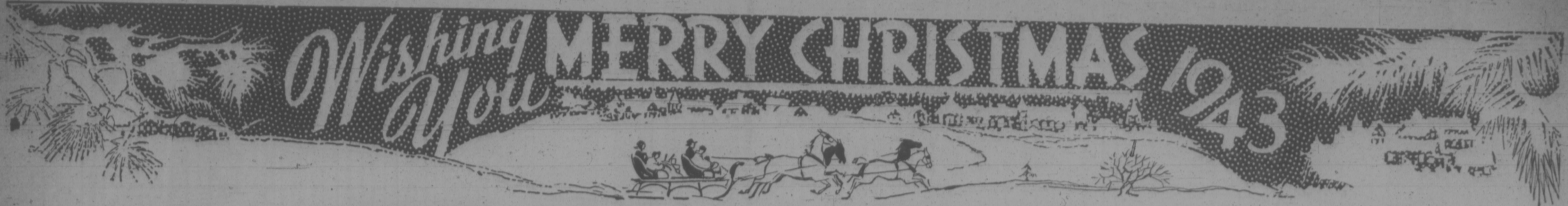


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## News Briefs From Far and Near

### TO ATTEND CEREMONY OF INAUGURATION OF LIBRARIAN PRESIDENT

Washington—The State Department announced recently that Vice Admiral William A. Glassford, personal representative of President Roosevelt at Dakar, French West Africa, has been designated by the President as his personal representative with the rank of Ambassador to attend the inauguration at Monrovia, W.V.S. Tubman as President of Liberia on January 3, 1944.

### NEGRO STREET CAR AND BUS OPERATORS IN SAN FRANCISCO

Washington—An improvement in San Francisco transit situation will result from the decision of the Market Street Railway to employ Negro street car and bus operators.

### ROBERTS' STATEMENT FOLLOWS

Some of the underlying reasons for the decline of Market Street Railway is the company's difficulty in getting motormen, conductors and drivers to operate their vehicles.

### HARD WATERS FOUND DEAD, IS BURIED

Services for Richard Waters, 1206 Sampson street, were held Friday, Dec. 17, at L. Fowler funeral home. He was frozen to death near S. E. 10th street, Tuesday.

### WILLIAMS DIES IN OSKALOOSA

Funeral services for Mrs. Lettie Williams, 76, were held Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Estes Funeral home. Burial was in Oskaloosa.

# Railroads' Defiance Called 'Sabotage'



"THE BEST PRESENT FOR THE BEST FUTURE!!!"

## Thousands Pack Harlem Church for Waller Rites

New York, N. Y.—Over 4,200 persons overflowed Harlem's Abyssinian Baptist church and adjoining community house on Monday, Dec. 20, to pay tribute at the last rites of Thomas W. (Fats) Waller, one of the music world's most popular figures.

## Two Women Get Promotions At Boyt Company

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## Homeward Bound

The famed pianist was going to his Jamaica, L. I., home for the holidays, after completing a two-week engagement in Hollywood. He is survived by his widow and three sons.

## Christmas Calendar

Community Centers Christmas party for boys and girls, 3 to 12 years old at Billiken hall, Dec. 23, 1 to 3 p. m.

## DORIE MILLER REPORTED MISSING

Washington—Dorie Miller, first Negro Bluejacket hero in this war, is "missing in action," the Navy department officially confirmed this week.

## Bailey Held in Marshalltown Razor Death

Marshalltown, Ia.—A charge of murder had been filed Monday, against Walter Bailey, 40, in connection with the death of William C. St. John, 45, whose body, with the throat slashed with a razor, was found in the yard at the Bailey home here Sunday, Dec. 19.

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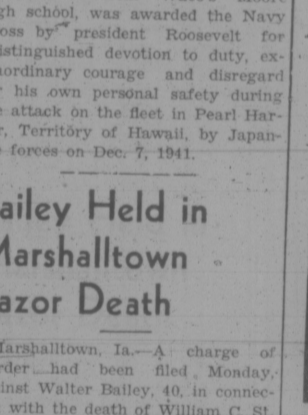
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## Letter to President Says Railroads' Attitude Is 'Little Short of Treason'

Washington, D. C.—The defiance of 16 southern railroads on the directive of the FEPC that discrimination in the employment of Negroes must be ended was termed "sabotage of the war effort little short of treason," by the NAACP in a letter to President Roosevelt.

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Christmas Service At Churches

UNION CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICES
Corinthian Baptist, Burns Methodist and St. Paul A. M. E. congregations will assemble at St. Paul church, Twelfth and Crocker street, Christmas morning for 6 o'clock services.

Christmas Eve at Maple Street Church

The Sunday school of the Maple Street Baptist church will hold its Christmas tree exercises at the church Friday night, Dec. 24. The Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, pastor, will preach the Christmas morning sermon at 6 o'clock. The senior choir will sing. A testimonial meeting will precede the sermon.

Corinthian Sunday School Exercises
The Sunday school of Corinthian Baptist church will hold its Christmas tree exercises at the church on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Bethel Youth in Program Thursday Night

The pupils of the departments of the Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday school will present a program Thursday night at the church. The main feature will be a play given by sixth grade pupils of Logan school. Services will be held Christmas eve or day but regular services will be held Sunday, by the Rev. W. F. Ogletton, pastor.

Christmas Eve Program at West Side Church

The Westside Christian church will present its youth in a Christmas eve program at the church at 14th and Keo-Way. The pastor, Rev. J. J. Hawkins, will preach on Sunday.

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Mrs. Magnolia Bagby, 2713 Cleveland, a victim of the flu, is reported better.



REV. ROMAN TO PREACH XMAS MORNING

The Shiloh Baptist church and Mt. Olive Baptist church will have joint Christmas services, Christmas morning beginning at 7 o'clock. Rev. J. Roman will preach the sermon.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. PAUL CHURCH

Christmas services at the St. Paul A.M.E. church will begin Friday evening, Dec. 24, at 7:30 o'clock, at which time the Sunday school will present a program and pageant. Sunday morning, Dec. 26, at 10:45 o'clock, the Rev. H. C. Boyd, pastor, will deliver a sermon from the subject, "God's Gift to the World." A Christmas cantata and musical program will be presented at 7:45 Sunday evening.

PROGRAM SUNDAY

The Ever Loyal club of the Shiloh Baptist church is sponsoring a program, Christmas Echoes, Sunday, December 26 at the church at 3 p. m. President is Mrs. Mae Howard; secretary, Mrs. Minnette Scott.

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REV. WHEELER IMPROVING

Rev. W. H. Wheeler, 777 13th street, who has been confined to his home ill, is reported improving this week.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The anniversary dinner Monday night of last week, honoring Rev. and Mrs. C. Lopez McAllister was a great success. The unexpected snow storm deterred many.

The guests assembled in the church auditorium. When Mrs. Gertrude Brown, who was the general chairman of the occasion, gave the "word" the pastor and wife, followed by the guests and members marched to the dining hall for the feast. Mrs. Opal Jacob acted as mistress of ceremony of an impromptu program. Each department of the church made a gift to the pastor and wife.

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MISS JOHNSON DIES

Funeral arrangements had not been completed Wednesday for Miss Evelyn Johnson, 18, 1207 Center street, who died Sunday night at Broadlawn General hospital. She was employed at Hotel Ft. Des Moines.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

Funeral services for Pete Branson, 611 S. E. Fifth street, were held Tuesday, from the Mount Olive Baptist church. Burial was in Glendale cemetery.

Dipping Helps

Many of the sheep affected with common scab or mange will lose weight and die unless the disease is controlled by dipping the animals. Scab mites which cause the disease are hard to see without a magnifying glass, as they are only one-fourth of an inch long. Sheep are restless and rub, bite or scratch themselves when the mites are present. Scabs form and ruin the wool, and eventually the animals die.

Sheep of all ages are affected and the best means of control is to dip the sheep twice, 10 to 14 days apart, in lime and sulphur or in nicotine sulfate, before the weather gets too cold. As the disease is contagious, healthy sheep should not be placed in trucks, barns or corrals that have held infected sheep within 30 days. The dip must be of the right strength and temperature. Sheep are not to be dipped in the dip at least two minutes.

Pink Eye Infections

Generally considered infectious, pink eye may spread rapidly from one animal to another in a herd. There is first a watery discharge from the eye accompanied by swelling and reddening of the lids. The covering of the eye may be inflamed and the blood vessels stand out clearly. As the disease progresses, the watery discharge becomes cloudy and grayish in character, and the clear portion of the eye gets smoky or grayish in color. In severe cases, ulcers may be noticed on the cornea.

Affected animals should be isolated

Affected animals should be isolated and kept in darkened quarters in the stable from which flies can be excluded. Laxative and nutritious feed should be given and an ointment containing some antiseptic such as boric acid or sulfanilamide, should be applied twice daily to the eyes.

Oil From Shale

Nearly one million barrels of oil annually have been produced in recent years from Scotland's shales. This is an insignificant part of Britain's oil requirement, even in peace time. It is important to the British because it is domestic and independent of overseas events. It represents a source for oil at present uneconomical, but scientists predict may supply the world when free-flowing wells have been exhausted. In China, Australia, India, France and other almost oil-dry regions, as in Britain, oil expensively extracted from coal, shale or peat is important in the limited domestic production.

INTERNAL REVENUE BUREAU

Speaking of taxes, the Internal Revenue Bureau will show one of the largest increases, in terms of percentage, of any Federal Agency during this fiscal year. Congress has been notified that the bureau will add 13,125 new employees this year—11,204 in the field and 1921 in Washington. The bureau's "paper work" has reached mountainous proportions and it expects to receive one hundred eleven million returns from taxpayers during the year. Despite the army of added employees needed, the bureau claims that the cost of collecting taxes is decreasing. In 1939 it cost \$1.39 to collect every \$100 in federal taxes. What many a harassed taxpayer would welcome are accurate figures on the cost in time and mental agony involved in filling out the Bureau's complicated income tax form and a recipe for locating funds with which to pay the taxes due.

Here is a quote from a Washington newspaper column

that several million farmers will not enthrone "Internal revenue" officials will trouble to help them and expel germ-laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial tissues in combination with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creosolium with the understanding that you will use it only if it cures the cough, per- haps, and sleep, or you are to

Buy War Savings Stamps and Bonds

Stewardess board of St. John's A. M. E. church had an apron sale and served supper.

VETERANS' RITES FOR CLIFTON LOVELADY

Funeral services for Clifton Lovelady, 52, who died Friday, Dec. 10, at the Hines hospital, Chicago, Ill., following a long illness, were held Thursday, Dec. 10, at the Mount Hebron Baptist church, West Des Moines. Burial was in the world war plot of the Glendale cemetery. The American Legion post was in charge of the services.

Mr. Lovelady of 127 Tenth street, West Des Moines, had been absent for 25 days.

To Close Law and Journalism Schools At Lincoln U

Jefferson City, Mo.—The segregated schools of journalism and law, set up by the state of Missouri as a part of Lincoln university, its state college for Negroes, to get around the historic Lloyd Gaines decision by the United States supreme court, have been closed for lack of funds and lack of attendance.

The decision on the failure of this Jim Crow graduate training was made five years almost to the date from the opinion of the supreme court in the Gaines case. The highest court then ruled that Negroes were entitled to graduate and professional training in state-supported institutions and must be given this training either in existing institutions or in newly organized schools equal to existing schools.

In a formal statement after its meeting of December 11, the Board of Curators of Lincoln university issued a statement saying: "Because no students were enrolled in the School of Law, located in St. Louis, during the period of registration this professional unit has been placed on an inactive status since the beginning of the academic year in September."

Other parts of the statement of the Curators limited the life of the school of journalism to February 1, 1944.

LAST RITES FOR WALTER HARVEY

Funeral services for Walter Harvey, 72, were held Tuesday at the Estes funeral home with burial at Glendale cemetery.

Mr. Harvey died at his home at 647 S. E. Twenty-eighth street Friday, Dec. 17.

FUNERAL RITES FOR ABE CROCKETT, 78

Funeral services for Abe Crockett, 78, of 400 S. E. Eighth street, were held Monday afternoon at Mount Olive Baptist church with burial at Glendale cemetery.

Mr. Crockett, a veteran of the Spanish-American war, died Friday, Dec. 17 at Broadlawn General hospital. He had lived in Des Moines 50 years and was a retired coal miner.

OBITUARIES—CARD OF THANKS—IN MEMORIAM

(All obituaries, cards of thanks and in memoriams are payable in advance at regular advertising rates. Phone 3-2822—not later than Wednesday each week.)

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Mrs. Adeline McDonald, who left us two years ago Dec. 24, when she was buried.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY GALDYS H. BROWN, Plaintiff vs. JOSEPH C. BROWN, Defendant To the Above Named Defendant or Defendants:

You are hereby notified that a petition of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled action is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above named Court, and a copy of which petition is hereto attached and which petition prays for an absolute divorce from you on the grounds of desertion.

For further particulars see petition now on file.

You are also hereby notified to appear before said court at Des Moines, in Polk County, Iowa, within twenty days after service of this original notice upon you, and that unless you so appear, your fault will be entered and judgment or decree will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

E. L. GRITTON, Attorney for Plaintiff, 310 Teichard Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander December 23 and 30, 1943 and January 6, 1944.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON SPECIAL EXECUTION IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, IOWA. STATE OF IOWA, Polk County, vs. Des Moines Building-Loan and Savings Association, Plaintiff vs. O. E. Anderson, Edna B. Anderson, T. C. Jones, Administrator of the Estate of A. L. Adams, deceased, Defendants.

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Frank L. Kinross; Leah Kinross; Central Investment Company, and Polk County, Iowa.

Public notice is hereby given, that BY VIRTUE OF A SPECIAL EXECUTION TO ME DIRECTED, issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in favor of Des Moines Building-Loan and Savings Association, and against all of the above named defendants in and on a judgment rendered by said court on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1943, wherein it was ordered, adjudged and decreed that the following property be sold to satisfy said judgment to-wit:

The South 50 feet of Lots 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105, 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 150, 155, 160, 165, 170, 175, 180, 185, 190, 195, 200, 205, 210, 215, 220, 225, 230, 235, 240, 245, 250, 255, 260, 265, 270, 275, 280, 285, 290, 295, 300, 305, 310, 315, 320, 325, 330, 335, 340, 345, 350, 355, 360, 365, 370, 375, 380, 385, 390, 395, 400, 405, 410, 415, 420, 425, 430, 435, 440, 445, 450, 455, 460, 465, 470, 475, 480, 485, 490, 495, 500, 505, 510, 515, 520, 525, 530, 535, 540, 545, 550, 555, 560, 565, 570, 575, 580, 585, 590, 595, 600, 605, 610, 615, 620, 625, 630, 635, 640, 645, 650, 655, 660, 665, 670, 675, 680, 685, 690, 695, 700, 705, 710, 715, 720, 725, 730, 735, 740, 745, 750, 755, 760, 765, 770, 775, 780, 785, 790, 795, 800, 805, 810, 815, 820, 825, 830, 835, 840, 845, 850, 855, 860, 865, 870, 875, 880, 885, 890, 895, 900, 905, 910, 915, 920, 925, 930, 935, 940, 945, 950, 955, 960, 965, 970, 975, 980, 985, 990, 995, 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## BREWTONS HONOR GRADUATES AT NITE CLUB PARTY

The pink and green of North high, the red and black of East and the red and white of Dowling were rival color schemes carried out at the graduation nite club party given Friday evening, Dec. 17, by Mr. and Mrs. Emmett T. Scales, Jr., who will leave after the first of the year to enter universities.

The Brewton home revealed the coming of Christmas season with a beautifully decorated tree in the background of the tables where other mid-year graduates ate by candlelight. The night-club effect was carried out by the lighting and other decorations in the room prepared for dancing.

During the dinner the guests kept themselves busy blowing out and lighting candles at their tables, singing snatches of their school songs while at another table a more serious group discussed "H2O" and complained that the atmosphere was being "filled with carbon dioxide."

The two guests of honor, distant relatives, are planning to pursue pre-college courses, Brewton at the University of Iowa, and Scales at the University of Michigan. The former graduate from North high and latter from Dowling high.

Other guests who will graduate during the mid-year were: Misses Wilcox, Barbara Brown, and Mrs. Jane McCracken, Dorothy Smith, Mary Scott and Messrs. Edward T. Massey, Hitch, Beahrs, and Charles Thomas. Also, guests at the party were Miss Jeanette Marshall, and Mr. Willie Brewton.

## MISS LUCAS BECOMES WIFE OF PFC. SIMMONS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Simmons, Walker, announce the marriage of their son, Pfc. Henry L. Simmons, and Miss Teresa Lucas, daughter of Mr. Archie Lucas, 124 1/2 North 11th street, which took place on Monday, Dec. 20, at the Simmons' home where Mr. Simmons read the ceremony.

The couple were honored at a preliminary Sunday. Both natives of Iowa they attended East high school. Simmons went to Dowling from which he was graduated. Simmons is a member of the Baptist church while Pfc. Simmons belongs to the Kyles A. M. church.

The wedding was held at Ft. Knox, Ky., the city last Saturday afternoon.

## BURRELL CHRISTMAS

Burrell arrived home from the 24th Aviation Squadron, where he will spend 15 days with his mother, Mrs. Bessie Burrell, 63 Tenth, and his sister, Miss Mildred and Mrs. Bessie Burrell.

## HOME DAYS

Moore, employed in the city, is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Cora Moore, 124 1/2 North 11th street.

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## TOB CLUB HOLDS 20TH ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS DINNER

The T.O.B. club held its twentieth anniversary Christmas dinner party Saturday night, Dec. 18, at the home of Mrs. Bernice Wilkerson, where the members held an exchange of gifts.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mrs. Adelaide Bowman, president; Mesdames Louise Wellington, Virginia Williams, Ethel Jeffers, Beatrice Robinson, Muriel DeSlet, Iva Hayes, Geraldine Gomez, Frances Morrow and Miss Octavia Roane. The club sent a dinner to one sick member, Mrs. Thelma Clark.

## IRS. DIXON HOSTESS TO TEN KEYS CLUB

Mrs. Mayme Dixon, 2806 3rd, was hostess to the 10 Keys Club, December 17. The girls exchanged Christmas gifts.

## BITS AND SPURS CLUB MEETS

The Bits and Spurs met at the home of Miss Frieda Garland Dec. 2. Mrs. Bernice Carter, George Cheaton and Wardell Coyle assisted Miss Garland as host.

The club planned to give a Christmas basket to some needy family. Mr. Gaston of Slater, Ia., employed at the ordnance plant, was awarded the first prize, a ham; Mrs. Lucile Neal, of Stearns, received a small ham. The meeting Sunday was with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Webb, with Willie Bell and Bill Brewer assisting the hosts.

## MONARCH CLUB HAS PARTY DEC. 27

The Monarch club will hold its 9th annual Christmas dancing party at the Billiken Ball room Monday, December 27.

## PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

At Christmas time—as at no other season in the year—friends—in other cities write back the former home town—to renew acquaintance, their wishes for good cheer, good will and happiness another year.

From Alabama came a beautiful church scene from Mrs. Pearl Jefferson at Tuskegee; and from the same city Mrs. Elizabeth Shackelford wrote a lovely little verse:

But let it whistle as it will— We'll keep our Christmas Merry still. A beautifully etched picture of The Tidal Basin Bridge, built in Washington, D. C., by the Alexander & Re-pass company here, is a handsome Christmas card folder which the A. A. Alexanders have sent out this season.

A red rosy-faced Santa Claus with a patriotic air came from Mrs. Guy (Clara Pant) Smith in Washington, D. C., while another old Santa arrived from Mrs. John Bain and son who are living in Los Angeles, Calif.; while not far away—in San Diego—Mrs. Marie Roberts sent a note that she was so busy "I don't know day from night." She added that her Prince (Bob) had been sick at camp in Alabama and she had been upset—but the former Y.W. secretary promised to write to all of her friends to whom she sent a "hello."

Librarian Hilwe Pierce from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., recalled: "Last year I was in Des Moines. Time really flies."

Helen Beahrs in Philadelphia, Pa., should have written a letter instead of crowding her tiny greeting—but killing two birds with the same stone, she wrote with her Christmas wishes:

"Just returned from witnessing presentation of Librarian award to Marian Anderson where Mrs. Roosevelt was present also. Had a seat for special guest—the fourth row from pulpit. Crystal Bird Fauset, a very charming personality, was M. C. The speakers were interesting. Rev. Shepherd (on whom Cotten Ed Smith walked at National Democratic Convention 1936) was unusually witty. Bishop Sims, the Republican mogul, also spoke. Mrs. Roosevelt spoke in a most delightful manner with voice infections usually ascribed to her. Other women were on the program. The Librarian award became very nervous when attempting to pin the medal on Marian's bosom—so Mrs. Fauset had to finish the job.

"Here's hoping you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

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## TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER PLANNED FOR U. S. TROOPS THROUGHOUT WORLD

Washington—While the fighting must continue, the Army is bending every effort to provide its troops, at home as well as overseas, with all of the holiday cheer possible under widely varying circumstances, the War Department announced this week.

Provision has been made to serve the traditional Christmas Dinner, but not all of the men in combat zones will be able to partake of it on December 25, because the battle lines must be maintained. However, it will be waiting for them when they are relieved.

The menu follows: Creamed Celery Soup with Croutons, Roast Turkey, Sage Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Cranberry-Orange Relish, Snowflake Potatoes, Baked Squash, Creamed Corn, Head Lettuce with Russian Dressing, Hot Rolls, Butter, Mince Pie, Chocolate Nut Cake, Assorted Fruits Candy Nuts, Coffee Cigarettes Tobacco.

In some of the overseas sectors where refrigeration facilities are not available the turkey will be canned. In others, the potatoes, soup and cranberry sauce may be made from dehydrated products.

## A SON TO WALTER E. CARTERS

Pfc. and Mrs. Walter E. Carter are the proud parents of a son, Walter E. Jr., who was born Dec. 5, Pfc. Carter who is stationed at Elgin Field, Fla., is expected home on a furlough soon.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD AT HOME OF MRS. J. W. TUTT

A happy little Christmas party was enjoyed Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. J. W. Tutt by the members of the Union Baptist Mission and a few friends.

Conversation, games and an impromptu program made the evening enjoyable. Out-of-town guests who attended and participated in the program were: Mrs. A. Nipper of Paris, Mo., and Miss Mae E. Raines of Dallas, Texas.

## ELEGANT EIGHT CLUB GIVES PRIZES

The Elegant Eight club met with a merry evening at the home of Mrs. L. Bundy in the role of Old Santa Claus distributed gifts from the Christmas tree. A delicious Christmas dinner was served.

## DORIC LODGE ELECTS P. D. GOODLOE RETIRES

At its annual meeting Thursday evening, Doric Lodge No. 30, A. F. & A. M. elected and installed the following officers for the ensuing year: Worshipful master, A. D. Green, senior warden, Sylvester Southern; junior warden, Herschel E. Hubbard; treasurer, S. Joe Brown; secretary, W. J. Shepherd; chaplain, Charles Lewis; senior deacon, J. A. Wilson; junior deacon, Charles E. Coleman; senior steward, Marcus McCraven; junior steward Ira L. Wyatt and Tyler, Charles Shelton.

Paul D. Goodloe, who retires from the office of worshipful master after a continuous term of seven years, was made chairman of the auditing committee along with J. A. Wilson and Charles Shelton.

This pleasant and harmonious meeting was marred, however, by announcement of the death of its youngest member, Lowell Bush, Jr. who was initiated, passed and raised while home on a furlough from the U. S. Army. He was stricken immediately upon his return to duty with his regiment in California where he died last Wednesday.

## THE SICK

Mrs. Mae Howard, 701 S. E. 11th, is ill at home with the flu. Mrs. Myrtle Butler, 1620 Walker, is ill at home with the flu. Thomas Nutton Clay, 728 S. E. 15th street has returned home from the hospital. Thomas is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clay.

Mrs. Frances Brewer, 723 S. E. 6th, is ill at home with the flu. Darlene and Eugene Brown, 1202 Scott, are ill at home with the flu. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown.

Velma Turner, 507 S. E. 12th, is ill with the flu. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Turner.

Year. Will be my first time in years away from home. Will have a good dinner with the Brents in Plainfield. Best wishes.

That was a generous sized news story that accompanied that card—so one can never tell what a Christmas card holds—aside from the good wishes.

## PRINCESS ZORA CHAPTER ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Princess Zora Chapter No. 10 of the O.E.S. elected the following officers for the new year: Mrs. Jessie Newsome, worthy matron; Jimmie Mitchell, worthy patron; Mrs. Leola Martin, associate matron; Mrs. Ossie Simmons, conductress; Mrs. Ruth Basket, associate conductress; Mrs. Rillie Seymour, treasurer; Mrs. Gertrude Moore, secretary; Mrs. Willie Bailey, Ada; Mrs. Fannie Tomlin, Ruth; Mrs. Mattie Wood, Esther; Mrs. Flossie Emanuel Martha; Mrs. Maude Jones, Electa; Mrs. Josephine Franklin, Warder; William Walker, sentinel; Mrs. Jessye Bell Davis, reporter.

## IMPERIAL POTENTATE VISITS NOBLES HERE

Raymond E. Jackson, of Buffalo, N. Y., imperial potentate of the Nobles of Mystic Shrine, was the guest of the Nobles of Zeid Temple No. 90, Sunday, December 19.

A business meeting was held by the imperial potentate in the den, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Morrow of 1160 17th street. After the meeting, the imperial potentate and nobles went to the Septa night club for entertainment. Nobles attending the session were: Leftoy P. Bird, Bert A. Harris, C. Hendricks, Harry Seymour, Clarence Bryant, Branham Hyde, James W. Morrow, LeRoy P. Bird is potentate and James W. Morrow recorder of Zeid Temple No. 90.

## MRS. BUTLER IMPROVING

Mrs. Myrtle Butler, 1620 Walker avenue, who has been confined to her home with pneumonia for several weeks is recovering nicely.

## PVT. LIGHON HERE FROM CAMP

Pvt. Luther M. Lighon, formerly stationed at Kearns Field, Utah, is visiting his wife and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Lighons, 2631 Des Moines street on a 10-day furlough. He will go to Maxwell Field, Alabama, where he will continue his studies as a radio technician.

## HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Dorothy Clinton, 807 S. E. 10th, has returned home from the hospital.

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## Keo-Way USO

Hurry to Keo-Way USO Thursday evening, December 23rd at 8 p. m. for the "Christmas Barrel." Gifts that offer all the delights and comforts of home are inclosed in these packages for your barracks.

Saturday night, December 25, Keo-Way is offering a feature movie attraction, "Once Upon a Honeymoon" followed by a holiday dance.

WACs from Ft. Des Moines and soldiers from Camp Dodge decorated the Christmas tree at Keo-Way, Wednesday evening, December 15.

Thursday evening, December 16, the Junior Service Group acted as hostesses at an inductee party for the soldiers from Camp Dodge and WACs. Miss Mamie Davis of Y.W.C.A., supervisor of Negro work spoke highly of the easy atmosphere of the club and the tastily arranged refreshments.

Persons wishing members of the armed services as guests for dinner over the Christmas holiday, call 3-4815 Christmas Day and if WACs or soldiers are present desiring home hospitality, you may pick them up at the club or give explicit directions to enable them to locate your home. Snacks are always available Saturday and Sunday at Keo-Way.

## CHOIR HAS XMAS PARTY

The Shiloh Baptist choir had a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Tywaters, 2570 Maury. Various games were played. Christmas presents were exchanged by the members.

Those present were: Mesdames Willie Williams, Melbra Heath, Rozetta Frazier, Rena Tywater, Odella Daniels, Misses Corrine Cavil, Bette McDonald, Elizabeth McDonald, Audrey Williams, Trella Burton and Messrs. Otis Bagby and Rudolph Frazier.

## LT. VIRGIL DIXON HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

LT. Virgil Dixon from Ft. Riley, Kas., arrived here during the week to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker Dixon, 2525 Easton.

## AT HOSPITAL

Mrs. T. Berry underwent an operation at Mercy hospital this week.

## PHOTOS

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L. S. S.—I have three children. The oldest is a senior in high school and the youngest is entering high school next year. I am working but I am not making what I think I should be making in these times. I have been thinking that I would leave my girls with an aunt of mine and go out to California to work. Advise me, please.

Ans.: Stay at home with these girls. They need you a great deal more than you need the extra money that you could make if you went away to work. Your aunt would no doubt do the very best that she could for these girls—but she could not take their mother's place.

G. E. S.—My husband is looking to go into the army any time. We need a house awful bad. I want to buy a home but he thinks that we should try to find something to rent. We have two children and will appreciate what you tell us.

Ans.: Look for an apartment or a house to rent. Before you can buy a home you will have to have a substantial down payment—and you should not consider borrowing it. Conditions are very uncertain in your home, especially so if your husband is going in service, and to obligate yourself by buying a home is not a wise thing to do. When you get your heads above water and some money ahead, you can buy your home.

A. B.—I need your help. I'm in love with a boy who says he loves me and I know I love him. Mother don't want me to talk to this boy because he gets drunk. Tell me what to do.

Ans.: Boys who get drunk are not fit company for high school girls. Some of the young fellows today have the foolish idea that it's smart to drink whiskey and get high. —but, it's not. When young people submit to this temptation, they get into all kinds of trouble. If you value your reputation and that of your family—you will not associate with any boy who has a weakness for whiskey.

E. D. L.—I was in love with him before he was inducted into the army. When he got his furlough home I was the second one he came to (his mother first). He seemed to care a lot for me but he hasn't wrote to me since he left. He's been gone long enough to write. I have always been very respectful toward him and never have I gone out of the way as to be unkind. I'm sure of that. I'm plenty decent.

Ans.: Of course you are and he knows it and appreciates it too. But a soldier's life is a busy one—times—on the go from early dawn till long after sundown. So be patient with him, write him a sweet letter of love and good cheer. If you want to keep his respect—avoid playing with him about his not writing. E. P. E.—I am miserable and fore sending you my problem. Mother wants me to make a course but I want to finish my course. Would you please advise me about same?

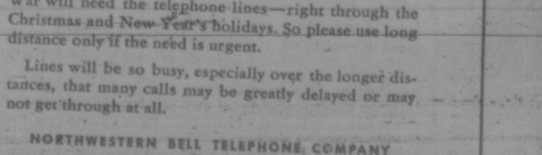
Ans.: Your mother knows that you are not happy because you took on a bigger job than you realized. She doesn't want you to have a nervous breakdown or to overtax your health in any way. A few weeks rest will not interfere, one day or another, with your studies. You need a vacation, so take your mother's advice and take a few weeks off.

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

From the Members and Friends OF THE TEN KEYS CLUB

## ELKS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

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CHRISTMAS, 1943

We are coming to Christmas, 1943, in one of the most serious periods of the history of the world. In spite of the fact that man is engaged in the greatest slaughter of the human race ever experienced, he has not learned to apply to his dealings with himself, his neighbor, his fellow man or the people of other things for which Christ-

ILL. And as a result, he is Mr. to settle his differences land, meals do rather than on better love and charity.

ander is fully confident Nations will win the end is a question of time upon the enmity, re- and resources of actu-

But now that there is some cer- tainty as to the final results, a big question before us is the winning of a peace which will put into practice all the beautiful high sounding prin- ciples about which our leaders have talked in short, a peace which will guarantee all the people the prin- ciples as enunciated in the Four Free-

Already, there is conflict between factions within some of the Allied Na- tions. America has done very little toward settling one of its biggest do- mestic problems—that of minorities; Britain has no idea about changing its unfair policies toward the people of many of its colonies.

Of course, it is obvious that our first big job is to win the war. But along with this task is the one of preparing men's souls to accept and keep a peace which has as its the elimination of greed, hate and prejudice which abound in every land.

We shall have not won a victory when Nazism is overthrown in Ger- many unless Fascism in this country is eliminated. The doctrine of racial superiority as practiced in Germany is no different from the theory of white supremacy in this country.

Both assume a superiority of one group over an inferior group, both require unchristian methods to keep them alive.

"Naturally the best our leaders can do is to set up a framework by which we may build a society in which all men may live with the assurance that they can enjoy the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness in accord- ance with the teachings of Jesus Christ. And unless men decide to do so, Christmas will come and go with- out having left the slightest impres- sion on our hearts.

In the meantime, while we sing "Peace on earth, good will toward men" in 1943, we seem little closer to it than the human race was two thousand years ago.

PRO AND CON BY FEATURE WRITERS

Raymond Thompson, radio com- mentator and news columnist whose articles are printed in many news- papers and read by millions, in a re- cent broadcast scored those people who discriminate against the Negro and later chided critics who disagreed with her position. This is the first time we have heard her say anything about the Negro question in Amer- ica—we have seen nothing in her col- umns on the subject—and it is there- fore gratifying to know that she realizes that this country must make a change in its treatment of the Negro or we shall fall as a democracy.

Last week, Raymond Clapper, radio commentator and writer who ranks among the best and so-called liberals, along with Dorothy Thompson, criti- cized the President's Fair employ- ment practice Committee because it directed the railroads to quit dis- criminating against Negroes. He stated that the practice could not be stopped by December 30, the day se- lected by the committee and that the com- mittee's action would simply stir up trou- ble and was an attempt to get resolu- tion rather than legal action.

Frankly, the Bystander was sur- prised at such bunk coming from Raymond Clapper. We had consid- ered that he was a liberal in view of the pleas he makes almost dai- ly for democracy for the occupied na- tions of Europe and the under privi- leged people in America.

We are willing to concede that a big change could be made by De- cember 30 in view of the fact that the practice of discrimination has grown up over the years. But Mr. Clapper knows that the committee did not tell the railroads to fire any- one and he knows that Negroes should be hired in the future as fire- men in the railroads, a thing which has not been done recently because the unions, the railroads and the W. A. Labor board have conspired to max- imize and enforce such rules and regu- lations as prevented it.

Clapper is just another of those people who are willing to fight an- ti-fascism in Europe, but die for democracy in America and a hundred reasons why it can- not be done.

And just how can the Negro enjoy "Freedom from want" if government agencies can conspire with unions and railroads to keep Negroes from making a living? Remember, if the group can carry out its rotten pro- gram, others can do the same thing.

SPORTS

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Every year about this time we think it would be a swell idea if we could play Santa Claus and present a bunch of gifts. Of course, the chief gift that everyone wants is all those swell guys back battling for our lo- cal championships again.

Something went with them when Uncle Sam took all of those athletes away from our tennis and golf meets, our basketball and baseball games and the other branches of athletics.

It would be fun to see Theydon Brown battling across the table ten- nis-top just once more. A gift that would please a lot of fellows up on Fifteenth street.

The local golfers would like to have Jack Howard swatting them out against the best in the Midwest. Numa Johnson would like to have a Tam O'Shanter golf meet with all the trimmings in his backyard.

The tennis fans would want a match between Paul Williams and Chet Williamson with both of them in A-1 or I-A physical such as only the array can give them. The fine old guy, Buck Scott, would like to find all the old gang back at 1000 Center with a billiard tournament as the chief attraction. Bill Ashby would call it a day if he could find in his stocking another crack on the courts at that big lug Williamson, and we can imagine that the local girls players would just love Santa if he would show them a way to beat farie Ross that didn't involve too much hard work.

A most welcome Christmas gift to all the Crocker Y Yonowers would be the sight of Quentin Mease blowing his whistle in one of those hectic league games—to be presented with another Crocker Y Big Five with the old fellow's skill and heart. Of course, John Estes would settle for another one of his fives like the one that swept through the city a couple of years ago.

What would we give the Boss? A ticket to an Iowa-Minnesota game with nine Negroes playing for Iowa and well, maybe, four for the Gophers.

The Brewton boys at North high would like another crack at their opponent of last fall and Williams, Volinier, DeVan and the rest of the boys at East high wish they could have one more year taking up where they left off. George Robinson would like to find about fifty basketba- players as a gift.

We think we had our personal gift in being in on two of the biggest events concerning Negroes in the middlewest, but we would like to have Santa place us alongside of Williamson on a doubles court with Bill Ashby and Paul Woods across the net.

Everett Wadsworth wants but lit- tle—just another T.D.A. softball team. These would be our gifts with the compliments of the season to all.

Armstrong to Try Comeback Henry Armstrong, one-time triple titleholder, hopes to start another ring comeback when he fights Aldo Spoldi, northwest welterweight, in Portland, Ore., in early January. No date has been set.

LAG IN HIRING NEGROES TOLD New York, N. Y.—Malcolm Ross, national chairman of the president's committee on fair employment said Tuesday that cases involving Negroes comprised about 80 per cent of all complaints received by the agency.

He added at a press conference that there had been a rise since last July in cases involving anti-semitism. Negroes and other minority groups in this area, Ross said, did not have as much difficulty in obtaining jobs as they did in being upgraded to higher skills.

"From July to September, 1943," he said, "twice as many women as Negroes were placed, of whom one in four went into skilled jobs, where- as one in 12 Negroes went into skill- ed jobs."

A survey of 38 government agen- cies last March, Ross said, showed that Negroes totaled 9 per cent of employees which he said was a high- er rate than general industry. He said that there were 1,800 cases involving Negroes on the docket, but expressed belief that relations be- tween white and Negro workers were improving.

Philadelphia, Penn.—The republic of Liberia Sunday conferred its highest award, the order of African Redemp- tion, on Marian Anderson, celebrated contralto.

Walter Walker, Liberian consul- general, presented the medal and diploma in the presence of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

LINCOLN POST

By W. T. BURNS

The 1943 Post's to all friends and members of Lincoln Post. The pre- amble to the Legion constitution says: "For God and country we as- sociate ourselves."

Therefore, let us praise on this Christmas Day and take invoice to ourselves if we are really associating our- selves for God and country.

"We as members of World War one and those who have served in World War 2 know the meaning of Peace on earth and want it."

"So we should do all we can in making that peace assurance, we can do it by doing everything possible to help in the war efforts to console those who have lost a son or a brother in this present conflict."

Department Commander Charles R. Logan has set Feb. 1, 1944, as the date he will visit Lincoln Post Unit 126. Let every member of the Post and Unit set aside that date as the night they will attend this special meeting at Post club rooms.—William T. Burns, Post adjutant, 4-2946.

Georgia Pines Stretch Long and Slim Writes Pvt. L. A. Burke "Write now—right now!" ordered Pvt. L. A. Burke, from Ft. Benning, Ga., to a friend here. "Time and opportunity could allow me no greater pleasure than to write to you," he continued.

"I think I like it down here. The afternoons are swell. Ah yes—the afternoons go striding away on stilts and the shadows of the tall Georgia pines stretch long and slim on the white sands and rapidly browning grasses.

"The birds fling themselves in long, graceful curves like aerial skaters and the sun lies over the entire scene like an exquisite gaze.

"Right now it is raining and the skies sag like a huge wet circus tent—an d the rain beats out its strange, exotic rhythm on the roofs and the trees."

Down to earth again, the Iowan continued: "I was on KP duty today. The sergeant asked if we knew what happened to a private who cussed." said, "Yeah, they make him sergeant."

"This army life is just like a Bob Hope movie—if you look at it right. The wise crack is: 'Do you know what the grain of wheat said to the kernel of corn after harvesting? Look I've been reaped!' (At ease!)"

One can see that Pvt. Burke is very fond of writing, too. Address him, Pvt. L. A. Burke, 37677942, 9th

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