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News Briefs From Far and Near

BARNETT SEEKS TO IMPROVE WELFARE OF JAMAICA AND BAHAMAN FARM WORKERS

Washington—Claude A. Barnett, director of the Associated Negro Press, and special assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture, has just completed a week's tour of farm labor camps in Florida in the interest of the welfare of Jamaican and Bahaman workers who are in this area helping to relieve the wartime farm labor shortage.

Information gathered on this tour will be used by War Food Administration both to help these island workers do a more effective job, and also in planning recruitment of additional Jamaican and Bahaman farm workers.

Anxious to study at close range the conditions under which these islanders are working so that he might make recommendations to WFA that would effectively reach their problems, Mr. Barnett went back into the Florida Everglades and ate and slept on the sugar plantations where 1,700 Jamaicans are cutting cane, and where several hundred Bahamans are helping with the cultivation and harvest of vegetable crops.

PAUL ROBESON GIVEN HIGH AWARD

New York (ANP)—The American Academy of Arts and Letters' medal for good diction on the stage went to Paul Robeson, singer and actor for his current performance in the Broadway production of "Othello."

The medal, given only when an outstanding performance is labeled deserving, was the 10th to be awarded since its original presentation in 1924.

JUDGE HARRISON TO SPEAK HERE MAR. 5

Men's Day will be observed at the Maple Street Baptist church on Sunday, March 5, at 3 p. m., with Judge William H. Harrison of Chicago as guest speaker.

Judge Harrison spoke in Des Moines at the Maple Street church two years ago. Many who could not gain entrance to the church were unable to hear him.

Edward Brown, deacon, is general chairman of the Men's Day. The Rev. C. Lopez McAllister general director.

WALTER WHITE COVERS 1800 MILES IN BRITAIN

New York—In a message of greeting to his Board of Directors, Walter White, NAACP secretary, now in England, cabled February 12 that he has just completed a tour of 1800 miles inspecting many installations.

"Have found much (that is) encouraging, but also much which need correction. Expect to leave for North Africa latter part of the month. Present plans are to go only as far as Iran, with later trip to Pacific area. Expect to return to the United States latter part of April or early May."

Mr. White, who arrived in England January 3, said he was submitting a report, by request, to the Army and to the United States Embassy in London.

'Fats' Widow Is Out of \$20,000

New York—"Fats" Waller's widow Edith, was cut off with only the minimum bequest required by law, it was disclosed in the will of the late and celebrated swing pianist, orchestra leader and versatile musician.

The will, dated less than months before he died of bronchial influenza on a railroad train in Kansas City, left the bulk of the \$20,000 estate to Anita Rutherford, while adhering to law regarding his estranged wife's share. Filing of his will in probate disclosed that it was dated Oct. 28, 1943.

The minimum bequest to his widow was made "for reasons fully known to her," the will stated.

It further revealed that Mrs. Waller lived in the Bronx while Anita Rutherford resided in Waller's Jaspontons—Randy Dixon, Pittsburgh whether there were any provisions made for his children.

Navy Offers Commissions to Negroes

NAVIGATORS TO GET WINGS SATURDAY



READY FOR ACTION—The Nation's first squadron of Negro navigation cadets stand at attention before the huge bulk of a twin-engine Lockheed Lodestar on the windswept ramp of Hondo Army Air Field, Hondo, Texas, proving ground for the finest navigators in the world. These cadets are skilled as navigators and stand ready and eager to join the ranks of other alert young men who are guiding huge bombers to the vital strongholds of the enemy. These pioneer Negro fliers will win their silver navigator's wings on February 26, 1944. (Photo by Army Air Forces.)

Gets \$4,500 Fellowship to Study Medicine



L. A. WHITFIELD
Lawrence A. Whitfield, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. Q. Evans of 1106 Seventeenth street, is the recipient of a \$4,500 fellowship under the auspices of the Julius Rosenwald Foundation, to sponsor his medical education for three years.

This fellowship, in recognition of Mr. Whitfield's past scholastic record, is unusual in that it is one of the first to be granted for undergraduate medical education. Numerous grants have been made in the past for graduate and special work only in the medical field.

Mr. Whitfield was formerly and is still connected with the faculty of the Florida A. and M. college of Tallahassee, Fla., but at present is continuing his medical studies in Chicago. All of his past work was done at the University of Chicago when he was graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors.

In Des Moines during the past holiday season, Mr. Whitfield plans this spring to visit his parents and his sister, Miss Maurice Evans, who is Y.W.C.A. secretary in Omaha, Neb.

St. Louis Teacher Wins Verdict for Bus Attack

St. Louis, Mo.—A brave, young woman, who fought back because she felt that she had been mistreated because she was a Negro woman, won justice. She was awarded \$1500 damages against the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines, Inc., by a jury in District U. S. Judge Richard B. Duncan's Court Wednesday. The charge was assault and battery growing out of an incident which happened in Steele, Mo., near the southeast line of the state in April, 1942.

The plaintiff in the suit was Miss Maggie Mack, former school teacher at the Consolidated school in Rieves, Mo., and daughter of the Rev. John Wesley Mack, pastor of the First Baptist church at Haiti, Mo. She is now employed as an inspector in a Northern War plant.

Miss Mack, a graduate of Kentucky State College brought suit on the complaint that she was assaulted on a Dixie Greyhound bus when she and a sick sister, Lucy Mack failed to move out of a seat in the back of the bus to let a white woman who got on sit down.

Struck in Eye
She contended that when she tried to explain to the bus driver that her sister was ill and that she felt she had a right to the seat, he told her he would have her arrested and went across the street to the Steele, Mo., courthouse and came back with two men. When she endeavored to stand her ground with the leader he struck her in the eye and pushed and dragged her out of the seat.

This testimony was verified by three women who were passengers, Mrs. Ada Mae Holloway, 915 N. 21st street, Katherine Byars, 2032 Cole street and Beulah Herron, 2818 a Cole street.

It was also said her assailant told her, "Now go back up North and tell them that's the way we do smart Nig-a-down here."

Three white women, who said they were passengers on the bus, were of-

ferred by the defendants as witnesses to refute the charges.

When Miss Mack and her sister left the bus in Blytheville, Ark., she remembered the driver's words to white women on the bus—"I guess she'll cause me plenty of trouble for this." She did. She engaged a Blytheville law firm to prosecute the case. It was moved to the St. Louis court from the court in Carruthersville, Mo.

Negro Republicans Meet Willkie

Wendell Willkie, campaigning for the Republican presidential nomination in Des Moines during the week end, shook hands with thousands of enthusiastic Republicans and exchanged party welfare talk with the members of the Republican central committee and the chairmen of the 99 county organizations.

Negro Republicans from the state central committee attended the banquet Saturday night at the Hotel Fort Des Moines. Among them were: A. A. Alexander, chairman of the Negro division of the state central committee; Atty. James B. Morris, Atty. M. F. Fields of Waterloo, "Freddie Hawkins, and J. W. Mitchell.

J. G. Browne and a Negro delegation met with Mr. Willkie on Sunday afternoon.

Among the 2,500 persons who welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Willkie at the public reception, many of them were Negroes.

At the press conference Sunday afternoon, he was asked by Atty. C. P. Howard to make a statement on the "Negro problem."

"I think this," Mr. Willkie spoke, "that the present administration builds its strength upon the depri-

vation of Negro voting in the southern states and the cultivation of the Negro votes in the northern states."

He added that "this Republican party which came into being to prevent nullification and to free slave guarantees the Negroes their "full economic, social and political rights."

AT MEXICO U



E. HOBART DE PATTEN

Mr. Edward Hobart Patten, son of Mrs. Margaret M. Patten, was awarded the Sophomore Honorarium in the annual honor assembly at the University of New Mexico. According to the Albuquerque Daily paper items February 4, Dr. Zimmerman, president of the University, in announcing the awards said "The purpose is to encourage all activities, all customs, and all traditions which will strengthen ethical and educational activities as University students."

In various articles from the Albuquerque newspapers, Mr. Patten's school and civic activities have been mentioned. He represented the men's dormitory in the Fourth War Loan Drive. Incidentally, he is the first and only Negro living at the State University dormitory. He is a member of the Student Senate, and is active in the Student-Faculty Forum discussions.

worked at the Des Moines ordnance plant for two years, during which time he has not been absent a single working day, he revealed, this week.

Ensigns and Staff Officer To Be Selected; Crews Man Anti-Sub Vessel

Washington—As a result of plans which have been under development by the Navy Department for several months, selection of Negro candidates for commissioning as officers in the U. S. Naval Reserve is now being made to fill approximately 22 available billets.

Twelve qualified enlisted men will be selected as line officers, with the rank of Ensign.

Ten professionally qualified Negroes will be commissioned as staff officers, with the rank of Ensign or Lieutenant (junior grade) depending upon the ages and professional qualifications of the men commissioned. It is anticipated that these staff officers will be appointed from civilian life. Two officers will be selected for each of the following Naval specialties: Chaplain Corps, Dental Corps, Medical Corps, Civil Engineer Corps, and Supply Corps.

The Negro enlisted men commissioned as line officers will be given a special training course of from three to six months duration at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. Upon completion of this course, the officers will be assigned to duty initially at the U. S. Naval Training School, Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia, and the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill.

The staff officers also will be given a short indoctrination course at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., and afterwards assigned to the U. S. Naval Training School, Hampton, Virginia, or the

U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill.

Washington—Two new U. S. Naval anti-submarine vessels will be manned predominantly by Negro crews.

A destroyer escort under construction at the U. S. Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts, initially will have an enlisted crew of 160 Negroes and 40 whites. The white ratings will be limited to billets requiring specialized training or experience not yet had by Negroes.

It is anticipated that as soon as Negroes qualify, they will replace the white enlisted members so that the entire crew eventually will be Negroes. The vessel will be commissioned within the next few weeks.

A patrol chaser (PC) building at the Consolidated Shipbuilding Corporation, Morris Heights, New York, will have an initial crew of 32 Negroes and nine whites. It is anticipated that this vessel, which is scheduled for commissioning late in March also will be manned eventually by an all Negro crew.

As is customary for all U. S. Naval personnel assigned to this type of duty, all members of the crews assigned to these two vessels will receive specialized training. The crew of the destroyer escort already has reported to the Destroyer Escort School at the Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia, and the crew of the "PC" soon will be assigned to the Submarine Chaser Training Center, Miami, Florida.

Negro Newspaper Week On Air Feb. 26 to Mar. 2

New York—In tribute to the contributions of the Negro people to the war effort, the National Broadcasting Company will observe "Negro Newspaper Week" with a half-hour program on its coast-to-coast network Saturday, Feb. 25 (3:00 p. m., E.W. T.) Donald M. Nelson, Chairman of the WPB, and Dr. C. B. Powell, publisher of the Amsterdam News, will be the principal speakers. Leading Negro entertainers and war heroes also will take part.

Nelson will report on the Negro in the defense industries. Dr. Powell's topic will be "The Negro Press and the War Effort." Dr. Powell is a civic leader and member of the New York State Athletic Commission.

Canada Lee, noted actor, will be master of ceremonies. He will be joined by Hazel Scott, star of radio and motion pictures, and Muriel Smith, currently appearing in the

Broadway hit "Carmen Jones." The Willie Bryant USO Overseas Unit maista home. It was not disclosed.

War Heroes to Speak

The Negro war heroes will be interviewed by four newspaper correspondents. The program will also entertain. Courier; David Orro, Chicago Defender; Ollie Stewart, AFRO American; and Thomas Young, Norfolk Journal and Guide. Dixon will speak from London.

"Negro Newspaper Week" is being celebrated this year from Feb. 27 to March 4. The program has been arranged through the co-operation of Negro Newspaper Publishers Association, whose president is John H. Sengstacke, publisher of the Chicago Defender.

Tracy Avery directs on behalf of NBC and Richard McDonagh prepares the script.

Soldiers Work for Record as Bombs Pound at Anzo

With the Fifth Army, Italy—Veterans of two campaigns in the Mediterranean theater, three Negro soldiers who landed on the Fifth Army's Anzio-Nettuno beachhead early on the morning of invasion day, are working toward a record as champion ammunition loaders.

By the time the first enemy planes flew over the beachhead, the men had already loaded several trucks. And since that time they have withstood a score or more of enemy bombings.

"Some of the raids here are so quick there's no time to take cover," said Sergeant McKinley Horton, team leader, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. "We just keep on working. And so far none of the bombs have hit any of the trucks we've loaded with ammunition, although they have hit the sands near us."

Working with Sergeant Horton are two other Philadelphians, Private Herman House and Private John Tucker. The soldiers have been overseas since April, 1943, and have been working 12 to 14 hours a day as an efficient team.

"Our present ambition," says Private House, "is to be the fastest team on the beach, because then we know we are delivering more bombs to the enemy. We check ourselves whenever we have the opportunity and figure on what we accomplish would seem amazing."

ALEXANDERS FILE ANSWER IN SUIT

Attorneys representing Mrs. A. A. Alexander, defendants in a suit brought by 38 property owners in Chautauque Park, to enjoin the Alexanders from owning and occupying residential property at 2300 Chautauque parkway, had a separate answer, to charges in the petition, Wednesday, in the district court.

Representing the Alexanders are Attorneys T. J. Guthrie, Riley J. Higgins and James B. Morris.

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Stand J. DANIELS
221 1/2 J. Daniels expects to resign the civil service commission...

Daniels said he favored a planned program for reduction of juvenile delinquency...

New Hospital

Daniels said he favored construction of a new contagious disease hospital...

The next few years will be a critical period, Daniels said, and citizens should have the benefit of a council composed of competent men...

among employees of the various departments.

Civic Activities

Daniels is a member of the Des Moines area war manpower commission...

He is affiliated with the Grant Park Church of Christ, of the United Commercial Travelers No. 115 and of the Loyal Order of Moose.

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We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their deeds of courtesies, kindnesses and sympathies...

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Signed by Mrs. Beattie Brown and family and Lydie Ganaway, husband.

TRUSTEE RALLY DAY AT KYLES CHURCH SUNDAY

Trustee Rally Day will be held at Kyles A.M.E. Zion church, Sunday, Feb. 27, at 3 p. m.

A UNION MEMBER

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MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Men's day will be observed at the Maple Street Baptist church on Sunday, March 5.

Women's day will be observed Sunday, March 19.

Sunday, Pastor McAllister delivered a message at the morning hour. The day was observed as Brotherhood Day.

Deacon Twitty of East 16th street has returned to his former home in West Virginia to seek his health.

Sam Bryant of West 14th street has returned from Iowa State hospital.

Pastor McAllister delivered the evening sermon at the First Baptist church, February 13.

The Trustee Board of the church will give a pew rally at the church February 27 at 3 p. m.

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MISSION MEETS AT BROWN CHAPEL

The East Side Union Missionary Societies board meeting met at the Brown Chapel A. M. E. parish house, Wednesday, February 23.

MR. OTIS BAGBY AT LUTHERAN

The Musical tea given by the Present Help club was a success. Many attended the program last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Catherine Robinson of 1640 Walker street has been home on account of illness.

World's day of prayer will be observed Friday, Feb. 25.

Mr. Otis Bagby, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bagby, 2713 Cleveland, is convalescing at the Lutheran hospital.

MAIDS AT HOTEL FT. DES MOINES BUY \$1,425 BONDS

The housekeeping department of Hotel Fort Des Moines went over the top in the recent Fourth War Bond drive with Mrs. Bertha Lyghtner, maid, leading the list with the purchase of \$150 worth of bonds.

MAKES PLEA FOR BLOOD DONORS FOR MEMBER

Atty. S. Joe Brown was the recipient of a letter from Dr. P. B. Skelley at the State University Hospital at Iowa, seeking blood transfusions for a patient, Luke Raglain.

Mr. Raglain is a former resident of Marshalltown, Des Moines, Ft. Dodge and Mason City. He is Past Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge at Ft. Dodge.

Attorney Brown, P.G.M. and P.G.P. of the lodge, asked that the Masonic brethren and O.E.S. sisters "come forward with donations."

CONTEST AT KYLES CHURCH FEB. 29

A popularity contest will be held Tuesday night, Feb. 29, at the Kyles A. M. E. Zion church.

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Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Maple and East 16th Street, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, D.D., pastor; parsonage, 1657 Walker street.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. C. A. Record, pastor; 1213 Scott street; Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m.

KYLES A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

15th and Shaw streets, Rev. H. A. Simmons, pastor. Order of services: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

BURNS METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. E. M. Whaley 811 Crocker Street Order of services: Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

1524 E. University Ave. Rev. W. F. Ogletton, Pastor Order of Services: Sunday School 9:45 a. m.

DAVID SPIRITUAL TEMPLE of Christ Church, Inc., U. S. A., 1724 Garfield

Rev. Edith Cole, Pastor Services: Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at 8 p. m.

PENTECOSTAL OPEN DOOR MISSION

728 S. E. Fourteenth Court, Elder W. Spivey in charge. Sunday services: Sunday school 10 a. m.

WEST SIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ) 14th and Keo-Way J. J. Hawkins, pastor Sunday Services—Bible School 9:45 a. m.

BROWNS CHAPEL A.M.E. ZION

Rev. A. M. Mitchell, pastor. 1448 Walker Weekly meetings—Monday Council at 8 p. m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. R. Roman, Pastor 511 S. E. 4th street; residence, 603 S. E. Fifth street

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

851 Tenth street, Rev. E. G. Carter, Pastor. Sunday School, 10:30 a. m. Morning worship, 12 o'clock (noon); Y.P.W.W., 6:30 p. m.

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PRESENTING: President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Sec'y of the Navy Frank Knox, Donald M. Nelson, Paul Robeson, Marian Anderson, Lena Horne, Hazel Scott, Muriel Smith, Willie Bryant, Kenneth Spencer, Wings Over Jordan, Duke Ellington, Cab Calloway, Overseas Negro War Correspondents, Negro Army, Navy and Merchant Marine Heroes...

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DINNER AT EIGHT

SOCIETY



MRS. JEFFERS AND MISS ROANE HONOR NAVAL OFFICER

Mrs. Ethel Jeffers and Miss Octavia Roane entertained a group of friends at a Sunday night party at their home at 1023 Thirteenth street, honoring Chief Petty Officer Charles Floyd Findley, a life-long friend, who is home on a leave, after twenty-four years in Naval service.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris DeSlet, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Matthews and Mesdames Margaret Coleman of Booneville and Bernice Shepherd, sisters of Officer Findley.

Those who enlisted in the naval service twenty-four years ago with Chief Petty Officer Findley were: Messrs. Floyd Bowman, Clarence Eaves, and Raymond Emanuel. Mr. Eaves is a brother of Mesdames Jeffers, Bowman and Robinson. Mr. Emanuel is brother of Mrs. DeSlet.

MRS. MORROW AND SON BACK FROM CLEVELAND, OHIO

Mrs. J. W. Morrow and son, Larry, returned to the city last week from Cleveland, Ohio, where they spent a month visiting their sister and aunt, Mrs. Albert Black and Mr. Black.

While there the Blacks celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary.

Among the Ohioans entertaining for Mrs. Morrow were: Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. C. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. James Frazier.

Mrs. Morrow was honored at a farewell party by the Blacks.

MR. AND MRS. ANDREWS VISIT THE WILLISES

Mr. and Mrs. Baswell Andrews of Milwaukee, Wis., were house guests recently of Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Willis.

While here Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Andrews renewed many of her old acquaintances.

DR. WILLIS HONORED AT BIRTHDAY DINNER

Honoring her husband, Dr. L. R. Willis, on his birthday, Sunday, Feb. 20, Mrs. Ella Willis, entertained her sisters and brothers-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams and Mr. and Mrs. David Mash, at dinner.

MISS FRANCES LAWERY TO DETROIT, MICH.

Miss Frances Lawery, 1267 Stewart, left the city, Thursday, February 10, for Detroit, Mich., where she will make her home with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Lawery. Miss Lawery formerly lived with her grandmother and aunt, Mesdames Bessie Cunningham and Alberta Warden.

MR. AND MRS. WARDEN BACK FROM LEBANON

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Warden, 126, Stewart, returned February 15, from Lebanon, Mo., where they visited with Mr. Warden's parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Warden. While there Mr. and Mrs. Warden appeared on the Vesper Hour program given at the USO. Rev. Warden is the chaplain of the USO and Mrs. Warden is the former Mrs. Susie Bryant of Des Moines.

MR. AND MRS. GUY W. SMITH HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Smith of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city this week to spend a few days with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Smith, 901 Twenty-third street, and Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Goldie Fant, 1654 Walker street.

Mr. Smith recently returned from North Africa where he spent eight months in special assignments for the war department.

Mrs. Smith is in government employment in Washington.

PVT. AND MRS. J. HAMILTON VISIT IN OMAHA, NEBR.

Pvt. Joseph P. Hamilton of 1277 E. 18th street, after a ten day visit here with his wife and relatives, left the city Wednesday night enroute to Daniels Field, Augusta, Ga. While here he was extended many social courtesies. Pvt. and Mrs. Hamilton spent two days in Omaha, Nebr., guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson.

MISS PIERSON TO WORK IN WASHINGTON

Miss Virginia M. Pierson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Pierson, 930 Twenty-third street, left the city last Tuesday for Washington, D. C., for a position as a stenographer.

She is a graduate of North high school and a member of the St. Paul A.M.E. church.

THE WILLIAM ALLENS OF PERRY HONOR FRIENDS AT DINNER PARTY

Perry, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. William Baxter Allen, who were married in January, honored friends at a three-course turkey dinner party Sunday evening, Feb. 20, at their home here. Mrs. Allen is the former Mrs. Henry Lewis.

Fresh flowers and candles made an attractive centerpiece of the dinner table which was covered with a beautiful lace cloth.

Guests attending the party were: Rev. A. M. Mitchell, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church here, who resides in Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Blanks of Jefferson, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. James Morrow and son, Larry, and Miss Sophie White, all of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Singleton, Mr. William Huff, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Lewis, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. D. Wood.

MRS. G. CLINTON BACK FROM OREGON

Mrs. Geneva Clinton returned last week from Oregon where she has been for some time with her husband, Cpl. Willie Clinton who is stationed there. Mrs. Clinton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Vollger, 1626 Walker. Cpl. Clinton has gone to Pittsburgh, Pa., to attend school. He and Mrs. Clinton will return to Oregon about March 4.



PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

It would make a long, long story, if someone would tell you how she actually got to play the role of gypsy fortune-teller at the USO's annual Mardi-Gras—so it cannot be told this week—but in case you are mistakenly thinking that she can tell you the road to the romances, riches and rags—then you just as well know—right now—that it "ain't so."

Business began to pick up Wednesday morning after the daily paper had hit the streets. One neighbor knocked on the office door—looking for the "fortune teller"—she wanted to know if her husband is "true" to her.

Several telephone calls brought interested parties who wanted to "know." Something will have to be done. It was a lot of fun—in the USO booth—and with Allen Ashby, who happened to be home from Chicago, doing the reading of handwriting and the columnist, telling "fortunes" from the numbers drawn from a cup with "answers" hidden elsewhere—it was really something for the WAC victim to "shout" about when the two practitioners prophesies agreed. It was really something! Guy and Clara were back in the office this week—right where they started their romance which budded and bloomed when they were married a couple of years or so ago. Since that time Clara, the former secretary, moved to Washington with Mr. Smith, when he became a part of the intelligence service of the War department. Guy has been all the way to Africa and back—and he and Clara were holding hands, much the same as they did before they left.

Keo-Way USO

Sunday afternoon, February 19, the Cosmopolitan club held an interesting forum at Keo-Way USO. The speakers for the panel discussion were: Miss Frances Mosher, Sam Sakamoto, and Attorney Laurence Oliver.

Visitors and honored guests of the Ottumwa Naval Air Station were 30 WACs of the Ft. Des Moines Cooks & Bakers at a dance given at the local Y.W.C.A., February 14. A dance contest was held and prizes given the three best couples. Each WAC was given a Valentine and prizes were given.

An interesting visitor at the Keo-Way USO for the past week has been Corp. James P. Thompson, the husband of Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, a member of the newly organized soldier's wives organization. Corporal Thompson came to Des Moines from Dennison, Texas, finished Roosevelt high school, where he was very active in athletics. He was a student at the University of Iowa when the war broke out. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. He left school and lived in Cedar Rapids, meeting his wife, the former Miss Dorothy Mae Bailey of Minneapolis. He was inducted in army at Camp Dodge from Des Moines. He won two numerals in track, 2 in football, while in high school and honorable mention on one of the all state football teams. He won his freshman numeral at Iowa University. He graduated from Motor Maintenance, U. S. Army, has been in the army for a year, a corporal nine months of that time at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

The Keo-Way club celebrated its first birthday anniversary Tuesday night, when the club's annual Mardi Gras offered entertainment to 200 WACs, uniformed men home or furloughs.

Mrs. Mollie Nix of Kansas City, Mo., arrived here Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. T. S. Williams, and family, at 1328 Jefferson street.

WAC CAPTAIN FUTELLE AT ST. PAUL USHERS PROGRAM SUNDAY

The St. Paul A.M.E. church usher board will have a program on Sunday, Feb. 27, at 3:30 o'clock, at the St. Paul church, featuring as its guest speaker, Captain Frances Alexander Futelle of Ft. Des Moines. Other members of the Women's Army Corps will appear on the program. Pictures will be shown.

Ezra Ewing is president of the board. Mrs. Fannie Tomlin and Mrs. Mattie Woods are chairmen.

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MRS. BULLOCK ILL

Mrs. Joan Bullock, 1331 Center street, is still confined to her home ill.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR INFANT

Edward Bayles, Jr., was honored on his first birthday, Feb. 17, with a party given by Mrs. Jessie Newson at her home. The guests were Patricia Whaley, George Manuel, Jr., Robert Penson, Jr., and Richard Allen King.

TO VETS HOSPITAL

Mr. Guy E. Greene entered the Veterans hospital Sunday.

Advice ON THE PROBLEMS OF LIFE by ABBE WALLACE SERVICE

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The president, Mrs. Guy E. Greene, urges the members to continue on with the drive. At present there are 87 members. The goal is 100 members by June 20. Mrs. H. A. Mauer, Mrs. C. Hendricks and Mrs. Ova Carter are membership chairman.

The Legion held the Commanders and Adjutants' school at Fort Des Moines hotel, Feb. 20 and 21. Mrs. Greene and Mrs. Pearl Burns, housing chairman, presented a program Feb. 15 at the club rooms. Mr. George Mahoney, Sixth district Americanism chairman and Vice Commander Elkie of Urbandale, were the speakers. Mrs. Myrtle Bowen, state Americanism chairman and Mrs. Warren Canady, past president of the Des Moines Council were guests.

The next unit meeting will be held at the club rooms March 7 for a business meeting. On March 21, a community service program will be given with Mrs. Rose H. Johnson as chairman.

TEN KEY CLUB MEETS FEB. 25

The Ten Key club met at the home of Mrs. Gladys Brodus, Feb. 18. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Rose Brooks, Feb. 25.

HAS OPERATION

Mrs. Inice Carter, 1173 14th street, underwent an operation at Mercy hospital Tuesday.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN MEET

The Republican Women's club met at the home of Mrs. Mable Mason, 1183 Fourteenth street. Mr. A. A. Alexander, guest speaker, reported on the national and state Republican affairs.

Other visitors were Mr. Gilbert Randle and Rev. E. N. Warren, committeeman. A quiz on Republicanism was conducted by Mrs. Olive Redmond, program chairman. Mrs. Cecil Lewis, bond chairman, planned a program for next month. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Redmond, 1213 Crocker, to which all of the members are urged to attend.

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MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS Men's day will be observed at the Maple Street Baptist church on Sunday, March 5. Women's day will be observed Sunday, March 19.

MISSION MEETS AT BROWN CHAPEL The East Side Union Missionary Societies board meeting met at the Brown Chapel A. M. E. parish house, Wednesday, February 23.

MR. OTIS BAGBY AT LUTHERAN The musical tea, given by the Present Help club was a success. Many attended the program last Sunday afternoon.

MAKES PLEA FOR BLOOD DONORS FOR MEMBER Atty. S. Joe Brown was the recipient of a letter from Dr. P. B. Skelley at the State University Hospital at Iowa, seeking blood transfusions for a patient, Luke Raglain.

CONTEST AT KYLES CHURCH FEB. 29 A popularity contest will be held Tuesday night, Feb. 29, at the Kyles A. M. E. Zion church. The contestants are: Misses Ruby Turner, Jean M. Payton, Anna Jackson and Wanda Simmons.

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SOCIETY



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Mrs. Ethel Jeffers and Miss Octavia Roane entertained a group of friends at a Sunday night party at their home at 1023 Thirteenth street, honoring Chief Petty Officer Charles Floyd Findley, a life-long friend, who is home on a leave, after twenty-four years in Naval service.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris DeSlet, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Matthews and Mesdames Margaret Coleman of Booneville and Bernice Shepherd, sisters of Officer Findley.

Those who enlisted in the naval service twenty-four years ago with Chief Petty Officer Findley were: Messrs. Floyd Bowman, Clarence Eaves, and Raymond Emanuel. Mr. Eaves is a brother of Mesdames Jeffers, Bowman and Robinson. Mr. Emanuel is brother of Mrs. DeSlet.

MRS. MORROW AND SON BACK FROM CLEVELAND, OHIO

Mrs. J. W. Morrow and son, Larry, returned to the city last week from Cleveland, Ohio, where they spent a month visiting their sister and aunt, Mrs. Albert Black and Mr. Black.

While there the Blacks celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary.

Among the Ohioans entertaining for Mrs. Morrow were: Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. C. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. James Frazier.

Mrs. Morrow was honored at a farewell party by the Blacks.

MR. AND MRS. ANDREWS VISIT THE WILLISES

Mr. and Mrs. Baswith Andrews of Milwaukee, Wis., were house guests recently of Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Willis.

While here Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Andrews renewed many of her old acquaintances.

DR. WILLIS HONORED AT BIRTHDAY DINNER

Honoring her husband, Dr. L. R. Willis, on his birthday, Sunday, Feb. 20, Mrs. Ella Willis, entertained her sisters and brothers-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams and Mr. and Mrs. David Mash, at dinner.

MISS FRANCES LAWERY TO DETROIT, MICH.

Miss Frances Lawery, 1267 Stewart, left the city, Thursday, February 10, for Detroit, Mich., where she will make her home with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Lawery. Miss Lawery formerly lived with her grandmother and aunt, Mesdames Beattie Cunningham and Alberta Warden.

MR. AND MRS. WARDEN BACK FROM LEBANON

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Warden, 126 Stewart, returned February 15, from Lebanon, Mo., where they visited with Mr. Warden's parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Warden. While there Mr. and Mrs. Warden appeared on the Vesper Hour program given at the USO. Rev. Warden is the chaplain of the USO and Mrs. Warden is the former Mrs. Susie Bryant of Des Moines.

MR. AND MRS. GUY W. SMITH HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Smith of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city this week to spend a few days with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Smith, 901 Twenty-third street, and Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Goldie Pant, 1654 Walker street.

Mr. Smith recently returned from North Africa where he spent eight months in special assignments for the war department.

Mrs. Smith is in government employment in Washington.

PVT. AND MRS. J. HAMILTON VISIT IN OMAHA, NEBR.

Pvt. Joseph P. Hamilton of 1277 E. 18th street, after a ten day visit here with his wife and relatives, left the city Wednesday night enroute to Daniels Field, Augusta, Ga. While here he was extended many social courtesies. Pvt. and Mrs. Hamilton spent two days in Omaha, Nebr., guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson.

MISS PIERSON TO WORK IN WASHINGTON

Miss Verdella N. Pierson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Pierson, 930 Twenty-third street, left the city last Tuesday for Washington, D. C., for a position as a stenographer.

She is a graduate of North high school and a member of the St. Paul A.M.E. church.

THE WILLIAM ALLENS OF PERRY HONOR FRIENDS AT DINNER PARTY

Perry, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. William Baxter Allen, who were married in January, honored friends at a three-course turkey dinner party Sunday evening, Feb. 20, at their home here. Mrs. Allen is the former Mrs. Henry Lewis.

Fresh flowers and candles made an attractive centerpiece of the dinner table which was covered with a beautiful lace cloth.

Guests attending the party were: Rev. A. M. Mitchell, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church here, who resides in Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Blanks of Jefferson, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. James Morrow and son, Larry, and Miss Sophie White, all of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Singleton, Mr. William Huff, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Lewis, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. D. Wood.

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Mrs. Geneva Clinton returned last week from Oregon where she has been for some time with her husband, Cpl. Willie Clinton who is stationed there. Mrs. Clinton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Volmeier, 1625 Walker, Cpl. Clinton has gone to Pittsburgh, Pa., to attend school. He and Mrs. Clinton will return to Oregon about March 4.



PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

It would make a long, long story, if someone would tell you how she actually got to play the role of gypsy fortune-teller at the USO's annual Madri-Gras—so it cannot be told this week—but in case you are mistakingly thinking that she can tell you the road to the romances, riches and rags—then—you just as well know—right now—that it "ain't so."

Business began to pick up Wednesday morning after the daily paper had hit the streets. One neighbor knocked on the office door—looking for the "fortune teller"—she wanted to know if her husband is "true" to her.

Several telephone calls brought interested parties who wanted "to know." Something will have to be done. It was a lot of fun—in the USO booth—and with Allen Ashby, who happened to be home from Chicago, doing the reading of hand-writing and the columnist, telling "fortunes" from the numbers drawn from a cup with "answers" hidden elsewhere—it was really something for the WAC victim to "shout" about when the two practitioners prophecies agreed. It was really something! Guy and Clara were back in the office this week—right where they started their romance which budded and bloomed when they were married a couple of years or so ago. Since that time Clara, the former secretary, moved to Washington with Mr. Smith, when he became a part of the intelligence service of the War department. Guy has been all the way to Africa and back—and he and Clara were holding hands, much the same as they did before they left.

Keo-Way USO

Sunday afternoon, February 19, the Cosmopolitan club held an interesting forum at Keo-Way USO. The speakers for the panel discussion were Miss Frances Mosher, Sam Sakamoto, and Attorney Laurence Oliver.

Visitors and honored guests of the Ottumwa Naval Air Station were 30 WACs of the Ft. Des Moines Cooks & Bakers at a dance given at the local Y.W.C.A., February 14. A dance contest was held and prizes were given.

An interesting visitor at the Keo-Way USO for the past week has been Corp. James P. Thompson, the husband of Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, a member of the newly organized soldier's wives organization. Corporal Thompson came to Des Moines from Denison, Texas, finished Roosevelt high school, where he was very active in athletics. He was a student at the University of Iowa when the war broke out. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. He left school and lived in Cedar Rapids, meeting his wife, the former Miss Dorothy Mae Bailey of Minneapolis. He was inducted in army at Camp Dodge from Des Moines. He won two numerals in track, 2 in football, while in high school and honorable mention on one of the all state football teams. He won his freshman numeral at Iowa University. He graduated from Motor Maintenance, U. S. Army, has been in the army for a year, a corporal nine months of that time at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

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The Sky "Y" Nite Club will not be open Saturday, February 26, but will reopen Friday, March 3 at 8 p. m. A jitterbug contest will be the feature of the evening. First and second prizes will be given.

FLOYD C. FINDLEY PETTY OFFICER, VISITS HERE

Chief Petty Officer Floyd C. Findley left the city this week after having visited relatives and friends here on his first trip back to Des Moines since he went into the navy twenty-five years ago.

He was house guest of his sister, Mrs. Ethel Wisdom, 1412 Second place.

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R. P. B.—I am very lonesome.

I like a man but don't know whether he likes me or feels sorry for me. He comes and sets with me sometimes and gives me soft drinks, all I want to drink.

Ans.—Now that's the kind of a sweetie to have—especially during the hot spell we're having. You are 35 years old now and you can't be playish about why some likely looking man likes your company. Regardless of his motives—lead him on. A sorry man's better than no man at all.

J. S. M.—I am in the first year of high school and I like a boy in the senior class very much.

He says he likes me. He watches me all the time, and is always joking. Does he like me or does the boy in the junior class like me best? A boy in the army was writing me, does he care anything for me? Must I find some thing to keep my mind busy and forget these boys?

Ans.—Quite the contrary. Every normal girl should enjoy the friendship of boys. High school romances are educational 'n' themselves—why not carried too far. They test youngsters like yourself how to deal along with the opposite sex. So have your fun and your sweethearts—just keep the boys in their place.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The president, Mrs. Guy E. Greene, urges the members to continue on with the drive. At present there are 87 members. The goal is 100 members by June 20. Mrs. H. A. Mamee, Mrs. C. Hendricks and Mrs. Ova Carter are membership chairmen.

The Legion held the Commanders' and Adjutants' school at Fort Des Moines hotel, Feb. 20 and 21. Mrs. Greene and Mrs. Pearl Burns, housing chairman, presented a program Feb. 15 at the club rooms. Mr. George Mahoney, Sixth district Americanism chairman and Vice Commander Elkie of Urbandale, were the speakers. Mrs. Myrtle Bowen, state Americanism chairman, and Mrs. Warren Canady, past president of the Des Moines Council were guests.

The next unit meeting will be held at the club rooms March 7 for a business meeting. On March 21, a community service program will be given with Mrs. Rose H. Johnson as chairman.

MRS. BULLOCK ILL

Mrs. Joan Bullock, 1331 Center street, is still confined to her home ill.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR INFANT

Edward Bayles, Jr., was honored on his first birthday, Feb. 17, with a party given by Mrs. Jessie Newton at her home. The guests were Patricia Whaley, George Manuel, Jr., Robert Penson, Jr., and Richard Allen King.

TO VETS HOSPITAL

Mr. Guy E. Greene entered the Veterans hospital Sunday.

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NEGRO NEWSPAPER WEEK

February 27 to March 4, we are observing National Negro Newspaper Week, honoring the one hundred seventeenth anniversary of the Negro press and designed to acquaint the public with the history, aims and accomplishments of Negro newspapers.

The Negro press believes that America can best lead the world away from racial and national antagonism when it accords to every man, regardless of race, color, or creed, his human and legal rights.

The Negro press strives to help every man in the firm belief that all are hurt so long as anyone is held back. The Negro press, like all other races which have arisen from a low status to a creditable position, is engaged in a constant struggle for a place in the sun.

Current activities of the Negro press find it aiding War Bond Drives, scrap metal drives, hold your jobs campaigns, smokes for soldiers campaigns, cooperative advertising, WAC recruiting drives, government salvage program, local charities efforts, rationing and black markets, victory gardening and food conservation, hygiene and public health and influences on civilian and soldier morale.

And as a result of these activities recognition of the Negro press as a vital force in the nation's leadership is borne out by the increased notice list is being given it in Washington and by Army and Navy heads. Sponsored tours of army and navy camps have been held at the invitation of the War and Navy departments.

Like other enterprises among Negroes, the press has grown in numbers and quality. It comprises one daily, several widely circulated national weeklies as well as scores of successful publications of lesser magnitude. These papers maintain training, these papers maintain training of staffs and modern equipment. They have grown because the management has given the public a better product.

WILLKIE MAKES FINE IMPRESSION

Wendell Willkie came to Des Moines last week and left a fine impression on the minds of the thousands of people who heard him. It was there was a public man who is frank and forthright, willing to say things squarely, Willkie is one of the reasons why the people are so anxious to see him secure the nomination for president.

Mr. Willkie chided those people who sought to undo all the progressive measures President Roosevelt has adopted simply because they were done under a Democratic administration. Much of it, like social security, old age benefits, regulation of banks and financial institutions, was long overdue, and no sound person should think of repealing them.

Speaking of the methods by which the Democratic party remains in power, he said that the rotten system in the south of excluding citizens from voting, was their first basis of strength and those members of Congress who are playing with the Rankins, Ellenders and Overtons were doing the Republican party and the soldiers too, a real disservice.

The Bystander has been favorably impressed with Mr. Willkie all along. It is more so after his Des Moines visit. And we say again that he is by far the most outstanding progressive contender for the Republican nomination for president and the only man who has a real chance of beating Mr. Roosevelt this fall.

Letter to Editor

LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM A PASTOR WHO HAS SUBSCRIBED 36 YEARS

"I have been getting the paper every week and now if I don't get it, I am lonesome for it," wrote Rev. G. E. Sanders, pastor of the Park Chapel Baptist church, Palmyra, Mo., to the editor of the Bystander this week. "I take a trip to Des Moines every week through its columns. I don't want to be without it."

"I have been a reader of the Bystander ever since the days of 1908, when John L. Thompson used to ride his bicycle to get subscribers around Albia and Hoeking and Buxton. I also remember when you took it over when it was hard to make a go out of anything. I must say you have made good."

"Please let me pay my highest compliments to you on the wonderful deal you helped to put over for Mr. A. A. Alexander. That is something worth while. Mr. Alexander is a man of whom the whole race should look with pride."

"Just a word about our work and for the sake of our friends who probably wonder about us," the minister continued his letter. "We are here in a small town known as the 'City of Flowers.' It is indeed a pretty place in the summer and a quiet place in the winter. I came here one year ago last December. We have less than 100 members and without any chief industry. When the yearly report was made our income was a little more than \$1,000, so that isn't bad for a small church."

"Like many others, our church is hard-hit by the war. We have 26 stars on our service flag. We have baptized seven and fellowshiped five, installed a new furnace, put a new roof on the parsonage and our indebtedness is less than \$100, so that is doing fair."

WILKINS NAMED NAACP ACTING SECRETARY

New York—For the period of Walter White's absence abroad, Roy Wilkins, NAACP assistant secretary, was named Acting Secretary February 14 by the Board of Directors.

ODB ANNOUNCES INCOME-TAX EXEMPTIONS

Newark, N. J.—Army wives and other dependents of army men and women, with a single exception, need not pay income tax on family allowance or Class E allotments-of-pay, Brig. Gen. H. N. Gilbert, U.S.A. Director of the War Department Office of Dependency Benefits announced today. The ODB is the activity of the Army Service Forces which administers these benefits for the army.

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

ARMSTRONG BOXES TUESDAY

There is a good bill for boxing fans coming up at the Coliseum Tuesday night when Henry Armstrong tangles with Jimmy Garrison in what will likely be a short bout. The last time Hank was in, a lot of people paid top prices to see him wallop the daylights out of a guy whose name we can't remember. This will be a good chance to compare Hammering Hank now with the guy as he was then.

Several of the fellows best friends and well wishers have tried to argue him out of this third "comeback" attempt but it does no harm to Henry apparently and people who never saw him in his heyday get a chance to see the one time great.

Of great local interest will be Bill Heath in his debut as a professional. Bill was one of the best prospects around here when he was a Golden Glover. He had one but that set him back on his trousers when Morton Graves stopped him in one of the hottest battles ever seen in local Golden Glove contests. Bill is now a welterweight and may do alright as a pro.

Another old favorite, Cyclone Lynch, who used to make faces, grunt and swing so hard that even the wind of his punches used to jar opponents will be back. "The cyclone will take on Duke Owens in a semi-windup brawl."

All in all it will be a nice evening's entertainment, but we advise you to go early or you might miss the main bout.

Track

Buddy Young whom we watched run wild in Chicago prep gridrons last fall is a real Big Ten college star now. Buddy, competing in a dual meet with Ohio State, scored three first places for the University of Illinois. The freshman grabbed the sixty yard dash, broad jump and the low hurdles. In the dash the kid missed the world's record by one tenth of a second. Bill Willis, big Ohio State tackle of last fall won the shot-put in the same meet with a good heave. It is our guess that Young will be the chief attraction at the Drake Relays in April.

Basketball

The Negro Community Center boys came through to be so far as we know the second Negro club to win a basketball meet at the South Side

LINCOLN POST

W. T. BURNS

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Lincoln Post is free of debt, owns own home and clubroom, has a complete set of Legion equipment for all Legion affairs. The Post owns bonds running into the amount of four figures, and has money in the bank. The Post headquarters are located at 750 Eleventh street.

Meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

March 21 is the 26th birthday of the American Legion. A free fish fry with all trimmings will be served. All veterans of World War 2 and their families are invited on March 21 at 8 p. m.

Post membership on Feb. 23 was 147. The Post met Feb. 15. District Americanism chairman, George Mahoney and District Vice Commander, William (Bill) Elkie, visited Post and Unit. W. T. Burns, Post adjutant; phone 4-2946.

Community house. The kids played a brand of ball that far exceeded this years and came through with only one tough game. In the final game they swamped their opponents 42 to 21. Young Spangler and Jones seemed to be the mainstays of the U. C. C. machine. We were glad to get around just in time to see this win.

We were glad to be able to see the program of league basketball. It was kind of nice to see things picked up where they left off a couple of years ago. Of course the senior league is composed of beta like Morton Graves who refused to enter this year's Golden Gloves meet because he didn't have the heart to "swat those green kids around," and Chet Simms who takes up a large part of the floor by just standing in one spot. A few kids make up the rest and the boys do have fight and that is the main object.

In our ramble around the Windy City we haven't run into Bus Brown yet, but we expect to see the former star "Y" athlete come swinging

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POST EXCHANGE

MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY SERVICE (By Marie Ross)



The Smiths Hear from Son in Italy; Another Son Back from Africa Mr. and Mrs. Luther Smith, 90 Twenty-third street, received their first V-mail letter from their son, Lt. Luther Smith, since he left for overseas during the latter part of December.

With the air corps in Italy, Lt. Smith wrote that he caught a cold the first day he got in Italy. He bathed out-of-doors in Italy which described as much warmer than in America.

"All of us Americans should be very proud that we are living in America," he commented. His squadron was entertained by the British fighters' group, he added.

The Smith's son, Sgt. Guy W. Smith, who has been stationed in Africa for several months, has returned to this country. The special officer phoned his family here last Tuesday. He arrived home this week.

Another son, Sgt. Howard Smith is enroute overseas, the family believes.

Pvt. Moses Clinton Home on Furlough

Pvt. Moses Clinton is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Alice Clinton, 506 S. E. 12th. He is stationed at Greenwood, Miss.

Travis Bailey Promoted to First Class Seaman

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Bailey, Sr., 825 10th, received word from their son, Travis, that he has been promoted from 2nd class seaman to 1st class seaman. He wrote his wife Mrs. Lorraine Bailey, 1611 E. 18th that his crew christened the U. S. S. Solomon in November and that each of them have their names on a plan of the ship. Seaman 1st Class Travis Bailey is stationed at Norfolk, Va.

Pvt. McGregory Back from South Pacific

Pvt. Willie McGregory, who returned to the States recently from action over in the South Pacific, is down South Parkway with a big club and an S. P. armband on just any day now. We have met Sylvester Strothers who used to swim at the pool a lot. And we got a glimpse of Bob Parker "changing trains one morning. Bob played a lot of basketball for the Y stars.

in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. Lizzie McGregory. While in the islands the Iowan was a victim of the malaria fever.

Pfc. Paul Williams Home on Furlough

Pfc. Paul Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey L. Williams, 1106 121st street, is in the city on a furlough from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., where he is receiving training for the army air corps.

Eustace Ware, Radio Man in Coast Guard, Visits Here

Eustace Ware, radio man third class in the U. S. Coastguard, left the city Wednesday night, after a visit here with his wife, Mrs. Louise Ware, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Ware, 1137 School. He has been stationed in Atlantic City but is being transferred to Boston, Mass.

Iowan in England Wants Nephews to Have Dog

Writing to his sister, Mrs. Nadine Robinson Ware, Sgt. William E. Robinson, stationed in England, wrote a few lines "thinking about you and the twins. "I had been saving some money for you and the twins because I didn't get them a Christmas present and they sent me one. I am sending you fifty dollars because I want you to get them a dog—something I always liked and never had any luck," he wrote.

MARINE SERGEANT JOHNSON HONORED

Sgt. Charles C. Johnson, home on a leave from the U. S. Marine Corps at New River, N. C., for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Johnson before his departure for overseas next month, was honored here at breakfast last Thursday morning by Mr. and Mrs. George Mason. Others sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Houston, the C. C. Johnson family, Rev. James P. Johnson.

Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson hon-

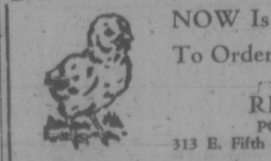
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CHAPLAIN THOMPSON

Rev. Ernest E. Thompson, Baptist minister, was among the sixteen Negro candidates of the 230 men of the 20th class of the United States Army Chaplain's school, Harvard university, Cambridge, Mass., to graduate, in exercises held on Feb. 9. He was one of the four chaplains who was assigned to duty with the 92nd Infantry Division, Leesville, La.

The Rev. Mr. Thompson who had resided for several years in Des Moines where he attended Drake University's theology school, has served as former pastor and assistant pastor of the Maple Street Baptist church here.

Chaplain Thompson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson of Lawrence, Kas. He was an active member of the Crocker Street Y.W. C.A. and the Cosmopolitan club.

ored their son at a farewell luncheon at their home at 1176 Thirteenth street. A three course luncheon was served. Table decorations carried out a color scheme of pink, green and gold.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. Eustace Ware, Pfc. Paul Williams and his mother, Mrs. Ethel Williams, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Houston and Joe Howard.

Following the luncheon Mrs. Johnson and Sgt. Johnson and Mrs. Williams and Pfc. Williams attended one of the theaters.

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