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News Briefs
From Far and Near

NAACP ASKS SEABEE'S 'UNFITNESS' CHARGE REVIEW

New York—Permission to file briefs and appear personally on behalf of two Negro Seabees dismissed from the United States Naval Reserve, October 23, 1943, on a charge of "unfitness" was asked by the NAACP Special Counsel in a letter September 13 to Secretary of the Navy, James V. Forrestal.

The two men, Arthur Monroe Seabees and Clifford P. Smith, were among the original 15 Seabees given "undesirable" discharges for discussing racial grievances at a supposedly "off the record" meeting called by the Commanding Officer, while they were on duty at a base in the Pacific.

DEMOCRATS EXCLUDE ARKANSAS NEGROES

Little Rock, Ark.—The Arkansas Democratic convention aimed party rules at its biennial meeting here Saturday last to exclude Negroes from membership but allowing them to vote in primaries if they met party loyalty requirements.

3-HOUR RACE RIOT IN CAROLINA TOWN

Lake City, S. C.—Sheriff McLaurin Birch said quiet was restored here at midnight Sunday after almost three hours of rioting between whites and Negroes.

Civilians and soldiers were ordered off the streets and home guardsmen were patrolling the street. A Negro sailor was shot and wounded.

DISPUTE OVER JOB FOR NEGRO

Washington, D. C.—President Roosevelt's nomination of a Philadelphia Negro clergyman to be recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia has brought a charge from Senator Styles Bridges (Rep., N. H.) that it was "plainly political" and designed to "help Roosevelt carry the Negro vote."

Democrats quickly rose to counter Bridges' attack on Marshall L. Shepard. Senator Arthur Walsch (Dem., N. J.) said Shepard, a former member of the Pennsylvania state legislature and head of the Negro division of the Democratic national committee speakers bureau, had a broad background educationally and religiously.

JUNIOR C. O. C. GIVES TO SCOUT ACTIVITIES

The Des Moines Junior Chamber of Commerce this year again made a substantial cash contribution to various boys and girls camp groups in and around Des Moines—Russ LaVine, publicity chairman revealed.

"We are particularly happy that we are able to assist many colored boys from the East Side Community Center and Troop 99 of the Negro Community Center by partially paying their campships to the Boy Scout Camp near Boone," Mr. LaVine wrote.

The Junior Chamber made a contribution of a \$1,500 shelter cabin to the Boy Scouts Camp and "trust that many colored youngsters will receive much happiness and benefit from this cabin," the chairman informed.

DEDICATION AT FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST

The dedication of the edifice of First Church of Christ, Scientist, at 38th street place and Grand avenue, will occur on Sunday, Sept. 24, with services at 11 a. m., 12:15 p. m. and 4:30 p. m., to any of which the public is invited.

DR. BRADFORD RETURNS TO CITY

Dr. C. R. Bradford returned to the city on Monday from Shreveport, La., where he attended the funeral of his father, Mr. Calvin Bradford.

PICTURES FOR OCTOBER PAGE DUE BY SEPT. 25

The next page of the Iowa men and women in the military services will be published on Thursday Oct. 5. Get your pictures into the office not later than Monday, September 25, the deadline. Call the Bystander, 3-2822 for further information or write to 221 1/2 Locust street, Des Moines, Ia.

93rd Patrols Stab at Jap Lines

SEPT. 15 to OCT. 15
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MONTH FOR MEN
OVER SEAS.



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GOP ASSISTANT CAMPAIGN MANAGERS



Republican National Campaign Chairman, Herbert Brownell, Jr., last week added additional assistant campaign managers to the busy Republican staff when he announced the appointments of former Municipal Court Judge Patrick B. Prescott, Jr., (center) Walter Hoving (left), and Archie O. Dawson (right). Judge Prescott is a member of a prominent Chicago law firm; Mr. Hoving is president of Lord and Taylor, a large

department store in New York City, and national chairman of the United Negro College Fund Campaign; and Mr. Dawson is a member of a prominent Wall Street law firm.

Educational Opportunities In Night Classes Oct. 2nd

The fall term of the Des Moines Adult School program will open the week of October 2, the majority of the classes at the East, North, Roosevelt and West high schools and in other locations of the city.

Courses are offered in many of the general and vocational subjects which include: acetylene welding, advertising writing and layout, aircraft welding, architectural drafting, art (oil painting), aviation mechanics, blueprint reading, book reviews, bookkeeping (practical), bridge (contract), business letters, corporation finance, crafts, dancing classes, drawing (water color painting and sketching), electronics.

English Review, French, German gymn and pool club, home construction, home nursing, lip reading, machine drafting, machine shop practice, mathematics, coaching, music, office machines, photography, Portuguese, power sewing machine operation, precision instruments, public speaking, radio, refrigeration, retail training, sculpturing.

Shorthand, Spanish, speech training, stenographic review, structural sheet metal Swedish, swimming, theater workshop, traffic problems, typewriting, woodcarving, woodcraft and furniture repair.

The homemaking classes offer courses in art and crafts, "The Child," clothing, decorating, home management, post-war planning, prenatal and infant care repair-of-household equipment.

Anyone over sixteen and not regularly attending any other school or college may attend the adult classes. Folders with all of the courses listed may be obtained from Alice V. Myers, acting director of Adult education of the Des Moines Public Schools by phoning 4-2105.

Negro Market Spends 7 Billion

Chicago—America's 13,000,000 Negroes offer one of the greatest post-war retail markets in the world, states David J. Sullivan, leading authority of colored business, in the September issue of Negro Digest published here.

"Today's Negro market had a gross income in 1942 of \$7,000,000,000,

of which nearly 42 per cent was spent in consumer's goods and services," declares Sullivan.

Pointing out the amazing potential value of this market, Sullivan stated that it exceeded nearly two and one-half times the total American exports to South America.

"Its 1943 gross national income reached an all-time high of \$10,290,000,000 far greater than Canada's 1943 total of 8,800,000,000," Sullivan said.

Showing that Negroes spend more per capita on certain consumer goods than white people for the same products, Sullivan's article entitled "Export Market at Home," details the expenditures of this huge internal market during the past 10 years.

"The 1944 Negro income will gross an estimated \$10,500,000,000 or more," he concluded, "and it is expected that Negroes will maintain substantially a large part of the gains they have made in employment, due to the war, and their increasing numbers in the labor unions. It would thus seem a greater, expanding market for post-war goods or services than at any previous time in their history."

Surviving are two daughters, Margaret Edwards and Clarabelle Estelle; two sisters, Elizabeth Gray and Emma Leg; and a brother, Scott Estelle, all of Des Moines.

WILLIAM ESTELLE, 73, DIES AT HOME

William Estelle, 73, of 613 S. E. Tenth street, died at home Monday night. He had been a resident of Des Moines 40 years and was a member of the Mount Olive Baptist church.

Surviving are two daughters, Margaret Edwards and Clarabelle Estelle; two sisters, Elizabeth Gray and Emma Leg; and a brother, Scott Estelle, all of Des Moines.

Puzzled!



W. L. OLIVER

W. Lawrence Oliver, local attorney, at 416 East Sixth street, found himself confronted with a political dilemma this week. In all of the fourteen years he has been practicing law here—solving cases, advising others, searching for clues he has never had quite the problem that he finds himself in.

In the office this week he produced a sample copy of an official war ballot in which his name appeared as a candidate for county attorney for the Farmer-Labor Rochdale Century party.

Accompanying the sample ballot were two letters, one the Attorney had written on September 5 to County Attorney Francis J. Kuble, advising him of his intentions to support the Republican candidate "wholeheartedly for re-election to the office of County Attorney in Polk County," and another letter from the County Attorney Kuble, written on Sept. 5, in which the Polk County official wrote the attorney that "I greatly appreciate receiving the same. I know that you can do me a great deal of good."

The attorney informed that there was "nothing official that can be done now," as far as getting his name off of the ballot. He did learn that his name had been listed and certified on August 18 and at that time Attorney Oliver was out of the city on a week's trip.

"It was done wholly without my authorization; without my knowledge and it creates an unwholesome situation," the attorney said and added that he had no political aspirations and neither was he acquainted with the Rochdale Century organization.

Last December Attorney Oliver changed his political affiliations from the Democratic party to the Independent.

IN AIR CORPS



AVIATION CADET BOWMAN

The following men from Iowa have completed their primary training at the 2164th Army Air Force Base Unit (Contract Pilot School, Primary), Tuskegee Institute, Ala., and have been transferred to Tuskegee Army Air Field, to continue their training in the basic and advanced phases of flying.

Aviation Cadet James E. Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman, 906 Sixth street, and Aviation Cadet Edward C. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Harris, 1345 E. Seventeenth court, both of Des Moines.

Division Stalks Through Perilous Jungle in South Pacific to Jap's Main Line

Somewhere in the Southwest Pacific—A 93rd Division patrol under the command of First Lieutenant John S. Walker of Chicago, Illinois, and Linden A. Carding of Miami, Oklahoma, stalked through the quiet and perilous jungle on a mission assigned to them by the Commanding General of the Americal Division. After two days of weary trudging through muck and mud, the patrol reached its goal far behind the enemy lines where they set up a road block and made plans to ambush the Japs' main supply route.

Each man realized the importance and danger of his mission. The strategic hill position they occupied was to be held while they struck hard into the Jap effort to supply their stranded forces in a native village. They were rewarded when they surprised a Jap patrol and engaged it in a fire fight. A concentration was laid on the Japs who fled in disorder.

Wait for Japs

The next morning at the crack of dawn, another Jap patrol, evidently in flight from a heavy mortar barrage laid down by friendly forces the previous night, was caught in the American patrol's ambush. Corporal James L. Vernon of Wilcox, West

Virginia and Technician Fifth Grade Harry S. Evans of Long Branch, New Jersey crouched in their gun positions and allowed the Japs to creep within 50 yards. Then they spattered the area with deadly rifle fire from their automatic weapons.

They accounted for three Nips knocked out immediately. Then Sergeant James A. Hopkins of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Technician Fifth Grade Arlester J. Jefferson of San Antonio, Texas spotted two more seeking concealment. Jefferson stopped his quarry cold as he crawled toward a tree. Hopkins silenced the other as he was taking a head on Corporal Vernon.

By this time the Japs knew that the patrol was striking mercilessly in their territory and consequently, after a few hours, they attempted to make a hard-pressing counter-attack. The patrol withstood the assault with stiff resistance and suffered no losses.

Later the leaders in command informed their men that their mission had been accomplished and ordered a strategic return to their command post. The entire patrol was commended for its excellent and effective work by Major General Robert B. McClure, Commanding General of the Americal Division.

Talent Show Rehearsals at Jewish Center Monday Eve.

Rehearsals Monday Night

Rehearsals for the Talent Show will be held Monday night, Sept. 25, at the Jewish Community Center, Eighth and Forest, at 8 o'clock. All participants and persons planning to take part are asked to be at the rehearsals.

The final week for entries in the Iowa Bystander's ninth Annual Talent Show, which will be staged on Monday night, Oct. 2, at the Jewish Community Center, is at hand.

All amateurs—persons who have appeared before groups in a non-professional standing, youth and adults who think they have a talent but have never had the opportunity to show what they can do—have the chance now to appear in the Bystander's amateur show and display that talent for singing, reading, whistling, joking, clowning, dancing, or any talent that will entertain.

All students who are studying

voice, piano, violin or any instrument are invited to appear on the program—to take advantage of appearing before a large audience for experience.

Choruses, quartets, trios, will find their classifications in the talent show and will be eligible for prizes like all music students.

Novelty groups, short skits and acts have another classification in the show. Patriotic skits are invited for this show which will emphasize the buying of war bonds, the writing to the boys in the military services and the mailing of gifts to the boys overseas.

Cash prizes will be given to first, second and third places in all of the classifications.

Phone or write the Iowa Bystander today for further information and entry blanks, 3-4012 or 221 1/2 Locust street, Des Moines.

The deadline for entries will close next week when the try-outs will be held.

NAACP Meeting At Maple Street Church Sept. 24

The Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold a public meeting Sunday afternoon, Sept. 24, at 3 o'clock, at the Maple Street Baptist church.

Highlights of the national conference will be told by Mrs. William Neal, John S. Coleman, president, will tell of the national resolutions. A. P. Trotter will report on "The Negro Vote in the South." Atty. S. Joe Brown, will talk on the "Sunday Mass Meeting," and Mr. Ike Smalls' subject is the "Youth Council and Credentials."

Two prizes will be awarded to winners of the membership drive, Mesdames Neal and A. Mitchell, who brought in the largest numbers of members, individually. Mrs. Cecil Lewis, chairman of the program, will preside.

HOLD FUNERAL RITES FOR MRS. W. JACKSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Naomi Jackson, 47, of 1029 Seventeenth street were held Thursday at Estes Funeral home.

Mrs. Jackson, formerly a maid at the Brown hotel, died at her home Sunday night, Sept. 17 after a year's illness.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Lulu Parsons; two sisters, Mrs. Viola Gilmore and Mrs. Ruby Bradley, and three brothers, Roosevelt Parsons, Emanuel Parsons of Chicago, Ill., and Richard Parsons of Tuskegee, Ala.; and one daughter, Geraldine Carr.

Induction

Board Three
Lee A. Garrett, 200 Eighth street, West Des Moines, Ia.
William M. Herndon, 132 Eighth street, West Des Moines, Ia.

MAIL PACKAGES

Mail Christmas packages to men overseas now and until Oct. 15.



SOCIETY



THE SAM WALKERS ENTERTAIN G. A. R. GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Walker, 1062 14th street, had as their house guests members of the G.A.R. Ladies convention, which convened in Des Moines recently. The house guests were Mesdames Mildred Puckett, past department president of the Ladies of the G.A.R. of Louisville, Ky., Hattie Young, chairman of an advisory council and Virginia Mc-Morgan, department chaplain of the G.A.R. of Louisville, Ky.

MRS. WALKER RETURNS

Mrs. Sam Walker, 1062 14th street who recently attended the funeral of a friend in Chicago, Ill., also attended the mortgage burning services at the Crippin Chapel. The service was conducted by Bishop J. A. Gregg.

MR. TUCKER OF ARKANSAS VISITS RELATIVES HERE

Mr. N. L. Tucker of Arkadelphia, Ark., left Sunday night after a visit with his son, Mr. G. B. Tucker and Mrs. Tucker, 1101 School street, and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary Tucker, 761 Eleventh street, the wife of the late Mr. R. C. Tucker.

MRS. CLAY AND GRAND-DAUGHTER TO K. C.

Mrs. Ella Clay, 508 S. E. 12th street, is visiting her brother, Mr. Clifford Wallace and her brother-in-law, Mr. Edward Rankin Clay in Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Clay was accompanied by her grand daughter, Miss Deloris Bumpus.

John Smith Home

Mr. John Smith of the Merchant Marines, stationed at Boston, Mass., is here on a two week's furlough visiting his mother Mrs. Magnolia Bagby, 2713 Cleveland and his grand mother, Mrs. Bessie Cunningham, 1267 Stewart street.

THE SMITHS OF NEW JERSEY HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Smith of Ashbury Park, N. J., are here on a two week's vacation with Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. Magnolia Bagby and grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Cunningham, Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. C. E. Martin, 523 S. E. 27th street, Cl. and other relatives and friends.

THE BAYLES FAMILY HAS DINNER GUESTS

Sunday, September 17, Mr. and Mrs. James Newsome, Mrs. Millie Estelle and Mrs. Ruth Basket motored to Hampton, Ia., with Mrs. Helen Hubbard to be the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bayles, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams.

Others sharing the courtesy were Mr. and Mrs. Horace Spencer and Mr. Harvey Spencer of Mason City, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnson and Mr. Curley Brown of Manly, Ia., and five boys from Jamaica working near Manly, Ia.

THE GOODWINS HONOR BROTHER

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Goodwin, 512 S. E. 5th street, entertained Mrs. Goodwin's brother, Mr. Robert Jackson of Detroit, Mich., formerly of this city, at a farewell dinner party, September 12.

Those sharing the courtesy were Mrs. Sally Lee, Mr. James Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harper, Mrs. Hettie McNorton, Mrs. Ella McKeever, and Mrs. Mable Bryant.

DINNER GUESTS

Miss Ollie Brown of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Ada Jefferson of Des Moines, were the dinner guests of Mrs. Ida Green, 1313 Fremont September 13.

VISIT MRS. SHANKS OF MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Mrs. Josephine Hunley and baby of Milwaukee, Wis., were her September 2, visiting Mrs. Hunley's mother-in-law, Mrs. Cora Shanks, 1306 De Wolf street.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Murray, 1404 Dixon street, have returned from Omaha, Neb., where they visited Mrs. Murray's brother, Mr. John Bradley.

THE MURRAYS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Murray, 1404 Dixon street, entertained recently at a dinner party. The honored guests were members of the Sisterhood Drill team Mesdames W. M. Scott, Gertrude Brown, Anna Mae Lawson, Thelma Smith, Cornelius Graves, Daisy Edward, Carrie Reynolds and the noble chieftain of the Brotherhood, Mr. Charles Randall.

YOUTH COUNCILS LOSES MEMBERS

The Youth Council of the NAACP has lost several of its leaders, temporarily, to schools and employment outside of the city. Bernard Lewis, the president, Hutch Beshears and Barbara (Babs) Brown have enrolled at the University of Iowa.

Frances Carter, the secretary, has enrolled at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo. Emmett Scales, Jr. has re-enrolled at the University of Wisconsin. James Harris has been inducted in the army pre-flight school and Montana Hayes has left for government work in Dayton, O.

Miss Clara Webb, the advisor, is calling a meeting of the entire membership, Friday, September 29, at the Blue Triangle Y.W.C.A., 8 p. m. for the purpose of electing a president and secretary to fill out the unexpired term of the previous officers. A program will be presented.

LA FLEUR DE LES CLUB MEETS

The LaFleur De Les club met Sunday, September 17 at the home of Mrs. Wilma Hunt, 1642 Walker. Pokers prizes were won by Mesdames Rachel Robinson, Thelma Perry and Dorothy Vaughn. The next hostess will be Mrs. Thelma Perry, 1150 2nd St. E.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB MEETS

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Frances Wells, 1116 17th street. Mesdames Lenora Johnson was the winner of the first prize in the quiz contest, Verda Spangler, second, and Mrs. Eunice Bates, third. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Bertha Wolder, 1150 Enos.

MARY B. TALBERT CLUB OPENS MEETING

The Mary B. Talbert club opened its first meeting of the year with the following members present: Mesdames Olliva Hayes, Vera Williams, Ruth Moore, Helen Anderson, Mable Jefferson, Willa Bell Sloan and Ellen Dell. The program consisted of a pot luck dinner at the home of Mrs. Mable Jefferson, 1320 E. 19th street, September 13. Guests present were Mesdames W. C. Bulce, Sylvester Fortrester, Eugene Broddus, Messrs. James Williams, Hartzel Dell, William Elmora and Charles Jefferson.

DILETTANTE CLUB MEETS OCT. 10

The Dilettante club will meet at the home of Mrs. Joan Bullock, 1331 Center, Oct. 10. The last meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Orea Buice with Mrs. Georgine Morris speaking on the subject of "Art of Being Well Groomed."

MRS. HUBBARD IS LUNCHEON HOSTESS

Mrs. W. W. Hubbard, 116 Franklin street, entertained at a luncheon on Sept. 10, the Mesdames Lena Brown, Gertrude Reeves, Anna Ringo, Alice Graves, Rosa Bland, Emma Evans, Ruby Cooper.

ATTY. FRANKLIN HERE

Attorney A. J. Franklin, of Tulsa, Okla., was here visiting Mrs. E. P. Geiger, 916 Laurel street.

PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

Around town recently housewives were busy doing one thing and planning to do another. On the East Side Mrs. Donna Ogleton had returned from conference and she was getting the home back in condition after a week's absence.

Mrs. W. C. Brown, on Thirteenth, had apples and grapes piled up for canning.

Mrs. Cecil Brewton was making fudge for Cecil, Jr., in the army, while her husband proudly showed off some of the peaches he had canned.

Mr. James McGee on Buchanan was commenting on his telephone bill just after a telephone conversation between his daughter, Frances, and her sergeant husband, who is stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Mrs. Isaac Green on Fremont street was discussing new plans for husband to beautify the home while he sat on the front porch and read. Mrs. Salemma Morris was downtown shopping for many items that have gone to war-like towels, sheets, blankets, wash rags.

LEAVES NEW DEAL



MRS. C. B. FAUSET

Mrs. Crystal Bird Fauset nationally prominent Democratic woman leader of Pennsylvania, who has pledged her support to Governor Thomas E. Dewey, is shown (left) with Republican National Campaign Chairman, Herbert Brownell, Jr., at GOP headquarters, Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, where she discussed ways and means of getting more New York votes for the militant young New York Governor. Mrs. Fauset served a term in the Pennsylvania legislature, and was State WPA director of Negro activities in Pennsylvania. She has been one of the most prominent Negroes associated with the New Deal, having been called to the White House by President Roosevelt shortly before the Democratic National Convention in July. She left the Democratic party because of the innumerable discriminations of the New Deal against the Negro.

WACs AND USO HOSTESSES ATTEND DANCE FOR NAVY MEN AT OTTUMWA

Monday evening between the hour of five and six o'clock WACs raced from Fort Des Moines and junior and senior hostesses left their places of employment in mad rushes and made bee-lines across town to the Keo-Way USO center to board an awaiting chartered bus.

Attractive in their khaki uniforms and beige off-duty dresses were these WACs from Ft. Des Moines: Sgt. Sibyl Paine of Jacksonville, Fla., Pvt. Joe Fugate of West Virginia, Cpl. Mary E. Walker of New York City, Pvt. Elizabeth Moraney of Harrisburg, Pa., Pvt. Elizabeth Staten of Washington, D. C., Pvt. Marion Saxon of Baton Rouge, La., Pvt. Carlton Armond of Norfolk, Va., Pvt. Sarah Wilson of Washington, D. C., Pvt. Eva Payne of Philadelphia, Pvt. Vivian Reynolds of Washington, D. C., Pvt. Dorothy Lee of Los Angeles, Calif., Pvt. Hazel Moore of Indianapolis.

Attired in smartly tailored suits and dance frocks of pastel colors with corsages of many descriptions were these civilians who had dropped their work of the day: Mae Henri Crumb of the Iowa War Relief Association, Marri Johnson of the Council of Social Agencies, Alberta Bates of the State Board of Social Welfare, Beatrice and Gertrude Green of Gelpert's Photo studio, Freida DeSleet of the Veteran's hospital, Barbara Burton of Younker's Store, Evelyn Green of Banker's Life, Harriet Crumb of Drake University, Lucille Jackson of Elliott hotel, Doris Williams and Melba Thompson, of North high school, Edith Carey, Joyce Hardaway, Mrs. Jessie Mae Phillips, beauty shop operator, who chaperoned the group, and Marie Ross of the Bystander.

The bus driver called "all aboard" and girls found their seats, waving farewells to their USO directors, Mesdames Ruth P. McGregor and Mildred Wiley, as the bus pulled away from the Keo-Way Center, shortly after 6 p. m.

Along the trip the girls entertained themselves singing songs with Marri Johnson doing the directing and taking the soprano to falsetto solo leads. Marri also acted as high-way guide, pointing out the sights, the cows, the horses, the corn fields and rivelets.

Midway on the trip the bus stopped at the famous town of Pella, where the tulips grow. Girls scrambled about, crowded a hotel restaurant and filled up on sandwiches, soft drinks, sought popcorn at street corner wagons, found Dutch souvenirs and tried to buy some of the famous Dutch ice cream but the supply had run out two days before.

Back in the bus pop corn was crunched, gum was passed and even the bus driver chewed and crunched. Arrive at Base

Arriving at nine o'clock in Ottumwa, a stop was made at the naval base, then into town at the service club and finally the group of young women found the dance and party awaiting them at the Y.W.C.A. where plenty of sailors and seamen in their whites, blues and grays were awaiting with broad smiles.

Registered and frozen to the Y.W.C.A. the girls were ushered into the dance hall where a "fine as wine" orchestra, Jack Merringer's, with one colored member, "Hank" Williams on the sax, beat out the jive and the jump started.

Mrs. Minnie Bailey of the Ottumwa USO and her committee, Mrs. Bessie Graham, Mrs. Bernice Milton, Misses Josephine Wilson and Katherine Ross, lined the spacious dining room tables with a variety and an abundance of fine foods and the feast was endless.

The entertaining committee at Ottumwa gave prizes which were won by Private Marion Saxon of the WAC; and the following men of the Ottumwa Naval Base: Louis Williams of New York City, Louis Ransom of New Jersey, Ernest Moore of Newport News, N. J., Dennis Hawkins of New Orleans, Charles White of Kansas City, Kas., Arthur Mitchell of Toledo, Ohio, Arthur Brown of North Carolina, Theodore

Y.W.C.A.

BLUE TRIANGLE BRANCH

The Blue Triangle Branch of the Y.W.C.A. is observing its twenty-fifth anniversary Sunday, Oct. 1, with a tea and open house from 3 to 5 p. m. The history of the branch will be presented in tableaux at 4 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

Working on the overall committee are Mesdames W. J. Ritchey, Adele McGuire, Adah Johnson, L. R. Willis and J. G. Browne.

Blue Triangle Membership Committee will meet at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. Mrs. Dorris Wilson is chairman.

IOWANS ON VACATION TRIP IN THE EAST

Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn, director of the East Side Community Center, and Miss Mary Holmes, secretary at the Keo-Way USO, left the city last week for a vacation in New York, Washington and Baltimore where Mrs. Cothorn will join her husband, Mr. John Cothorn and their son who has been in Baltimore visiting several weeks.

MRS. JONES IS PARTY HOSTESS

Mrs. Josephine Jones was hostess to a poker party honoring Mrs. Oletha Davis of Columbus, Ohio, Saturday, Sept. 16.

Sharing the courtesy were: Mesdames Mary Hardaway, Louisa Carter, Clara Miller and Harriet Carter. Mrs. Scales won the prize in the bean guessing game.

MRS. LEE HONORS SISTER ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Frances Lee, 1043 Buchanan street, honored her sister, Mrs. Martha Parkey at a birthday dinner Sunday, Sept. 17. Sharing the courtesy were: Miss Priscilla Bestor, Miss Rosetta Megginson, Mr. and Mrs. James McGee, Jerry Burrell and Michael Ray Humphrey.

Mrs. Parkey received a diamond cross necklace from her husband, Aviation Cadet Robert Parkey at Tuskegee, Ala.

ENTERS HOSPITAL

Mrs. Luis Mitchell, 935 Twenty-third street, entered Broadlawn General hospital this week.

Tatum of Chicago, Coleman Duncan of South Carolina, Henry Graves of Oakland, Calif., Ollie H. Cotton of Chicago, Charles Brooks of St. Louis, Kirk Evans of Louisville, Ky., L. Sopher of Oakland, Calif., Byron Smith of Chicago, Morris Abrams of Miami, Fla., Johnson Hill of Tennessee, James W. Nichols, and N. Coffee of Philadelphia.

Promptly at midnight the bus left Ottumwa and reached Des Moines near three o'clock in the morning—with a load of sleepy WACs and civilians many of whom had to be back on their jobs a few hours later.

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Perplexed—I am convinced that you are the only one who can help me. I love my husband and I know that I do, but why is it I lose my head when other men make love to me? I know that I am doing wrong by letting them make love to me, as my husband is so nice but he just doesn't seem to know how to say the sweet loving things to me. I am love starved.

Ans.: You are not love starved. You just want to be a glamour gal instead of a house wife—and love affairs appeal more to you than marriage. Get off your high horse and realize that

MANY ATTEND HOTEL BRYSON OPEN HOUSE

Open House at the new Hotel Bryson, 762 Ninth street, was attended by many persons on Sept. 1. Flowers and telegrams were received by the proprietor, Mr. Garold Bryson. Mrs. Mary Miles and Mrs. George Dodd of St. Paul, Minn., served as hostesses. Refreshments were served.

Recuperating

Mrs. Josephine Williams is recuperating at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. C. Gaiter, 2706 Rolands, after a two week illness.

MISS OLLIE BROWN ENTERTAINED HERE

Miss Ollie Brown of Chicago was dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bagby, 2713 Cleveland avenue, Friday. Mesdames Pauline Greene and Susie Yeager were joint hostesses at dinner honoring Miss Brown on last Thursday. Miss Brown was entertained on last Wednesday by her sister, Mrs. Heasle Southall, 1410 Center street.

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ACCUSING THE WRONG FELLOW

Robert E. Hannegan, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has accused the Republicans of raising the race issue. He makes the charge, because information leaked out that President Roosevelt told Mr. Hannegan during their National convention to clear everything through Sidney Hillman, Republicans accused the Democrats of letting Mr. Hillman run the party.

Mr. Hillman is a Jew and they howl that the charge is made because of his race and not because he is head of the CIO and of the Political Action Committee of that organization.

Evidently, Mr. Hannegan is unacquainted with the history of his party; he is unacquainted with the tactics of many of the majority leaders in Congress who use every opportunity in and out of office to raise the race issue. What issue came nearer breaking up state conventions—and did break up the Texas convention—than the race issue?

The trouble is that the Republicans are hitting the Democrats in their tender spots and naturally when a dog is hit he does not hesitate to howl.

DOES KATZ MAKE IOWA LAW?

Last week, a visiting Negro minister and his wife went to the Katz Drug store to eat. The first day they were served, but returning the second day the waitresses refused to even say anything to them and finally the dish washer came out and said, "we are not going to serve you here." They left in disgust.

Later this same minister called the manager about the matter. He said, "It is the policy of Katz Drug store not to serve colored people."

The matter was taken up with the chairman of the legal redress committee of the NAACP who offered to accompany the minister to the county attorney's office to file criminal information against the management. To date the injured party has not returned.

It is rather disgusting that Katz should say it is the policy of the company not to serve Negroes. When he does this his policy conflicts with the laws of Iowa. And certainly the laws of Iowa take precedence over the policies of Katz Drug company.

Of course, much of the trouble goes back to the Negro himself. Iowa has a law against discrimination in public places. It will be and is enforced in towns where Negroes are articulate and use their ballot and intelligence to secure the enforcement of laws. But all too often the people who are injured don't have the courage to stand up and fight. They expect others to do it for them. The price of liberty comes high and the fellow who pays appreciates it the most. And that is the way Katz and other rotten institutions get away with their illegal practices. Des Moines would do a lot better if the Negro insisted upon his rights.

WHY NOT IN ALL CASES?

Thursday, I passed Good's Park at Seventeenth and University avenue. A Roman Catholic sister was supervising a play group consisting of boys playing football; another consisting of girls playing soft ball. A Negro boy was in the football group; two Negro girls in the soft ball group. They were of the junior high age. It was a beautiful day and the game were going good.

As we watched the games, the Negro boy pitched in, carried the ball, tackled, blocked, knocked and got knocked. It was all in fun and nobody indicated any antagonism. The same thing was true of the Negro girls. They were active on the teams and everything moved along smoothly. This same thing is done in our public schools every day. The fact that this example is taken is merely incidental.

No doubt, in this group there were some who did not approve the democratic spirit about which we speak. But the heads of the institution did, as Christians it was the right thing to do. So nobody had the temerity to object.

If democracy can be practiced under these circumstances among youngsters it can be done in groups in later years. What we need to do is to keep in mind the golden rule, the constitution, the just laws of the land and refuse to appease the fellow who takes any other course in the name of free speech and action.

Keo Way U.S.O.

KEO-WAY USO CLUB NEWS

The Fish Fry hit a responsive chord last Saturday with army and navy guests. Remember service people, you may have that home cooked food by ordering it a day ahead any time.

"Gee, does that thing make records?" asked a sailor of the operator on duty at the recording machine. Then he added, "I am going to come in soon and get that letter off to Mom." Record making and talking letters are already popular with the WACs so there will be strictly competition for service if those sailors decide it is easier to talk that letter than to write it. The hostess operator is on duty regularly Saturday and Sunday but records may be made most any time.

Get your formal ready for the Formal Fall opening of Keo-Way USO Club. No excuses will be accepted for failure to attend as you are being warned almost a month in advance.

Among the out of town guests over the week-end at Keo-Way were soldiers from Kearney, Nebraska. These service men are just beginning to use the club.

Sixteen attractive WACs dressed in their off duty dresses with some equally attractive Junior Hostesses and Service Men's Wives of Keo-Way journeyed by special bus to Ottumwa. There they were the guests of the Naval Air Base and the USO.

The Service Men's Wives discussed post war job opportunities in Des Moines with John S. Coleman as leader Wednesday at Keo-Way. These Young Matrons are making a study of a series of post war subjects.

LINCOLN POST 126

By W. T. BURNS
All Legion Posts in the Des Moines area assisted the G.A.R. with their seventy-sixth National Encampments. Comrades Chapman and DeSleet escorted G.A.R. comrades Mack and Johnson every night. Post members took part in the G.A.R. parade. Color bearers were L. I. Turpin and L. Bird. Others were: Commander Chapman, Comrades G. Greene, H. Gater, Sampson, O. Carter. 1945 membership on Sept. 16 totaled 44.

The American Legion is not an organization to settle race issues but the Legion does support all good causes that are brought properly before the national body. Therefore, all discharged veterans should belong to the American Legion and all Negroes and members of Negro organizations should support 100 percent the activities of the Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Read the article, "What the Negro Soldier Thinks About This War," in the September issue of the Crisis magazine. The NAACP and Legion helped to open all branches of the U. S. Armed forces to the Negro. W. T. Burns, Post Publicity—4-2946.

NEGRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL MEET TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

The Negro Chamber of Commerce will hold its first fall meeting on Tuesday, October 3, at 8 p. m. at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and plan the annual membership campaign.

The meeting is being called by the president, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister.

SPORTS

BIG TEN FULL OF NEGRO GRIDIRON STARS

By ALLEN ASHBY

The fact that Negroes will play a rather prominent part in Big Ten football this season seems to surprise some of the sports writers. Of course they all mention Duke Slater of Iowa and reserve for him the top spot of the greatest of all times. But this year the conference seems to be nearly flooded (for Negroes) with dusky potential stars.

Heading the list is Big Bill Willis of Ohio State, who established himself as one of the best line men on the field in the recent All-star game at Evanston field. Willis stands well over six feet and weighs two hundred twenty and can outrun nearly the entire squad for sixty yards, due to his tremendous starting speed.

The young giant from the Buckeye State has been called one of the two or three greatest tackles in the country, and an almost certain candidate for All American honors, barring injury.

Buddy Young of Illinois, who was the nation's outstanding sprinter last spring, got off to a good start in the warm-up test for the Illini by galloping eighty-one yards for one marker and fifty-five yards for another and having another trot of eighty yards called back for a clipping penalty.

Paul Patterson a left-handed passer, tossed two touchdown passes, and made one himself. Still another Negro, Don Johnson, a teammate of Young at Wendell Phillips last fall completes the roster for the largest group of sepians ever to represent Illinois at one time.

Two Negroes, Gene Derricote and Bob Mann, a back and end respectively, will see plenty of action for Michigan this fall. Derricote is a good passer, and a better than average runner, while Mann has attracted the attention of Benny Oosterbaan, end coach at the Wolverine school, and may develop into one of the top pass receivers of the conference. Another youngster, Matt Brown will see a lot of action as a defensive back for Ohio State. Not much of a runner, Brown is rated as one of the best defensive backs in the Big Ten, and for that reason is certain to see a lot of fire when the Buckeyes are in a tight spot.

At Indiana one Rooster Coffee who was slated to play in the All-star game, but suffered a shoulder separation instead, will be one of the chief reasons why opponents will not do too much gaining through the

Hoosier line. Coffee is considered an invaluable asset in the line and a first class morale builder for the entire squad. On the whole, it looks like a big year in the Western Conference for Negro football fans who follow the teams just to see their favorites play, and in the few months we have been in this city we have met quite a few of the faithful who just follow the teams who have Negro players on them, and watch them in action. Looks as if they will have some busy Saturdays this fall.

AMERICAN LEIGION AUXILIARY

Musical Tea

By BESSY L. GREENE
The musical tea sponsored Sunday afternoon by Mrs. Eunice Bates and Mrs. G. B. Tucker was a successful affair. The tea table was beautifully decorated with flowers, China dishes for serving and silver tea and coffee service sets.

Mesdames Comedore Hendricks, Guy E. Greene and Everett Clay poured. Mesdames Oval Carter, Clara Chapman, Dorena Manuel and Frances M. Hall were the hostesses. Mrs. Laura Rhodes was in charge of the serving. Mrs. Tucker served as program chairman and registration was in charge of Mrs. Festus Stone. Mesdames Tucker, Donna Ogletone and Miss Cleota Proctor rendered musical numbers. Mrs. Georgia Add was dining room hostess.

Tuesday evening the Auxiliary met at the hall with the president presiding. The meeting was turned over to Mesdames Greene and Bates. Music was rendered by Mrs. Tucker. A publicity quiz was conducted by Mesdames Greene and Jewel Robinson. Mrs. Robinson is the Gold Star chairman for the Unit. Miss Ruth L. Burton of WHO gave a talk on radio. Mrs. Anna Mae Carter and the president made reports of the State Department convention.

The Polk County meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 28, at West Des Moines Legion hall. Mrs. Carter will represent the president and Mrs. Olivia Hayes will attend. Mrs. H. H. Luckinsingre is president of the Polk County and Mrs. Greene, secretary and treasurer. This meeting will be a school of instruction for all presidents and secretaries.

Cpl. Mash Home, stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga., is home on a 10-day furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mash, 1253 E. 16th street. al of the Base Air Depot Area, for establishing a new record in unloading bombs and ammunition at a railroad.

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POST EXCHANGE

LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting

By MARIE ROSS

Iowa Soldier Sends Poem on Southern Life

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil H. Brewton, Sr., 1312 Laurel street, from their son, now Corporal C. H. Brewton, who is stationed at Indian-town Gap, Va., the young Iowan sent the following poem, "Colored—To the Rear," which was written by another soldier at the camp.

The poem reveals the thoughts of a colored soldier who has lived in the South.

"Colored to the Rear"
To ride a Florida bus
The prices are so dear—
You pay the same as anyone,
But—"Colored to the Rear."
"Hey, there! Stand back in line,
And let those white folks by,
If you black boys ain't careful,
Someone's going to die."
The Camp is in the country
Several miles from town,
No use to try to thumb a ride
When your skin is brown.
You leave loved ones behind you
To fight for Democracy,
But many times you'll stop to ask,
"What has it done for me?"
Out on the battlefields we fight
With one thought very clear,
Where shots and shells are bursting,
There's no "Colored to the Rear."
For death knows neither black nor white,
Nor thought of race or creed,
On far flung shores we fight each day
To free those not yet freed.
Inducted in some northern camp
We're men about a week,
Then to the South and prejudice
Denied the right to speak.
My God, may peace deliver us,
From blood, from death, from fear;
From racial strife of Southern life,
From "Colored to the Rear."

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