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## News Briefs From Far and Near

### OWI TO MAKE PICTURE OF AMERICAN EDUCATION AT IOWA UNIVERSITY

Iowa City — A camera crew from the Office of War Information now is filming a motion picture typifying American education, with the University of Iowa as chief locale. The university was selected "because its broad program enables the picture to cover many aspects of American education at one place," President Virgil Hancher said.

The film, under the probable title "Freedom To Learn," will be shown in allied and neutral nations and in liberated territory, with a narrative sound track in some 22 languages. It will revolve around the normal life of the university, showing the relationship of the institution to the citizens of Iowa, and will stress the vital role of education in survival of democracy.

### WALTER WHITE ARRIVES IN NORTH AFRICA

New York, N. Y. — Walter White, NAACP secretary, on a tour of military installations abroad observing the situation of Negro troops, arrived at Algiers on or about March 11, according to a cablegram received at NAACP headquarters here.

Mr. White, who arrived in England January 3, spent about 9 weeks on inspection of the European theatre of Operations (ETO) and at the request of the War department submitted a comprehensive report on his observations of the treatment of Negro soldiers.

Unofficial and unconfirmed advice to this country indicate that Mr. White already has visited the Italian battlefield. From Algiers he is expected to go to Grazzaville, French Equatorial Africa where he will confer with Governor General Felix Eboué.

### NEGRO SOLDIER FILM READY FOR THEATRES

Washington, D. C. — The official War Department film "The Negro Soldier" is now ready for distribution to theatres and all persons who wish it shown in their cities should ask individual theatre managers to book it, according to announcement here this week.

The film is regarded as the best screening of the Negro in American life that has ever been made, with emphasis on the Negro in World War II. The major film companies have announced that prints are available and that distributors can secure them upon application, without cost.

It was also announced that 16 mm. versions of the film will be available in May for distribution to clubs, schools, colleges, and other organizations. Applications should be sent to the Bureau of Public Relations, War Department, Washington, D. C.

### NAACP SEEKS 500,000 IN NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

New York, N. Y. — Concentrating its efforts on a simultaneous campaign throughout the nation condensed into the period of May 1-June 30, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is seeking 500,000 new members.

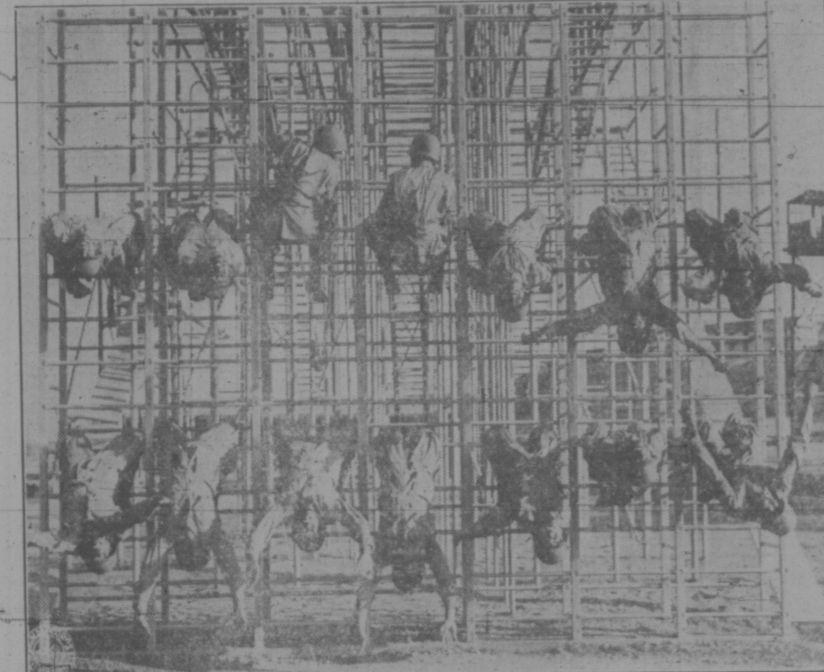
The country has been divided into seven areas under the supervision of a national office staff member. The drive will be conducted from the New York office with Miss Ella J. Baker, national director of branches, in charge. Youth councils and college chapters of the Association will stage an advanced campaign in order to gather in members before the colleges close in May.

### GIRL SCIENTIST AT 15; WINS \$2,400 SCHOLARSHIP

Washington, D. C. (CNS). — Fifteen-year old Nancy Agnes Durrant, senior at Dunbar high school, was acclaimed this week for her invention of a nonburnable metallic cloth. She is being awarded along with 39 other students a \$2,400 scholarship to a leading scientific institution in the Third Annual Talent Search as sponsored by Westinghouse Electric Company. Little Miss Durrant is the first member of her race to be among the forty finalists. She had to go thru a vigorous competitive examination in which more than 15,000 high school seniors took part.

Nancy is the daughter of Dr. and

## INFANTRYMEN WHO TAKE TO AIR MUST BE TOUGH



Negro infantrymen have taken to the air at Fort Benning, Georgia. Pictured on the exercise bars at the Parachute School are members of the 555th Parachute Infantry Company, first all-Negro parachute unit in the American Army. First Sergeant Walter Morris of Waynesboro, Georgia, is shown at left as he practices with a parachute pack. (Photo by U. S. Army Signal Corps.)

Released by U. S. War Department Bureau of Public Relations

### MAYOR SPEAKS ON POST-WAR PLANS AT TOWN HALL SERIES

Suggesting improvement in housing conditions in Negro areas in Des Moines and asking for definite figures from the Negro people as to where these improvements should be made, Mayor John MacVicar addressed the Town Hall meeting, sponsored by the Public Affairs Committee of the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A., Sunday afternoon, March 19.

Looking in the post-war conditions in Des Moines the mayor foresees unemployment as one of the big problems that will affect Negro as well as white residents here, when the defense plants here begin to make drastic cuts in their employment rolls after the war.

The mayor said that representatives of post-war committees will be combing the areas seeking information from residents in order to learn whether they will want improved areas near the business loop or improved areas in neighborhoods where small farming could be done.

"You have got to get your plans ready now," the mayor emphasized as he urged Negroes to get into the post-war program now.

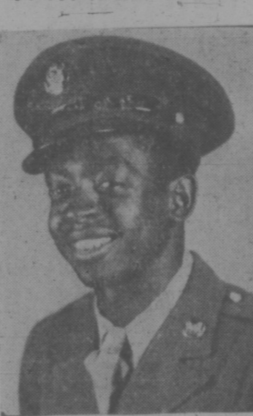
Miss Clara Webb and the Rev. W. F. Ogleton were the panel speakers who took active parts in the discussion, along with many persons in the audience who wanted to be certain that segregation would not enter in the plans.

Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn, mistress of ceremonies and member of the Public Affairs Committee, summarized the other post-war suggestions that dealt with recreation plans and juvenile delinquency.

Mrs. Oswald D. Durrant of Alexandria, Va., while president of the Chemistry club at Dunbar high school she invented a machine that will crush old electric lamp bulbs. She has also developed a process for salvaging the "tungsten" filament used in the electric light.

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### FATALLY SHOT



### PVT. ELWOOD SIMMONS

Military rites were held Tuesday afternoon, March 21, at the Maple Street Baptist church, for Pvt. Elwood Lewis Simmons, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Simmons, 1235 McCormick avenue, who died Friday at Prairie View, Texas, after being shot accidentally on the rifle range.

Burial was in the soldier's plot in Glendale cemetery.

Pvt. Robert Simmons, another son, also at Prairie View where he and his brother were stationed with an army specialized training unit, escorted the body back home. Mr. Simmons, the father, flew to Kansas City Sunday to meet his sons.

News of the death of the Simmons son reached the family on Friday afternoon, March 17, shortly after Mrs. Simmons had read a letter written by Elwood early that week. The first message was a long distance phone call from Robert and then came a telegram and a letter from the commanding officer. The letter revealed: "Your son, Elwood Lewis, who was practicing on our rifle range today was accidentally shot and died a short time later, allegedly from internal hemorrhage and shock. His

death came as a great shock to me and to all his comrades for his condition at first seemed not too serious. "You have the deepest sympathy of the officers and men of this organization in your bereavement. Elwood was held in high regard by all members of this command. His academic standing was among the best and he was a splendid soldier and an outstanding character." Captain Jesse Dedmon, Jr., infantry commander, wrote.

Pvt. Raymond L. Mason, writing in behalf of the boys in Pvt. Simmons' company said:

"They probably won't give him a medal, but he was a man who did the right thing at the right moment. We who knew him in the barracks and in the school rooms, will not forget him soon."

One of a family of twelve children, Pvt. Simmons was born and reared in Des Moines, graduated from East high and had attended Iowa State College, Ames, before entering the service Feb. 6, 1943. He enlisted at the time to be with his brother, Robert, who was drafted. Both brothers took basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and were stationed at Prairie View.

Both brothers were home in January on a short furlough from their training.

Surviving besides his parents and brother, Robert, are four other brothers, Pvt. William Simmons, stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va., and Harold, Donald and Jerry of the home address; six sisters, Mrs. Marian Silva, living in Hyannis, Mass., near Camp Edwards, Mass., where her husband, Sgt. Archie Silva is stationed; and Mrs. Barbara Gaskins, Ruth, Charlotte, Mamie and Doris Simmons of the home. Mrs. Silva suffered a shock upon learning the news of her brother's death that she was unable to make the trip home.

REV. WHALEY TO CONFERENCE; REV. SMITH TO PREACH

While the Rev. P. M. Whaley, pastor of Burns Methodist church is at

### Public NAACP Program Tuesday Night at Center

Various Negro civic organizations of Des Moines will define their work and problems in the community at the first of a series of monthly meetings sponsored by the Des Moines branch NAACP, Tuesday evening, March 28, at 8:30 o'clock, at the Negro Community Center, Fifteenth and Crocker.

Among the organizations participating on the program will be the Ministerial Alliance, Des Moines Association of Colored Women, Masonic Lodge and Order of the Eastern Star, Blue Triangle Branch Y.W.C.A., Crocker Street Y.M.C.A., Lincoln Post and Unit No. 126, Negro Community Centers, Brotherhood and Sisterhood, Inc., Negro Chamber of Commerce, Keo-Way USO club, Hawkeye Elk, Daughter Elk lodges, Boy and Girl Scouts.

Musical numbers will be given. These meetings are open to all members and to the general public. John S. Coleman is president.

### Navy Announces Promotions of Fourteen Men

Great Lakes, Ill. — Fourteen Negroes were elevated to the temporary rank of Ensign and Warrant Officer at the U. S. Naval Training Station here on March 9; the Navy Department announced this week.

The Ensigns are: Philip G. Barnes, Washington, D. C.; Samuel E. Barnes, Trenton, N. J.; John W. Reagan, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reginald E. Goodwin, Washington, D. C.; Dalton L. Haugh, Little Rock, Ark.; Dennis D. Nelson, Nashville, Tenn.; Jesse W. Arbor, Chicago, Ill.; Graham E. Martin, Detroit, Mich.; George C. Cooper, Hampton, Va.; James E. Hare, Jacksonville, Fla.; Frank E. Sublett, Chicago, Ill.; William S. White, Jr., Chicago, Ill.

In addition to these two warrant officers were appointed. They are Postmaster Charles Byrd Lear of Canton, Mo., and Acting Pay Clerk Willie Powell of San Diego, Calif.

The entire group was directed to report to the Commanding Officer at the U. S. Naval Training Station at Great Lakes for temporary duty under instruction. Upon completion of this course of training, the officers will be assigned to duty initially either at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., or at the Naval Training Station at Great Lakes.

### Pan American Forum Sunday

The Keo-Way USO and the Negro Community Centers are sponsoring jointly their public forum, Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 4 o'clock, at the Center, Fifteenth and Crocker streets.

Forrest Spaulding, librarian, who has traveled on the west coast of South America, will talk on "The Negro Looks at South America." Members of the Girl Scout Committee of Troop 17 will serve tea.

tending annual conference in St. Louis, Mo., this week end, the Rev. Luther Smyth will be in charge of services Sunday, March 26, at Burns. He will preach at the morning services on "The Law of Retribution." And at the vesper hour between 7 and 8 o'clock a "Salute to the Boys Overseas" will be the feature.

### SGT. JOHN DANFORTH HOME FROM MICHIGAN

Sgt. John M. Danforth stationed at Selbridge Field, Mich., is home on a convalescence leave. He injured an ankle at Lacey, Va., when he fell into a drainage. He is visiting his wife, Mrs. Flora-Mae Danforth, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Danforth.

## Military Personnel Will Be Replaced; Army to Hire 5,000 Men and Women

Washington — The Army needs civilian teachers immediately to replace military personnel as instructor in primary education for illiterate soldiers and expects to employ 3,900 to 5,000 men and women by midsummer, the War Department announced today.

Heretofore, the Army has been using soldier instructors to teach illiterates, but the need for all men possible for more active military assignments has made it imperative to replace soldiers with civilians in Army camp classrooms.

The instruction will be given in special training units established and operated by the Army Service Forces at Army installations throughout the country. Illiterates are sent to these units for instruction in reading, writing, and arithmetic. At present, there are 19 such training units, the majority in the South. It is anticipated that more will be created.

White and Negro teachers are needed, both men and women. There are no age limits for applicants. Instruction is comparable to that given in first four grades of elementary schools, but it is not necessary that an applicant have experience in primary instruction. Standards for acceptance will approximate those established by teacher organizations and school crediting associations in communities where an applicant is or has been employed.

Commanding Generals of Service Commands have been authorized to act as employing agents. Qualified persons should apply to the headquarters of the Service Command for their respective States for complete details.

### Training Units

The special training units now in operation are those at Fort Devens, Massachusetts; Pine Camp, New York; Holabird Signal Depot, Maryland; New Cumberland, Pennsylvania; Fort Benning, Georgia; Fort

Bragg, North Carolina; Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Fort McPherson, Georgia; Camp Shelby, Mississippi; Camp Atterbury, Indiana; Fort Sheridan, Illinois; Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Camp Beuregard, Louisiana; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Camp Robinson, Arkansas; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Camp Wolters, Texas; and Camp McQuaide, California.

Headquarters for the nine service commands to which applicants should be addressed and the areas for which they are responsible follow:

First Service Command, 808 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut.

Second Service Command, Governors Island, New York—New Jersey, Delaware, New York.

Third Service Command, U. S. Post Office and Court House, Baltimore, Maryland—Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia.

Fourth Service Command, Post Office Building, Atlanta, Georgia—North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi.

Fifth Service Command, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio—Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana, Kentucky.

Sixth Service Command, Civic Opera Building, Chicago, Illinois—Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin.

Seventh Service Command, Federal Office Building, 15th and Dodge Sts., Omaha, Nebraska—Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado.

Eighth Service Command, Santa Fe Building, Dallas, Texas—Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana.

Ninth Service Command, Fort Douglas, Utah—Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada, California, Arizona.

## Monarch Annual Minstrels Fill House; Get Big Hand

The annual Monarch's Minstrels drew a capacity audience Monday evening, March 20, at the Hoyt Sherman Place, where spectators applauded, consoled and eared the parade of annual crooners, roared when good jokes came along, gave Speck Redd and his lads a hearty hand, and all but lifted the roof when a Monarch-cast staged a one-act comedy featuring "Dr. Kilmore's Assistant."

The entire company opened the show featuring a group of choruses from "Picking Cotton," "Abraham," "Jubilee Tonight," and "Grand Old Flag."

In the parade of annual crooners, some of whom the audience referred to as "Frank Sinatra's" were: James Rhodes, "Sweet Slumber"; Raymond Johnson, "Pistol Packin' Mama"; Sam Jordan, "Sunday, Monday and Always"; George Brewer, "Tin in the Army Now"; Colen Seales, "I'll Be Around"; Charles Woods, "In My Arms"; Commodore Hendricks, "Don't Believe Everything You Dream"; T. L. (Speck) Howard, "You'll Never Know"; John Estes, "Shoo-Shoo Baby"; and Curtis Morton, "If I Can't Have You."

Mrs. Mildred Page, blind contralto, stole the spotlight of songs, when she sang "When They Ask About You," and two encores of "Don't Cry Baby." Featured with Mrs. Gertrude Carl, another guest soloist, and with Colen Seales, the trio offered "Somebody Loves Me."

George Brewer, Jr., in the uniform of a navy lad, did some smooth footwork in a dance skit that drew hearty applause from the audience. Furnishing the audience with a

### MEET LITTLE MAGNOLIA

"Little Magnolia," a comic script makes her first appearance in the Bystander in this issue. Watch for her weekly.

### MR. HEATH ILL

Mr. William Heath, brother of Mrs. Frances Brewer, 726 S. E. 6th street, is reported ill at the Veterans hospital.

MRS. MILDRED PAGE IN MUSICAL SUNDAY Mrs. Mildred Page, blind contralto, will be presented in a musical program Sunday night, March 26, at 8 p. m. at the Maple Street Baptist church, sponsored by the Present Help in Time of Need club of the church. She will sing a variety of numbers. Mrs. W. J. Cooper, president of the club will preside. Mrs. Josephine Williams will accompany Mrs. Page.

PRAYER DAY AT MAPLE STREET A special day of prayer will be sponsored by the Mother Board of the Maple Street Baptist church, Sunday, March 26, at 3 o'clock. Prayer will be offered for peace, not only for this nation, but for all nations. The mothers and wives, who have sons and husbands in the service are especially invited to attend this service.

HOLD WOMEN'S DAY AT MAPLE STREET Women's Day services were held Sunday, March 19, at the Maple Street Baptist church with Mrs. Opal Jaco as general chairman. Guest speakers were: Mrs. Louis F. Gray at the morning hour; Mesdames Goldie Fant, Hallie Tut, S. B. Boyers, Frances Hall, Guy E. Green, Sara Jett.

Special soloists for the day were: Mesdames Anna Fox, Eliza Doyle, A. M. Mitchell and Evangelist Estella Coates who directed a pageant, "The Word and the Church" Sunday evening.

JUBILEE MEETINGS AT BROWN CHAPEL The Brown's Chapel A. M. E. Zion church is having three Jubilee night meetings, beginning Monday, March 27, with Rev. Martha Mitchell delivering the sermon. Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Mrs. Clara Houston, will have charge

of the program. There will be many outstanding numbers. Rev. A. M. Mitchell, pastor.

PENTECOSTAL MISSION HAS OPENING PROGRAM The Pentecostal Open Door Mission held its opening at its new location, 1818 Easton Blvd., Sunday, March 19. Participating in the afternoon program were: Mrs. McKeever who held prayer service, Elder Wm. H. Spivie led prayer and praise service, Misses Ethel and Kathryn Spivie, Mrs. McKeever and Mrs. Spivie offered musical numbers.

Speakers were Andrew Morris of Orland and Richard Bogie, assistant pastor of the Church of God in Christ No. 1, who preached. Officers of the mission are: Elder Spivie, chairman; Mrs. McKeever, secretary-treasurer; Mr. McKeever, chairman of trustee board; Mrs. Spivie, superintendent of the Sunday School and leader of the Young People's Society.

The mission was opened in August, 1943. Five persons were baptized on Feb. 20. Elder Spivie, minister, founded this work in Fort Dodge in 1936. The mission is a member of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc. All meetings are open to the public.

FORTY MEN WANTED Approximately 40 men are needed for government work at the Army Air Forces Storage Depot, located at the Fairgrounds here, John S. Coleman, employment representative for many organizations here, announced Wednesday. These men who will have civil service rating, sick leave, vacation with pay, will be started at a salary of \$135, to do packing, shipping, and assembling of airplane parts at the depot. The working hours are from 8:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Men of all ages—who are physically able to work and not on defense jobs—may apply at th Storage Depot at the Fairgrounds.

### Keo-Way USO

The American Legion Auxiliary served Coffee Hour last Sunday afternoon in the club recreation room upstairs. Those passing the coffee and doughnuts were Mesdames Eunice Bates, Anna Mae Carter, Mabel Brooks, Cora Chapman, William Neal, Guy E. Greene and Victoria Hendricks. Forty WACs of Fort Des Moines enjoyed the courtesy.

Thursday afternoon, March 16, a staging company under Lieutenant Lacey Mae Johnson had an "At Home" afternoon at the Keo-Way USO club. The girls made spaghetti and lemon pies like mother used to bake.

Saturday night, Keo-Way USO club held a "Night in Havana," the Junior Group acting as hostesses, dressed in white blouses with flowered skirts and real gardenias in their hair. WACs from Ft. Des Moines, sailors from Otumwa Naval Air Base and soldiers from Camp Dodge held the spotlight.

The Senior Volunteer Group met March 17. The Service Men's Wives' Organization of World War II held a pot luck supper at the Blue Triangle Y.W.C.A., March 15. Mrs. Ruth P. McGregor, director of Keo-Way USO gave a lecture. The girls held a discussion after the speech. All wives of service men of World War II are asked to attend the meetings of this organization. An interesting program has been planned.

### MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

By OPAL JACO The Mothers' Board of the church will hold a day of prayer services for the soldiers at Maple Street Sunday at 3 p. m. All war mothers and their friends are urged to be present. Mrs. Gertrude Brown is chairman of the committee.

The Present Help Club will present Mrs. Mildred Page at Maple Street Sunday night. Pastor McAllister will fill his pulpit at the morning hour of service.

Attend the Deacons and Trustees banquet on Friday night, March 24, at the church.

Pastor McAllister was the speaker Wednesday night at the Central Presbyterian church.

### WEST DES MOINES

Rev. H. R. Fields, pastor of the Union Baptist church, delivered a sermon for the Deacons and Ministers Union last week.

Mrs. E. Griffin had dinner with Mrs. Irene Swink.

West Des Moines residents have been attending the revival at Corinthian Baptist church Monday night and the BTU Sunday evening. Deacon King is in charge of the Bible Drill.

William Herndon and Bennie Carter were inducted Monday at Camp Dodge.

Miss Dolores Elliott was baptized on Feb. 27.

Mrs. Lovely Slaughter is ill at her home, 1002 Tenth street.

The First Baptist quartet sang four numbers Sunday night at church.

Miss Georgina Shaw is now the pianist for the First Baptist choir. She studied music for six years.

The Missionary Society met at Mrs. Tobin's home last Friday noon. The birthday gifts, given by Mrs. Jencie

Page, were distributed to Mrs. T. Bruce, Mrs. I. Swink, Mrs. R. Griffin and Mrs. D. Key.

### AMERICAN LEGION LINCOLN UNIT 126

March 17, Presidents and Secretaries Conference was held at hotel Fort Des Moines, Mrs. Guy E. Greene was in charge of the display table, and was assisted at the table by Mrs. William Burns and Miss Rosa Mae Lovelady. Articles on display at this table were work of the boys at Schick hospital, Clinton, Iowa, Mesdames Guy E. Greene, Robert Hayes and Winona Teal, president of Council Bluffs, Ia., attended the banquet.

Mrs. Robert Hayes also attended and was present at the secretaries conference Friday morning.

Mrs. Greene was hostess to the WAC band chorus that gave several selections at the banquet. The chorus was directed by Pvt. Lenora Hull. March 19, five auxiliary women served refreshments at the USO. They were Mesdames Oval Carter, C. V. Chapman, McKinley Brooks, H. A. Manuel and Frances Bates. The committee will serve again in May.

The membership drive is on. See Mrs. C. Hendricks, Mrs. H. A. Manuel and Mrs. Oval Carter. The fur vest project is on. Turn your fur pieces over to Mrs. Rose H. Johnson. The Community Service program was held March 21. Mrs. Rose Johnson, chairman, presided. The guest speaker was Atty. James B. Morris.

### RE-ELECT THE FOUR MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES

The people of Des Moines have always been proud of their courts. They have re-elected the same municipal court judges time after time, and these judges have always cooperated in friendliness and harmony to serve Des Moines well.

In January 1943, when Judge C.

Edwin Moore was elected to the district court, Governor Hickenlooper appointed Harry B. Grund to fill the vacancy on the municipal bench. Judge Grund immediately fitted into the "TEAM." He was warmly accepted by the other three judges.

Judge Grund is a World War I veteran, and is serving the war effort as chairman of Selective Service Board Four. A graduate of Drake University Law School, Judge Grund served six years as Assistant County Attorney.

Judge Grund has been endorsed for re-election by all groups, Veterans, Legion, Labor, Legal, Religious, and many prominent business men. His record on the bench is excellent and should merit your vote.

Keep our courts on their present High Level! Keep the "TEAM" on the bench!

### ORIGINAL NOTICE IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY

West Fifth and Mulberry Streets M. M. GOBEN, Plaintiff vs. W. I. GOBEN, Defendant TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT, W. I. GOBEN: You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa in and for Polk County, the petition of the plaintiff above named claiming of you judgment for an absolute divorce on the ground that you have been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment as to impair plaintiff's health and endanger her life. Said petition further asks for general equitable relief. For further particulars, see petition now on file. You are also hereby notified to appear before the District Court of the State of Iowa in and for Polk County at the Polk County Court House, West Fifth and Mulberry Streets, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on or before the 14th day of April, A. D. 1944, and unless you so appear your default will be entered and decree will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in said petition. LOUIS J. GARSH, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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### NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE incorporation of THOMPSON'S INC. The name of the corporation shall be THOMPSON'S INC. and its principal place of business shall be Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to buy, sell, mortgage, pledge, exchange, and otherwise acquire and dispose of real estate or any interest therein to buy, sell, mortgage, and otherwise dispose of mortgages, bonds, securities and commercial paper of any nature whatsoever, and personal property of all kinds.

To buy, sell, take, own, and hold and deal in the shares of stock in this and other corporations, bonds, mortgages, accounts, pledges, choses in action, judgments, trade marks, patents, patent rights, licenses and privileges; to sell, pledge, mortgage, or hypothecate any of its properties, real or personal, for the purpose of securing any indebtedness which may lawfully be contracted, and to make, execute, and deliver all instruments in connection therewith and to do all such other acts and things as shall be proper or necessary in the transaction of its business, to the same extent as natural persons may lawfully engage.

To buy, sell, deal in, at wholesale and retail, and to manufacture goods, wearing apparel, sporting goods, and any or all other kinds of goods, wares, and merchandise of every kind and character. That in addition it shall have all other powers the transaction of its business as is granted by its Articles of Incorporation. The amount of capital stock authorized shall be \$200,000, divided into shares of \$100.00 each, to be fully paid for in cash or other thing of value as approved by the Executive Council of the State of Iowa when issued.

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Irene E. Thompson, President R. E. Thompson, Treasurer and Assistant Secretary Robert E. Thompson, Jr., Vice President John R. Thompson, Assistant Vice President

The officers of said corporation shall be elected immediately following the Annual Meeting in each year. The private property of the stockholders of this corporation shall be exempt from corporation debts. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto affixed our names at Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on this 8th day of March, A. D. 1944. IRENE E. THOMPSON, R. E. THOMPSON, JR., ROBERT E. THOMPSON, JR. (Incorporators)

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### MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Maple and East 16th Street, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, D.D., pastor; parsonage, 1657 Walker street. Sunday School 9:30 a. m.; morning worship 10:50 a. m.; Baptist Training Union 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7:45 p. m. Mid-week prayer services on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Missionary Society each Friday at 2 p. m. Choir rehearsal Friday at 8 p. m. You are invited to attend our services.

### SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. C. A. Record, pastor; 1213 Scott street; Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:30 p. m. Tuesday 7:30 p. m. Senior Choir rehearsal. Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Midweek Prayer service. Friday 7:30 p. m. Junior Choir rehearsal. You are welcome to our services.

### KYLES A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

15th and Shaw streets, Rev. H. A. Simmons, pastor. Order of services: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 o'clock; Verick C. E. Society, 7 p. m. Evening worship, 7:45 o'clock. Mid-week prayer Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal Friday, 8 p. m.

### BURNS METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. E. M. WEALEY 811 Crocker Street Order of service: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Service 11 a. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; Evening Service, 8:00 p. m.; Prayer and class meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 p. m. A cordial welcome awaits you at Burns.

### BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

1524 E. University Ave. Rev. W. F. Ogleton, Pastor Order of Services: Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. A.C.E. League 6:30 p. m. Gloria White, president; Mrs. G. T. Fant, superintendent. Evening worship 7:45 p. m. Official Board, Monday evening, 7:30 p. m. Midweek Prayer Service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Choir Rehearsal, Friday evening, 8 p. m. day School teachers meet Friday, 7:30 p. m. and Senior Choir meets Friday at 8 p. m. The church phone is 3-4073.

### CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

East Seventeenth and University Elder F. T. Taylor, Pastor Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. Preaching at 12 o'clock (noon). Y. P. W. W. at 6:30 p. m. Regular services Tuesdays and Friday nights at 8 p. m. Elder Richard Bogie, assistant pastor. You are welcome to our services.

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Rev. A. M. Mitchell, pastor. 1448 Walker Order of service: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.; A. C. E. League, 6:30 p. m.; Evening Worship, 8:00 p. m.; Mid-week service and choir rehearsal, 8:00 p. m. Wednesday. Everybody is welcome.

### MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. R. Roman, Pastor 511 S. E. 4th street; residence, 603 S. E. Fifth street. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Evelyn Brooks, superintendent; morning worship, 11 a. m.; B. T. U. 6 p. m.; Myrtle Robinson, president. Evening worship at 7:45 p. m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

West Des Moines, Rev. L. G. Garrett, pastor. Sunday school opens at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. services at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7 o'clock. Prayer services Wednesday 8 p. m. Choir rehearsal Tuesday 8 p. m.

### 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.; Sunday-evening, 8 o'clock service. Services are held on Thursdays, 8 p. m.

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## MRS. GIBSON HONORED ON BIRTHDAY; TWO INDUCTEES SHARE DINNER

Mrs. Pearl Gibson, 621 S. E. 11th street, was honored on her birthday, Sunday, March 19, by her husband, Mr. Wallace Gibson, at a family dinner. The table was decorated with a beautiful lace dinner cloth and the center piece a large bouquet of American beauty roses.

Guests present were: Mesdames Hanna Coles, Rena Tywaters, and Blanch Nolan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. George Tywater, Mr. and Mrs. George Clinton and Miss Pearl Marie Nolan. The children present were: Rudolph and Wanda Frazier, Rosetta and Clara Jean Tywater and little Alice Marilyn Clinton.

Mrs. Gibson received many gifts. Messrs. George Clinton and George Tywater who reported for their pre-induction examination, Monday, March 20, were also honored by the family at this dinner.

## GROUP GIVES ST. PATRICK DINNER

A St. Patrick Day Dinner was given by twelve women at the Blue Triangle, Y.W.C.A. Friday, March 17. The color scheme was green and white and a center piece of jonquils. Those attending the dinner were: Misses Susie Bourlad, Leona Palmér, Leona Boyer, Ruth Williams, and Mesdames G. B. Tucker, T. J. Williams, Lawrence Hall, June Manuel, Ethel Holmes, Theodore Sorrell, Annetta Soloman and Dorothy Carter.

## MRS. MORROW, JR. AND SON BACK FROM BENTON HARBOR

Mrs. F. O. Morrow, Jr., and her fifteen-month-old son, Fred Pierre, returned to the city recently from Benton Harbor, Mich., where they visited their parents and grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Barquette. They will visit here about a month with Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Morrow, Sr.

Sgt. Morrow stationed at Camp Carson, Colo., is expected home this spring to visit his wife and son and parents.

## MISS STEELE AND PVT. HEATH MARRY AT CHEYENNE, WYO.

Mrs. Nettie Edmunds, 522 S. E. 20th, announces the marriage of her grand daughter, Miss Marcella Steele to Pvt. Carroll Heath, stationed at Camp Francis E. Warren, Cheyenne, Wyoming. They were married there on March 9.

## MR. BROOKS BACK FROM OKLAHOMA

Mr. Robert Brooks returned this week from Muskogee, Okla., where he spent the week end visiting his wife, who is stationed at Camp Gruber. While in Oklahoma he spent a day in Tulsa. He is recovering from a recent attack of the malta fever.

## THE FITZPATRICKS OF CHICAGO VISIT FRED O. MORROW'S

Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Morrow, Sr., entertained as guests during the week end, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fitzpatrick, of Chicago, Ill. The Fitzpatricks, former residents of Des Moines, enjoyed visiting old friends here.

## DANIELS HAVE GUEST

T/Cpl. Arthur Flanagan was the supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Everette Daniels, 804 S. E. 11th, Wednesday evening, March 15.

## MISS WEAVER VISITS HERE

Miss Matzie Weaver of East Chicago, Ill., is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Weaver, 320 S. E. 28th street. Miss Weaver received her license, March 14, from the Michigan State Board of Cosmetology to practice beauty culture. She will return to Chicago, Sunday, March 25.

## VISITORS FROM CALIFORNIA

Miss Marcella Wells and son, Orson Wells, Oakland, Calif., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Willa Mae Wells, 1745 Walker and her brother, George Wells.

## DINNER GUEST

Mrs. Ethel Holmes was the dinner guest of Mrs. Horace Brown and her mother, 1064 15th street, Sunday, March 19.

## MRS. FRAZIER BACK FROM KANSAS

Mrs. Dorothy Frazier has returned to the city after having spent a week in Hutchinson, Kan., where she visited her husband, Seaman Eugene Frazier at the naval air base.

## REV. AND MRS. DAVIS HONORED



Elder and Mrs. D. E. Davis were honored at a formal reception Sunday evening, March 5, at the Blue Triangle Y.W.C.A., by the King's Daughters club of the Philadelphia Seventh Day Adventist church. Such outstanding work has been done for the Philadelphia church, at 1150 Thirteenth street, including \$1,000.00 worth of improvements under Elder Davis' leadership during the past year that the club thought it worthy of honor.

At the gift presentation officiated by the club president, Mrs. J. F.

Thomas, preceding the program, Elder Davis was presented a leather utility case and Mrs. Davis a gardenia corsage. The couple came to the church in November, 1942. Those who appeared on the program were: Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. Cuma Clayler, Mrs. Harold Lounsbury, and Mr. Leland Johnson. Mrs. Margaret Joseph served as hostess.

Members of the club are: Mrs. Viola Gilmore, Mrs. Picoia Humphrey, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Thomas.

Other guests present were: Mr.

and Mrs. Lucian Bailey, Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, Mrs. Della Parish, Mrs. Ann Shepherd, Mrs. Elsie Robinson, Mrs. Maud Thompson, Mrs. E. P. Geiter, Mrs. Harold Lounsbury and daughter, Miss Margis Burton, Miss Evelyn Wesely, M. C. S. Robinson, Miss Alene Gilmore, Mr. William Taylor, and Mr. Son Humphrey.

Shown in the picture from left to right are: Mr. Johnson; Mesdames Lounsbury, Gilmore, Humphrey, Elder and Mrs. Davis, Mesdames Taylor, Clayter and Thomas. —(Bill Ashby Photo.)

## MRS. P. MCGUIRE HEADS DILETTANTES

The Dilettante club members have received their 1944 year books. Officers are: Mrs. Phillip McGuire, president; Miss Minnie Ray, vice president; Mrs. Bert Harris, secretary; Mrs. W. C. Bullock, treasurer.

Committee chairmen are: classification, Mrs. Fred Johnson; program, Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn; social, Mrs. L. Fowler, Jr.; scholarship, Mrs. L. Edmunds; publicity, Mrs. T. E. Martin; finance, Mrs. Joburness Kelso. The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Charles Winn.

## SGT. AND MRS. WELLS HERE

Sgt. and Mrs. William Wells, of Ft. Benning, Ga., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Willa Mae Wells and family, 1745 Walker street. They are also visiting their mother in law, Mrs. Ethel Quincy, 1435 Maryland.

## JUNIOR NAACP PLANS YEAR'S PROGRAM

The youth council of the NAACP met Friday night, March 17, at the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A., where plans were made for a well-rounded program for the year. Miss Joyce Smith, chairman of the committee, presented the plans. Miss Clara Webb, youth advisor, urged the members to unite their efforts and cooperate with the youth group. The next meeting will be April 7.

questing tailor made suits and top coats this year. In an Easter suit of last year, Mrs. Sloan said she failed to make a hip pocket in the trousers of her son's suit—and he hasn't gotten over it yet. Mrs. Sloan has been one of the Community Center's sewing classes star members, having made dozens of garments for her boys and girls.

A cloudburst almost flooded the office on Monday when Marri Johnson dropped by to break the news that her John had gone to the induction center, bright and early that morning. But Mr. Johnson came back home—a wea heart—and now Marri's heart beats much stronger.

A large number of men made up this month's call to the induction center. Their names will appear in a later edition.

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## MISS WALKER, TRAFFIC POLICEWOMAN,

Miss Betty Walker, one of the two Negro traffic policewomen in Boston, Mass., arrived in the city Saturday night for a week end visit with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, 1042 Tenth street, and sister Mrs. L. H. Bailey. Miss Walker has lived in Boston since last November. She attended Washington Irving school here.

## VISITORS TO COUNCIL GUESTS OF MASON'S

Mrs. Rosa Bell Sample, president of the Marshall-Brown Post Auxiliary 482, Davenport, Ia., and Mrs. Mary Roberts, secretary of the Auxiliary, were house guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mason. They attended the sixteenth annual president's and secretary's conference of the American Legion Auxiliary at Hotel Fort Des Moines.

Another visitor to the council was Mrs. Winona Teal, president of the Pioneer Post Auxiliary 655, who stopped at the branch Y.W.C.A.

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### BLUE TRIANGLE BRANCH

The Cosmopolitan club will meet Friday, March 24, at the Friends Hostel, 2150 Grand avenue, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Charles Paddock will speak on "Cooperatives." Interested persons are invited to attend.

The Industrial Girls will have the third of a series of "Charm Sessions" Friday, March 24, at the Branch Y.W.C.A. Prof. Hope Van Meter, Drake University instructor, will be guest. Mrs. James B. Morris was guest speaker at the last session and gave helpful hints about spring clothing.

Miss Lillian Taylor was guest soloist at the charm school.

### THREE PURPOSE CLUB MEETS

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Laura Gilbert, 936 Sixteenth street, March 15. Cards were played.

### USHERS MEET

The Usher Board of the Maple Street Baptist church met at the home of Mr. George Wells, 1745, Friday night, March 17.

### TO GIVE PIE DRILL

The Shiloh Baptist choir will give a Pie Drill, Saturday, March 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Erazier, 602 S. E. 26th street.

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B. M. M.—I would like to go in a little business of my own and wonder if I could have any luck. I have some formulas I would like to make up and sell. Also have in mind to cut and sell quilt pieces. I have done this work before and made pretty good on it. Which should I devote most of my time to?

Ans.: Formulas such as the ones you have come a dime a dozen. It would be more prudent to develop the quilt piece business. This is a good field and there are profits to be made from such a business. With your business and selling ability you should have no trouble getting a good income from your quilt piece business.

A. M.—I am 18 years old and have a baby 3 months old and of course I am not married. My baby's daddy had refused to marry me before the baby was born because he wasn't able to support me and the child. Now he has a good job and wants me to marry him. Does he really want me for a wife?

Ans.: You can bet your bottom dollar that he never would have asked you to marry him if he didn't mean it. You loved him enough to have a baby for him—and I'm sure that you love your baby enough to want him to have a father. Go ahead and marry the boy now.

B. K.—My brother is staying with a woman and I think she has him fixed. I believe that he might get hurt. This woman married one of my brothers and they separated and so she is staying with the other one and we don't want him to do that. Answer right away please. What did she do to him?

Ans.: You remember what happened to Adam in the Garden of Eden? Well, the same thing happened to your brother. Women have charm and your pleasingly plump sister-in-law used her's on your brother. He'll get over it—so don't worry too much.

D. E.—I see where you help others and I am one that needs help too. The man that I keep company with

says he sent me some money but I didn't get it. Should I believe him?

Ans.: It is very doubtful that he sent the money—and yet it makes a perfect alibi. The money you can shake loose from this man will be scanty amounts and only after he has taken care of his legal wife. Don't play second fiddle to any one. Make trends among the single fellows.

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NAVY LIBERALIZES ITS POLICY

Some months ago, the Navy like the Air Corps, Coast Guard and the Marines Corps, discarded its old policy of barring Negroes from enlistment except for jobs of mess attendant and has taken thousands upon...

Last week, the navy department further liberalized its policy with regard to Negroes by offering commissions and assigning boats to crews that will be composed of Negroes exclusively.

Speaking before the Interracial Commission in Des Moines last week, a Japanese student said that while they were glad to be permitted to serve in the United States army, they were opposed to being placed in one unit preferring to be integrated and not set apart. This same position Negroes have taken.

It is a strange thing that we are fighting this war as we claim, for democracy, for the four freedoms and at the same time spend a great deal of time and money doing the very thing about which we complain.

Those people who make these policies don't realize they are placing a stigma—a mark of inferiority—upon any group it separates. And instead of bettering race relations they make things worse by emphasizing the difference in color which after all has little to do with a man's heart and his brain.

Of course, they argue that white and black people cannot work together. That theory has been proven faulty in so many instances. They base that position on the objection of a few narrow minded people, who have their way, because they make the most noise.

Negroes have made good records in the Navy as in other departments of our armed services. They will again if given an opportunity.

WILLKIE CALLS FOR LEADERSHIP

In a rather important speech during his campaign in Ripon, Wisconsin, where he is seeking delegates to the Republican National Convention, Wendell Willkie said that "in order to win, a political party must stand for something more than expediency."

He was speaking in the town which is said to have given birth to the Republican party. Some active candidates are seeking the Republican nomination for president while there are those who keep their mouth closed for fear they will be forced to take a stand on some subject. They hope to be a compromise candidate after none of those openly in the field get enough votes to be nominated.

Willkie is brave enough to stand for something, not as a matter of expediency, but because he believes his position is the right one and for the best interest of the country.

Ding of the Des Moines Register once drew a cartoon depicting the difference between political leaders of the days gone by and those of the present. It showed that formerly, leaders out in front pointing the way for the people to go; today they walk in the background waiting to see what the crowd wants, then they move out and take a position.

All too often, our political parties

do likewise. They seek to compromise rather than lead; they stay on the fence rather than get down on one side or the other and as a result the program simply muddies along in the dark hoping that somehow they can do just enough to make the people feel that they are trying to keep their word.

Mr. Willkie knows that the Republican party has not been innocent of the charge of hedging and dodging. He also knows that it is one of the things that caused its defeat and will continue to keep it a defeated party unless it chooses fearless leaders to champion its platform and program.

Willkie is doing the Republican party a real service in his campaign. He is making a fine showing in his own behalf. He is doing for minority groups what altogether too many of the Republican leaders are ducking—taking a high ground for equal consideration for everybody on the basis of individual accomplishment.

We need more Willkies in America. We need them in high places; they are sorely needed in Iowa. Today and in the days to come, great men and women are needed to win the war and adjust the world; they are needed to evolve a lasting relationship which will guarantee peace among nations, among races. Men of Willkie's type who seek to lead the people who have a definite program will be sorely needed. The spineless creatures will simply keep things in chaos.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA COMMENCEMENT APRIL 23

Iowa City, Ia.—The 84th commencement of the University of Iowa, set for April 23, will be the earliest in history, two days ahead of the 1943 affair which itself was a record. This is because of the accelerated academic program which has advanced the graduation time from late May.

Degrees and certificates will be awarded at the Sunday ceremony. On the day after commencement, April 24, the summer semester in seven colleges will open.

ST. LOUIS NAACP SECURES 6,361 MEMBERS, \$8,840

St. Louis, Mo.—In a recent membership campaign conducted by Daisy E. Lampkin, national field secretary the St. Louis branch of the NAACP secured 6,361 new members and a total of \$8,840 in cash. It is expected that the "clean up" effort will bring the money total to \$10,000.

This campaign is only one of the membership efforts indicating that the NAACP is likely to exceed its record membership total of 1943. Under Donald Jones, assistant field secretary, the District of Columbia branch secured 6,857 members and \$9,662. Mrs. Irvana Ming, another assistant field secretary, reported 2,121 members from Wilmington, Delaware, and N. W. Griffin, another field worker, reported 2,170 members from Knoxville, Tennessee. Mrs. Ming also reported 873 members from rural Delaware. At present, Mr. Griffin is conducting a campaign in Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Lampkin has launched a drive in Houston, Texas.

LOUIS SKIPPER ON SERVICE FLAG LIST

The name of Louis Skipper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Skipper, 50 S. E. 3rd was omitted from the list of the twenty-one stars dedicated at the Mt. Olive Baptist church, flag dedication, March 12, representing the men who have gone in the armed services from this neighborhood and church.

SEAMAN TRAVIS COLE BAILEY HOME

Seaman Travis Cole Bailey, first class, is here on a 12-day furlough visiting his wife and children. Mrs. Lorraine Bailey, Travette and Edw. Vance, 1611 E. 18th street. He is also visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Cole Bailey, Sr., 829 10th street.

NEGRO TROOPS AT BURLINGTON

Burlington, Ia.—Negro troops will begin training at the Iowa ordnance plant area here within the next few days. Major Robert Holt, plant commanding officer, said Tuesday.

MISSIONARY SERVICE AT BETHEL SUNDAY

The East Side Union Missionary society will hold its Sunday services, March 26, 2:30 p. m. at the Bethel A.M.E. church. Rev. L. A. Garrett, pastor of the Mt. Hebron Baptist church, will deliver the message.

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

YOUNG WINS SPRINT SERIES AT CHICAGO RELAYS

Charles (Buddy) Young, University of Illinois freshman, added to his sprinting laurels when he galloped off with first place in the short sprint series of the Chicago Relays held Saturday night at the Stadium. Young's chief competition came from another Negro, Conwell of N. Y. U. Conwell led Young to the tape in the forty yard dash, but finished looking at Buddy's heels in the two sixty yard sprints. Dave Albritton, former Ohio State high jumping great, in the days when he, Mel Walker, and Eddie Burke of Marquette were setting high jumping records all over the country, ran away with the honors in this event with a leap of six feet six inches, a whooping good leap for a thirty three year old veteran.

Mel Walker, also a former Buckeye star was billed to jump, but couldn't make it.

It remained for Ed Rugger former Tufts star, to set the example for fine sportsmanship in the hurdle series. Duggar was having the toughest sort of a battle with Wright of Ohio State, having lost one race to him. But in the second race, Wright was leading the big Negro to the tape, when he got his feet tangled up in a hurdle and finished in a nose-dive. Duggar insisted that this race be run over, in spite of the protests of the officials that it wasn't just the thing to do, and took the white boy into camp again. Then Duggar ran away with the third and deciding heat for the title. There were a few other Negroes in the show, but most of them went along for the ride, including Herb Thompson who finished third in the short dash series.

Joe Louis Through?

The other day we stumbled upon a rather casual conversation among a group of young people who had known Marva Louis, wife of the heavyweight champ, way back when. The kids seemed to have gone to school with her in Chicago, and from their talk, seemed to know more about the Louis private family life than all the news hounds had dreamed of. They ventured the opinion that the champ, who was in town last week to present his trophy to one of the Golden Gloves winners, was paying much too hard to be in the finely drawn condition that he was when he won his way up championship line. They supported their contentions with statements of where they had seen him and what he was doing, not enough to cause too much eyebrow raising, but a lot for a man of the caliber of Joe who had always stayed in semi-seclusion when not training for a fight.

We pondered the discussion a little as we left the group. We thought that all they had offered was private opinions but also that sometimes people who are your neighbors know much more about you than the world gives them credit for knowing. One young fellow who had said that Joe would find it much too hard to get back into shape when he decided to train in defense of his crown, we thought, might be more right than even he realized, although we hoped fervently that he is proven wrong.

By the time this gets out, we shall have had some reports on the national professional basketball tournament to be held at the stadium this coming week. Most of the local fans are betting on the Renas or the Globe Trotters to cop the title, but there are some fine white teams that can't be brushed aside lightly. Any one of them is a potential champion, or they wouldn't be here. This is more so in view of the fact that some of our finest cage performers have been barred from the meet for their part in the little hold up of last winter.

Attend Game

Cub Pack 59 was in attendance at the Drake vs. Ottumwa basketball game, February 19, at the Drake Stadium. The members who attended were: Wilbur Carter, Finnis Edgingsley, Cleo Morrison, Arthur Lee, Donald Smith, Andy Walden, Toby Robinson, George Brewer, Herman Wallace, Arde Ewing, Tommy Wallace and Harold Walden. Mr. Clark Yeager the cubmaster was in charge of the boys assisted by the Den Chiefs Tommy Wallace, Arde Ewing and Harild Walden. The Ottumwa Flyers won.

DEACONS AND TRUSTEE BANQUET

The Deacons and Trustees of the Maple Street Baptist church will give a fellowship banquet Friday evening, March 24, at the Maple Street church, at 8 p. m. Candidates have been invited. Mrs. W. J. Cooper is chairman. The Rev. C. L. McMillister, pastor.

POST EXCHANGE

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

Sgt. Gibson Leaves for Massachusetts; Veteran of War I

T/Sgt. Charles L. R. Gibson, who spent ten months in Canada with the 258 Signal Construction company, left the city last week after a short furlough here with his wife, Mrs. Joe Gibson. He returned to Camp Edwards, Mass., to await further orders.

A veteran of the first world war in which he served twelve months overseas, with the 370th Old Eighth Illinois Infantry, Sgt. Gibson found many interesting features of his life and experiences while living in Canada, where his company built the Alcan highway which is now known as the Alaska highway.

"I had heard so much of the Northern lights that when we arrived in Canada the first thing we did was to stand out and watch them," he related. He had an opportunity to live there during the spring, summer and winter time when the temperature went down to forty degrees below zero, but he got colder in the Iowa temperatures than he did in Canada, he said.

The men in his company had many varieties of recreation which included ice skating, horseback riding, roller-rinks, fishing.

In the larger cities of Canada, he found no racial discrimination, but in the smaller towns which were dominated by the army, there were many prejudices, he revealed.

Sgt. Gibson wears three bars for service in World War I, and medals for rifle, carbide and sharpshooting.

Elder Williams in Albion, Michigan, Writes of Brothers in Services

Elder William B. Williams of Albion, Mich., in a letter to the Bystander this week, informed that he has three brothers in the armed forces of the country. All former residents of Des Moines, residing at 1024 Fifteenth street, and employed at Hotel Ft. Des Moines, they are: James P. drafted six months before Pearl Harbor, is a corporal stationed at Turner Field Air Base, Ga.; George P., has been in the army 14 months and is a staff sergeant, trained at Camp Young, Cal., and at present is in England; and W. Guy, the youngest, has been in the navy eight months and is a steward's mate, first class. He took his boat training at the Naval Air Training Base, Corpus Christi, Texas. Their mother is Mrs. C. T. Williams, of the Fifteenth street address.

Sgt. Mease Tells of Travels and Type of Warfare in Islands

This letter from Master Sergeant Quentin R. Mease, written from New Guinea on Feb. 21, to Atty. S. Joe Brown is being continued in this issue of the paper from the March 16 Bystander in which it was started. "We left San Francisco on the fifth of October, arriving in Australia on November the fourth. Stayed in a camp near Brisbane for four

"As soon as our bombers weakened the Jap positions, we of the ground forces move up to dislodge them from their apparently impregnable dug-in positions. They often withdraw but you know they aren't far away, and will shortly counter-attack. We were notified that several hundred were discovered just up the valley from our sides and carbines slung over our shoulders all during the day, and

"I neglected to mention, that among other constant hazards, we are stationed on the largest base in the entire Southwest Pacific, with hundreds of planes in the air over us all hours of the day. Of course, with such a large number of planes, crashes are inevitable and do frequently occur. A large bomber did a belly crash just a hundred yards or so of our company area day before yesterday. It had just returned from a mission and still had considerable ammunition and bombs aboard. You can well imagine what would have happened if it had plowed through our area.

"Really, I have written far more than I had intended, but when you get to typing quite rapidly, you come to the end of the page before you notice it. And then, by the time I hear from you again, we shall in all probability have moved up farther north somewhere around the scene of the big naval and air battles now waging around the strong Japanese base in the mid-Pacific. Writing letters will then be at a premium and what I do write will be quite brief. So I know you will forgive the length of this letter and know that I took full advantage of this one opportunity to say all I could possibly do so in these few moments this afternoon."

"Feb. 27, 1944."

James Thompson Promoted Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, 955 17th street, received word Wednesday that her husband, James Thompson, stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., has been promoted to the rank of sergeant. He has been in the army 13 months.

Gets Promotion

Louis B. Dixon, was promoted from steward's mate, first class, to steward third class, at the Naval Base at Hutchinson, Kas.

Willie Clinton Now Sergeant; Wife Joins Him

Mrs. Alice Clinton, 506 S. E. 12th street, received word from her son, Cpl. Willie Clinton, stationed at Portland, Ore., that he has been promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Mrs. Geneva Clinton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Volmeier, 1625 Walker, has joined her husband, Sgt. Willie Clinton in Portland, Sgt. Clinton is expecting to go overseas soon.

William Miller Promoted

William J. Miller, son of Mrs. Christine Miller, 1009 Fifteenth court, has been promoted from the rank of private to that of corporal at the Engineer Unit Training Center, an army service forces installation at Camp Claiborne, La.

USHERS MEET

The Usher Board of the Maple Street Baptist church met at the home of Mr. George Wells, 1745, Friday night, March 17.

MRS. MCGREGOR TO INSTITUTE

Mrs. Ruth P. McGregor, Y.W.C.A. director at the Keo-Way USO, left the city Sunday to attend an institute for USO workers in Chicago, Ill. She was forced to return Wednesday after her daughter was injured in an auto accident.

(Political Advertisement)

LINCOLN POST

Lincoln Post Trustee, executive boards and housing committee met jointly March 17 for election and reorganization of the trustee board. Comrade Lester Benning was elected chairman; Oval L. Carter, treasurer; and Donald Eaker, secretary of the board. The terms of all members except Mr. Carter will expire on Oct. 3, 1944; and on that date one member will be elected for five years, one for three years and two for two years. On Oct. 3, 1945, one more will be elected for three years.

The housing committee has the post concession open on Saturday evenings again. Sunday, March 12, Lincoln Post and Unit assisted Mt. Olive Baptist church with their service flag ceremonies. Mrs. Frances Hall gave the dedication address and spoke on the American Legion Rehabilitation program. Commander W. T. Johnson spoke on the benefits and rights of veterans of World War I, and other bills sponsored by the American Legion. Collection was \$32. Uniformed Post members attending the service were: Comrade Johnson, Comrades Green, Turpin, Carter, Parker, Tucker, Benning, Leathe and Earnest Amos. Post membership is 152; 48 members are needed by May 30. W. T. Burns, Post adjutant; phone 4-2946.

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WAR QUITE DIFFERENT

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