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News Briefs From Far and Near

PEARL BUCK LAUNCHES NATIONAL FIGHT ON JIM CROW

New York (AP)—A nationwide movement to do away with race discrimination in the war effort was announced Sunday by Pearl S. Buck, chairman of the committee against race discrimination of the American Civil Liberties Union, which has been studying the problem during the past year.

With a nucleus of 28 national organizations, each having a positive program for race equality, a continuing conference has been formed to consolidate efforts and to work out ways of abolishing discrimination and segregation in the armed forces, defense industries and other war agencies.

"The eyes of the world are upon us," Miss Buck said, "to see how we work out our democracy here at home; they look to us to see the patterns for the world to come. It is our job to make democracy come true for the colored people in America as a promise of our sincerity in a democratic peace. It is the duty of American citizens to do something about it now."

The conference against Negro discrimination includes white, interracial and colored organizations. The emphasis, Miss Buck explained, will be upon getting more white organizations to undertake their share of responsibility in overcoming discriminatory practices.

NATION'S LONE WOMAN TRAIN CALLER IN MISSISSIPPI

Meridian, Miss. (AP)—The distinction of being America's only woman train caller in of all places, Mississippi, goes to strong-voiced, beaming Mrs. Susie T. Glover, who has held the job at the union station here since 1929.

Mrs. Glover began her career 25 years ago doing odd jobs and cleaning up the station's carpenter shop. It was by accident in 1929, that she fell heir to job of calling the trains. When the regular caller became ill, the stationmaster casually asked Mrs. Glover not to let anyone miss a train. She immediately got copies of all schedules and began memorizing them. Soon she was asked to "call it" regularly.

Today, her voice is as much a part of the familiar station noises as the hissing and clanging of the big locomotives. In her long experience, Mrs. Glover has become well known to the presidents of the Southern and Great Northern railroads, calls both of them her "right-hand friends."

WM. BELL, JR. HOLD ON CHARGE

William Bell, Jr., 43, an apartment house janitor, was charged in municipal court Monday with lewd and lascivious acts with a child.

He is being held in the county jail in default of \$5,000 bond, for hearing May 18. Detectives said Bell lived in the basement of an apartment house at 2711 Grand avenue where he was employed.

DR. GEORGE W. BABER TO BE MEN'S DAY GUEST AT BETHEL

Dr. George W. Baber, pastor of the Ebenezer A.M.E. church of Detroit, Mich., will come to Des Moines on May 23 to be guest speaker at the Men's Day services of the Bethel A.M.E. church, the Rev. W. F. Ogletton, pastor announced this week.

A. J. Claybrooks is chairman of the services. Burns Men's chorus will be one of the features at the afternoon services.

NAACP PUBLIC MEETING THURSDAY

The Des Moines branch of the NAACP which is in midst of its membership drive is holding a public meeting on Thursday, May 20, at the Negro Community Center, to elect delegates to the national emergency war conference which will convene in Detroit, June 3 to 6.

Membership chairman will make their weekly reports, under the leadership of P. O. Morrow, chairman.

Marines Assigned to Overseas Duty

SKILLED WOMEN WORKERS HELPED BUILD S. S. CARVER



MEDIA DIVISION

With nearly 1,000 women employed as burners, welders, scalers, and in other capacities at the Kaiser Shipyards in Richmond, Calif., women war workers played an important part in the construction of the recently launched Liberty ship S.S. George Washington Carver. (Left) Welder-trainee Josie Lucile Owens piles her trade on the ship, while (Center) Welders Alvina Scott, Hattie Carpenter and Flossie Burto await an opportunity to weld her first piece of steel on the Carver. (Right) Miss Eastine Cowner, a former waitress, is shown at her job as a scaler. (Official OWI photos by E. F. Joseph.)

NAACP Holds Conference With WAAC Commandant

The Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held a conference Wednesday morning, May 12, with Col. Frank U. McCoskie, commandant of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps at Fort Des Moines, regarding complaints which have reached the office of the local branch. Headed by Ike Smalls, NAACP branch president, the investigating committee which planned the conference included: Atty. S. Joe Brown, NAACP national board member; Atty. James B. Morris, chairman of the NAACP legal redress committee; and two members of the executive committee, the Rev. George W. Robinson, pastor of Corinthian Baptist church, and the Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, pastor of the Maple Street Baptist church. All but the Rev. Mr. Robinson, who was called out of town, conferred with the commandant.

Copy of Complaints

A copy of complaints as presented to the conference by Attorney Morris was summarized as follows:

Limitation of Opportunities for Negro WAACs.
Segregation in Classes.
Poor Physical Examinations.
Misrepresentations by Recruiting Officers.

Constant K. P. Duties.
Discussing the "Limitation of Opportunities for Negro WAACs" the committee reported that the commandant revealed that there was a general complaint from both white and Negro WAACs regarding the opportunities at the training center but that this WAAC center here was limited in its specialist training mainly to: Administrative, Motor Corps, Cooks and Bakers and Officer Candidates.

Praises Officers
Regarding "Segregation in Classes," the committee reported a discussion of "mixed" and "separate" classes with the WAAC official favoring the latter, praising the work of the Negro commanding officers, and revealing progress being made toward the appointment of a Negro WAAC major.

A specific complaint regarding the attitude of a white superior officer towards a company of Negro cooks and bakers was disposed of by the commandant who inferred that the named major was not the type of person to make such statements.

About "Poor Physical Examinations" the commandant revealed that physical examinations were not given to WAACs upon entering the training center. The committee pointed out the case of the Negro woman who gave birth to a child nine days after entering the WAAC center here.

"Misrepresentations by Recruiting Officers"—that they promised opportunities to "highly trained" women, that there was "no segregation and no discrimination in the WAAC," were discussed.

The commandant explained to the committee that "K. P. duties" were assigned by roster and that no woman served any more times than another. The complaint was that some Negro WAACs had "constant K. P. Duties."

Mr. Smalls in commenting on the conference commended Colonel McCoskie upon his reception.

The NAACP leader added that "it will let them know that we are watching the progress of the Negro woman in the WAAC."

Hold Dining Car Waiter Here for Slaying of Cook

Dove Smith of Kansas City, Mo., 34-year-old Rock Island dining car waiter, is being held in jail here without bond on a murder charge filed Monday, May 10, in connection with the death of Edward Morgan of Kansas City, Kas., 40-year-old dining car cook.

Morgan was fatally stabbed early Sunday morning as the train neared Carlisle, Ia., following an argument of several hours on the Rock Island train bound for Des Moines.

Smith who admitted arguing with Morgan was taken into custody on the train by military police and turned over to Des Moines officials.

Chief of Detectives Paul Castelline said Smith admitted cutting Morgan with a razor during an argument

over an order of fried potatoes which Smith said Morgan failed to give him for a customer.

Morgan was slashed across the back of the neck from ear to ear across the throat. He died enroute to Des Moines from Carlisle. County Coroner A. E. Shaw said the jugular vein had been severed and that Morgan probably died a few minutes after the argument.

Morgan's body was shipped by Estes Funeral home to the Jones Funeral directors in Kansas City, Kas.

Atty. C. P. Howard represented Smith in court.

Buy War Savings Stamps and Bonds.

Launch S. S. G. W. Carver

Washington—Sliding down the way to the strains of "The Star Spangled Banner," amid the plaudits of thousands of Negro and white shipyard workers and civilians, the SS George Washington Carver, second Liberty ship named for an outstanding Negro American, was launched Friday afternoon (May 7, 1943) at the Richmond (Cal.) Shipyard No. 1 of the Kaiser company.

Launched just 26 days after its keel was laid, the 10,500-ton vessel was christened by Lena Horne, singer and motion picture actress, in a colorful ceremony.

Flanked by Mrs. Beatrice Turner, matron-of-honor and first Negro woman welder employed in the Richmond shipyards and little Teresa Delums, her flower girl, Miss Horne crashed the champagne bottle against the ship and uttered the traditional words, "I christen the George Washington Carver," as newscasters and photographers' flash bulbs went into action.

The launching followed a whirlwind tour through the shipyards by the movie actress during which she sold more than \$25,000 worth of War Bonds. Two Negro shipyard workers, Mr. and Mrs. E. Kautzman, purchased a \$2,500 bond and Local A-26, represented by its president, Richard Guilmette, bought a \$1,000 bond as Miss Horne and Percy Best, a ship-fitter and Anchor man, made appeals in three of the four Kaiser yards.

AMEs Elect 1944 General Delegates

By GOLDIE FANT
Newton, Iowa—The Electoral Conference of the Northwest Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church convened May 5 at the Bethel church with Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Campbell as hosts.

Prior to the opening session, on Tuesday evening, May 4, O. C. Hall of St. Paul, Minn., was the principal speaker on "Negro Responsibilities in Post War." This meeting closed a week of nightly programs which led up to the Electoral conference.

Others who appeared on this program were: E. E. Meredith, Justice of Peace, Senator Ross Morrow of Newton Rev. W. F. Ogletton of Des Moines.

The Electoral session opened at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning with Mrs. Mabel Mason of Des Moines presiding. Mrs. Irma Young of Des Moines was secretary.

Mayor A. M. Miller of the city gave an address of welcome to the delegates. The Rev. H. C. Boyd of Des Moines, conducted a quiet hour. The conference endorsed Dr. George W. Baber of Detroit for the bishopric.

Delegates elected to the General

DIES



JESSE ESTELLE

Funeral rites will be held Saturday at the Burns Methodist church for Jesse Estelle, former slave who died here Monday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Jesse Newsome, 1315 Laurel street.

A resident of Des Moines for 45 years, Mr. Estelle at death was reported as 96 years old but he always said he was not certain of the year of his birth. Neither was his wife, also born a slave, but both were positive about the date of their marriage, Dec. 27, 1876, in Howard county, Mo., where both were born.

Freely by the Emancipation proclamation, Mr. Estelle began working in a Missouri tobacco factory. He and his wife spent the first 25 years of their married life in Missouri and in 1901 they moved to Des Moines.

Making a home here, Mr. Estelle worked as a laborer, was a charter member of Burns Methodist church and was one of its trustees for several years. He was a member of North Star Masonic lodge.

Surviving are: Mrs. Estelle, his wife of 66 years; four daughters, Mrs. Newsome, Mrs. Gertrude Love and Mrs. Elizabeth Geiger, all of Des Moines and Mrs. Fannie Houston of Santa Rosa, Calif.; and a son, John Estelle of Des Moines.

Estes Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Conference which is scheduled for Philadelphia, Pa., May 1944, were the following: Mrs. Mabel Mason, St. Paul, Des Moines; O. C. Hall, St. James, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Irma Young, Bethel, Davenport; Mrs. Goldie Fant, Bethel, Des Moines; Mrs. Clara Bailey, Mt. Zion, Ottumwa.

Alternates are: Mrs. O. J. Smith, Bethel, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Foustine Hightower, Bethel, Okaloosa; and Mrs. M. D. Campbell, Bethel, Newton.

The conference closed thanking Rev. and Mrs. Campbell for their hospitality. Mesdames Campbell and Jenkins were in charge of the entertainment. Other friends in the community and church assisted them.

Old Traditions Broken; Headquarters Plan for Quota of 10,000 Men

Washington, D. C.—With one unit of Negro marines already assigned to overseas duty and others being trained in artillery, anti-aircraft, communications and other fields, Marine Corps Headquarters this week announced plans for recruitment of 10,000 Negroes.

Approximately 2,000 Negro Marines are now being trained in the 51st Composite Defense Battalion at Montford Point, Camp Lejeune-mammoth Marine Training Reservation at New River, N. C.—and new recruits are arriving at the rate of 40 a day.

Break a Tradition

Breaking a tradition of 167 years, the Marine Corps began the enlistment of Negroes on June 1, 1942. Three months later, the first group of 1,200 volunteers from all sections of the country—began their training at the 200-square mile North Carolina camp which had been constructed at a cost of \$69,000,000.

Placed under the command of Samuel A. Woods, Jr., a former military instructor at The Citadel, a military school at Charleston, S. C., and a Marine veteran of 26 years active service, the first Negro Marines completed seven weeks of basic training before receiving special instruction in manning outposts in offensive action. Basic training included four weeks as "boots" during which they learned drill, manual of arms, bayonet use and other fundamentals, and three weeks at the Rifle Range camp for instruction in the use of firearms and marksmanship.

Following basic training, the volunteers were permitted to select their branch of service. As a result, some received training in anti-aircraft and artillery work, communications, machine gun and small artillery. Others chose headquarters, transport, personnel, depot, and steward work. Regardless of choice, however, all the Negro Marines were taught to use seven different weapons of war.

Colonel Woods, who entered the Marines as a second lieutenant in 1916 and served on the staff of Gen-

erley D. Butler in France during the last war, expressed gratification at the progress of the first group of Negro Marines. He called attention to the fact that only 10 percent of the Negro volunteers were placed in Class 5, the lowest rating of the general Army classification test, while the general ratio among selectees in the Army has often risen to 50 percent.

As a result of their aptitudes and capacities for leadership, members of the original Negro volunteer group will eventually be placed in charge of the entire training program for Negro Marines, the commander stated.

Expanded Program

Under the expanded program for the recruitment of Negro Marines, recreational facilities will be increased at Montford Point. At present, the all-Negro section of Camp Lejeune has a theatre where motion pictures are shown nightly without charge, and a library with more than 5,000 volumes. The men have organized a 40-piece band, a glee club, baseball, basketball, and boxing teams and other amusement units. The nearest USO center, however, is at Wilmington, N. C., some fifty miles away. Present plans call for the erection of a hostess house in which it is hoped that facilities will be provided for a USO center.

The expanded program also will include the creation of a Stewards School and a Cooks and Bakers School. Graduates from the Cooks and Bakers school will automatically receive the rating and pay of master sergeant. The Stewards School, first of its kind in the history of the Marine Corps, will offer training to approximately 1,200 of the proposed 10,000 Negro Marines.

Last November, the Marine Corps started enlisting 500 additional Negro recruits to be trained as occupational specialists for accountants, telephone operators, radio maintenance and repair men, electricians, warehouse men, machinists, clerks, musicians, truck drivers, mechanics and cooks and bakers.

Investigate Shooting of Private by White Officer

Selfridge Field, Mich.—Investigations into a series of events began at this air base with the shooting last Wednesday of Pvt. William McRae, 24-year-old vehicle driver from Morven, N. C., by the commanding officer of the base, Col. William T. Coleman.

Headquarters of the army air base announced that Coleman, in command of Selfridge Field since April 23, 1942, had been relieved of the command and is under arrest at the army's Percy Jones hospital, Battle Creek, Mich., where he is being held "for observation."

Two investigations are under way, one each by the war department and the house of representatives which sent Rep. Paul W. Shafer (Rep.) of Michigan here to look into "irregularities" at Selfridge Field.

It was indicated by John C. Lehr, U. S. district attorney in Detroit, that the investigation by Rep. Shafer may lead to startling disclosures of graft and unpatriotic practices here at Selfridge.

No details of the shooting were forthcoming from Capt. Richard Ramey, press relations officer at the field. He issued a statement to the effect that Col. Coleman allegedly fired the shot which struck McRae.

McRae was not dangerously injured. He is confined at the Selfridge base hospital.

The press relations statement said that McRae was shot near the front steps of the base headquarters.

Less than 24 hours after the shooting of the private by the colonel, a

second shooting occurred at the field when Pvt. William Bridges, 23, on sentry duty, shot and wounded William H. Hasse, 54, white civilian, who ignored three challenges and three warning shots.

Pvt. Bridges said that Hasse and another civilian climbed over a fence gaining entrance to the field and then when he challenged them, neither answered. They continued to walk toward the sentry. Bridges fired three warning shots and when the civilians still did not heed them, he shot Hasse, the bullet striking the chest near the heart.

ROBERT BAILEY GETS FIVE-YEAR SENTENCE

William Robert Bailey, 16, was sentenced to not more than five years in the Anamosa men's reformatory Saturday in district court after he pleaded guilty to assault with intent to rob.

Judge C. Edwin Moore, who pronounced the sentence, dismissed a second indictment in which the youth charged with assault with intent to commit rape.

He pleaded guilty to the case in which he was accused of slugging Mrs. Agatha Whitehead, a white tavern hostess, on Feb. 24, at Fifth avenue and Crocker street.

MRS. HOWARD BACK HOME

Mrs. T. L. Howard has returned home from Mercy hospital where she underwent an operation.

**DINNER
AREIGHT**

SOCIETY



MISS BARBARA McGHEE IS BRIDE OF CORP. WESLEY M. BETTIS

Corp. Wesley Morgan Bettis, son of Mr. Patrick Henry Bettis, 1064 Fourth street place, and Miss Barbara McGhee, daughter of Mrs. Earl Johnson now of Los Angeles, Calif., were married Easter Sunday, at the home of the bridegroom's aunt, Miss Gertrude Bettis, 2611 Robert street, New Orleans, La.

Attending the couple were Miss Bernadine Schloss of New Orleans and Corp. Gould Maynard of New York City. The bride wore blue with navy accessories and a corsage of gardenias and sweet peas. The bridesmaid wore white with a corsage of pink roses.

Des Moines guests attending the wedding were: Corp. Gilbert Russell, Corp. William Spriggs and Corp. William Robinson who are also stationed at New Orleans with Corp. Bettis.

The reception was impressive with a four-tier cake which was served with refreshments to a number of friends present.

Corp. Bettis who has been promoted to his rank in less than two months attended North high school and Corinthian Baptist church here.

Mrs. Bettis, who resided with her sister, Mrs. Dorothy Cranshaw, 930 Fourteenth street place, was formerly associated with the Solar Aircraft Co. here. She was a member of Bethel A.M.E. church and had attended East high school.

She will make her home at 2611 Robert street in New Orleans for the present.

LT. R. RUSSELL PASSES THRU CITY

Lieut. R. Russell of Baltimore, Md. stopped enroute to Omaha, Neb., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Smith. Lieut. Russell was a classmate of Sgt. Guy W. Smith at the Army War College in Washington, D. C.

MRS. SNYDER OF SEATTLE HERE TO VISIT DAUGHTER

Mrs. Helen C. Snyder of Seattle, Wash., spent several days in the city visiting her daughter, Auxiliary Bernice Collins who was ill at the WAAC hospital at Ft. Des Moines.

MRS. LENA MAYS OF ST. JOSEPH A VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Lena Mays of St. Joseph, Mo., was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Ross, Jr., of 932 Fifteenth street. Mrs. Mays is the mother of Mrs. Ross, Jr., who is a former resident of St. Joseph.

MRS. CECIL TAYLOR VISITS IN MEXICO

Mrs. Cecil Taylor returned to the city this week from Mexico, Mo., where she spent a week visiting relatives. She reported an enjoyable trip.

Lincoln Post Dance coming.—Adv.

MARY CHURCH TERRELL CLUB NO. 2 HONORS MOTHERS AT DINNER

Members of the Mary Church Terrell Club No. 2 entertained their mothers at a dinner Sunday evening, May 9 at the home of Mrs. Hortense Gray, 1345 E. 18th street.

Guests included Mrs. Vienna Williams, Mrs. Nellie Brown, Mrs. Hazel Dixon, Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, Mrs. Alice Groves, Mrs. Jean Kilbert, Mrs. Virginia Williams, Misses Leona Palmer and Susie Galbraith.

Members included Mesdames Eula Miller, Minnie Dacus, Leola Martin, Leola Nichols, Cornelia Groves, Viola Galbraith, Jessamine Dixon, Mildred Johnson, Hortense Gray, Dorothy Harritt, Doraelva Moore, Misses Nettie Bourland and Delphia Tillman. Mrs. Miller is president.

MRS. DOUGLASS HERE FROM PUEBLO

Mrs. Mary Douglass of Pueblo, Colo., is in the city, stopping at 1211 Center street, visiting her son, Crawford George who is a student at the West high defense school.

VISIT SUNDAY IN TOLEDO, IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Carson attended the opening of Rest Haven, an eating place, in Toledo, Ia., which is operated by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simms.

LT. PEEBLES VISITS WAAC OFFICER WIFE

LT. J. Peebles of Camp Croft, S. C., was a recent guest at the La Marguerite hotel. He visited his wife LT. Jacqueline Peebles at the WAAC Training Center here.

TO TEACH AT L. U.



MISS GEORGINE MASON
Miss Georgine E. Mason, daughter of Mrs. Cora Mason, 1187 Fourteenth street, has been appointed one of the visiting instructors for the regular summer school faculty, at Lincoln university, Jefferson City, Mo., which will begin on June 14. She will teach crafts.

DILLITANTE CLUB HAS MUSIC WEEK PROGRAM

Music Week program of the Dillitante club was held Tuesday night at the La Marguerite hotel where fifty persons gathered for the annual observance with Mrs. Oval Carter as chairman of the program.

Special guests on the program were Mrs. Ruth McGregor, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Maxine Banning; Crocker Street Y.M.C.A. chorus; and a talk on music by John Coleman.

Refreshments were served by a committee headed by Mrs. A. A. Alexander. Greetings were extended by the president, Mrs. Joburness Kelso. Other officers are: Mrs. Lula Harris, secretary and Mrs. Joan Bullock, treasurer.

Lloyd Hunter's Band at Riverview Park May 20, 1943.—Adv.

LA-MERCREDI CLUB MEETS

Mrs. Adah Johnson was hostess to the La Mercredi Club Wednesday.

TO ENTERTAIN FORTNIGHTLY

Mrs. Lillian Edmunds and Mr. Branham Hyde will entertain the regular meeting of the Fortnightly club Saturday night at her home.

ALLAN McQUERRY HEADS NAACP YOUTH COUNCIL

A local branch of the Youth Council of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has been reorganized recently with Allan McQuerry, president.

Other officers are: Frances Carter, vice president; Harriet Curley, secretary; Madeline Joseph treasurer; Albert Bates, reporter; Miss Clara Webb is advisor with Miss Leola Martin as assistant.

The other members are as follows: Frieda DeSlee, Madeline Tanner, Joyce Smith, Mattie Burke, Emmett Scales, Naomi Thurston, Ellaree Avant, Silas Reeves, Sylvester Strothers, Idella Cushingberry, Robert Wright and Bob Matthews.

The meeting dates will be announced weekly and a program will be outlined.



PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

Students in many classes of the public schools this week have been writing themes on the subject, "I Am An American Day." Talking with some of them in the elementary schools they asked "why can't the Negro celebrate some day to let the people know that he, too, is an American?" Even "I Am An American" buttons were suggested by the young minds "to be worn to many places where they don't want to give us any service." One little fellow who works downtown on his evenings and week ends declared that "it doesn't seem right to make some for the people Americans who are going to turn right around and be the first ones to tell us that they don't want colored trade—when we've been here longer than they have." Something should be done when young minds start thinking along those lines.

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IOTA PSI LAMBDA MEET HERE FOR REGIONAL CONFERENCE MAY 22

The Western Regional of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority will convene in Des Moines, Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23, with the Alpha Delta local chapter as the entertaining hostess. The two-day session will be held at the Blue Triangle branch Y.W.C.A. and the conference will be presided over by Miss Fuchsia B. Miller of Chicago, Western Regional director.

The national president, Mrs. Lola M. Parker of Chicago, will be present. The theme of the convention will be "The Business Woman and the War Effort," which will be discussed as follows: "Our Best Approach to a Solution of Race Relations," "The Career Woman and Voluntary Services," "An Outline of Iota Phi Lambda's Progress for National Defense" and "Post War Time Projects."

Discussions
There will be a round table discussion on "Civil Service Positions vs. These With Private Enterprises." Following the first business session an initiation will be held for the pledges.

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KEO-WAY USO ACTIVITIES

Miss Pearl B. Jock, associate professor of education and geography of Drake university, brought a group of students of teaching and social study class of prospective elementary teachers to the USO center on May 9 where they made a tour of the building and heard the program of the KEO-WAY USO discussed by the directors, Mrs. Ruth McGregor and Miss Alma Priestley.

WAACs Plan Party
A group of WAACs of the 8th company, 2nd regiment, stationed at the Chamberlain hotel, with their company commander, Lieut. Brill, planned and carried out a party for 80 white and Negro WAACs.

Camera Club Sunday
The Camera Club which has been touring the city on Sunday afternoons is scheduled for another trip May 16.

Texas Party
The Junior Service girls and a group of Texas WAACs from the 6th company will be hostesses at a party Thursday night at the center for more than 200 WAACs from the state of Texas. Music, setting and refreshments will be typical of the state.

MRS. HENDRICKS GETS INJURY

Mrs. Victoria Hendricks, 1331 Center street, received injuries on Thursday, May 6, at the Wood Brothers Thresher Co., where she has been employed in defense work. She was struck by a falling electric light fixture and was confined in the Iowa Lutheran hospital for several days. She is reported much improved at her home.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Mrs. C. V. Chapman, Lincoln Unit president, and Mrs. Robert Hayes, Unit secretary, attended the County meeting, May 5 at Mitchellville, Ia. Interesting talks were made by Mesdames Bowen, Tracy and Northrup. Polk County endorsed Mrs. Thomas Carr for department vice president and for the county president, Ann Epstein was elected.

The meeting was held at the Mitchellville Training school. Delegates report that twenty-one Negro girls are at the school.

On May 18, at 8 p. m. the Poppy chairman will present the Poppy program at the Legion hall, 750 W. Eleventh street. The Rev. H. C. Boyd will be the guest speaker. An interesting program of music and readings and other features will be given.

"Buy a share of happiness" Mrs. Guy E. Greene, chairman, urges and explains that "when you purchase a poppy you are helping a father, son, brother, husband or friend who has served in World War I and the war of today. We use our money for Child Welfare and Rehabilitation. The chairman is asking the cooperation of all "so that we can have no less than \$400 this year to make our boys happy and comfortable."

The Lincoln Unit Workers and friends will be on the northwest corners of the tagging districts most of the day.

Mrs. Oval Carter is asking the public to support the baby contest.

VISIT BROTHER IN KANSAS CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wallace, 123 Eleventh street, West Des Moines, visited the home of their brother, Lester Brown in Kansas City, Kas., on Mother's Day.

Sunday morning, May 22, at St. Paul A.M.E. church the sorors will attend in a body where they will hear the Rev. H. C. Boyd, pastor, preach on "The Woman in Business."

The Western Region consists of Alpha and Alpha Beta Chapters of Chicago, XI chapter of Hopkinsville, Ky., Sigma of Louisville, Ky., Upsilon of Kansas City, Mo., Alpha Zeta of St. Louis, Mo., Alpha Omicron of Denver, Colo., and Alpha Delta of Des Moines.

The Des Moines chapter has the following officers: Mrs. Gertrude North, president; Miss Evelyn Brooks, recording secretary; Mrs. Susie Hart, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Clara Johnson, treasurer and Mrs. Dorothy Simms, journalist.

The officers of the Regional are Fuschian B. Miller, regional director; Susie Hart, assistant director given by the employed girls club; Helen Johns of Chicago, secretary; Winifred Hunter of Chicago, treasurer; Lola M. Parker of Chicago, national president.

IOTAS GIVE PRIZES AT FOODS' SHOW

Home canned goods consisting of fruits and vegetables, baked goods including cakes and breads presented a colorful picture at the food show held Saturday night, May 8 at the Negro Community Center, sponsored by the Iota Phi Lambda sorority.

Judges for the occasion were Mrs. Eunice Heard of the home-making department of the Adult Education and Miss Gaynold Carrol of the Farm Administrative Division. Prizes were given the following for their display:

Mrs. J. P. Jones—a white cake—a first prize.

Mrs. Judith Wilson, a white cake—a first prize.

Mrs. Judith Wilson, canned beets—a first prize.

Mrs. W. H. Williams, canned peaches—honorable mention.

Miss Marie Ross, canned tomatoes—honorable mention.

Mrs. Margaret Carson, rolls—a first prize.

Dance from 8 p. m. until 12 midnight at Riverview May 20th.—Adv.

RATIONING

Coffee
Stamp No. 23 in War Ration Book One is valid for one pound of coffee through May 30.

Sugar
Stamp No. 12 in War Ration Book One is valid for 5 pounds of sugar through May 31.

Red Stamps
(For meat products, canned fish, most edible oils and cheeses)
Red stamps E, F, G remain valid through May.

Red stamp H becomes valid May 16. Retailers must register with local boards and receive allowable inventories of meats and fats May 14.

Blue Stamps
(For canned, frozen and certain dehydrated foods)
Blue stamps G, H, J remain valid through May.

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Vesper Service Sunday

Vesper service will be held Sunday, May 16, from 4 to 5 p. m. sponsored by the education committee of the Blue Triangle branch Y.W.C.A. at the branch. Mrs. Orea Buice is the chairman. Mrs. Katherine Shelton is leader on the program. Other participants are: Mesdames Hallie Tutt, Thelma M. Reeves, Orea Buice, Donna Ogletton, Belle Dacus and Celia Carl.

MRS. ROBERTS SPEAKS IN WATERLOO AT MOTHERS DAY TEA

Mrs. Marie Roberts, branch Y.W.C.A. secretary, was guest speaker on Sunday, May 9, at the Mother's Day of the Waterloo Y.W.C.A. She spoke on "A Challenge to Womanhood."

Advance sale tickets for Hunter's Band on sale.—Adv.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN

TO MEET MAY 14

A special meeting of the Negro Republican Women's club will be held Friday, May 14, at the home of Mrs. Mabel Mason, 1183 Fourteenth street, the president. Officers will be elected and three delegates will be chosen to attend the Fifth District meeting on May 26. All members are urged to be present.

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W. C. S.—Will I get a job soon in this new field or will the government let me change jobs?

Ans.: The government will be glad for you to get into war work. You will very likely make a definite connection in this new field but it would not be advisable to quit your present job until you are certain of this new employment. Try being a little more pleasant and congenial with your co-workers and misunderstandings will be a thing of the past.

L. W.—The second week after Xmas I went on my vacation and met a boy who was nice looking, handsome, and very good manners, too. When I met this boy I loved him and he says when he first seen me, he says that he loved me. The nights that we went out he treated me nice and we had a good time. I believe he actually loves me, does he?

Ans.: It's doubtful. He's one of these boys who believes in showing all the girls a good time. He likes them all—but none too much. Don't let your imagination run away from your better judgment. The "romantic visions" you are building around this boy will never materialize.

C. A. M.—I am a heartbroken mother asking your advice. Please, my child is going with a man and tells me she doesn't go with him any more. Tell me she is telling me the truth and tell me what's best to do. Pray for me. I am heartbroken.

Ans.: What you must do mother is to bear in mind that your daughter lives in a slightly different world than you do. She is more modern, more worldly wise than you are. In trying to live a good Christian life yourself, you have lost sight of the fact that your child was being tempted on all sides. Your child looks upon you as old fashioned. She will have more respect for your advice and your opinions if you will modernize yourself a little. Go to the movies with her. Pay more attention to your looks. Show her that one can still be abreast with the times and still live a decent normal life.

J. R.—I was susceptible to sweet infatuation and married under it. Contrary to all common sense, I married in haste. I have myself to blame, for if only I had pulled myself together, I would have been happier today. I am not satisfied with my present intellectual attainments, nor my marital status.

Ans.: "It is true that you married in haste, and you made up your mind from the very beginning that you were going to repent in leisure. You have not given your marriage a fair chance. You have the idea that your wife took advantage of you, doing your recent sorrow and married you while you were vulnerable. No, she was willing to put your past behind you and try to build a future with her. You should refuse to harbor any thoughts about the little girl you left behind—for she has no regrets.



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CITIZENSHIP DAY SUNDAY

In 1940 a public resolution was approved setting aside the third Sunday in May of each year as "Citizenship day" and authorizing the President to issue annually a proclamation calling attention to the occasion and designating it as "I Am An American Day."

Among other things, the resolution states:

"That the civil and educational authorities of States, counties, cities, and towns be, and they are hereby urged to make plans for the proper observance of this day and for the full instruction of future citizens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States and of the States and localities in which they reside."

The idea is noteworthy except that we are naming so many holidays and observances in this country that many will be going unnoticed unless very special attention is called to them.

Anybody who reads the Constitution of the United States and did not realize that much of it is violated every day, would get the idea that this government was just about perfect. It is no wonder that foreigners, coming into the country, feel that after leaving many undesirable conditions in the old country from which they have been glad to escape, truly the promised land has been reached.

But unfortunately many fall into the habit of mistreating minority groups by the older citizens in this country and become the greatest troublemakers themselves. Often they attempt to practice upon minority groups in this country the very things they themselves came here to escape.

In the course of taking their naturalization work a good opportunity presents itself to inculcate into the minds of the foreign born that even though some Americans do not carry out the spirit of the Constitution, they themselves ought not to allow themselves to stray from the spirit as well as letter of that document. Maybe this "I Am An American Day" will aid this situation some; maybe it will do our older citizens and the youngsters coming of age good by emphasizing the desirability of assisting our citizens, both native-born and naturalized, to understand more fully the duties and opportunities of citizenship and its special responsibilities in a nation at war.

BOOSTING MORALE

Last week the Bystander carried two articles in which high praise was given the Negro for his part in the total war program.

The Truman Senate Committee, investigating every phase of our war effort, has given special commendation to some of our shipyard employees large numbers of Negroes in the skilled, semi-skilled, and unskilled trades stating they were among "the best and most efficient producers" of liberty ships and naval vessels.

It was also announced that Negroes in Memphis, Tennessee, sold a million dollars worth of victory bonds in the Second War Loan campaign which closed a few days ago. This was indeed a fine record of which any group of citizens may well be proud.

On more than one occasion—one such article appeared in the daily papers this week—Brigadier General

Hanford McNider of Mason City who has been stationed in the southwest Pacific theatre of operation for some time, has given high praise to Negro engineer units in New Guinea. He called attention to the fact that they had done a magnificent job of backing up the combat units and often taken part themselves in repelling Japanese forces in that area. The general said these men were fine soldiers and a credit to the nation of which they are a part.

Anybody who takes the time to read knows the Negro has done his job well in all the wars we have fought. We have fought bitterly and with some degree of success for the right to participate fully in this war.

And with these opportunities available, the Negro will do his share whenever and wherever called upon. These items of commendation are bound to bolster the morale of the Negro citizens at home; they demonstrate that there are many fair-minded citizens among the white people who not only know what is being done but who also do not hesitate to speak out about them.

The Negro is not looking for glory nor to be singled out for his efforts. He simply wants to do his share like any other citizen and if his work merits commendation, then let it be known to all the people. We have stakes to win or lose, too.

LINCOLN POST

By W. T. BURNS

Lincoln Post met May 4. Final plans and arrangements were made for the Post-Unit Memorial program May 30, 7:00 p. m. at Maple Street Baptist church, East Sixteenth and Maple street. The assistant attorney-general of Iowa, Mr. Floyd Philbert will be guest speaker.

On May 18 at Post meeting all Post members who are selling tickets for the dance, May 20, report for final check-up. Also on May 18 at 8 p. m. the Unit will hold their preppy sale program on the main floor of the Post club rooms. All Post members and the public are invited. Refreshments will be served.

Commander Johnson attended the flag raising ceremonies of Baldwin-Patterson Post, May 2. Commander Johnson, Comrade Stone attended the meeting of the Des Moines Council of American Legion Auxiliaries at the 40-S No. 71, April 30.

Department Commander O'Brien has attended the first call for the 1942 Department Convention, August 9-10. As this is the home town of the department commander all Des Moines posts are requested to make a good showing in attending convention and parades in full Legion uniform. This Post has 16 uniformed members. There is still time to get more in uniform before convention day. There are 71 1942 delinquent members on the Post rolls. This should be a banner year for the Iowa Department of the American Legion.

LINCOLN U. SUMMER SCHOOL OPENS JUNE 14

Jefferson City, Mo.—Plans for the Lincoln University Summer school are about perfected, according to announcement made today by Prof. F. Collins, director. This week hundreds of copies of bulletins describing the course offerings were mailed throughout Missouri and to many other states to persons interested in attending the sessions.

For the first time at Lincoln two sessions will be offered this summer. The first, of eight weeks duration, will commence on June 14 and close Aug. 6. The second session begins Aug. 9 and closes Sept. 3, making a total of four weeks.

Three visiting instructors will augment the regular Summer school faculty, Mr. Collins stated. They are Miss Georgine E. Mason, assistant in Allied Arts Studio, Des Moines, Iowa; Dr. Nancy Bullock-Woodridge, professor of English, Louisville Municipal college in Kentucky; Dr. Isabelle Yeiser, former teacher and workshop consultant in the Philadelphia public school system who recently became a professor of education at Dillard university in Louisiana.

UNDER-AGE BLUE JACKETS SENT HOME

Washington—One under-age Negro Bluejacket was back home today and another was on his way after having been found guilty of "stowing-away" in the Navy at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. The boys one of whom is 14 and the other 15, enlisted in the Navy as 17-year-olds by forging their mothers' signatures on Navy recruiting papers. The hoax was discovered at

New Group of WAACs Assigned Cooks-Bakers and Administration

SEVENTY-EIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST SCHOOL

Seventy-eight Negro Auxiliaries have been selected for training in the Administrative Specialist School of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps at First WAAC Training Center, Ft. Des Moines, Ia.

In the Administrative Specialist School the WAACs will learn military office methods and procedure in preparation for many types of army office and company administrative jobs. They were selected for this specialist training at the completion of basic training on the basis of their ability and aptitude.

The 78 in Administrative Specialist school are:

Delaware—Edith M. Carter, Wilmington; Florida—Lottie J. Howard of St. Augustine; Georgia—Hildred H. Henderson of Savannah, Ga.; Illinois—Christine C. Grayson of South Bend and Christine C. Duhann of Lexington, Kentucky—Ruby M. Williams of Abbeville, Edith M. Jackson of Alexandria, Louisiana—Ruby Franklin, Mercedes C. Robertson of Gretna, Rosanna M. Edwards of New Orleans, Leola E. Herbert of Oakdale, Hilda L. Charles of Saint Rose, Maryland—Beatrice W. Walker of Baltimore, Missouri—Cecilia H. Rogers of St. Louis.

New Jersey—Catherine E. Turner of Camden, Helen M. Fields and Pearl L. Harris of East Orange, Ann L. Covington of Englewood, Doris Lewis of Jersey City, Ruth E. Smith of Montclair, Georgianna Morton, Theresa D. James, Gertrude G. Lee, of Newark, Ida T. Price of Paterson, New York—Nancy E. Ellis of Amsterdam, Dagmar E. King, Joyce M. Levy, Gertrude L. Rose, Daisy M. Thomas, all of Bronx, Cullie R. Smith, Bernice A. Augustine, Carrie T. Baker, Brooklyn; Alabama—Phyllis W. House, Mildred V. Salisbury, Virginia A. Blake, Myrtle E. Boyd, Edith E. Browne, Theodore D. Bryant, Rita W. Chesser, Alberta R. Cannon, Fannie M. Carmichael, Rose Carter, Audrey E. Deane, Douglas A. Davis, Stella G. Davis, Vivian R. Hall, Johnita A. Johnson, Nettie J. Kimbrough, Margaret V. Lancaster, Bernice N. Wright, all of New York City; Elizabeth F. Miller Staten Island, N. Y.

Ohio—Sarah G. Walker of Barnesville, Oklahoma—Bertha M. Criner of Muskogee, Mabel E. Russell of Okmulgee, Pennsylvania—Catherine E. Craig of Pittsburgh; South Carolina—Clydes B. Collins of Columbia; Texas—Georgia L. Bason of Dallas, Bivian L. Stadiger of Caldwell, Juanita M. Rouse of Dallas, Mildred E. Houston, Thelma E. Brown of Anahuac, Lucretia V. Garney of Lufkin, Ada L. Henders of Lufkin, Mildred Harrison of Fort Arthur, Mary A. Yantha of Texasarkana; Virginia—Mamie L. Lewis of Culpeper.

OFFICER EMMERT COMMANDER OF COOKS AND BAKERS

Second Officer Sarah Eugene Emmert of Chicago, Ill., has been assigned to duty as Company Commander of a company of more than 250 Negro WAACs in Bakers and Cooks School at First WAAC Training Center, Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Second Officer Emmert was graduated from Officer Candidate School at Fort Des Moines with the first class of Officer Candidates on August 29, 1942. She attended Army Quartermaster's School at Camp Lee, Va., in October, and in January was sent to Fort Huachuca, Ariz., as Supply Officer for a Negro WAAC company stationed there. She returned to Fort Des Moines in March as Company Commander of a new company of Negro WAACs in basic training at the Training Center.

The daughter of Mrs. Julia Emmert attended Chicago, elementary and high schools. She received her B.S. degree in education from Chicago Teachers College in June, 1942.

Other officers of the company of Bakers and Cooks school students are: Third Officer Oleta L. Crain of 2460 Welton St., Denver, Colo., and Third Officer Margaret Ellen Barnes of 221 North Main St., Oberlin, Ohio.

The U. S. Naval Training Station when their mothers wrote Navy authorities disclosing the true ages of their sons.

Youngest of the two is Hudson Anderson, son of Mrs. Bruce Butler of 3A Harten Square, Greenville, S. C., will be 14 years old August 13. The other is Lionel Harold Brown, son of Mrs. Mayola Keller Brown of 247 Evergreen Drive, Baton Rouge, La., will be 15 on December 14. Anderson left Camp Robert—Smalls—training center for Negroes at Great Lakes—with the promise that he would return "as soon as I'm old enough." "Sailor" Brown echoed those sentiments.

According to Naval regulations, 17-year-olds can enlist in the Navy only with written consent of their parents. Anderson, who was in the ninth grade at Sterling high school, Greenville, overcame that little difficulty by giving \$5 to a friend to sign his mother's name to the consent papers and another \$5 to a notary public who witnessed the signature.

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SEVENTY-ONE WAACs TO COOKS AND BAKERS SCHOOL

Seventy-one Negro Auxiliaries, who have completed basic training at First WAAC Training Center, Ft. Des Moines, Iowa, have been assigned to the Bakers and Cooks school at Fort Des Moines.

The WAACs, whose rating in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps corresponds to private in the army, are taught in the Bakers and Cooks school how to prepare, cook and to serve large quantities of food properly, without waste and according to army methods. During their training, they prepare meals for their fellow WAACs in WAAC mess halls at the Training Center.

The 71 Negro students in the Bakers and Cooks school are:

Arkansas—Sarah E. Henderson, Ft. Smith; Rosetta Everett of Little Rock and Josephine Neal of Wilton; Connecticut—Emma J. Curry, Stamford; Florida—Mary Ann B. Dugas, Edna V. Dugas, Bernice M. Jenkins, Beatrice I. Vaughn, all of Jacksonville, Florida; Illinois—Dora C. Charles, Dula H. Gaines of New Iberia, Melinda E. Johnson of Kenner, Hattie M. Ridley of Shreveport.

North Carolina—Mary G. Cooper and Nina L. Grimes of Dover; New Jersey—Alberta Bennett of Orange; Martha L. Burroughs of Madison, Edna M. Paulk and Beatrice R. Taylor of Plainfield, Annie E. Gannon of Palmyra, Edith C. Garrow of Jersey City, and Ada McDaniel of Newark.

New York—Edith J. Armstrong and Mary E. Moody of Jamaica, Gloria U. Bell, Pauline J. Francis and Mildred V. Watkins of Bronx, Mary L. Phipps and Helen M. Wood of Brooklyn; Edith L. Riddick of Larchmont; from New York City—Gladys M. Brown, Marie C. Bullock, Ruth A. Burks, Hilda J. Chambers, Margaret L. Elvengren, Susan E. Lewson, Belle McMillon, Edith R. Morris, Rebecca C. Moore, Catherine A. Randolph, Anna M. Reynolds, Genevieve E. Rice, Doris Stevens, Tennessee—Margaret Daniel of Chattanooga.

Texas—Coris V. Collier of Altam, Rhodis H. Connor of Austin, Edna M. Jones of Beaumont, Millie B. Brown of Christman, Corine Chiles, Julia E. Emmert, Katie E. Nelson, Lucille P. Phillips all of Dallas; Laura L. King of Denton, Josephine E. Bennett and Charlotte M. Hargrave of Ft. Worth, Doby Clark, Laura J. Lewis and Mary B. August of Houston, Mildred Higgs of Lodi, Anna J. Hayes of Marlin, Edna M. White of Palestine, Violetburg, Annie L. Deane of San Jacinto and Edna E. Cook of Waco; Wisconsin—Violet Hopkins of Milwaukee; Washington, D. C.—Sara E. Williams of Washington, D. C.

390 MORE WAACs TO DES MOINES

A total of 393 Negro women from all of the nine Service Commands in the United States arrived last week at First WAAC Training Center, Ft. Des Moines, Ia., for training in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. The women, who came from nearly every state in the union, are now in basic training where they are learning Army routine and procedure.

NAACP INVESTIGATES NEW MEXICO SHOOTING

Hobbs, N. M.—The local branch of the NAACP investigated the case of Robert Counts, who is held for killing a white police officer in Artesia, N. M. The investigating committee reported that the police had been abusing the Negroes of the town.

The report is that police officers shot two Negro women and bystanders in turn, beat and kicked the men.

If you do not receive your paper by Saturday each week phone 3-2822

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHEY

ATHLETICS AFTER THE WAR?

We just wonder if this war will produce a crop of athletes, amateur and professional as the last one did. We were just beginning to have an understanding of athletics and athletics at the close of the last fracas and we remember several of the stars of those days. Duke Slater at Iowa played his first year in 1918 on the Iowa team that played Camp Dodge to a scoreless tie.

Attorney Charley Howard was a sprinter and weight man of no mean ability as well as one of the best first basemen Drake University ever had. Our older brother, Lucius went to South Dakota where he found sixteen all-state halfbacks for competition.

In spite of our reluctance to bringing the family into our column we have to record that the older one of the Ashbys was a natural football player and people whose opinion counts save often said he wasted his time at South Dakota. A Big Ten school where he would have surely starred would have given him the background necessary for fame he deserved.

But here in Iowa alone were enough athletes to keep ones interest. Maurice Patterson, who had the makings of one of the greatest hurdlers ever to attend Drake but the Jim Crow policy took away the spark and left him just an average runner who felt so deeply about the situation that he never wore his "D" sweater.

There were just any number of traveling Negro clubs and to make one of them was the dream of every local youngster. We will remember the day the Green Gobblins out of Omaha cut the heart out of one of the best semi-pro teams that ever played around here. The boys Harry Crump, a long hitting outfielder, Eddie Lippford, a fine shortstop, Albert Rhodes, a good catcher in those days, and our older brother an outfielder, we think. Then there was Otis Moore, a slow ball pitcher who went along. Browns Tennessee Rats were another great traveling Negro club as were the Gilekersons Union Giants.

There was plenty of competition in Iowa for all these clubs. Each small town had a group of paid players and could put out a team worthy of minor league competition. In fact, several of the organized ball players used to go to these towns between games and play. The end of the regular league season found just too many of these big leaguers on these small town clubs.

Football flourished the same way. Each town had its quota of paid players and some of the teams were really tough. Brother Lucius used to play three games over a week end. We mention him so much because this was his heyday and brother or not, he played a prominent role in state athletics circles during those years.

Then there were boxers too numerous to mention. We remember Harry Cooke of Perry, a guy called Nubby Joe Gans who had no fingers on one hand, and another fellow called Giant Shade. The cream of the crop was a lean wiry guy out of Missouri called Leo Patterson. Patterson might have become world's champion with a break, but Benny Leonard didn't draw a color line. He just fought everybody, Negro or white, but Patterson.

There was so much more that happened and so many famous figures of the era 1918 to 1921 that it would take a book to get tound to them all. We only hope this post war era sees a lot more athletes and times like the last one.

POST EXCHANGE

Of men and women in the U. S. Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marine and WAAC.



Private 'Jimmy' Sends Hellos

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McGuire, Pvt. J. L. McGuire, Jr., sends from Camp Swift, Texas, a "hello" to all of the folks at home. He is stationed with the medical detachment and informed that he was in charge of the infirmary that night after which he was "going to town to see his girl." Private McGuire started his army life in Texas in a "democratic way" when he rode to his camp in drawing room accommodations. For some reason—Mr. Jim Crow overlooked him and he arrived at Camp Swift with a respectable feeling. All around the camp are colleges and "Jimmy" is happy in such a set-up.

Pvt. Kelley Home on Furlough
Pvt. (1c) Thomas Kelley arrived in the city last week from Indiantown for Miss Betty Kelley, who is ill at Mercy hospital. Private Kelley says he likes army life "fine." He said he spends his spare time "traveling."

Corp. Crowder Home from Georgia
Mrs. Allie Crowder, one of the Community Pharmacy clerks, has been all smiles this week since her husband, Corp. Ralph Crowder arrived home last week end from Ft. Benning, Ga. He came in time to spend Mother's Day with his mother, Mrs. Arthur J. Crowder, 1211 Day street. He will be in the city until May 19 and promised to tell all about his experiences in Georgia.

Pvt. Robert Brown, also of Indiantown Gap, Pa., was in the city during the week on a nine-day furlough visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Manuel, 755 E. University.

Pvt. Arthur McCune of Indiantown Gap, Pa., spent several days in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cranshaw, 776 Fourteenth street.

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Marine Morrow Home

All dressed in his U. S. marine uniform of blue, Corp. Harold A. Morrow surprised his family and friends here last Friday night when he arrived home unexpectedly for a few days visit. He is stationed at the Marine Corps at New River, N. C. He is one of the three sons of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Morrow, 1060 Twelfth street, who are serving their country.

Sgt. Avant Here

T/Sgt. Tommy Avant from Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., is in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. Mattie Avant, 1215 Day.

Rev. Ellis Returns Home

Pvt. H. K. Ellis arrived in the city this week with an honorable discharge from the army. He was stationed at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. Before going to the army he was an active minister of the A.M.E. church. He joined his wife and nine-month-old daughter at 1418 Maryland avenue.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TAKE IOTA EXAM

Four high school seniors recommended by the girl advisors for their excellent work in their school work this year at North and East high schools, took the Iota Phi Lambda Examination Friday night, May 7, at the Bible Triangle branch Y.W.C.A.

The examination papers were prepared by Mrs. O. P. Williams, national director of education of the sorority, located at the Morris Brown college of Atlanta, Ga. The successful students chosen from the nationwide exams will be announced May 20.

Local girls taking the examination were Misses Clara Preston, employed as a clerk after school hours on the NYA, Crystal Thomas, employed after school hours by the OPA at the court house; Bernice Kelley, employed after school hours in the office of the county superintendent of schools as stenographer; and Eloise Morrow, employed in the shoe repair department of Younker Brothers store.

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