and Mrs. Peggy Adkins of Kansas City, Mo., were guests in the city Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Roberts, 955 Seventeenth street. They were honored at dinner by Mrs. Helen Bogan, 833 East Twenty-fourth street.

Mr. Mayberry is a brother and Mrs. Edwards is a cousin of Mrs. Roberts.

MRS. BESHEARS SPEAKS TO GROUPS

Mrs. Helen Beshears, Polk County Juvenile officer, addressed the Women's Council of the Central Church of Christ Monday on the subject, "Democracy in the United States Today." Mrs. Mary Ritchey led the devotions.

Mrs. Beshears will address the Missionary Society of the Highland Park Church of Christ at the home of Mrs. Edna Crisp, 3936 Tenth st., Friday.

MRS. TOMLIN GETS CALIFORNIA INVITATION

Mrs. Fannie Tomlin, 1321 Laurel, was the recipient this week of an invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Wilkerson of Los Angeles, Cal., requesting her presence to attend the marriage of their daughter, Emma Pauline, to Mr. Joseph Gray Evans, which will take place Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Ward Chapel A.M.E. church there.

Miss Wilkerson is a former resident of Des Moines.

HANNAH PORTER ADAMS IN CITY

Mrs. Hannah Porter Adams of Chicago, a former resident of Des Moines, was in the city Saturday and Sunday visiting Susie Hart. Gertrude North and Adah Johnson. Mrs. Johnson also renewed her old acquaintances with other former friends. She was enroute to Atchison, Kas., to visit relatives and will visit friends in Kansas City before returning home. She was house guest of Mrs. Hart.

NEGRO WOMEN'S GOP CLUB MEETS NOV. 24

The Negro Women's Republican club will have its regular meeting Nov. 24, at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Rosa Wilson, 844 Fifteenth st. There will be a guest speaker, Mrs. Mabel Johnson is president; Josie Bigson, secretary; Mrs. Katherine Shelton program chairman.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Pauline Lewis was hostess to six tiny guests at a birthday party Wednesday honoring her daughters second birthday.

CLUBS

CITY FEDERATION

The City Federation will meet on Friday at 8 p.m. at the Negro Community Center. Miss Katherine Leulin of the City library staff will review W. E. B. Dubois' "Dusk of Dawn."

MARY CHURCH TERRELL

The Mary Church Terrell club was entertained Monday night with Mrs. Joburness Kelso as hostess. Plans were completed for the minstrel show which the Junior and Senior Mary Church Terrell clubs will give jointly in January at the Jewish Community Center. Refreshments were served at the close of the business meeting.

NEGRO DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE TO MEET

The Negro Democratic League will meet Tuesday evening at the Community Center, instead of Monday, Nov. 24. Business of importance.

MOTHERS CLUB

The East Des Moines Mothers Clinic club met Nov. 8 with Lucille Rife, Bingo prizes were won by Reba Green and Frances Bonwell. The next hostess will be Lottie Ross.

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE

The Mary McLeod Bethune club will meet Dec. 8 with Mrs. Ethel Brooks, 3011 Bowdoin street at which time plans will be made for a Christmas party.

LA MERCREDI

La Mercredi club will be entertained Wednesday by Mrs. Anna Mae Carter at her home.



THE PERSONAL TOUCH

(By Marie Ross)

Downtown Des Moines is getting all dressed up for the holiday season. The streets and lights are putting on their full dress of greens and reds—ready to welcome the great visitor of all the kiddies—Santa Claus. Many of the housewives are "out" now and until after Christmas—but they can be found in the toy departments of many of the stores and always where there is a Santa Claus.

"Papa" Edward Wadsworth had a hard time getting away from toyland to get the YMCA news down to the office. He met the reporter—and in a daze from the glaring lights from Santa's town—said "you are a God-send." He spun around like some of the toy wind-up men and made a bee line back to the toy department. The reporter is contemplating renting a space near the toylands to get her news until after the Christmas rush.

Speaking of dressing up for Christmas—two of the Marguerita Hotel buildings have been redecorated and really light up Center street. One building at 1423 Center is done in leather brown and oceanic cream. Another is creamy (from the same ocean) with the window frames in a tomato red. All of the work has been done by the proprietor, Mr. Arthur Esters, through many torrents of rain. He still has a steeple (which is on the fourth floor level) to do—and when he gets that high up a camera is waiting to catch him.

Looked like a Thanksgiving feast the other evening at the home of Mrs. Cornelia Parker on Easton. Centering the table and surrounded by many bowls of steaming vegetables was a mammoth platter holding a golden brown possum—then it could have been coon. But—it didn't matter after one of the "sharers" catching the hungry look on the gazer's face—commented—"no don't be fooled lady—it's a dog." Of course it wasn't.

TO IOWA CITY

Mrs. Anna Jackson, 1188 Second street place, went to Iowa City last week.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM ASHBY ARE HONORED AT MARRIAGE RECEPTION

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robinson, 1004 Enos avenue, were hosts Sunday afternoon, Nov. 16, at a marriage reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Ashby.

Many of the friends brought gifts and congratulate the newlyweds, who will make their home at 913 Laurel avenue.

Mrs. Robinson, sister of Mr. Ashby, presided at a beautifully decorated table which was centered with a two-tier cake. Fall flowers enhanced the newly decorated Robinson home. Assisting the hostess was another sister of Mr. Ashby, Mrs. Frederick D. Hawkins.

Mrs. Ashby, a native of Des Moines, is the daughter of Mrs. Louise Thompkins, 1138 Thirteenth st.

Mr. Ashby, well known photographer and tennis player, is a son

of Mrs. Marguerite Ashby.

Among the guests who signed the register were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thurston and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Nichols, both of Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morris, Mrs. Louvenia Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Wilson, Miss Ruby Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winn, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hawkins, Mrs. Robert Jones, Mrs. Vesta Williamson, Mrs. William Pettit, Miss Arnetta Sloan, Mrs. Nathaline Wilkerson, Mrs. Patricia Jones, Mrs. Louis Thompkins, Mr. and Mrs. K. Edward Thompkins, Mrs. Louis Thompkins, Mrs. Warren Humbert, Mrs. Alma Berry, Miss Sadie Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weeks, Mrs. Evelyn Coleman, Mrs. Margaret Ashby, Miss Marie Ross.

Messrs. Quinton Mease, Virgil Dixon, Jack Lawson, William Ware.

BUSY BEE SEWING CLUB RELECTS OFFICERS

The Busy Bee Sewing Circle enjoyed a pleasant afternoon in a business and social session in the comfortable home of Mrs. Lucille Ratney on Maple street. Nearly the entire membership was present for the election of officers, all of whom were returned to office. The highlights of the session were the encouraging remarks of the pastor of St. Paul's A.M.E. church who installed the officers at this meeting. The club is enjoying its best year under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Lella Walker. At the close of the meeting the hostess served. Assisting her were her daughter Miss Bonwell and Mrs. Mary Stanley.

Officers are: president, Mrs. Walker; vice president, Emma Jackson; secretary, Stella Hyde; assistant secretary, Lulu Mitchell; treasurer, Savannah Browner, chaplain, Rosie Brand.

Colchicine Increases Growth Rate of Tobacco

Long used as a remedy for gout, colchicine is a slightly poisonous alkaloid compound which occurs in the seeds of the meadow saffron or autumn crocus, Colchicum autumnale. Several years ago, Dr. Albert Francis Blakeslee, famed geneticist of the Carnegie institution's station on Long Island, announced the discovery of remarkable effects produced on plants by colchicine. The drug causes a doubling of the chromosomes (hereditary carriers) in the germ cells of vegetables and flowers, producing sharp changes which breed true. It increased the growth rates of tobacco, phlox, onions, pumpkins, cosmos, radishes, portulaca, digitals. It abolished the neck in bottleneck squashes.

Since then, scientists have produced a spearmint with lemon flavor, bigger tomatoes, peaches, strawberries.

Dr. Laszlo Havas, a Hungarian biochemist working at the University of Brussels in Belgium, found that colchicine affects animals as well as plants. Certain bitterlings (small fish) acquire bright red tints when ready to breed. Dr. Havas discovered that the change can also be caused by colchicine, though more slowly; and that colchicine speeded up the action of the sex hormones.

Recently David Burpee, enterprising Philadelphia horticulturist, announced a new marigold, created by means of colchicine. Ordinary marigolds have two sets of chromosomes in their germ cells; the new one has four. Such plants are called tetraploids. The name of the Burpee creation is "Tetra Marigold"—or Tetra for short.

Four inches in diameter, deep orange in color, Tetra Marigold has heavy, vigorous petals which make the flower exceptionally durable.

Masai Warriors Pick Up Homes Take Them Along

In eastern Africa, near the Equator, live the Masai warriors and herdsmen. Although they have dark skins, they are only partly of Negro descent.

Between the ages of 16 and 20, a Masai youth is a soldier. Later he marries and becomes the owner, or part owner, of a flock of goats or a herd of cattle.

HEADS DRIVE



MISS MASON

Miss Georgine Mason who is chairman of the Blue Triangle branch membership drive which is in session. Co-chairman is Mrs. Lillian Scales. The quota is 100 members at the branch.

RECOVERS

Mrs. Price Alexander, 3635 Cornell, was confined to her home ill one day last week. She has recovered.

MRS. GUESS IMPROVING

Mrs. John Guess, 1157 Twelfth street, has been confined to her home for several weeks. She is improving.

Lung Amputations Have Met With Great Success

Six years ago a middle-aged Pittsburgh physician with cancer of the lung made a long, painful journey to St. Louis to beg a crumb of hope from famed Surgeon Everts Ambrose Graham. Both doctors thought that death was inevitable, and Dr. Graham decided on a last, desperate measure, never before tried in the history of surgery: complete amputation of the cancerous lung in one stage. An incision was made down the sick man's back, beside and below his shoulder blade. Carefully Dr. Graham slit through tough chest muscles, removed sections of seven ribs, neatly up where the windpipe separates into two branches. Then he tied the stump with a tight catgut knot. Finally he stitched up the chest muscles. To his great joy, his colleague survived.

Four years later the happy Pittsburgh doctor attended a convention of the College of Surgeons. Late for the meeting, he raced up two flights of stairs with a couple of friends. To their amazement, said Dr. Graham, the only one not winded by the climb was the doctor with one lung. His healthy lung had expanded, had completely filled the hollow space in his chest cavity.

Since that first dramatic case, hundreds of lung amputations have been performed throughout the world, with great success. "In suitable cases," continued Dr. Graham, "is, not too far

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Rev. Boyd Has Birthday Party

About two hundred guests attended the birthday party of the Rev. H. C. Boyd, pastor of the St. Paul A.M.E. church, given Monday night, Nov. 17, in the dining room at the church.

Mrs. Boyd, the hostess, was in charge of the birthday program. Young people of the church singing "Happy Birthday" presented a large birthday cake with sixteen candles to the pastor. Each youth held a streamer which was attached to the cake.

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Joburness Kelso, sang appropriate numbers by candle light.

Birthday greetings were made by the Rev. J. C. Bain, Rev. G. W. Robinson, Mr. O. L. Glass, Mr. G. D. Redmond, Mrs. Mabel Johnson Ma-son.

Mrs. Estella Coates gave a reading, "The Lord's Prayer" was sung by Mrs. Hendricks; "Because" by Mrs. Mildred Page.

Remarks of appreciation were made by the Rev. Mr. Boyd.

The dining room was attractively decorated in colors of brown, orange and yellow. Centering the table, covered with a lace cloth, was a vase of chrysanthemums which was surrounded by a variety of fruit.

Mrs. Boyd was assisted by many clubs and friends in decorating the dining hall and serving the refreshments. The minister received a number of gifts.

MRS. OSCARS TO OPEN BEAUTY SHOP IN SIOUX CITY, IA.

Mrs. Myrtle Oscars and son, Freddie, left the city Saturday, Nov. 15, to make their home in Sioux City, where she is opening a beauty salon. Other members of the staff will be the Misses Fern Southers and Na-

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Discover Tiniest Meteorites

Discovery of the three tiniest meteorites on record, with a total weight of less than a tenth of a gram, has been claimed by three western scientists.

Making the announcement were Dr. Frederick C. Leonard, professor of astronomy at the University of California at Los Angeles, and Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Nininger of the Colorado Museum of Natural History.

The minute meteorites were found as the result of dragging amino magnets through a number of ant hills near Holbrook, Ariz.

In the process evidence was discovered that falling meteorites are accompanied usually by showers of meteoritic dust and sand-like particles, which, according to the scientists, may mark the beginning of a "new and important" phase in the study of meteorites.

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The situation already is such that, in many localities, it is not possible to provide everyone just the type of telephone service wanted, and there may be delays on some long distance calls.

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Inconsistency in Law Enforcement

Recently two fatal auto accidents have occurred in or near Polk Co. In the first three were killed; in the second one was killed. In each instance the victims were Negroes.

Following the usual investigation by law-enforcing officials, the drivers of the cars were released because no criminal charges were filed against them.

The Bystander has heard several complaints from Negro citizens because no criminal charges were filed against the drivers, some taking the position that the matter was passed up because the victims were Negroes. We have taken no stock in these complaints after reviewing the facts concluding that the matter was a question of civil damages. As far as we have been able to determine this same rule has been followed where white people were victims both in Polk and other counties.

However, there arises another angle to this question of accidents in that city officials are enforcing the law in one manner and county officials another. That consistency seems to bear on these and similar accidents outside of the city of Des Moines.

In the Iowa law on motor vehicles, are sections which cover a multitude of situations; among them we mention first, reckless driving; second, failure to have a car under control; third, failure to yield the right of way. We have watched the outcome of dozens of accidents in the city and in about 90 per cent of these cases the drivers are convicted. Yet practically all of these cases involve property damage. Now if this is good law in town why not in the county? There is certainly an inconsistency that ought to be coordinated.

In the two instant accidents - and we do not attempt to review the evidence - there was definite proof of the violations of one of these sections.

The Bystander makes no charge of racial prejudice in these cases but it does believe there ought to be some consistency in the enforcement of our laws.

Thanksgiving

Again we are celebrating two Thanksgiving Days in 1941. We are thankful this year that this will not be the case hereafter.

Theoretically we are at peace. Practically we are in an undeclared war, one that is bound to spread as time goes on. The future looks bad indeed so we cannot look forward to a period which promises any bed of roses.

In view of our status, today, we find ourselves in a position just the opposite from that of the Pilgrims who originated the Thanksgiving idea. True, our country does have plenty - in fact most people are fairly well provided for. But we do not have peace.

The picture is dark indeed but we can say we are thankful because we are alive and things are no worse than they are.

THOSE ARROGANT BRITISH

In spite of the fact that Russia is fighting Britain's battle by engaging Hitler not only diminishing Nazi manpower and supplies but also giving the English time to prepare for the inevitable blow they will receive in the near future. English officials have the nerve to insult the Russian ambassador at Tolu-

HEALTH HINTS

BY DR. C. R. BRADFORD

INFANTILE PARALYSIS VS CHILDHOOD DISEASES

Infantile paralysis is a dangerous disease. The patient becomes very sick and may die; if he lives there is a possibility he may be crippled for life. Because of this people fear this disease more than any. One is justified in being fearful of this disease, but there are other common childhood diseases that cause even more human damage and yet the parent is not very much alarmed.

Measles, whooping cough and scarlet fever are all very dangerous diseases if not treated properly. Measles is capable of leaving the young ones maimed for life and should not be considered a harmless disease. Whooping cough can weaken the little patient that he becomes a victim of many serious complications. Scarlet fever frequently leaves a damaged heart or kidneys that may never be completely cured. Re-education of affected limbs in infantile paralysis is possible, but hearts damaged by scarlet fever are not so amenable to treatment.

That is a familiar plea in America, usually used on Negroes as the apply for rooms in hotels "all rooms already have been taken." And like the British minister who was sorry and came personally to see the minister off on a later plane, some of our friends who invite prominent Negroes to speak on some occasions, find it necessary to come along, apologize and exert pressure to get a place for their guests to stay.

True democracy is not in England; it is not in America - not even a willingness to treat every fellow right regardless of his race or nationality. And, do you know that's the trouble with the world today?

Men Wear Veils Among Tuaregs in North Africa

It is an odd fact that most of the world's continents have the initial "A." This is true of Asia, Africa, and Australia. It is also true of North America and South America, in regard to the second part of the name. Europe is the only continent without that initial.

The reason for Africa's name is not clear. One theory is that it came from the name of a certain tribe in northern Africa.

That tribe is made up of so-called "Afrigha." It is one of the Tuareg tribes of the Sahara desert.

The Tuaregs live mainly in the western and central parts of the vast desert. They have villages in some places, but many of them spend most of their time wandering about.

The skins of Tuaregs are white or mostly white, but they usually are fairly well tanned by the desert sun. Their eyes are brown, as a rule, but some of the natives are blue-eyed.

There is a veil custom for women in some parts of northern Africa, but this is not true of the Tuaregs. Their women go around without covering their faces, except when they are called to meet a stranger and wish to show him respect.

It is the young men of the Tuaregs who wear veils. They keep a piece of cloth over the lower half of the face. Chiefs and sons of chiefs wear blue cloth. Others use white cloth for this purpose.

The Arabs of northern Africa call the Tuaregs by a name meaning "Men of the Veil." The reason for the cloth may be to guard against the sand, of which there is plenty on the desert.

Symptoms of Cancer Told; Advise Prompt Treatment

"If you are fair-skinned and burn or turn red instead of getting a tan in sunlight, don't overdo sun bathing lest in later life you develop conditions conducive to skin cancers."

"A 'wart' on the back of the hand that is inflamed more than an ordinary wart is possibly the beginning of a dangerous cancer."

"If you have a bluish black spot on your skin that suddenly starts to spread, have it out. It is cancer."

"A persistent, thickening lump, especially in the breast, is a danger signal. Suspect cancer."

These were pointers given by six prominent physicians at a symposium in Beverly Hills.

Speaking on cancer of the stomach, most prevalent of all types, Dr. Clarence J. Berne warned against "carcinoma phobia" or cancer fear, saying:

"Fear of cancer is harder to cure in some persons than actual cancer is in other patients."

Early recognition of cancer with prompt treatment assures cures in 90 per cent of the cases, all the speakers stressed.

"The terror of discovering you have an operable cancer is not to be compared to the thousand times worse hopeless terror at discovering you have sought help too late," warned Dr. Philip J. Cunnane, speaking on breast cancer.

Morganatic Marriage A morganatic marriage, which sometimes is called a left-handed marriage because the left, rather than the right, hand often is given in ceremony, is the form of marriages which male members of some of the royal families of Europe and certain nobility formerly belonging to reigning families may contract with a woman of inferior rank. The wife does not acquire and the children do not inherit the rank of the husband or father and the children do not succeed either to the father's public position or to the property annexed to that position and belonging to him in virtue of his title. In some states, a morganatic wife or her children have no rights of succession in the private property of the husband excepting under will or marriage settlement. The term also is applied when a woman of nobility marries a man who is her social inferior.

Such a marriage is valid and while existing, precludes any other; the children are legitimate.

SPORTS

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

There wasn't much to be said after Saturday at Iowa City. Most of you know too well what happened. Iowa's Jim Walker was in the battle all the way and even the Golden Gophers knew he was there. He was Iowa's Jim Walker was in the battle all the way and even the Golden Gophers knew he was there. He was Iowa's outstanding defensive lineman along with Dick at the center. The Hawkeyes just didn't have enough big husky experienced reserves to play with Minnesota all day.

While the town of Iowa City was resounding with cheers from a crowded stadium, Drake was nipping Iowa States Cyclones by one point one to thirteen. Willard Cushingberry played quite a bit of that one, our scouts tell us. Now for him the season is over and so is his football career at Drake. Drake's next opponent is Tulsa there. We don't know how Cushingberry put up with that sort of thing for three years but perhaps he is a practical fellow who maybe figures that one can't eat football after one gets out of college and so an education ought to come first.

East Wins City Crown

Jess Hill, Bill Freeman and their mates closed out their high school football careers in a blaze of glory and swamped North 26-0 to regain their city championship. Freeman's savage tackling and blocking earned him a place and picture on the Evening Tribune's high school honor roll. Hill played his usual tough defensive game and got in front of a North High pass to a rambler for a score. He also did his passing stunts to help set up other scores.

In all it has been a great year for both Hill and Freeman and they certainly have merited any past season honors they might get. Lonnie Howard got in his quarters and gave a good account of himself. Next year Lonnie ought to be hard to handle if he works at his game during the coming off months. Allen McQuerry played a lot of fine ball this year but seemed to slump towards the end of the season. Jones started at a regular guard but was displaced later in the season, as we did see it, probably because of his blocking, but he was always sent in when the East defense needed bolstering.

Boxing

George Bourland is planning to start a series of Saturday night amateur boxing cards at his club on East Thirteenth beginning next Saturday. As one of his feature preliminaries George will send his son, George Bourland Jr. out to meet some of the boys who will meet Wayne Duncan of Lovillia.

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Lovillia and the Nu-Life. Zely Harris has a boy, Noel Harris, who will also tackle a Lovillia fighter at seventy pounds, sand grainweight. His opponent will be Bill Byson. George has taken a leaf from baseball and will let ladies in free if they are accompanied by a gentleman. The old fellow was very vehement on the last part "accompanied by a gentleman." Said he didn't want your writer coming over in a long coat and skirt to crash the gate.

Built Bath Building; Used Once, Destroyed

The Roman Emperor Hellogabalus, gained a reputation as an eccentric. His meals were seldom dull affairs. He often brought racing chariots from the arenas and compelled his guests to drive them about the dining hall while he ate. There were compensations, however. A guest served a dish of fruit would find jewels and gold also in the dish. He would frequently hold lotteries during meals, a prize for one guest being 10 pounds of gold and for another 10 pounds of lead.

Hellogabalus delighted in unconventional means of transportation, often driving behind four elephants, or stags, tigers or even in a wheelbarrow drawn by four naked women. For one of his processions the streets were strewn with yellow sand mixed with gold dust.

Among his many extravagant shows and entertainments was a great naval panorama in which canal ships were filled with wine.

He built a number of elaborate bath buildings for his use, in which he would bathe only once and then order that they be torn down.

Like other emperors, he was constantly aware that he might at any time be assassinated, and to thwart his enemies, he kept by him golden swords, purple and scarlet cords and poisons with which he might take his own life. He even built a high tower of boards covered with gold and jewels, from which to throw himself.

All of his preparations were in vain, however, for his aunt and grandmother plotted his death and he was slain in the latrine. His body was dragged through the streets and it was intended that it be thrust into a sewer, but this not being large enough, it was weighted and thrown into the Tiber.

Newts Return to Water Four Years After Birth

Triturus viridescens is a U. S. newt which spends the first three to six months of its life as a water larva, then - in some parts of the country at least - comes out to take up residence on land. On land the newts are bright red in color, are known as "red eft." During this phase they are immature and cannot reproduce. After three or four years, they go back to the water, slough off the red skin of adolescence, assume the olive-green garb

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of adults, acquire the keeled tail of an aquatic animal, and tackle the business of parenthood. Question: What impels them, after so long a time on land, to go back to the water? Scientists of an older generation would have answered "Instinct."

Biologists Edwin Eustace Reinke and Claude Simpson Chadwick of Vanderbilt university and the Highlands, N. C., Biological laboratory nabbed some North Carolina specimens of T. viridescens in the immature red eft stage and implanted bits of adult pituitary gland in their muscles. Within six days the newts went into the water and assumed the adult body color and tail shape.

Indians Increasing

Ever since the Pilgrim Fathers fell first on their knees and then on the aborigines, the American Indian has been pictured not only as a shiftless ne'er-do-well but as a decadent, dying race. Many a generation of U. S. schoolboys has been taught a stern pride in the taking off of such die-hards as Rhode Island's King Phillip. Recently Indian-loving Commissioner John Collier helped explode the myth that these first families of America are vanishing. Said he: Indians are increasing in North America more rapidly than whites; Indians of the Western hemisphere number 30,000,000. There were never more than about 900,000 Indians in the U. S. Since 1900 they have increased from 237,000 to 361,000 - up 52 1/2 per cent.

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FIRST AID DETACHMENT

By Charles L. R. Gibson

At the last meeting Morris De Sleet, the general chairman of the Detachment pinch hit for Frank B. Robinson, the instructor who was unable to be there. Some of the members went pleasant hunting, but the attendance was large and the lesson was good. The chapter was on "Injuries Due Heat and Cold." G. B.

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Tucker went to the head of the class and Ray Connor was second. There was a general discussion on a get-together for the Detachment, their wives, or friends in the near future. Fathers and sons - don't forget the lecture on "Venereal Disease" which will be given on the East Side soon. All boys over 12 years or more are invited to attend this lecture. Watch for the date.

Freighting in China Is Done With Wheelbarrow

For the most part, China is a land of "hand-labor." Things that we do by machine are done by hand over there.

There are railway trains in China but not nearly so many as the country should have. It is a common custom for loads to be carried on wheelbarrows pushed for miles through the countryside, from a farm or a village to a city.

Pin-Decorated Slipware

A goal for the collector is old pin-decorated slipware. Ever run-of-the-mill slipware does not grow on trees, since its value was not appreciated until about a quarter of a century ago, but pin-decorated examples are scarce.

Early American slipware was either undecorated, trimmed with slip, or the design scratched into the clay surface (sgraffito work). Now and again a piece turns up which indicates that its decoration was produced by means of a set pattern, writes Edna Dea Free Nelson in American Collector. That is, the design was first sketched on paper, then the latter laid on the clay and the pattern pipricked through into the clay with a sharp-pointed instrument. After the paper pattern was removed the artist sometimes completed the pricked lines with the point of an instrument, or left it as it was, according to his whim.

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