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News Briefs From Far and Near

47 COMMUNITY AND WAR CHEST AGENCIES SHARE \$50,000 MONTHLY

Of the \$673,749 pledged to the Des Moines and Polk County Community and War Chest for 1944, disbursements to 47 member agencies have averaged more than \$50,000 per month so far this year, according to Charles I. Madison, executive director.

Madison explained that member agencies do not receive their yearly budget requirements in one lump sum but disbursements are made to each agency every month on the basis of requisitions submitted to the Community and War Chest by member agencies. The annual budget requirements of each agency are submitted to the Community and War Chest Board of directors for hearing and approval once each year. Budget hearings for 1945 requirements will begin August 15.

"LET MY PEOPLE GO" FREEDOM ROAD

By HOWARD FAST

"At last The Great American Novel—The book that will send every American to the polls—to vote."

New York—There is every indication that "Freedom Road," a new book by Howard Fast, will be the most talked of novel in 1944. This book is to be released on August 16 by publishers, Duell, Sloan & Pearce.

Howard Fast was best remembered as the author of the current best seller "Citizen Tom Paine." Mr. Fast's forceful style seems to have reached its apex in his latest work, "Freedom Road."

Many books have been written about the Negro but this story is written about things that you probably thought no one would write. It attacks the very foundations of "Lip Service Democracy," and gives us a frank portrayal of what actually happened in the South during the days of "Black Reconstruction."

"Freedom Road" is fiction of the highest order—the story of a Negro named Gideon Jackson who fought on the side of the Union during the Civil War. This character is an embodiment of all the fine qualities of Negro legislators, duly elected immediately after the Civil war. Through him is shown the conflict of the North and South, the struggle between land owner and share cropper, and struggle of races for adjustment, and the political strife growing out of a mal-adjusted social pattern that was allowed to run loose through flagrant misappropriation of judicial rights. Gideon Jackson grows mentally and spiritually as he labors tirelessly to work out the destiny of his people who were confused, abused, and persecuted. Of special interest is the manner in which "Freedom Road" deals with the rise of the Ku Klux Klan in its determined efforts to stem the tide of democratic thinking among the underprivileged in Gideon's Community.

Throughout "Freedom Road" moves at a rapid pace and the moral victories which Gideon wins will long be remembered by everyone who reads this powerful novel.

The documentary substance of this book is truly taken from the "lost pages of American history." This is, without a doubt, "The story you thought would never be written."

"Freedom Road" is represented in the Negro market by W. B. Graham & Associates, Inc., 55 West 42nd street, New York 18, New York.

MINNEAPOLIS NAACP GETS 1,244 NEW MEMBERS IN DRIVE

Minneapolis, Minn.—The Minneapolis branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People closed its recent membership drive with 1,244 members; and a total of \$1,568.25.

Harold C. Combs was chairman of the membership drive; W. C. Jones is president of the branch.

IOWANS ON VACATION AT GRUNDY CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Trotter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell, Mrs. Birdie Winn and Mrs. Lillian Edmonds left Tuesday for a vacation at Grundy Center, Ia.

Thompkins, Recorder of Deeds, Dies



Released by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations
"WE ARE PROUD THAT YOU ARE FIGHTING FOR US."—Queen-Elizabeth talks with 2nd Lt. James G. Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Bowman, of 6520 Evans Avenue, Chicago, as she visited in an American hospital somewhere in England. "All of you are so very brave and we are so proud that you are fighting for us," she said. Lt. Bowman, member of an Engineer Service Regiment, was wounded near Valognes, France.—(U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

65,000 HIGH SCHOOL GIRL GRADUATES NEEDED FOR U.S. CADET NURSE CORPS

NEWS ITEM



"NOW MORE THAN EVER!"

NEW PASTOR HERE



Rev. Richard A. Wilhite who arrived in the city last month, began his duties as new pastor of the Brown Chapel A.M.E. Zion church at 1448 Walker, succeeding the Rev. A. M. Mitchell.

In the ministry for 25 years, the Rev. Mr. Wilhite came to the city Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

from St. Louis, Mo., from the Brown Temple A.M.E. Zion church. He has held pastorates in Tennessee and California.

He resides with his wife, Mrs. Carrie Wilhite, and a daughter, Miss Roxie Wilhite, at the church parsonage at 1448 Walker street.

Plans are being made for the Women's Day services at the church on Sunday, August 20, at which time the Rev. Myrtle Cranshaw will be the speaker.

Women's Day At St. Paul Sunday

Women's Day will be held Sunday, August 13, at the St. Paul A. M. E. church, with the Rev. W. H. Griffin, pastor of the Grant Memorial church of Chicago, as guest speaker during the morning session; Miss Alice Walker, succeeding the Rev. A. M. Mitchell.

evening program. Mrs. Birdie Winn is general chairman of the Women's Day program.

MORE THAN \$10,000 RAISED BY REV. BRENT'S CHURCH IN NEW JERSEY

Plainfield, N. J.—Capacity audiences filled the Shiloh Baptist church at both services Sunday, July 30, as the church celebrated the burning of its mortgage papers.

The mortgage-burning ceremonies took place Sunday evening with the Rev. A. Ross Brent, pastor of the celebrating church, in charge.

The official statement of the past three years' accomplishments in the Shiloh church given by Mills Barnes, showed a total of \$11,870 raised from all sources. Of this amount \$21,000 has been paid on mortgage debt, including principal and interest.

In addition to this three lots have been purchased adjoining the church, and improved at a cost of 51,350. In addition to Mr. Barnes' report, Ernest R. Taylor, chairman of the Mortgage Liquidation Drive, reported more than \$10,000 had been raised since Jan. 2, 1944, when the final drive to liquidate the mortgage be-

Three More Red Cross Workers Go To India

Washington, D. C.—Safe arrival in India of three additional Negro Red Cross workers was announced by American Red Cross National headquarters this week. They are:

Blanchard A. Baker, club director, 556 Edgecomb Ave., New York City; Rodney Gonzalez Higgins, program director, 4331 Cote Brillante, St. Louis, Mo.

Felix H. Payne, Jr., program director, 3221 13th street N.E., Washington, D. C.

Before his Red Cross appointment, Mr. Baker was Y.M.C.A. Boys' secretary in Montclair, N. J., and previously directed a USO club in Portsmouth, Va. He was activities secretary for the Harlem Y.M.C.A. New York City, and executive director for the Stamford, Conn., Negro Community Center.

Mr. Higgins obtained leave of absence as assistant professor of social sciences, Stowe Teachers College, St. Louis, to serve overseas with the Red Cross. He is a graduate of Southern Illinois State Normal University, Carbondale, Ill., and received his M. A. and Ph.D. degrees at the State University of Iowa.

Mr. Payne was a budget analyst with the War Manpower Commission, Washington, D. C., before his Red Cross appointment. He is a graduate of Washburn Law School, Topeka, Kansas.

'24-Hour' Guard for WACs At Camp Forrest

Washington—Response to the NAACP request made July 1 for immediate investigation by the War Department of the threatened rape and invasion of white paratroopers of quarters occupied by Negro WACs at Camp Forrest, Tenn., was received today.

A twenty-four hour a day guard has been posted around the WAC camp and the area declared "off limits" for all white soldiers. The order was issued from the Inspector General's office following thorough investigation.

YMCA HEAD



Rev. E. A. Gaiter, executive secretary of the Crocker Y. M. C. A., announced this week that every thing is ready for the Des Moines Y. Camp, August 21-28. Rev. Gaiter will be assisted in his work by W. C. Buice, as supervisor and ten trained junior leaders, Harry Johnson, Jack Copeland, Bobby Tate, Robert Thompson, William Cropp, William Owens, Harold Spangler, Arzhan Williams, John Estes, Mr. Dophon Lawson is assistant to Rev. Gaiter.

Rev. Gaiter, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., has held pastorates at Fort Scott, Kans., Eldorado, Kans., and Kansas City, Kans. The boys and men are anticipating a big camp this year.

Former Missouri Editor Had Been Acclaimed by FDR for 10 Years Work

Washington — Dr. William J. Thompkins, Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia for the past ten years, died last Friday at Freedmen's hospital following a prolonged illness. His funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the Metropolitan A.M.E. church, with Bishop James Gregg, officiating.

Born July 5, 1884, at Jefferson City, Missouri, Dr. Thompkins was educated at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri. He attended the University of Colorado and was graduated from the Medical School, Howard University, Washington, D.C. in 1905. He interned at Freedmen's hospital, Washington, D. C., then went to Kansas City, Missouri to practice medicine in 1906.

In 1915 he was appointed the first Negro Superintendent of General Hospital No. 2, Kansas City, Missouri, serving for two years. In 1918 he was reappointed Superintendent of the hospital, serving four years. In that period the hospital was improved from Class D to Class A and was recognized by the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, and the National Hospital Association as one of the best equipped and best managed hospitals in the country. In Oklahoma, he operated hospitals in the cities of Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Okmulgee, and Muskogee.

In 1927, he was appointed Assistant Commissioner of Health in the Department of Hygiene and Communicable Diseases, Kansas City, Missouri being assigned to make a survey of tuberculosis and housing conditions among Negroes. The plan of this survey was adopted as a model by the American Public Health Commission, and in 1930, President Hoover presented his housing plan to the National Housing Commission.

Dr. Thompkins established the Kansas City American fifteen years ago and was its editor. It had a wide circulation throughout the midwest area, and was the only Negro Democratic paper in the United States at that time. He continued as its owner and editor from that time until he came to Washington to take up his post as Recorder of Deeds, April 17, 1934.

He was appointed Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia in 1934 by President Roosevelt. There are about 85 persons on his official

staff, divided about equally between the races. He prepared and had installed the pictures of the former Recorders of Deeds who had held office before him, including such men as Frederick Douglas, Monroe Trotter, B. K. Bruce, C. H. J. Taylor, and Henry Lincoln Johnson. This is probably the only major public office where the portraits of colored officials decorate the walls.

Dr. Thompkins had served longer than any previous recorder, and had more distinguished accomplishments to his credit than any other.

He was publicly acclaimed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt for totally liquidating in 6 years the deficits of previous recorders which totaled \$201,202.92 when he assumed office.

Through efficient administrations, which included passage by the Congress of legislation recommended by the recorder, Dr. Thompkins had in 6 years time deposited surplus fees into the United States Treasury amounting to \$231,792.99. Subtracting the total deficit he found of \$201,202.92 from Dr. Thompkins' surplus deposits, revealed that he had completely wiped out this huge deficit and had made a net profit to the Government of \$30,590.07.

The long line of accomplishments of Dr. Thompkins was culminated when, with a congressional appropriation of \$500,000, work was begun on a new building for the exclusive use of the recorder of deeds.

The importance of this position was exemplified when President Roosevelt, in a ceremony unprecedented, broke the ground for the erection of the building, and delivered the principal address on September 26, 1940.

The building was turned over to the recorder on March 31, 1942. It is the most modern office of its kind in the country.

Recognizing that the contributions the Negro has made to America are not told in murals in any Government building, Dr. Thompkins had the new building designed as to accommodate seven mural paintings, which now adorn the walls of the beautiful lobby.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Jessie F. Thompkins, two daughters, Mrs. Helen Simmons and Miss Marlon Thompkins, and one granddaughter, Barbara Simmons.

Philadelphia Race Strike Ends; Operators Remain

Philadelphia—Convinced that the Army meant what it said, the 6,000 striking operators who tied up transportation here for five days returned to their jobs Sunday and Monday, August 6 and 7.

The strikers, who left their posts because eight Negroes were being trained as street car operators, were given three choices by Maj. Gen. Philip Hayes, War Department representative, who took charge of the strike-bound company. They could return to work, be called to serve in the armed forces or be deprived of any job for the war's duration.

Gen. Hayes set Monday at 12:01 a. m. as the deadline. All who were not at work by then and who could not produce a doctor's certification of genuine illness would be dropped from the company rolls and kept from all jobs under WMC control. They would not be entitled to unemployment compensation.

Strikers Win Nothing
All except a mere handful of workers returned to their jobs, ending the tie-up which seriously affected the production of radar, military equipment and ammunition vitally needed by the Army.

When the strikers returned, they

had won nothing. The eight Negroes in training were called back to complete their instruction as operators. There had been no compromise, the government refusing to rescind the FEPC and WMC orders that Negroes be given opportunity to become operators.

Last Rites for J.B. Mitchell

Funeral services for James B. Mitchell, 69, of 1324 D street, were held Saturday at the Corinthian Baptist church with burial in Glendale cemetery.

Mr. Mitchell died Wednesday, August 2, at Broadlawn General hospital after several months' illness. A Des Moines resident for the last 45 years, he had been financial secretary of the Corinthian Baptist church for 26 years. He was one of the founders of the Usher board of that church.

Mr. Mitchell was a member of the North Star Masonic lodge, chaplain of the Grand lodge, patron of the Order of the Eastern Star and custodian at First Baptist church.

Where to Attend Church in Des Moines



WEST SIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
14th and Keo-Way
J. J. Hawkins, pastor
Sunday Services—Bible School 9:45 a. m.; Worship service 11 a. m.; Children's Story Hour 4 to 5 p. m.
Weekly meetings—Monday Council at 8 p. m.; Wednesday, Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 8 p. m. Come and be with us.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
Maple and East 10th 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
811 Crocker Street
Rev. E. M. Whaley, pastor; order of service as follows: Church school 9:45 a. m.; morning service 11:00 a. m.; Methodist Youth Fellowship 6:00 p. m.; Vesper hour 7:00 p. m. Prayer and class meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8:00 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. 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. 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.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH
1600 E. University Ave.
Rev. H. R. Fields, pastor; residence, 1607 Buchanan. Order of Services: Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Baptist Training Union, 6:30 p. m. Sunday evening service at 7:45 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Missionary society each Thursday 2 to 4 p. m. Choir rehearsal Friday at 8 p. m. The church extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
9th & School Street, Phone 3-4073.
Rev. George W. Robinson, pastor; residence, 1009 12th. Phone 3-4075.
Order of Services: Sunday School, 9:45; Morning Worship, 11 a. m.; B.T.U., 6:30; Evening worship, 7:45. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.; Senior-choir practice, Friday night; Junior choir practice, Sunday afternoon.

FIRST C.M.E. CHURCH
S.E. 28th and Maury
Rev. J. T. Johnson, pastor, 1183 W. 14th Street, Phone 3-4043; Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Young Peoples Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m. Bible study on Wednesday night.

DAVID SPIRITUAL TEMPLE CHURCH MISSION
1239 Stewart
Mother, Mary Walker, evangelist services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. and on Tuesday and Thursday night. Everybody welcome.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION
LUXURE CLEANERS & DYERS, INC.
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that Luxure Cleaners & Dyers, Inc., has been incorporated under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 204 of the Code of Iowa (1939), and that the articles of incorporation of the said Luxure Cleaners & Dyers, Inc., provide substantially as follows:

THE TRUE CHURCH OF GOD
615 S. E. 15th St.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 o'clock; evening worship, 7:45 o'clock. Bible Band, Thursdays, 7:35 p. m.
ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH
12th and Crocker Streets
Rev. H. C. Boyd, pastor; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 o'clock; A. C. E. League, 6:30 p. m.; Evening Worship, 7:45 o'clock. Official Board Monday, 7:30 p. m. Midweek prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8:00 p. m. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

PENTECOSTAL OPEN DOOR-MISSION CHURCH
Affiliated with the Pentecostal Assembly of the World, Inc., with Elder W. H. Spivey, pastor; located at 1810 Easton Blvd. Sunday services as follows: Sunday School 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Young People's meeting 7 p. m. Evening worship, 8 p. m. Midweek prayer, 8 p. m. Wednesday.

BROWNS CHAPEL A.M.E. ZION
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.; All-week service and choir rehearsal, 3:00 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. I. U. 6 p. m.; Myrtle Robinson, president. Evening worship at 7:45 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
West Des Moines, Rev. L. G. Garner, 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 services. Services are held on Thursdays, 8 p. m.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH
633 S. E. 28th St.
Rev. J. Caldwell, pastor; residence 1621 DeWolf street. Order of services: Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Supt. C. H. Cavit; Morning worship, 11:00 o'clock; Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock; Mid-week Prayer service, 7:30. Wednesdays; Mission Circle, Thursday, 2:00 p. m. president, Mrs. Gertrude McCann.

CHRISTIAN REDEMPTION SPIRITUAL TEMPLE OF CHRIST
(Formerly David Spiritual Temple; now affiliated with Bishop E. Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.) 1742 Garfield; Rev. Edith Cole, pastor. Services every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday nights, 7:45 o'clock. Sunday services, 11:00 a. m.; Sunday school 10:00 a. m. Special healing Wednesday from 12 o'clock (noon) to 5 p. m. Public is welcome.

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RETURN FROM TRIP
Mrs. R. A. Pierson and daughter, Virginia, returned to the city Wednesday from visiting relatives in the East.
(a) To manufacture, sell, job and use of all merchandise equipment and any and all other accessories necessary to the carrying out of the above described business.
(b) To lease or purchase any and all kinds of machinery necessary and essential to the carrying out of the above described business.
(c) To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire lands and buildings for the erection and establishment of the manufacturing or workshops to carry on the business.
(d) To apply for, acquire, buy, sell, assign, lease, mortgage or otherwise use of any rights, licenses, franchises, patents, rights, inventions, trade marks, trademarks, and pending applications thereof, relating to or useful in connection with any business of this corporation.
(e) To buy, apply for and sell patents and to obtain patents and to act as agent and distributor for the manufacture

DR. HAGGERTY HOLDING MEETINGS
Dr. Prince Haggerty, spiritual advisor, is conducting a series of Christian Redemption Spiritual Temple of Christ, 1734 Garfield. Bishop John Macklin of Kansas City, Mo., will conduct a meeting from August 3 to 20.
Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander August 10, 17, 24 and 31, 1944.
(a) To manufacture, take on lease or otherwise acquire any real or personal property and any rights and privileges necessary to the carrying out of the business of this corporation, and to the purpose of its business, possessing the same in such respects as may be necessary.

BETHEL SOCIETY TO GIVE PROGRAM
The senior choir and Missionary society of the Bethel A. M. E. church is sponsoring a World Trophy and Patriotic program, August 20 at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Donna Ogleton is chairman.

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF IOWA
ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION
OF THE
BIRMINGHAM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Located at Birmingham in the State of Alabama.
Whereas, the above named company has filed in the Insurance Department of Iowa, a sworn statement showing its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1943, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404, Title XX, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance.

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STUDENTS HONOR MRS. PAULINE HUMPHREY AT BANQUET

A banquet was given in honor of Mrs. Pauline Humphrey, instructor of the Crescent School of Beauty, August 4, by the following students: Mesdames Gladys Barker, Alice Williams, Dorothy Carter, Harriett Tucker, Maude Davis, Lawrence Wyatt, Misses Faye Southers, Thelma Pierson, Rosalee Arnold, Marjory Terry, Barbara Brown, Opal Logan and Brett Johnson.

Mrs. Humphrey is attending the 25th Annual Conference of the Negro Beauty Culture League at Philadelphia, Penn.

Guests present were Mrs. M. E. Robertson and daughter, Frankie Mae of Muskogee, Okla.—Mrs. Humphrey received many gifts.

MRS. J. P. JONES RETURNS FROM VISIT ON FARM

Mrs. J. P. Jones, 1232 Dixon, returned to the city Tuesday morning from a visit in Missouri where she spent nearly two weeks visiting relatives and friends in her native county.

While there she attended a family reunion of an aunt, Mrs. Jarie Hill of Lupus, Mo., who was 55 years old on last June 13.

Over fifty relatives returned to the farm home for the celebration. Seven sons and one daughter and their families, twelve grandchildren, one great grand child and three nieces were present.

Mrs. Hill has visited in Des Moines on two occasions, once during the first World War and again in 1936.

MORE COURTESIES EXTENDED MRS. MATTIE PARIS

Mrs. Maude Wyatt entertained delightfully at a luncheon Wednesday, August 2, honoring Mrs. Mattie Paris of Chicago, who was house guest of Mrs. Frances Paris, sister-in-law.

Others sharing the courtesy were: Mesdames Frances Paris, Mamie Tucker, Jeanne Morris, Margaret McCraven and Louise Wyatt.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Q. Evans honored Mrs. Paris and her sister-in-law at dinner Sunday, July 30. Other guests were: Mrs. Frances Paris, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ward, Mrs. Vernice Reynolds of Baltimore and Mr. Bernard Lewis.

THE WILLIAM WALKERS HAVE HOUSE GUESTS

Mrs. Floyd Kinchlow and Miss Jane Batsell of St. Louis and Mrs. Sadie Florence of Missouri Valley, Ia., are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Walker, 834 Eleventh street. Miss Batsell is the niece, Mrs. Kinchlow is the daughter and Mrs. Florence is a sister of Mrs. Walker.

MESDAMES ESTES AND DEAN GO TO CHICAGO FOR VACATION

Mesdames John M. Estes and Reba Dean are spending a vacation of several weeks in Chicago and Evanston, Ill., where they are guests of Mrs. Beatrice Gaines.

Mr. Estes will join his wife in Chicago on August 18 when he will arrive there to participate in the Tam-O-Shanter Golf tournament.

MRS. MARGARET BLACK OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, ON VACATION HERE

Mrs. Margaret A. Black of Cleveland, Ohio, is the house guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Morrow, Seventeenth street. She is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Dale Woods of Perry, Ia.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES MAUPIN RETURN

Mr. and Mrs. James Maupin, 1037 Fourth place, returned from South Memphis, Tenn., where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Q. Walker and three grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Oskia Barlow and daughter of Memphis are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Fanny Louis of Macon, Mo.

MRS. HATTIE FREEMAN VISITS RELATIVES

Mrs. Hattie Freeman of Kansas City, Mo., has been the guest of her mother and father-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Byrd and aunt, Mrs. Estelle DeWitt of 1806 DeWolf street.

MRS. ANDERSON ENTERTAINED

Mrs. Deloris Morton entertained her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma Anderson, 801 S. E. 27th street court, at a birthday party, August 5. The party was given at Mrs. Anderson's home.

Those sharing the courtesy were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morton, Mr. Carl Morton, Mr. Clifford Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greer, Mrs. Laney Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Maupins, Misses Katherine McDonald, Ellen Forbush, Mr. Freddie Williams, Mrs. Hazel Darling, Mr. Robert Redrick, Mesdames Velma Brown, Fuset Brown, Eugene Rhodes, Virginia Monroe, Betty Scott of Moline, Ill., Bernice Edwards, Tom O'Neil, Evelyn Edmunds, Mr. Robert Jones, Mr. Andrew Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Emery, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martinez, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morris and Mr. Albert Collier. Mrs. Anderson received many beautiful gifts.

ORGANIZE Y.M.C.A. COMMUNITY CLUB

A Y.M.C.A. Community club was organized on July 31 by thirty women who elected Mrs. M. Lincoln as president. Other officers are Mrs. E. Wolfskill, vice president; Mrs. M. D. Marshall, secretary; Mrs. Beatrice Bailey, treasurer.

The objective of this club will be to aid the sick and do community work. The club will hold its regular meetings the last Monday in each month at 1127 Crocker, the Crocker Y.M.C.A.

YOUTH COUNCIL HEARS DELEGATES

The Youth Council of the NAACP held a public meeting at the Blue Triangle Y.W.C.A., August 4. Miss Barbara Brown and the advisor Miss Clara Webb, delegates to the national conference of the NAACP gave their report. Miss Webb gave a general picture of the highlights of the senior session and Miss Brown gave a full report on the activities of the youth session.

The next meeting will be August 11, 8 o'clock, at the Y.W.C.A.

USHER BOARD TO HONOR COUPLES MARRIED BY REV. G. W. ROBINSON

The Corinthian Baptist church Usher Board will sponsor a special program at the church on Sunday evening, August 20, at which time all of the couples in the city whose marriages were performed by the Rev. G. W. Robinson will be honored guests. These persons are asked to get their names to the pastor before that time.

MRS. GEORGIA JORDAN HONORS TENNESSEANS AT DINNER PARTY

Mrs. Georgia Jordan, 919 School street, honored at dinner Wednesday evening, August 2, Mrs. Fletcher Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Houston and Mrs. Wilson Houston of Pulaski, Tenn., who were in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Houston and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Johnson at 1176 Thirteenth street.

Following the dinner the Tennesseans left the city for their homes. Mrs. Abernathy is the mother of Messrs. Andrew and Marsh Houston. The Johnsons are the parents of Mrs. Marsh Houston. Accompanying Mrs. Abernathy back to Tennessee were her two grand children, Marsha Diane and Romona Dell, children of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Houston.

PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

Seated at a downtown lunch counter the other hot afternoon—Mr. Charles Hill, a Spanish-American war veteran wanted to cool off as well as satisfy his "sweet gums"—so he told the waitress to bring him a piece of cherry pie with ice cream, a slice of apple pie with ice cream, a slice of strawberry ice cream soda and a pineapple ice cream soda. Of course, the waitress—looked alarmed but she prepared the order and when she put the refreshments before the customer—he gave a broad smile and began to make them disappear.

One afternoon this week William Jones, young printer, returned from the market with a quart bottle of milk. He complained the milk was leaking out of the bottle as he carried it from the market to the office. He never noticed until he got where he was going that there was a hole in the side of the bottle. Was he burned up?

BALTIMOREAN VISITS HERE



MRS. VERNICE WARD REYNOLDS

Mrs. Vernice Ward Reynolds who was a visitor in Des Moines left last Thursday for her home in Baltimore, Md. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ward, 1131 Eleventh street. While in the city she was extended social courtesies by Mesdames Gwendolyn Fowler, A. A. Alexander, Marline Harris, John M. Estes, J. Q. Evans, the Mary Church Terrell club, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dacus and Mrs. A. P. Trotter, her aunt.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary will meet at the club rooms, 750 West Eleventh street, Tuesday, August 15, at 8 p. m. Mrs. Rose H. Johnson is sponsoring a rally. Plans are being made for the new president, Mrs. Frances Hall, to represent the Auxiliary at the State Department convention at Cedar Rapids, Ia., August 17 and 18. For the benefit of the new members, the Auxiliary meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. Watch this paper for the Auxiliary activities.

MRS. PARIS RETURNS TO CHICAGO

Mrs. Mattie L. Paris, sister-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Paris, 1120 Seventeenth street, returned to her home in Chicago Friday after a visit here. While in the city Mrs. Paris received at tea in her honor. Mrs. Myrtle Bailey entertained at tea for the Chicagoan.

HONORED AT DINNER

Cpl. Frazier Eubanks, stationed at Fort Ord, California, was the honored dinner guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Weaver, 820 S. E. 28th street. Those sharing the courtesy were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Daniels, Mrs. Helen Baldrige, Shirley and Maurice Eubanks and Vernon Daniels.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO MEET AUG. 16

The East Side Union Missionary society will hold board meeting August 16, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Rosetta Saunders, 1175 W. Third street.

POST GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BEAUTY CULTURE OPEN HERE SEPTEMBER 1

Mrs. Marguerite Chamblee, who formerly conducted the Vo-Pon School of Beauty Culture in Chicago, Ill., at 209 South State street, then later at Fifty-first and Michigan avenue, will open a Post Graduate School of Beauty Culture here on September 1, at 1656 Walker avenue.

Special courses will be offered in marcelling, finger waving, scalp treatment, and other lines of beauty work. The courses will be open only to operators who hold state board certificates. For further information call Mrs. Chamblee.

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DEADLINE FOR Y.W.C.A. CAMP REGISTRATION THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

Deadline for Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A. registration is Thursday, August 17, at which time all camp fees must be paid. Interurban tickets may be purchased at the Y.W.C.A. at that time. No interurban tickets will be sold at the station on the day of the departure. Mrs. Dayse Murphy Johnson, branch secretary, announced this week. Special permission will be granted out-of-town campers.

Medical examinations will be held at the branch during the coming week. Phone the branch Monday for further information.

MRS. NANCY LEWIS OF NEW YORK CITY HERE

Mrs. Nancy Lewis, formerly of Des Moines and now a resident of New York City, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Alberta Gray, 605 S. E. 5th street. Mrs. Lewis is a waitress for the Rock Island Railroad company. Her husband, Sgt. Melvin Lewis, is somewhere in England.

MRS. MOODY HERE

Mrs. Arbellia Moody of Colorado Springs, Colo., is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Ida Trent, 473 S. E. 2nd street. Mrs. Moody was the dinner guest of Mrs. Edward Butler, 1620 Walker, August 2.

IN CHICAGO

Mr. Grady Jones and niece, Mrs. Elsie Yaeger, 1054 W. 14th, are visiting relatives and friends in Chicago for two weeks.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

Pfc. Eugene Saunders, son of Mrs. Alta Davis, 615 S. E. 15th street court, is here on a 7-day furlough. Pfc. Saunders is stationed at Camp Ellis, Ill.

MRS. LEWIS TO KANSAS CITY

Mrs. Grace Lewis, 752 West Eleventh street, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. George H. McCraven, left Monday for Kansas City to attend the burial of her father-in-law.

BUSY BEE SEWING CIRCLE HAS PICNIC

The Busy Bee Sewing Circle held a picnic Monday, August 7, at Good park. Guests were Miss Mamie O. Tyler of Malvern, Ark., Mesdames Russell Reeves, Warren Cropp, John Drew, C. L. McAllister, Effie Brown, W. W. Humbard, Alice Graves, Maude Wyatt.

Circle members serving were: Mesdames Lela Walker, Anna Ringo, Lillian Simms, Myrtle Dixon, Sarah Ward, Rosa Bland, Maude Jones, Lela Warfield, Mary Stanley, Lucile Rainey. Pictures were taken as one of the diversions of the afternoon.

MISS JEAN MORRIS HOME FROM DENVER

Miss Jean Morris, Y.W.C.A. secretary at Denver, Colo., arrived in the city Saturday to spend a month's vacation with her parents, Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris, 955 Secententh street.

THE BARLOWS HERE FROM NEW JERSEY

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Barlow and niece, of St. Clair, New Jersey, are in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Smith, 936 Tenth street.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hammitt, 1122 Eleventh street, were dinner hosts on Tuesday evening, August 8, honoring Miss Mary Wood, Y.W.C.A. secretary at Philadelphia, Pa.

Sharing the courtesy were Mrs. Rose Wood, mother of the honored guest; Mrs. C. A. Adams and Miss Clara Webb.

CHURCH TERRELL CLUB HAS PARK BREAKFAST

The Mary Church Terrell club annual outing, July 30, in the form of a breakfast, at the McHenry park. The committee in charge was Mesdames Korinne Jackson, Ada Johnson and Joburness Kelso. Various games were enjoyed during the morning. The out-of-town guests were Misses Lora Lee of Denver, Colo., Chiquita Tyree of Mound Bayou, Miss. Mesdames Edna Pinkard of New York and Bernice Reynolds of Baltimore, Md.

MISS PAYNE RETURNS FROM VACATION TRIP

Miss Anna Bell Payne, 1125 11th street, returned August 7, from a ten days vacation visiting her brother, Warrant Officer Isaac Payne at Ft. Bliss, Texas, and friends at Ft. Huachuca, Arizona.
 Miss Payne also visited Old Mexico and brought back souvenirs and some Mexican jewelry.

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MRS. BAKER OF CHICAGO A GUEST

Mrs. Beulah Baker of Chicago, Ill., visited her sister, Mrs. Bertha Walden, 1150 Enos last week. Mrs. Baker was guest at the Three Purpose club, July 26, at the home of Mrs. Elsie Morrison, 1039 15th street.

MRS. BESHEARS ARRIVES HOME

Mrs. Helen D. Beshears, secretary of the Germantown Branch Y.W.C.A., Philadelphia, Pa., arrived in the city during the week end for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dameron, and son, Hutch Beshears, at 1127 Eleventh street.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB MEETS

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Julia Proctor, 1111 11th street, August 2. Committee reports were given and Mrs. Juanita Winters talked on correct table setting. Mrs. Proctor served a repast in buffet style.

NAMES OMITTED FROM PARTY LIST

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Propes and Mesdames Cora B. Chapman and Della Chapman were omitted from the list of guests who attended the get-acquainted party honoring Miss Mamie O. Tyler, of Malvern, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. William Warfield, 127 Ridge street, honored Miss Tyler, their cousin, at the party on July 28.

EDITORIALS - FEATURES - SPORTS

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PROGRESS DEPENDS ON LEADERSHIP

Some weeks ago, the editor of the Bystander met Mr. Don Berry, editor and publisher of the Indianola, Iowa, Record on the street. Following a revival of a slight acquaintance, we had met before, a discussion of the inevitable—the Negro—question arose and we found his views on the problem sound as is generally the case.

A former reporter on the Des Moines Register several years ago and an active citizen, Mr. Berry was personally acquainted with many Negroes in Des Moines among whom were such characters as the late R. N. Hyde, Billie Colson, Alex Wilburn and George Woodson and S. Joe Brown and Douglas Miller. He said much of the better feeling existing between the races here was due to the fine conduct, integrity and fight for the better things in life of these men. Nowadays, he said, you have a larger number of your people who are reaching higher on the ladder, and they seem to be carrying on just as these old-timers did.

On our mailing list are the names of 75 Des Moines soldiers to whom the Bystander is sent directly each week. Upon checking their rank, we find 3 lieutenants, 15 sergeants, 20 corporals, 16 privates first class and 15 privates. Most of the Negro organizations are staffed by white commissioned officers. However, the figures show that the percentage of Des Moines boys holding noncommissioned offices is high. And while non-subscribers might not doubt bring the average down some, it is clear that the thing Don Berry was talking about is born out in this instance.

There are certain people in each community who are called upon daily to carry the responsibility and point the way for others to go. They are the leaders whether elected or not. And there are those who spend most of their time criticizing these people, but who do nothing themselves. They are the descendants of those slaves whom the masters used to keep up dissension among the blacks on the plantation in order to make sure they would never combine to threaten their interest.

Those people we shall have with us at all times. But in spite of them we are making progress. And the fact that 57 out of 75 Negro boys from Des Moines picked at random have risen above their initial army rank is further proof of what Don Berry said.

THE ONLY WAY TO ENFORCE RIGHTS

It has been said that it is difficult to legislate the morals of people; that is very true, but unless we did have some legislation regulating these things there is no telling where we would be.

But there is a reason for that difficulty: people will obey those laws only they approve and officials will enforce those laws only the people demand that they enforce.

There is one thing certain and that is unless we maintain laws guaranteeing the rights of all citizens and enforce them, Negroes will not be protected in the exercise of their rights for a thousand years to come. Of course education and other peaceful methods will help.

This was forcefully demonstrated when army officials refused to compromise with the Philadelphia Transit company strikers after they had insisted that they would refuse to return to work unless they secured a written agreement that Negroes would not be trained and or used in the higher paid jobs.

There will be those who call the action of the United States government Hitler methods. There is a difference between using stern methods to force people to do illegal things—that is the Hitler plan—and using those same methods to force them to do legal methods. And that is why we jail people and execute them. It is necessary even in a democracy for violating the law.

The excuses given for this strike were preposterous. For instance, the leaders claim that some white people might find it necessary to stretch out on a bench for a few moments which had been occupied by a Negro.

The causes of a larger share of the complaints, his shortcomings and weaknesses leveled at the Negro can be traced directly to the unequal economic opportunities accorded him. And if the country continues to allow the Negro to be handicapped in his effort to attain a decent level—to keep his economic pattern on a par with that of his white neighbor—the conditions inherent in such proscriptions will continue.

Keo Way U.S.O.

Thursday, August 3, a convoy of soldiers from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, arrived at Keo-Way to be the special guests of Lincoln Post at the Luncheon Dance held at River-view Park, Thursday night. Friday afternoon 25 soldiers of the Harvard, Nebr., Air Base arrived in a bus at Keo-Way to spend the week end in Des Moines.

Festoons of gay crepe paper, an aroma of country fair food, a fortune telling booth with an air of mystery, bingo games, cards, record making, a juke box jam session and the charming members of the Keo-Way Senior Hostess committee, Junior Hostess group and Service Men's Wives club greeted the 300 members of the armed services who attended the Country Carnival, Saturday. Honored at this affair were the WACs of Ft. Des Moines, soldiers of Section 5 of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, soldiers of the 244th Base Unit of Harvard, Nebr., sailors from Ottumwa, Iowa, and Hastings, Nebraska.

Sunday afternoon, a soldier from Harvard relaxing in the lounge when asked if he had enjoyed himself while in Des Moines, replied, "I have had the best time I've had in two years I've been in the army." All of which proves that with the grand co-operation Keo-Way receives from her volunteers and citizens of Des Moines, service people feel at home in our town.

Friday night, August 4, 15 members of the Keo-Way Hostess committee attended their regularly scheduled meeting and mapped out their line of attack for the "Country Carnival." Proof of their success with the aid of other groups in the club was witnessed by the happy faces of service men and women gathered at Keo-Way.

Luncheon Sunday Luncheon will be served WACs after morning services, Sunday, August 13, until 2 p. m. at the Keo-Way USO club. This affair has been planned especially to honor women of the WAC. Special invitation is extended to the WACs who attend the Women's Day services at St. Paul A.M.E. church on Sunday.

REV. WHALEY TO DELIVER SPECIAL SERMON SUNDAY The Rev. E. M. Whaley, pastor of the Burns Methodist church, will deliver a special sermon Sunday morning, August 13, at the 11 o'clock services on the subject, "We Would See Jesus."

This will be the minister's last sermon here for the August, as he will leave August 15, to hold an evangelistic meeting at the Washington Avenue Methodist church in Seattle, Wash.

The Rev. Mr. Whaley is attending district conference of the Methodist church at Moberly, Mo., this week.

RELIGIOUS PAGEANT AT CORINTHIAN AUG. 17 "The Church and the World," a religious pageant will be presented at the Corinthian Baptist church, Ninth and School streets on Thursday evening, August 17, at 8 o'clock. The Flower Committee is sponsoring the pageant. Evangelist Estella Coates is director. There is no admission price.

Dr. Haggerty to Conduct Meetings



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Dr. Prince Haggerty has been licensed, ordained, registered, recorded, certified, verified and incorporated by state, city, county, government. Dr. Haggerty is here in the city for an indefinite time for the purpose of building up the spiritual morale of the people of Des Moines and all Americans. If invited Dr. Haggerty will accept an invitation to speak at any gathering by any denomination on any subject regardless of denomination or race. Call 4-3657.—Adv.



- Monday, August 14—NOC Board meeting noon, King Ying Low restaurant, 613 Grand avenue.
Tuesday, August 15—Troop 39 Scout meeting West Center.
Wednesday, August 16—Troop 5 Scout meeting East Center.
Thursday, August 17—Community Chorus rehearsal, West Center, 8 p.m.
Friday, August 18—Cub Council West Center (small admission fee).
Attends Scout Camp Mitigwa Six boys under the leadership of John Melvin Estes left for Scout Camp August 6, to spend the week at Camp Mitigwa. Those attending were: Ralph Jackson, Noel Harris, Donald Murray, Dickie Ratton, Harold Burse and James Anthony Murray. Clarence Frazier is the Scoutmaster and Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, chairman of the Troop committee.
Troop 5 is sponsored by Negro Community Centers and meet each Wednesday at the East Center.

Civic Club to be Organized The following persons have been invited to participate in a Civic club under the sponsorship of Mrs. Katherine Shelton, State organizer for Iowa Association of Colored Women's Clubs: Veltra Thompson, Beatrice Brown, Leona Palmer, Mildred Miller, Shirley Obagon, Frances Riley, Beale Mathews, Dorothy Simms, and Maxine Thomas. The first meeting will be held at the East Center Wednesday evening, August 16.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses, courtesies and expressions of sympathy extended us during the illness and at the death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Mary Louise Shepherd. Signed by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shepherd and family.

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SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY LEM FRANKLIN DIES

The death of Lem Franklin at the hands of his opponent in his last fight raises the question as to whether boxing commissions really are worth while. Commissions are supposed to protect boxers from just such things as happened to Franklin. But to date there just doesn't seem to be much that they can do about it.

Pre-fight examinations do not always reveal what is wrong with a fighter's brain that will stand just one more jab before it ceases to function, or the badly scrambled nervous system that is apt to break under the lightest of punches and paralyze the owner.

These examinations are merely concerned with the heart and the respiratory organs of the fighters, and we contend that isn't enough. A man may have ever so fine a physique, and still have a brain or nervous system that can stand just one more shock. This was the case with Franklin, a fine boxer and a good character in there ever was one in the ring. His manager said that he had tried to persuade him to quit.

Then the thing for him to have done was to have reported his findings or his belief to the commission, and that body could have assumed the full responsibility with the death of the man on the hands of no one else. But, that wasn't talked about until it was too late to do any good. Chicago papers, in an effort to build up Lee Savold for his fight here Monday night, would have one believe that Lee was responsible for the demise of Lem. But we contend that while Lee may have added his bit, those punches that finally weakened Lem for the final blow were accumulated over a period of years. The brain and nervous system of the average fighter isn't any too healthy at the best, or he wouldn't be a fighter. Then when the battering of the years and of countless fights add up, something has to go. We are deeply sorry for Lem, who was a real credit to the race, and to the boxing game because of the honesty of his handlers.

Satchel Page Declares War Satchel Page has threatened to refuse to pitch in the all star game between the Negro clubs unless they turn over a part of their earnings to the soldier's relief fund. Our sympathy goes to the pitcher in this controversy. Negroes who are in a position to really do something about some of the major things that white people are facing every day, too often adopt this short-sighted attitude in regard to charity. Their reasons may be authentic, but they really need the money, but just think of what they would be doing for money if it were not for the thousands of Negro boys who are dying in every branch of the service in order that this fun of baseball may go on.

Bigger crowds than ever before in the history of baseball are attending the Negro National League games, and it is about time that the magnates showed some appreciation for so many of the boys who will come back here with one hand or leg, or maybe none at all, in order that these magnates could reap the benefit of these huge crowds spending their war-time earnings.

Edmonds. Especially do we thank the Rev. C. L. McAllister and the L. Fowler Funeral Home. Signed by the Family.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses, courtesies and expressions of sympathy extended us during the illness and at the death of our beloved mother and relative, Amelia Forbush. Especially do we thank the Estes Funeral home for efficient services. Signed by the Family.

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LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting

By MARIE ROSS

Congratulations Come from Sgt. Butts in South Pacific

"As the saying goes—it is better to be late than not at all, so accept my congratulations on your fiftieth year of the Bystander and may it continue to grow with the years," wrote Sgt. Clarence B. Butts, from somewhere in the South Pacific on July 26. "A friend of mine sent me your anniversary copy and I must say I really did enjoy it and I was surprised to see so many faces in it that I knew—also to read of the home folks.

"I used to get the paper from Pfc. Ernest Wright, then I read it and took it to Cpl. Sumner Marion, and Cpl. Roy Edwards and we would have a time talking over this and that. "I wish to say hello to all my friends and to thank them for the way they have helped us on to victory in the war bond drives, Red Cross and USO, because the Red Cross is really nice here and we are seeing some nice USO shows. In fact, we had one all-colored unit over to our camp for supper. I really enjoyed that because there were three women in it and they were the first American women I had seen in seventeen months.

"Well, after nineteen months here on our island things are beginning to look a lot brighter for our side and none too soon for me. Wish I could tell you some things of the islands and its people but that's out. But, I go fishing and catch some fish, too, and oysters, crabs and lobsters, not to mention the fruits from the tree—oranges, mangoes, tangerines, bananas, lemons and pineapple. Hope to hear from all of the folks soon."

Sgt. Robinson Writes of English Dances from Hospital

"I have been in the hospital thirty-nine days with rheumatic fever," wrote Sgt. Wm. E. Robinson of August 1, from somewhere in England. "During the time here, I was first put in a station hospital for twenty-four days, then I got transferred to a General hospital where I am now. "My condition is much better. I am up and walking around again after being a bed patient for twenty-four days.

"You asked me about the English dances—well, when I was up and found time to go to the Red Cross and do some dancing I did learn some of the English steps. To me it is rather a silly way to do dancing—holding hands like little children—going around in a ring. But when our outfit came to town with the G. I. band of ours and started putting out the fine jive, that's when the English dancing all went out as far as we were concerned because we started jitterbugging and they really enjoyed doing it."

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Robinson, 1004 Enos, sent regards to all of his friends.

Pvt. Thomas at Kessler Field Kessler Field, Biloxi, Miss.—Having arrived at this Gulf Coast military post, Pvt. Kermit Abraham Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Thomas, P. O. Box 239, 709 Church street, Ottumwa, Ia., is now undergoing the AAF Training Command's basic military training course.

During his instruction of several weeks in Kessler Field's Basic Training Center, Pvt. Thomas will learn how to march and drill, how to pitch his pup tent and take care of his clothing and equipment, how to make use of camouflage, how to use the gas mask and how to shoot the carbine and pistol. Films and lectures will teach him about medical aid, the causes and progress of the war, personal hygiene, and military discipline and customs.

Lt. Luther Smith, Jr., Sends Congratulations to Bystander from Italy

"This is to congratulate the entire Bystander staff for the finest publication that we have read this year—the anniversary edition of the Bystander," wrote 1st Lieut. Luther H. Smith, Jr., from Italy on July 27. "It is needless to say it is the finest edition that I have ever read. Although it is quite popular around this fighter group base, I spread its popularity a bit farther by flying it to my brother, Howard, who is some distance away. And may I add that it possibly is the first Bystander to travel by fighter plane—my own hard-hitting Mustang fighter with swastikas painted on the side.

"It brought back memories—seeing pictures of friends and close pals in the paper. I think it was a fine gesture to the boys and girls of our community who are in the services. One copy really wasn't enough. I wrote to Braddy (Lt. James B. Morris, Jr.) again today. We don't hear from one another very often because of the distance. I also wrote to Chaplain Bain, formerly of Burns church, who I have visited with since being in Italy.

"There isn't much to tell about myself. We are flying the greatest combat planes ever built—the P-51 Mustang Fighter and they naturally give 'Jerry' a fit. The weather over here

is fine, however, at working altitude it is still 50-below zero. Our biggest form-of entertainment comes from movies that are shown to us every other day—three shows daily. They are good—up-to-date films."

Pfc. David Pickett Home from Godman Field

Pfc. David Pickett, son of Mrs. Maude Pickett, 1004 Sixteenth street, is spending a 22-day furlough here. Stationed at all-colored bomb squadron, Godman Field, Ft. Knox, Ky., he is a radio operator and gunner. He is on his first furlough since he has been in the army sixteen months. He is visiting relatives too.

Corporal Wolfskill Mail Clerk at Invasion Post

Headquarters, European Theater of Operations—Handling the battalion mail service is the important job being done by Corporal Nathaniel C. Wolfskill, 22, of 1143 Enos avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, member of an Army Transportation Corps Negro Post Battalion stationed on the English invasion coast.

Cpl. Wolfskill's task is a moral factor to men overseas where a letter from home goes a long way towards keeping a soldier in high spirits.

Before induction, Cpl. Wolfskill, worked as a waiter for the Union Pacific railroad. He attended North high school in Des Moines.

His mother, Mrs. Winnie B. Trice, lives at the Enos avenue address.

Four Iowans Go to Great Lakes Station

Great Lakes, Ill.—A vigorous period of recruit training has begun for four Iowa Negro Busjackets with their recent arrival at the U. S. Naval Training Center here.

The new recruits are: Joshua Roberts, 18, Davenport; John W. Thomas, 20, 1428 Christie street, Davenport; Faye B. Reed, 34, 1214 Morgan, Keokuk, and Lee A. Garrett, 23, West Des Moines.

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