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News Briefs  
From Far and Near.

## DR. WOOLBERT TO DISCUSS AFRICA'S RESOURCES AT FORUM

Dr. Robert Gale Woolbert, professor of history at the University of Denver, will discuss "Africa—Resources and Responsibilities" at the Des Moines Public Forum on Tuesday, March 14. The meeting was originally announced for Thursday, March 16, but has been moved up to the Tuesday date. The forum will begin at 8 p. m. It will be held at either the Roosevelt high auditorium or the Shrine auditorium, the exact location to be announced later.

## NEW CLUB TO HONOR NEGRO WORKMEN

Philadelphia (NIPS)—The formation of a national honor club, which will recognize "contributions made by Negro workmen to industrial organizations," has been announced by the Association for Negroes in American Industry, through its national offices, here. The new unit, first of its kind in the United States, will include both men and women, the announcement said.

With approximately 5,000 "charter members" to be selected by the officials of 125 major industries, the club will receive additional names each year "upon recommendation of executives for excellent service records." Members chosen after the closing of the charter ranks, the statement said, will have to have had "ten years of outstanding service."

## DENY REHEARING TO LYNCH SHERIFF

New Orleans (ANP)—Sheriff M. Claude Serews of Baker county, Ga., and two others convicted with him on charges of violating the civil liberties statutes in connection with the lynching of Robert Hall, a prisoner, have been denied by a rehearing by the Fifth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Screws, Special Deputy Jim Ben Kelley and Frank Edward Jones, former Newton, Ga., policeman, were convicted on the Middle George District court on charges of fatally beating Hall, Newton garage worker, who had been arrested in connection with theft of an automobile tire.

District Judge Bascom Deaver sentenced each man to serve three years' imprisonment and to pay fines of \$1,000. The appellate court upheld the sentence.

## LIBERIAN VOCATIONAL INSTITUTION TRUSTEES MEET

New York (ANP)—Trustees of the Booker Washington Agricultural and Industrial institute located at Kakata, Liberia, meeting Wednesday at 101 Park avenue here, heard reports of steady progress in the work of the school, a vocational institution designed primarily to teach trades and give a practical education to the children of Liberian tribes in the interior of that country.

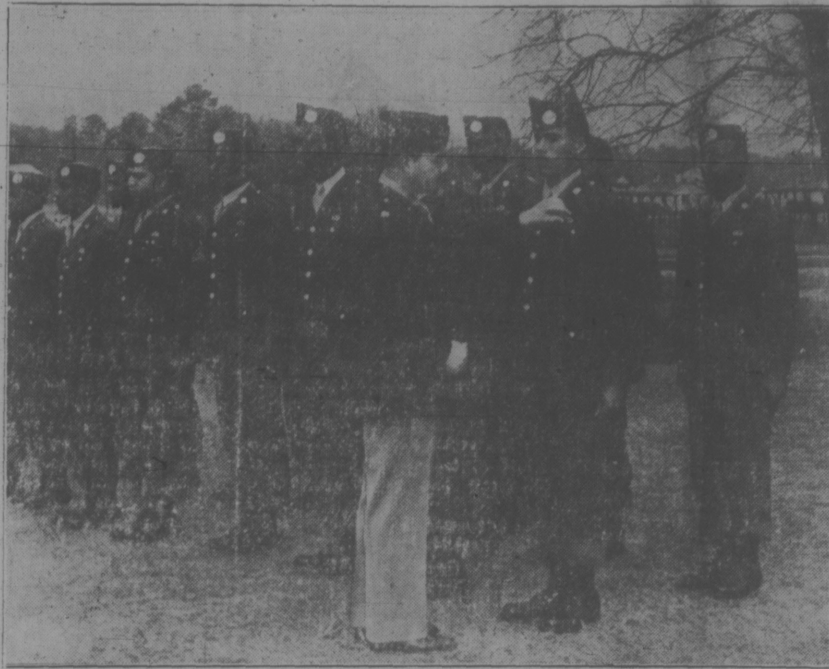
Considerable satisfaction was expressed over the report given by Dr. Jackson Davis of the General Education board, chairman of the trustee group and Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, secretary, that the division of cultural relations of the U. S. Department of State had made a grant of \$15,500 which is being used to improve and increase the physical plant of the school, to provide needed new buildings, and to equip shops, class rooms and dispensary. The Firestone Rubber company, a supporter of the institution, has given technical guidance and skilled assistance in the planning and erection of the building through the staff of its rubber plantation in that country.

## Rev. Kinard in Farewell Sermon

The Rev. L. R. Kinard, former pastor of Kyles A. M. E. Zion church, will preach his last sermon in the city before leaving on March 15 for the west coast, Sunday, March 12, at the Brown's Chapel A. M. E. Zion church, 1448 Walker avenue.

The revival continues at the church. The meetings are open to the public. The Rev. A. M. Mitchell is pastor of Brown's Chapel.

# Navigators Balk General's 'Policy'



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PARACHUTE WINGS are pinned on the first Negro paratroopers to graduate from the Parachute School, Fort Benning, Georgia, by Captain William V. Johnson. These airborne troops, first in the United States Army, are members of the 555th Parachute Infantry Company. Sergeant Roger S. Waiden, of Detroit, Michigan, is the paratrooper receiving his wings from Captain Johnson. (Photo by U. S. Army Signal Corps.)



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FIRST MEMBER OF THE NINETY-NINTH Fighter Squadron to win the Purple Heart, First Lieutenant Thomas N. Malone, of Detroit, Michigan, is pictured here with Mrs. Malone during a recent visit to the Tuskegee Army Air Field, Alabama. First Lieutenant Malone had a truck blown out from under him by a land mine in Italy. (Photo by AAF Training Command.)

## 'Lasting Peace' to Include All Mankind Says Harrison

"Tragic as it is—if it takes a world war like this to bring the human family to the sense of brotherhood, then it is well that this war came," spoke Judge William Harrison of Chicago, nationally known orator, lawyer and religious worker, to capacity audience last Sunday afternoon at the Men's Day civic program of the Maple Street Baptist church.

"Some people—you can't teach with soft words. Some you can't teach at all unless you knock them down," he declared adding that "this war is not going to close until men come to the sense of neighborliness and brotherliness."

"A lasting peace cannot be written until men recognize the fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man," he continued as he traced back through civilizations—governments that made might and force, their constitution, those that came along with subjection and domination, with racial and national prejudices and hatreds.

Into Man's Blood Stream  
"All of that wrong-doing got into

## Negro Red Cross Workers Total 150 In War Theatres

Backing up America's fighting men, approximately 150 Negro volunteers are serving as Red Cross workers in major theaters of war, in Red Cross clubs in overseas leave areas and in Army camps and hospitals in the United States.

In the South Pacific, the British Isles and North Africa, at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and the Army Flying School at Tuskegee, they shoulder the burdens of soldiers away from home and helpless to cope with family difficulties.

Red Cross clubs frequented by Negro servicemen are staffed by people of their own race but are open to all servicemen, as are all Red Cross clubs. From the Indo-China and Burma theater, where the Karachi Club brings a "touch of home," to the men on duty there; to the South Pacific, where the Red Cross club Papau flourishes in the New Guinea jungles, the Red Cross flag has been carried by these workers. Largest of the clubs in Great Britain are the Great George Street Club in Bristol and the Dutchess Street Club in London.

To keep pace with the unprecedented expansion of the armed forces the American Red Cross War Fund drive closes March 10. The national quota is \$200,000,000, the minimum necessary to help the Red Cross keep pace with the expanding needs of our armed forces.

The Polk county quota is \$406,000. This year's quota is almost double 1943's quota of \$216,000. The cash need of the Red Cross today is twenty times greater than ever before.

"I believe a public official should have no side line to distract his attention from the job to which taxpayers elect him. I am free from any sidelines."

## INTERIOR DESIGNER TO ADDRESS CLUB

Miss Helen Wilmore who is an interior designer, will speak on "Walls and Floor Coverings" to members of the Dilletante club, Tuesday night, March 14, at the home of Mrs. James Claybrooks, 228 E. Thirteenth street.

"All of us want a just and lasting peace—but Jehovah has got to make the crowd over," the speaker continued as he turned his hopes towards the "mighty present"—the day for the "church and righteousness."

"A lasting peace cannot be written that leaves out any of God's children," Judge Harrison concluded.

## Nurse's Aid to Be Capped Sunday

Mrs. Nadine Robinson Ware, 106 Enos street, will be one of the nine nurse's aides to be capped Sunday afternoon, March 12, at 3:30 p. m. at the Y.W.C.A., Ninth and High streets.

Certificates will be presented by H. G. Cooper, chairman of the Polk County Red Cross.

She is the only Negro student in this class of Nurse's aides which is sponsored by the Polk County chapter of the Red Cross. Two Negro students were capped in the January class. They were Misses Evelyn Greene and Geneva Morrow.

The volunteer nurse's aide corps is open to all women between the ages of 18 and 50. Application blanks may be received at the Red Cross office, Polk County chapter, 321 Flynn building.

## DR. BOUSFIELD BECOMES COLONEL

Fl. Huachuca, Ariz. (ANP)—The promotion of Lt. Col. M. O. Bousfield, who has served as head of the army hospital staff here, to colonel on Feb. 22, was announced this week along with the announcement of the promotion of Dr. De Haven Hinkson of Philadelphia to the rank of lieutenant colonel by the army medical corps.

Col. Bousfield, a former member of the Chicago board of education and one of the country's outstanding physicians, becomes the first of his race to be a full colonel in the army's medical corps.

According to reports, early promotions are expected for Drs. Thatcher and Giles.

## Wins Soloist Honor



## DONNA M. WASHINGTON

Miss Donna Marie Washington, piano student at Drake university, was selected by Gunnar Johansen, Danish-born pianist, as one of the soloists to appear in the final concert of the Drake Civic Symphony orchestra, Sunday, May 9.

Her selection and those of vocal and string soloists were made after Johansen had heard 29 students compete in the annual young artists audition Monday at Drake university. She was the only Negro student in the competition.

Miss Washington, a junior in the university, was praised by Johansen for her "sheer musical sensibility." Shirley Jenkins, white, Omaha, Nebr., also a junior, received honorable mention in the piano section. Both are students of Prof. Paul Stoye.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Washington of Beatrice, Nebr., Miss Washington is a product of the Beatrice public schools. Studying the piano since her early childhood days Miss Washington has given recitals in her home town.

A member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, the Paul Stoye club of Drake, she is one of the active junior service hostesses of the Keeway USO.

Miss Washington resides here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Evans, 1108 Seventeenth street.

## MRS. BREWER IMPROVING

Mrs. Ruth Brewer, 1060 14th street, underwent an operation last week at Mercy hospital. She is reported improving.

## Tell How Cadets Refused To Be Segregated; Class Set Precedent at Field

Washington (ANP)—The story of how the first Negro navigator cadets coped with a "Jim-crow" policy instituted by an army air force ranking officer during the course of a field trip is going the rounds here and is winning admiration for the class and those which have followed. The men are now stationed at Selfridge Field, Mich., where they comprise the 447th Bombardment group.

Late last fall the war department authorized and activated a group for training preliminary to the establishment of a Negro bombing outfit. The first class was sent to Mather field where, according to the best knowledge, they were permitted to mingle and eat with their white comrades all with the approval of the white commanding officer of the post.

During the training period, Maj. Gen. Ouzzons of the army air force inspector-general's staff visited the base and observed the democratic practice. He immediately ordered that the Negro fliers be segregated from the white fliers. So the story goes, the commanding officer called the boys together and broke the news.

## Leader Speaks

The leader of the group, representing some 20 men, inquired whether they were being "ordered" to eat in a segregated mess to which the reply was no. Told this, the group through

their spokesman informed the commander that rather than submit to this practice they would eat elsewhere. Further, he explained, so determined were he and his comrades to fly the B-25s for which they were in training that if they were compelled to sleep in tents pitched in the middle of a dust road they would stick to it.

The men began taking their meals at the post exchange. Hearing of the incident, the management of the exchange congratulated them for their courage, and the white girl attendants themselves told the boys that whereas the exchange did not open until an hour after they were required to report for duty, that they would gladly see that they got warm meals before going to class.

On Christmas day the girls agreed among themselves to see that the Negro cadets got a real meal even though the exchange was officially closed. Again the leader of the group spoke up and is reported to have said: "We're appreciative more than you know, but if we have to go to go without eating, Christmas day is as good a time as any to do it."

The fourth class of navigator cadets is now at Mather Field. The policy is still the same, but not yet have any of these Negro cadets broken the precedent set by the first class.

## Mrs. Bethune Slated As Bob Weaver's Successor

Washington (ANP)—Paul V. McNutt, War Manpower commission chairman, is going to pay off a political debt to a fellow Indian by naming him to fill the post of chief of the minority group section, formerly held by Dr. Robert C. Weaver. And unless his plans miscarry, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune will be named his "assistant" as a sop to Negroes who feel that a Negro ought to fill the top job.

McNutt admitted to the Associated Negro Press last Tuesday that while he has been checking "several people," the officer of "the second spot" had been made to Mrs. Bethune and that "she indicated she would accept." Asked about the possible appointment of a man from his own state McNutt said "it might be," and added "stranger things have happened." He declared flatly that he was not considering anybody in the organization now. The reference was taken to mean Clarence Johnson whose efforts on the west coast have been rated as one of the shining spots in the entire fight on discrimination in industry.

## Has Changed Mind

The manpower chairman acknowledged that Mrs. Bethune had told him once before that she was through with government. He commented that "apparently she has changed her mind."

Mrs. Bethune insists that she gave no such indication of acceptance to McNutt. She confirmed the offer of a job but said that McNutt was unable to tell her the name of the person under whom she would work, or the specific nature of the work to be done. All she says she was told is that the work had to do with race relations.

From reliable sources it is learned that considerable pressure is being put upon the president of the National Council of Negro Women who only

two months ago terminated her government work when the National Youth administration folded. Since then she has been devoting her full time to the development of the council. In addition, she has not been well lately.

Friends close to Mrs. Bethune have been advising her against acceptance of the post, pointing out that WMC



## MRS. BETHUNE

has no real intentions of doing a job in the employment field, and that her hands would be tied just as were those of Dr. Weaver.

## To Dedicate Flag At Mt. Olive

The Mt. Olive Baptist church will dedicate its first service flag, Sunday evening, March 12, at 8 o'clock. Chaplain D. K. Reddick will be the guest speaker. The following groups will appear on the program: the Lincoln Post No. 126 of the American Legion, the Women's Auxiliary of the Lincoln Post, the Girl Scout troop and the Boy Scout troop. Other numbers on the program will be Mrs. Festus Stone, solo, Henrietta McDonald, solo, Mrs. Katherine McFarland, reading, and Katherine Ann Bailey, solo. There will be twenty-one stars on the flag.

## WCTU TO MEET MARCH 14

The W.C.T.U. will meet with Mrs. Emma Evans, 1086 14th street, Tuesday, March 14, at 2 p. m. Bible lesson will be conducted by Mrs. Maude Thompson. Mrs. Halle M. Tutt is president.



# ARMY NURSE CORPS



2nd LT. ROSE L. ELLIOTT  
Morton, Pa.



2nd LT. LOUISE V. LOMAX  
Nottoway, Va.



2nd LT. IRMA R. C. DRYDEN  
Belleville, N. J.



1st LT. SUSAN E. FREEMAN  
Stratford, Conn.



2nd LT. HAZEL P. REID  
San Diego, Cal.



2nd LT. P. R. CHAMBERS  
Hickory, N. C.



2nd LT. MATTIE L. AIKENS  
Macon, Ga.



1st LT. AGNES B. GLASS  
Meridian, Miss.



2nd LT. LOLLIE Z. MARSHALL  
Navasota, Texas



2nd LT. LOUISE MILLER  
New York, N. Y.



2nd LT. NAOMI BELL  
Sandersville, Ga.



2nd LT. ETHEL C. JOHNSON  
Setauket, N. Y.



2nd LT. BESSIE O. HART  
Steelton, Pa.



2nd LT. INEZ E. HOLMES  
Norfolk, Va.



2nd LT. BERNICE R. BRITTON  
Clover, Va.



2nd LT. ROSEMAE G. GLOVER  
Dayton, Ohio

### THE NURSE'S CREED

"... I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care."

"... I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter. So Help Me God."  
*(From the Regular Army Oath taken by all Army Nurses upon entering the service.)*

**N**EGRO Army nurses are doing their share of the work leading to victory, both at home and abroad. In the continental United States, they are presently stationed at Fort Clark, and Camp Howe, Texas; Fort Huachuca, Arizona; Tuskegee Army Air Field, Alabama; Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and Camp Livingston, Louisiana.

The first contingent of 29 Negro Army nurses to go overseas found its way to Liberia, in West Africa, in February, 1943. This group was headed by First Lieutenant Susan E. Freeman of Stratford, Connecticut, who is the second Negro nurse to enter the Army Nurse Corps. A graduate of Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C., Lieutenant Freeman did volunteer work in 1937 at Louisville, Kentucky, during the time of the Ohio and Mississippi river floods. She has served as principal chief nurse of Station Hospital No. 1, Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

To the Southwest Pacific area in November, 1943, went the first group of 15 Negro Army nurses, headed by First Lieutenant Birdie E. Brown of New York City, New York. Lieutenant Brown was formerly personnel and assistant building supervisor at New York's Harlem Hospital.

**N**URSING in the Army includes the care, not only of officers and enlisted men, but their families and other patients entitled to admission to Army hospitals. Army nurses are assigned to evacuation planes and trains, to transport and other Army ships carrying wounded. They care for the injured abroad in mobile station hospitals, in evacuation hospitals, station and general hospitals, and nurse sick and wounded soldiers in all Army hospitals at home.

Army nurses may receive citations and awards for bravery under fire and meritorious service. Opportunities for promotion in rank, up to and including the rank of lieutenant colonel, await intelligent nurses who exhibit executive ability, judgment and tact.

Appointments in the Army Nurse Corps are made by The Surgeon General with the approval of the Secretary of War, through nine service commands, the Army Air Forces, and overseas departments.



Left to right: 2nd Lieuts. Maria W. D. August, Atlanta, Georgia; Rosemary Vincent, Detroit, Michigan, and Susan E. Harris, Rochester, Pennsylvania.



Left to right: 2nd Lieuts. Geneva Calpepper, Wadley, Alabama; Elenore Jones, Rahway, New Jersey, and Inez Holmes, Norfolk, Virginia.



Left to right: 2nd Lieuts. Beulah Baldwin, Cleveland, Ohio; Alberta S. Smith, Kansas City, Missouri, and Joan L. Hamilton, Kansas City, Missouri.



Left to right: 2nd Lieuts. Olive Bishop, Hampton, Va.; Margaret Ann Key, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mary Wilburne, Nathalie, Va.; Daisy Evans, Wilmington, Del.; Eva Wheeler, River Forest, Ill.; Elena Townsend-Gleason, Glen Cove, N. Y., and Ollie Lucas, Mendville, Pa.



2nd LT. VELMA P. OWENS  
Indianapolis, Ind.



2nd LT. OLIVE BISHOP  
Hampton, Va.



2nd LT. LILLIE L. EMORY  
Knoxville, Tenn.



1st LT. BIRDIE E. BROWN  
New York, N. Y.



1st LT. JOSEPHINE CHERRY  
Lisbon, Ohio



2nd LT. JESSIE M. EADS  
Plaquemine, La.



2nd LT. SARAH E. JOHNSON  
Greensboro, N. C.



1st LT. MARY LOUISE PETTY  
Chicago, Ill.



2nd LT. RACHEL HOWARD  
Richmond, Va.



2nd LT. DOROTHY BRANKER  
Nashville, Tenn.



2nd LT. ASLAM A. SHEPARD  
Galveston, Texas



2nd LT. DORIS Y. EVANS  
Winston-Salem, N. C.



2nd LT. ALICE P. BINFORD  
Irwin, Va.



2nd LT. VALMA M. BROWN  
St. Louis, Mo.



2nd LT. LUCIA A. RAPLEY  
Washington, D. C.



2nd LT. ANNIE JEFFERSON  
Richmond, Va.

SILVERTONE QUARTET SINGS IN PERSHING The Silvertone quartet sang at Pershing, Iowa, Sunday, March 5. The members of the quartet are Messrs. Willie B. Scott, first tenor; George Johnson, second tenor; Clarence Weston, first base, and Johnnie S. Scott, second base. Clarence Weston, the director.

PENTECOSTAL MISSION MOVES The Pentecostal Open Door Mission, Elder W. H. Spivie, pastor, has moved from 728 S. E. 14th Court, to its new location at 1818 Easton Blvd. and will hold opening services on Sunday, March 19, 3 p. m.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS By OPAL JACO Women's Day will be Sunday, March 19. Mrs. Opal Jaco is general chairman. The Ladies Chorus will present a sacred program Sunday night, March 12, 7:30 o'clock.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS WITH MRS. IVA LIGON The Elizabeth Tolliver missionary society of the Bethel A. M. E. church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Iva Ligon, 2831 Des Moines, Tuesday, March 7. Mrs. Hallie Tutt was the guest speaker.

Mrs. G. T. Fant, president, Rev. W. F. Ogleton, pastor.

IOWANS ATTEND FUNERAL OF OHIOAN Messrs. Joseph Wilson, 1625 Buchanan street, and Charles Smith, 254-E. 38th street, returned to the city recently from Cleveland, Ohio, where they were called on Jan. 20 to the funeral of their sister and wife, Mrs. Mattie Smith, who died there on Jan. 20.

Funeral services were held there on Jan. 20. Mrs. Smith had lived in Cleveland a number of years and was a Republican committeewoman in her precinct. She was a member of the Second Mt. Olive Baptist church.

Surviving are her husband brother, Joseph Wilson, are three brothers, George and Roy Wilson; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Joshay and Mrs. Bessie McGruder, two cousins, Thomas and Robert Wilson.

Mrs. Smith was buried in Highland Park cemetery. While in Cleveland Messrs. Wilson and Smith were extended many courtesies including luncheons, while the guests of Mr. Wilson's sisters, Messdames Joshay and McGruder, Mrs. John Bell and Mrs. Olive Wiggins and Mrs. Duck.

Mr. Wilson and his sister, Mrs. Joshay met two cousins they had not seen for years, Messrs. Tom and Robert Wilson, who entertained their uncle and aunt at sight-seeing trip, and other social engagements.

Gail Moore Completes Gunner's Mate Course Great Lakes, Illinois — Among those graduating from an intensive course of Gunner's mate training at recent Service School exercises here was Gail Reson Moore, 19, son of Mrs. Thelma Martin, 1225 Iowa St., Davenport, Iowa.

This Bluejacket was selected for his specialized training on the basis of his recruit training aptitude test scores.

CANDIDATES

T. HARRY VICKERS, YOUR PRESENT FINANCE COMMISSIONER

T. Harry Vicker was born in Des Moines, Iowa, 51 years ago, February 15th last and resides with his wife and two sons, 15 and 17 years of age, in their home at 1123 E. 13th street. He has had a business college education and studied law for two years and is very familiar with the procedure of law enforcement and has efficiently handled most every type of legal document known to the profession.

In 1917 and 1918 he was in the service of the first world war. From February, 1914 to 1932 he was associated with the motion picture industry. From 1933 to 1939, inclusive, he served as Chief Deputy Sheriff of Polk county, Iowa, and was in charge of forty-four deputy sheriffs, jailers, and bailiffs, both in the criminal and civil divisions. In 1939 he was appointed Commissioner of the Iowa State Motor Vehicle Department, had jurisdiction over two hundred and eighty-seven employees, had charge of the Iowa State Highway Patrol, the Drivers License Department, the Index Department where all vehicles in the State of Iowa are registered and the licensing and registering of all new and used automobile dealers of the state. In 1940 he was selected to serve as Finance Commissioner. He has conscientiously endeavored to give the people of Des Moines a fair and impartial business administration during the past 4 years and has worked conscientiously for fair play without regard to race, creed or color.

During his administration he states: "I have issued no bonds in the past four years. Our bond debt has been reduced to as of January 31, 1944 to \$7,694,087, this figure includes both city and water works bond. On April 1, 1940 when Mr. Vickers first took office the city was over the legal limit of indebtedness, \$2,058,914. He reports that as of January 31, 1944, the city was under its legal limit of indebtedness \$2,062,290."

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.)

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Geneva Moore, 1650 Buchanan wishes to thank the many friends and neighbors who extended kindness, courtesies and sympathies at the death of her husband, William R. Moore. She especially thanks Elder W. D. Smith, her pastor, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister for his kind remarks and Elder George W. Ward. Signed, Mrs. Geneva Moore

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their many kindnesses, courtesies, sympathies and floral offerings extended us at the death of our beloved sister and wife, Mrs. Mattie Smith. We thank the Rev. C. H. Caslin for his kind remarks. Signed by Mr. Joseph Wilson and members of the family.

LINCOLN POST

By WM. T. BURNS U. S. Documents, 78th Congress, 1944, are in the hands of the Post Adjutant. The documents contain all rights and benefits of veterans of World War No. 2.

The national adjutant requests that the Post membership brought to a point where at least fifteen percent of the members are of World War No. 2. Since Pearl Harbor, 1,500,000 men have been discharged. A few blanks for mustering-out pay are in the adjutant's hands. Please get them to those comrades of 1943 who have not renewed for 1944.

On March 12, 8 p. m., Lincoln Post and Unit along with other organizations will take part in the service flag services at the Mount Olive Baptist church.

The Polk County American Legion Association will meet at Balwin Patterson Post March 21 and on that date Lincoln Post will observe the 26th birthday of the American Legion. There will be speakers on the safety program, the birthday and growth of the American Legion.

The mandates of the American Legion, August 8, 1943, was: "all public Legion programs relating to veterans of World War No. 2—shall be under the sponsorship of the American Legion World No. 2 Lincoln Committee of the local posts activities under date of August 1943, Jan. 1944 and Feb. 1944. For further details on the above item call W. T. Burns, Post-Adjutant—4-2946.

MAYOR JOHN MACVICAR ENTERS PRIMARIES

John MacVicar, mayor of Des Moines, will seek renomination as a candidate for mayor in the city primary election March 14. MacVicar has been very active in formulating a program of post war work for Des Moines that will guarantee work for every man returning from service. MacVicar was singled out for the community service award in January, 1940, only a few weeks before he completed his term as streets commissioner.

This award was the first time in the history of the community service



awards that a man in public office had been so honored.

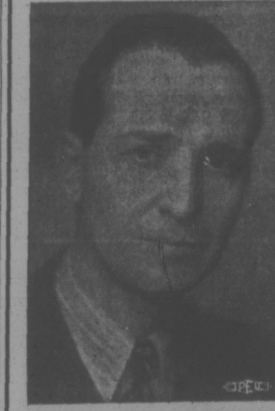
As streets commissioner, Mr. MacVicar directed the planning and work on a number of major improvements in Des Moines, through the cooperation of the federal government work relief programs.

Elected Mayor of Des Moines in 1942, MacVicar has played an important role in building a greater Iowa and greater Des Moines. He has helped mightily in getting the city for its greatest war-effort in history.

"John" comes from an old and respected family. His father was a leader in civic and political life here for a good many years.

PLAN TO ATTEND AT THE MONARCH MINSTRELS MARCH 20, 1944 HOYT SHERMAN PLACE

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"Equality For All" RE-ELECT

T. Harry Vicker FINANCE COMMISSIONER "Remember The Name"

(Political Advertising)



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MASSEY SEEKS SUPPORT

Walter J. Massey has been a resident of Des Moines for 37 years except for the period he served in the army during World War I. Mr. and Mrs. Massey own their own home at 2727 49th street. Their son Jack is now in the Navy aboard a United States warship in the South Pacific—their daughter Roanona is a Des Moines high school student. Mr. Massey is an active member of the Argonne Post of the American Legion, the Immanuel Methodist church, Masonic Lodge, Shrine, Elks, Kiwanis and several other fraternal and civic organizations.

Mr. Massey has been chosen by an impartial group composed of business, labor, religious, fraternal and civic organizations who are actively supporting his candidacy for Superintendent of Public Safety—a very important office at this time.

Remember, the future belongs to those who prepare for it—and may God forbid that we be caught unprepared for peace, as we were for war.

I have refused to make any promise whatsoever for the appointment of a Chief of Police or any other promotion connected with the safety department—nor will I do so, until elected, said Massey. Massey said, I believe in employing a full time health director and in establishing a joint city and county Health Unit and Inspection System. I believe in a fair and square deal for all our people all of the time without discrimination.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY

LANEY WOODS, Plaintiff vs. MARY MARIE WOODS, Defendant. You are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled case is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bond of matrimony on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. For further particulars see petition. You are hereby notified to appear in the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in Des Moines, Iowa, on or before April 21st, 1944, and unless you so appear your default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered as asked for in plaintiff's petition. GERTRUDE E. RUSH, Attorney for Plaintiff, 220 Walnut St., Des Moines, Ia. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander March 2, 9 and 16, 1944.

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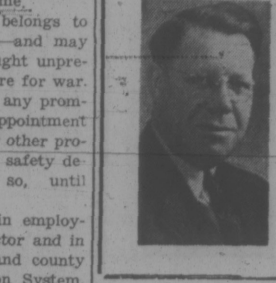
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY

ESTELLA HOLT, Plaintiff vs. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HOLT, Defendant. To Benjamin Franklin Holt: You are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled case is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bond of matrimony on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. For further particulars see petition. You are hereby notified to appear in the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in Des Moines, Iowa, on or before the 21st day of April, 1944, and unless you so appear your default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered as asked for in plaintiff's petition. GERTRUDE E. RUSH, Attorney for Plaintiff, 220 Walnut St., Des Moines, Ia. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander March 2, 9 and 16, 1944.

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### ENTERTAIN FOR PFC. JEFFERS HOME FROM PORT BELVOIR, VA.

Thomas Jeffers, stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va., is spending a 12-day furlough here with his wife, Mrs. Ethel Jeffers, 1023 Thirteenth street, and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffers entertained a group of friends Sunday night at their home honoring their birthdays which fell on March 5 and 7.

Guests attending the party were: Mr. and Mrs. John Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Lloya Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spang, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. Paris Skanes, Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, Mrs. Alice Rick, Mrs. Bernice Wilkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jeffers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson entertained Pfc. and Mrs. Jeffers at a chili supper Saturday night following the Katherine Dunham show.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman honored the couple at a breakfast Sunday morning.

### HARRY JOHNSONS ENTERTAIN TWO FROM CHICAGO

Miss Delores Chambers, stenographer in the treasurer's office on East Chicago, Ind., and Mrs. Edna E. Brame, of Chicago, arrived in the city last Friday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, 932 Sixteenth street. Miss Chambers spent the week end and Mrs. Brame remained here for a week's visit with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Johnson.

### MRS. OTIS JAMES RETURNS FROM WEST COAST

Mrs. Otis James, 1169 14th, has returned home from an extensive visit on the west coast, where she spent an enjoyable stay with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Morrow, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. James visited numerous points of interest, being a movie fan, she had the pleasure of visiting in some of the movie star's homes. She also met a host of long-standing friends now residing in California.

The Iowa was graciously entertained by the family of the late Dr. Griffith, former pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church, Des Moines, also enjoyed many evenings in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Harris, formerly of Des Moines.

Mrs. James was welcomed home by her husband, mother, brothers and sisters after spending three months of the winter on the west coast.

### MR. MARSH HOUSTON HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. C. C. Johnson and Mrs. M. S. Houston honored their son and husband, Mr. Marsh S. Houston, at a surprise birthday party, Sunday, March 5, at their home at 1176 Walnut street. He received many gifts.

Sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. William Ware, Misses Dorothy Danforth, Mary Lou Taylor, Donna Marie Washington, Lucy Davis, Billie Jean Davies, Marlene Davis, Clara Webb, Mattie Burke, Thyrta Verle and Vega Saloni Johnson; Mesdames Hester Rich, Louise Ware, John Danforth, Jr.; Sgt. Madeline Hudgins, Pvt. Evelyn Dumas, Mrs. Helen Simpson of Sioux City; Lt. Luther Glanton of Ft. Custer, Mich.; Pvt. Roscoe Shelton and Ralph Weeks of Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Mr. Louis Brown.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR SCOTT TWINS

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Scott, 91 S. E. 11th, entertained their twins, George and Georgia, on their fourteenth birthday.

Guests present were Misses Odessa Grey, Mary Evans, Barbara Thompson, Deloris Bumpus, Viola Robinson, Myrtle Robinson and Frances Scott Lee Roy Cunningham, Claude Bumpus, Moody Wheeler, Adolphus Edwards, Bobby Frons, Willard Thomas, Stanley McDonald, Harry Payne, Wilbert Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Coibert. Many gifts were received by the honorees.

### MISS STEADHAM SINGS AT PARTY

Miss Mildred Steadham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Lara, 711 S. E. 28th, sang "Danny Boy" for a club party, at the Odd Fellows hall, Sunday, February 27.

### MRS. OSCARS AND SON VISIT HERE

Mrs. Myrtle Oscars and son, Freddie Oscars, of Sioux City, were week-end guests of Pfc. and Mrs. Thomas Jeffers.

### WINS CONTEST



**MISS ANNA JACKSON**  
Miss Anna Jackson, daughter of Mrs. Phyllis Jackson, 1174 2nd St. Place, was the winner of the popularity contest given by the Willing Workers Club of the Kyles A. M. E. Zion church. The twenty-seven day contest ended Tuesday night, February 29. The second place winners were: Misses Jean Marie Payten and Wanda Simmons. Third, Miss Ruby Turner. Each contestant received an award for their efforts. Those who appeared on the program were Mesdames Katherine McFarland, reading, Louise Brown, solo, Ethel Volineer, and Westella Tywater, duet. Mr. Oscar Peavy, solo, Alta and Marva Keys, solos and numbers from the Silver Tone Quartette of West Des Moines.



### PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

The fifty or more Sioux Falls, South Dakota, soldiers who had such a "pleasant week end"—and "hated" the thoughts of having to leave Des Moines and Wacville—on Monday night when their sergeant, Gilbert Collins barked for them to "fall in" the trucks—found themselves snow-bound in Iowa until the midweek.

Monday night when Old Man March put on one of its worst blizzards of the winter—the soldiers piled into the five trucks and pulled out from the USO about 10:30 that night. Six soldiers, travelling "deluxe" in their heated motor car, trailed the convoy. Not until they reached the outskirts of Des Moines did the men turn into a blinding blizzard, ice and deep snowdrifts, that caused them to turn back to Des Moines until high-way conditions could be cleared.

Though broke, many of the soldiers were not downhearted when the convoy reached the USO early Tuesday morning. They thawed out, cleaned up, put on skull-caps and started the telephone wires burning and buzzing between the USO and Boomtown.

Mess Sergeant Edward Smith got his cooks, Pvt. James Field, Milton Corbin and Julius Carter together and dished up some chow.

In the meantime the six soldiers who had been travelling "deluxe" showed up at the USO late Tuesday afternoon—all nearly frozen stiff. They had travelled 150 miles in the blizzard and then got stalled in one of the deep snowdrifts.

"In the blinding snow we could not see a foot ahead of us," Pvt. Clyde Williams related as the particles of ice fell from his clothing. "We had to do some tall praying—hoping that we would not run out of gas before we got back to Des Moines," he added.

Other frozen victims were Pvt. Raymond Shepardson, R. P. Robinson, Ed Brown, and Forest Hardy, and Sgt. Roy Lee Edwards.

After thawing out a bit—some of the boys waited to go out to the WAC fort—but the Louise had "frozen" the trucks to the USO. Taxis, which are scarce here during a sprinkle of rain, could not be seen; and, walking was out of the question.

The sergeant was very kind to his men on Monday evening. The convicts were scheduled to leave at 6 p. m. but the Louise could not be found. In the meantime WACs began to gather at the USO for a class graduation—so the sergeant—after being impressed by the "intelligent appearance" of the graduates—decided to give his men four more hours of grace.

"Under one condition," the sergeant informed—"that not a man leaves this building," and added, "anyone who leaves will never get back to Des Moines." So the men enjoyed the evening.

**Cpl. and Mrs. Fant Home from California**  
Cpl. and Mrs. Charles Fant and daughters, Evelyn and Marva Jean, are visiting their parents, Mrs. G. T. Fant, 1654 Maple street and Mrs. Mary Harris, 913 Grove. Mrs. Fant is living at Riverside, Calif., and Cpl. Fant is stationed at Marshfield, Cal.

**MISS DAYSE MURPHY VISITS IN K. C.**  
Miss Dayse Murphy, Blue Triangle Branch Y.W.C.A. secretary, spent the week end in Kansas City, Mo., visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Murphy.

**THE WESTONS ENTERTAIN**  
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Weston, 83 W. 9th, entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Scott at a tea, Sunday night, March 5.

**SPENDS WEEK END HERE**  
Pfc. Cecil Jeffers of Knoxville was in the city during the week end visiting his brother, Pfc. Thomas Jeffers.

**THE RUDDS OF CHICAGO VISIT RELATIVES**  
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lewis had as week end guests, Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Rudd, of Chicago. The Rudds visited Mrs. Rudd's mother, Mrs. Mary Bush, and her brothers, Mr. William Kiser and Mrs. Kiser, and Mr. Frank Kiser and Mrs. Kiser. They returned to their home on Tuesday.

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**Crittelli to Give Free Dance**  
Johnnie Crittelli, candidate will sponsor a free dance and refreshments at the Billiken hall, Monday evening, March 13 at 8 o'clock.

"Everything will be free," said Mr. Crittelli. "I simply want to greet and shake hands with my friends and meet all the people who are interested in electing a competent public official."

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### Keo-Way USO

**KEO-WAY USO**  
The Army got together Sunday at a Keo-Way USO Club indoor picnic staged at Isaac Walton Lodge. The WACs and soldiers of the 85th Aviation Squadron and the 929th Quartermaster Corp got acquainted thru informal games and an impromptu program. When the ice had been broken, popular numbers played on the juke box started the dancing. Two long queues of soldiers and WACs were served picnic plates. They sat around the big fire place and enjoyed the food while the snow covered the ground and the trucks.

The picnic broke up with a snow ball fight. Captain Carter held the record of the greatest number of crack shots, she was also most often used as a target. The Army decided as they left, "Let's do this more often."

Wednesday, March 1st Keo-Way entertained members of the Cookies and Bakers at a Bingo, Cigarette and Bingo party.

Thursday night, March 2, the Junior hostesses held an interesting and different meeting. Members of the group posed for pictures by the club photographer William Ashby and took pictures of each other. New members of the Junior service group are the Misses Madeline Joseph, and Maehern Crumb.

Soldiers will hold a meeting at the Keo-Way USO Friday night, March 10.

### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

By BESSYE L. GREENE  
March 21 will be the Community Service program. Mrs. Rose H. Johnson is chairman. The Fur Vest project is still on. Bring your fur pieces and turn them over to Mrs. Johnson. Silk carpet bags are needed to send to the hospital. Bring them to Mrs. F. T. Stone, rehabilitation chairman.

The Auxiliary is invited in a body to attend the dedication of a service flag at Mt. Olive Baptist church. Mrs. J. Evans Bailey has charge of the program.

### FLEUR DE LES CLUB MEETS

The La Fleur De Les club met, March 5, with Mrs. Selma Williams, 1719 Walker. Pokena prizes were won by Mesdames Nancy Jackson, Reba Green and Opal Logan. The next hostess will be Mrs. Dorothy Vaughn, 1150 2nd street place.

### SERVICE WOMEN TO MEET TUESDAY

The Service Women of America, Unit 200 will meet in a special session, Tuesday, March 14, at the Blue Triangle Y.W.C.A. There will be an election of officers and all members are asked to be present. President, Mrs. Margaret M. Patten.

**A SON TO ALEXANDERS**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. Alexander, 517 Racoon street, announce the birth of a seven-pound son, Brian, born March 1 at Iowa Lutheran hospital.

### 'AUNT STELLE' GETS BIRTHDAY SURPRISE FROM FOURTEEN NEICES

Mrs. Fred Allen, known as "Aunt Stelle" to her many relatives, was honored at a surprise birthday party Friday evening, Feb. 25, at her home, 1162 17th street, by fourteen of her neices.

When thirteen of her neices came in bringing lovely gifts, "Aunt Stelle" wondered if the "13" was her lucky number. While recovering from her surprise, the fourteenth neice arrived with a pair of gold four-leaf clover ear-rings, assuring her of a lucky night.

Mrs. Allen's mother, Mrs. Mollie Beverly, a sister, Mrs. Henry Wiest, and her husband, Mr. Allen, furnished the audiences as the neices made merry and enjoyed refreshments.

Mrs. Allen received other gifts from friends at Younkers store where she is employed. She also received a beautiful birthday cake from a friend whose birthday was on Feb. 24.

### THE FLOYD DIXONS HEAR FROM SONS

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dixon, 945 10th street, have received their first v-mail letter from their son, Sgt. Willy Dixon, since he left for overseas during the latter part of January. They also received word from their son, Louis B. Dixon, stationed at U. S. Naval Air Base, Hutchinson, Kan., that he has been promoted from steward's mate first class to steward's mate third class.

### THE J. A. CLAYBROOKS HAVE GUEST FROM TEXAS

Mrs. Harvey Claybrook who spent the past year in Texas with her husband, Tech, Sgt. Harvey Claybrook, was house guest the past week of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Claybrook, 223 E. 13th street, enroute to her home in Kansas City, Mo.

### BUSINESS-PROFESSIONAL WOMEN TO OBSERVE 17TH ANNIVERSARY

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#### BLUE TRIANGLE BRANCH

The Public Affairs committee will present a panel discussion on the subject "Negroes in the Post War World," at the second of a series of Town Hall meetings, Sunday, March 19, at 4:30 p. m. The public is invited to participate in the discussion.

This committee will hold its monthly meeting, March 16, 8 p. m. at the Branch. Mrs. Julia Proctor is chairman.

The Industrial Girls will hold the first of a series of "Charm Meetings" on March 10, 8 p. m. at the Branch. Mrs. Jessie Mae Phillips will lead the first series on the subject of "Care of the Hair, Hands and Feet."

Army Men's Wives club will meet March 15, 8 p. m.

The Membership Committee of the Branch will meet March 15, 8 p. m. at the Blue Triangle. Mrs. Dorris Wilson is chairman.

The Education Committee of the Branch will meet March 13, 7 p. m. Mrs. Edith Johnson is chairman.

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Ans.: You are right—there is a great demand for teachers now and it shouldn't be difficult at all for you to become located. Write to your State Board of Education, giving them your credentials and apply for your license. Your next step would be to write letters of application to the county school superintendents throughout the state.

X. M.—I have a very delicate problem confronting me at the present time. My daughter-in-law is staying out until 4 a. m. nearly every morning the week. I fear that there is another man or that there is drinking on her part. It will cause no trouble if this is so, as I just want to talk with her as a mother for her's is dead.

Ans.: Unsolicited advice is always unwelcome advice whether offered in a helpful spirit or not. Give her the benefit of the doubt and don't accuse her—perhaps unjustly—without proof. If you really want to help her, see that she has nice friends, and let her feel free to invite them to your home. I admit that it isn't becoming for a married woman to stay out all hours of the night or morning, but you can help her more through kindness and understanding while your son is away.

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# Negro Radio Technicians Go to Labor Battalions

New York, N. Y.—In line with Secretary Stimson's admission that the Army has a policy of converting Negro combat troops and technicians into service troops, is the revelation that a group of Negro radio operators and technicians was recently changed over into a labor battalion.

The information came to the ACP in a letter from a Negro sergeant.

The irony of the situation was heightened by the fact that German war prisoners stationed near these Negro troops are said by the sergeant to be receiving better treatment than United States Negro soldiers.

The letter declares: "When the division was shipped to ... we were left in Fort ... later we learned that we were coming to this camp to form a battalion. Since our troop was composed mostly of radio operators and radio technicians, we were reasonably certain that it would be an operations battalion because a construction battalion hasn't any place for communications men. Upon our arrival we find that we were going to be formed into a construction battalion after being merged with the ... F. A. All the training that the men in this battalion must learn something about climbing poles and digging holes. In other words, we are in a labor battalion with a glorified title. We aren't kicking because we have to climb poles and do some hard work, but we figure if we are qualified for a certain type of job we should get it if possible and I know the Army needs radiomen.

"A lot of us have asked for transfers, but all we run into is red-tape and that is when an enlisted man loses his case.

**Ask For Transfer**

"There is a trend in the Army, at the present, to transfer all the Negro soldiers from the Army Ground Forces and put them into the Army Service Forces no matter if they are qualified for other types of work.

"In this camp we are also forced to live in an area that should be condemned. All our sanitary facilities are outside and across the street in a poorly heated building. The barracks we live in are heated by two stoves, one at each end of the barracks.

"The reason the boys are so hot under the collar is due to the fact that there are German prisoners (here) and live better and are getting better treatment than we are getting at the present.

"We would appreciate it if you are able to look into the matter."

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rights of others as well as upholding a high moral code.

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President U. A. W., CIO local and a moulder at Wood Bros. Thrasher Co.

I believe in a fair deal to every one regardless of prestige on account of position or money, race, creed, or color. I shall do my best, if chosen as your Commissioner of Public Safety, to see that those securing licenses from city or state, be permitted to operate according to such licenses. However, I shall insist on them as well as others keeping within the law. I also believe in conforming to the law in making appointments and promotions.

There is much that can and should be done about Juvenile Delinquency. A curfew is not enough. The youth of today are the citizens of tomorrow. It is a reflection on any community to raise a bad crop.

With the aid of all concerned propose to find, and eliminate the cause of boys and girls getting off to a bad start. This will probably require a little adult education along certain lines—an ounce of prevention is worth 47 pounds of cure.

We have United Service Organizations all over the country to provide a wholesome place for our service

men and spend their leisure time. This step is in the right direction. Why shouldn't we have supervised centers in every community where each and every youngster could have themselves of a wholesome place to spend their leisure?

I should also as far as possible see that back alleys and out of the way places be kept cleared of rubbish and garbage. This is a measure of safety in preventing fires and protecting health.

The smoke nuisance in Des Moines, I am told, is the worst this side of Pittsburgh. If this could be controlled it would add to the cleanliness and beauty of our city. The cleaner we keep our city the more pride we can develop among ourselves to encourage clean living youngsters in our community.

**BURLINGTON, IA.**

By **MRS. ED WILLIAMS**

Burlington, Ia.—Monday, Feb. 28, the colorful Chicago Globe Trotters tangled with the Burlington Tommyhawks in a basketball game in Clark fieldhouse. The game was sponsored by the Burlington Y.M.C.A. and junior college. It was played in a packed house with the Globe Trotters winning on a score of 47 to 40.

Mrs. Howard D. Young, and her sister, Mrs. Victor Graves, were called to Memphis, Tenn. by the serious illness of their sister, Wednesday afternoon.

The Maggie Lee Circle of Union Baptist church will meet this week at the home of Mrs. Blanche Brown on Starr avenue.

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Feb. 22 the Burlington branch of the NAACP put on their membership drive at the Union Baptist church and Atty. M. E. Fields of Waterloo, the state president, was the guest speaker.

Rev. G. W. Robinson also gave the branch interesting remarks. Follow-

**PERRY, IA.**

Perry, Ia.—The Good Will club met at the home of Mrs. Horace Lewis, Monday evening with all members present. Following the opening, Chaplain Freely Garrison led the devotionals. Mrs. Cytus-Oscars, president, presided. Plans were discussed for good will work to be done by the members. A social hour followed with members busying themselves at needlecraft. Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Oscars.

**BURNS PLANS FOR EASTER CANTATA**

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VOTE IN THE CITY PRIMARIES

Tuesday, March 14, the citizens of Des Moines go to the polls to choose nominees for the city council, municipal judges, bailiff and clerk of the municipal court. The latter two places are unopposed and consequently there is little to be said. All candidates for judge will be nominated since but seven are in the field. However, we do have a lively race for the public safety post.

This has been a very quiet campaign. Few people cared to run or thought the jobs were not worth fighting for.

Under our form of city government, most jobs come under the civil service requiring the elected officers to make appointments from a list certified to them by the commissioners. In some instances, we have fared very well, in some the situation is miserable, even in departments where no examination is required.

However, there is time to discuss the miserable showings some of our councilmen have made; to discuss the fine job some have done.

We do, of course, want to remind all citizens that they should vote. It is a badge of good citizenship. Then, too, the only method of securing good men in office is to vote them in. It does no good to complain after incompetents get in office.

COMING TO A NEEDED REFORM

According to the daily press the United States office of education recommended Tuesday that white colleges in the south make their facilities available to Negro students to help develop leaders able to attack the difficult problems of the southern region.

It also suggested that state governments act now to provide equality of educational opportunity for Negroes on both the college and grade school level.

The suggestion is in line with the decision of the United States Supreme Court, which held that the states must provide equal educational facilities for Negroes. Most of them have done nothing to comply, even though Negroes are not admitted to their state universities.

Experience in the army has taught that some sections of the country were woefully backward in their educational standards and therefore sent an unproporionate number of illiterate or poorly developed draftees. Thus a larger proportion of men coming from these states was rejected or had to be discharged.

There are times when representatives of the south complain that the backwardness of their section is due to low educational standards of the Negro. But at the same time they fail to let it be known that the white people levy the taxes, collect the funds and expend them. And if the Negro schools don't get enough—and they certainly don't—do maintain their schools and pay the teachers, it is their fault and not that of the Negro.

The report further recommended that the federal government participate in developing first class university education for both the Negro and white races "wherever in the country it cannot be done from other public or private sources."

It is quite evident that this is the only way Negroes are going to be adequately provided for in some sections for sometime to come, so congress is going to be called upon, eventually, to take the matter up again.

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

GOLDEN GLOVES MEET

Your wandering scribe's ramblings took him out to the Chicago Stadium where we watched the Golden Gloves tournament of champions last week. The show was below its usual standard of boxing ability and most of the color as gone, but the lads were in there punching away for keeps just the same. Fourteen Negroes won their way to the final round which will be fought while you read this.

Outstanding in the meet was the work of Collin Brown, Chicago middleweight who won the Tony Yale trophy for general ring conduct and sportsmanship. Brown isn't a really clever boxer, but every time he wound up and let fly with his right hand something went down. Another Chicago lad, Johnny Bratton has a good chance of winning the lightweight honors. Johnny faster than a woodpecker can nod his head. Another Bratton is stopped by a knockout he will likely be a champion.

A big sergeant, Eddie Simms of Cleveland, looks good in the heavyweights. Eddie is a big fellow but skips around and boxes like a lightweight. He hits hard and is tough. And well he better be, because two of his opponents have been up there before and aren't green hands by any standard of judging.

Major Jones of Kansas City, in our estimation has already won his title and the coming bouts are merely formalities, unless of course the major gets careless and gets demoted. Jones took on Del Cockayne of Des Moines who was doped to win the featherweight honors. The major is a southpaw who punches harder than lightning bumping a stump, and he dropped Del three times in what was the feature bout of the evening.

When Morton Graves was undefeated among the bantamweights in Iowa. There was a lad, Clayton Johnson of Sioux City who was also unbeaten. Clayton must be around Morton's age, but he staged a comeback and didn't have much trouble winning his way to the finals here. Johnson is a smooth cool boxer, but our rough would be on Graves if the two ever met, because we don't think Clayton likes to be crowded.

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OPA IS PRACTICAL! One of OPA's fuel-oil rationing experts received an application from a Maryland farmer who requested more fuel for his Diesel tractor. The "expert" wrote back suggesting that the farmer convert to coal!

DIAPERS FOR DERBIES

When an investigating congressman revealed that the Lend-Lease Administration in Washington had shipped 100,000 completed diapers and material for 600,000 additional diapers to the natives of North Africa, thousands of folks had a good laugh; for it was disclosed that the Arabs, not knowing what to do with the diapers, are wrapping them around their heads. Yes, it was funny—to everyone except new parents in this country who have been wondering why there was a shortage of diapers, although apparently the knitting mills were manufacturing plenty of diaper-cloth. Wonder what those Lend-Lease boys will ship overseas next in the name of war?

With Other Editors

PARTNERS-OR INMATES? An Ortonville merchant was notified that his firm does wholesale business in interstate commerce, and is therefore bound by provisions of the federal wage and hour law. It cost him several hundred dollars in over-time pay to two employees.

"Thus there came to Ortonville," comments the Independent, "a harsh example of the stringent regulations imposed by the government."

In a village trading spot so small it is a village, maybe 30 miles from Montevideo, there are a few small stores. Proprietors learned recently when federal men called, that they are liable for social security taxes—plus 25% penalty. A warning comes to country newspapers that a parent cannot legally employ his own children under 16 to work in his own print shop.

With these three instances fresh in mind, the statement Samuel Blythe made some years ago rang the bell: "The United States used to be a cooperative institution in which the people were partners. Now it has become a corrective institution in which the people are inmates." — Montevideo (Minn.) News.

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HOW ESSENTIAL IS A BUREAUCRAT? At the time when the Administration insists on drafting fathers for the armed services, Congressman Harness (R.), of Indiana, points out that there are 675,000 draft-age single and childless married men in civilian capacities in Government bureaus.

A subcommittee headed by Congressman Costello (D.), of California, was told that there are 1,089 single men and 1,154 married men of draft age in the Federal Security

Baseball Meeting

Chicago will be host to the Negro baseball managers over the week end. We ran into a squad of them at the Grand hotel last Saturday night. The meeting will likely be concerned a lot about what to do if white organized baseball decides to give Negroes a chance. There is almost certain to be a wild scramble for talent and Negro baseball owners will be forced to see their ranks already out by Uncle Sam, further depleted by organized baseball offering dollars where Negroes are offering pennies.

BAD EGGS

According to reports from New York, more than half a million dozen eggs which the government purchased while housewives were unable to buy them, have become so ancient that even the farnished would find them unpalatable, with the result that officials of the food distribution administration are about to pay somebody to take them off its hands.

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

White Writer Erred When He Assumed Steward's Mate Finley's Hair Was 'Kinky'

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Not only did the reference to Chief Petty Officer Finley "kinky" hair cause unfavorable comments from readers of the article, but relatives and friends could see "no reason for mentioning the texture or quality of the hair"—even if Finley's hair had been kinky. Mrs. Ethel Wisdom, one of Finley's sisters commented, and added that her brother's hair could not be kinky if he wanted it to do so.

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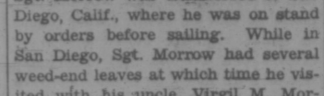
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Dear Editor:

His basic training was received at Ft. Ord, Calif. Then he went to Ft. Sill, Okla., for the beginning of his officer candidate work which he completed at Fort Custer.

His new assignment will be in the provost marshal's office, working with military police. Lt. Glanton hopes to go overseas—"just for experience," he said.

"Army life is fine," he declared and added that he had no complaints—no problems—because in all of his training he has been the only Negro.

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