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Negro Infantrymen Prove Worth in Fighting

News Briefs From Far and Near

MANHANDLED ON TRAIN; GETS CASH SETTLEMENT

New York—The Southern Railway company has made a substantial cash settlement in the suit brought by Miss Edith Johnson of Brooklyn, who charged that she had been manhandled on a New York-Atlanta train when she refused to give up her reserved seat and go into a "jim crow" car. The suit has been in court about a year and a half. Oliver W. Williams handled the case at the request of the NAACP.

Miss Johnson, a senior student at Spelman college, had alleged in a complaint filed on her behalf by the NAACP that although she held a "through" reservation from New York to Atlanta, she was ordered to change to a Jim Crow car when she reached Lynchburg, Virginia, and that when she refused to do so, she was forcibly ejected from a deluxe coach of the "Southerner," on which she had reservations, and thrown bodily into a jim crow car, by a conductor and several police officers who were summoned upon her refusal to remove herself voluntarily.

INTENSIVE BIRTH REGISTERING DRIVE ON

Washington—Dr. Joseph L. Johnson, head of the Department of Physiology, Howard University, Washington, D. C., this week urged Negro parents to cooperate with state health departments and bureaus of vital statistics in intensive birth-registering campaign. The campaign opened on Child Health Day, May 1, and is sponsored jointly by the Children's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor and the Bureau of Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

In a letter to Katherine F. Lenroot, chief of the Children's Bureau, of the Department of Labor, endorsing the birth-registering campaign, Dr. Johnson said: "An important problem faces those health officers."

JOSEPHINE BAKER, SINGER, IN LONDON

London, England (Wednesday)—Josephine Baker, American singer and dancer, arrived today to entertain British troops and war workers.

The Negro star from Harlem is a lieutenant in the Auxiliare Feminine, the French equivalent of the W.A.C.

RADIO STORY ON KSO MONDAY

A radio story, "Strange Feeling," written by Marie Ross for the Polk County Veterans Information Center, will be broadcast over station KSO at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, May 7. The program is sponsored by the Des Moines Radio Council.

This will be Miss Ross' fifth radio story for the Des Moines Radio Council, presented over KRNT and KSO.

Bishop Brown at Kyles Sunday

Bishop W. C. Brown of Los Angeles, Cal., will be in the city this week to visit the AME Zion church here. He will speak at the Kyles church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon for the Rev. H. A. Simmons. This service is open to the public.

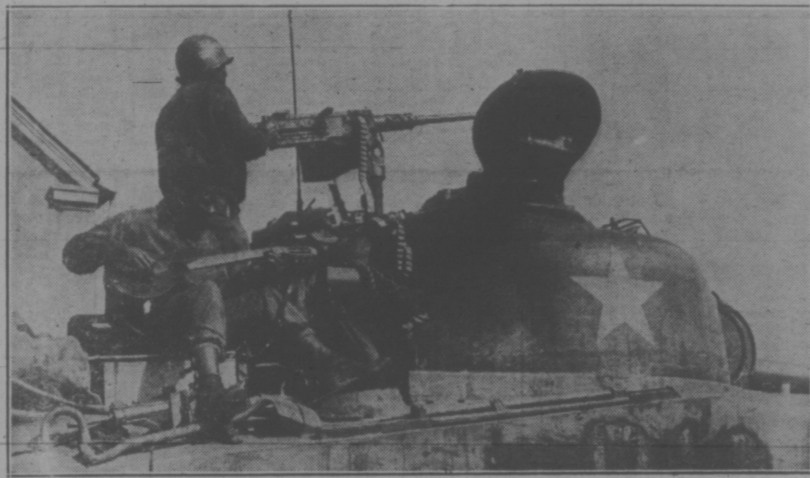
A love service will be held at the Kyles church Friday night at 8 o'clock for both Brown Chapel and Kyles churches. Methodist ministers and members of their congregations will participate. The Rev. W. F. Ogletoun will preside.

DRS. BESHEARS VISITORS HERE

Dr. R. T. Beshears of St. Joseph, Mo., and his brother, Dr. Hutchison Beshears of Cedar Rapids, Ia., were house guests during the week end of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ritchey. They attended the Drake Relays here.



ON THE ALERT—Negro crews of U. S. light tanks stand by awaiting call to clean up scattered Nazi machinegun nests in Coburg, Germany. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo from BPR.)



"GUITARING WHILE GERMANY BURNS"—Providing a little music as an accompaniment to a 50-caliber machinegun "solo", is Corporal William A. Smith, Chicago, Ill. His fellow tankster, Sergeant Stanford Osborne, is also of Chicago. Both men are with the 654th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 35th Infantry Division, U. S. Ninth Army, in Germany. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo from BPR.)

'Bayonets Herd Seabees to Overseas Ship' NAACP

New York—Relying upon reports from its observers on the Pacific Coast, the NAACP charged April 27 in a wire to Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal, that the 34th Construction Battalion (Seabees) who went on a hunger strike March 2-3 in protest against discriminatory conditions, were herded on to their ship bound for the Pacific by an "armed guard with drawn bayonets." The 34th Battalion is a veteran outfit having already served 21 months in the South Pacific. Upon their return to the United States in the latter part of 1944, they flooded the Navy department, their friends, Negro organizations and the Negro press with protests over the treatment they had been accorded by Commander J. P. MacBean of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and his executive officer Lt. Com. C. D. White.

Norman Houston of the Los Angeles branch of the NAACP conducted an investigation at the California post where the battalion was stationed, on February 27 and recommended the removal of Commander MacBean.

As a result of the pressure from all sides the Navy department removed MacBean, but apparently in retaliation for the just complaints of the men, the battalion in being re-shipped overseas was humiliated by being handled like prisoners or criminals. In the wire to Secretary For-

MISS STEWART HOME

Miss Virginia Stewart of Washington, D. C., is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Laura B. Stewart.

J. G. BROWNE TO HOSPITAL

J. G. Browne, 1419 Maryland, was taken to Mercy hospital for an emergency operation on April 25.

Elks Oratorical Contest Friday

On Friday evening, May 4, at 8 o'clock, at the Corinthian Baptist church, Ninth and School streets, the Hawkeye Elks and Rose Temple No. 33, will sponsor their annual oratorical contest for a \$1,000 national prize among high school students in the city.

Four contestants who will be accompanied by their respective school teachers will be Shirley Herndon and Evelyn Spriggs of East high school whose subject will be "The Negro and the Constitution"; Paula Smith of Roosevelt high school, who will speak on "Booker T. Washington and the Constitution"; Geraldine Page of Valley High school, West Des Moines, who will speak on "The Negro and the Constitution." All of these students will graduate from their high schools in May and June.

Mrs. Gertrude North is manager of the local contest; Mrs. Beatrice Wallace is chairman of the state; Atty. C. P. Howard launched the educational program for Iowa. The contest presents a battalion with tremendous job to maintain high standard of previous overseas service.

SOLDIERS PICTURES

DUE BY MAY 16

Pictures of your sons, husbands, servicemen and service women who are in the military services of the country must be in the office of the Bystander not later than May 15 for the next picture page which goes to press May 31.

Registration Open For Clean-Up and Beautify Drive

Due to the inclement weather which has delayed many of the residents from getting their yards and flower gardens planted, registrations for the Clean-up and Beautify campaign will be accepted until May 30. Get an entry blank at the office of the Iowa Bystander, 221 1/2 Locust street.

Already signed up in the contest is one complete block of residents in the city. The contest is being sponsored by the Community Garden club, the Des Moines Branch NAACP and the Bystander.

Iowa Girl Wins \$750 Bond in Essay Contest

Miss Delores Fields, 16-year-old student of East high school, was winner of a \$750 war bond for her essay based on a cure for juvenile delinquency. The award was announced on Wednesday night by Eddie Cantor, radio and stage comedian who announced the winners and sponsored the high school contest on "Juvenile Delinquency: Its Causes and Solution."

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Fields, 1533 Buchanan street, Delores was listening to the radio program on Wednesday night when she heard her name called.

At East high school she will be graduated in January 1946 after which she plans to further her education in music.

Based upon a Biblical text, Delores chose the following verse from the Proverbs as the theme of her essay: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The first prize of \$1,000 bond went to Charles Byrle, 17, of Minneapolis, Minn.

NAACP Launches Drive for Members; Soldier Is First

The first membership to the NAACP's drive came several months ago from a former member and officer of the branch, Lt. Quentin R. Mease of the army who is somewhere in New Guinea.

The Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People launched its annual membership drive on Tuesday night when a kick-off meeting was held at the St. Paul AME church.

Guest speaker was the Rev. A. J. Irvine, pastor of the St. Paul church. Miss Shirley Spry, a member of the Youth Council gave a brief talk on the work of the youth.

Music for the occasion was offered by Miss Alberta Bates who sang and then accompanied at the piano, Mr. Herbert Shirley of Jamaica, a Drake student, who sang "The Rosary."

Mr. Ike Smalls, past president of the branch, presented to the chairman, S. Joe Brown, a check for \$100 as first payment on a life NAACP membership of \$500.

Courageous, Aggressive As Veterans of Any Other Outfit, Comments Officer

With the 78th Infantry Division, East of the Rhine in Germany—the volunteer Negro Infantrymen who joined the 78th "Lightning" division on March 14, crossed the Rhine that day and entered the hot battle then in progress, have established themselves as fighting men no less courageous or aggressive than their white comrades.

These "Tani" Doughs welcomed the opportunity to fight alongside their white buddies of the 78th, the outfit that gained no small share of fame by smashing all the way through the Siegfried Line to capture Schmidt and the Schwammenauel Dam. It was the 78th which on February 28 leaped from the Roer to the Rhine where the First Battalion of the 310th Regiment crossed the Ludendorff Bridge the night of March 7 to secure and enlarge the trans-Rhine bridgehead.

The 78th, as did several other infantry divisions on the Western Front, recently received three platoons of Negro Doughboys. One platoon was assigned to each of the 78th's infantry regiments, the 309th, 310th and 311th.

Among the first Negro troops to engage in combat east of the Rhine, men of these platoons came from Quartermaster, Engineer, and Transportation Corps units. Most of them took reductions in grade to become fighting privates in foxholes.

Following is an account by regiments of the activities of these platoons:

309th Regiment
The platoon assigned to F Company of this regiment did "a swell job" in the capture of Honnef, on the west and south banks of the Sieg river, deep in the Remagen bridgehead.

They followed tanks into the city and wasted no time in cleaning up their assigned objectives.

Lieutenant John M. Green, their platoon leader from 1725 12th ave-

nic, Nashville, Tennessee, asserted, "They are aggressive and eager, and when they see a Jerry they want to go after him. I'm well pleased with their performance under fire."

Private William Blackwell, platoon runner from 42 Debbs Ferry Road, Fairview, White Plains, New York, shot a running Jerry with his M-1 from a distance of 500 yards.

"I just saw him running," Blackwell said, "so I took cover behind a little bank and let him have it."

Lieutenant Green, who helped with the training of the platoon in February, said he had difficulty in confining his men to their objectives. Seeing there were Jerries still in front of them, they wanted to go ahead even after they had captured and cleaned out all sections of the town that they had been assigned.

Private First Class Harold Shandler, 359 W. 116th street, New York City, who took a break to private from staff sergeant, volunteered to go and get an unknown number of Germans that had been spotted in dug-in positions near a house.

Armed with grenades and his M-1, Chandler advanced alone while his men covered him. Six Jerries, armed with Burke guns, gave up and came back with Chandler.

Private First Class Vincent R. Malveaux, who took a reduction from first sergeant to private, drew praise from his platoon leader for cool-headed work in helping to get the men out from under a mortar barrage. Malveaux, who lives at 9034 Just street N. E., Washington, D. C., was an attorney in the capital before entering the service.

310th Regiment
Negro troops assigned to A Company of the 310th Regiment won the praise and respect of officers and enlisted men fighting with them in the Remagen bridgehead.

They are referred to as "the fight-

(SEE EDITORIAL PAGE)

Ira De A. Reid on Faculty Of Midwest Institute Here

Des Moines, Ia. (Special)—Decisions on world government reached at the forthcoming United Nations conference in San Francisco, will be studied at the Midwest Institute of International Relations at Drake university, June 2 to 10.

The institute will be attended by persons from Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri and Iowa.

The institute committee announced some months ago that the theme for this eleventh annual study program would be "Emerging Patterns for World Government."

"We feel therefore that the faculty already selected will be qualified to analyze and to lead discussion on the actions and proposals which come out of the San Francisco conference," Committee Chairman Roy L. Miller of Drake said Saturday.

"We are attempting also to add to the faculty one of the official U. S. delegates and at least one non-official person who has been in attendance at the conference as an independent observer," Miller said.

Thirteen On Faculty

Thirteen persons have been named to the institute faculty thus far. They include: Hans Simons, dean of the school of politics of the New School for Social Research; Edwin E. Voigt, president of Simpson college, Indianola, Ia.; Jerome Davis, former Yale university professor, recently a correspondent for American and Canadian newspapers in Russia and India; Harrod A. Freeman, professor of Jurisprudence and Constitutional Law at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.; Rufus M. Jones, emeritus professor of philosophy at Haverford college, Haverford, Pa., and honorary chairman of the American Friends Service committee, and Allan B. Kline, president of the Iowa Farm Bureau.

Also, Harold S. Quigley, professor of political science at the University of Minnesota and authority on the Far East; Henry G. Harmon, president of Drake university; Viva Egothe, director of the Bureau of Business Research of Ohio State university; Kenneth W. Colegrove, author of "Militarism in Japan," "The American Senate and World Peace" and other books; Louise Leonard Wright, director of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations and president of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation; Ira De A. Reid, chairman of the department of sociology at Atlanta university, and Edith Wynner, author and former New York secretary of the Campaign for World Government.

Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

BROWN'S CHAPEL
A. M. K. ZION
Rev. R. A. White, pastor, 1448 Walker.
Order of services: 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.; Midweek service and choir rehearsal, 8:30 p. m., Wednesday. Everybody is welcome.

FOURTH CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
640 S. E. 25th street. Elder George Ward, pastor. Order of services: Sunday school, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday services at 11 o'clock (noon) and 8 p. m.; Y. P. W. W. at 7:30 p. m.; Weekday services: Tuesday evening Bible Band, Thursday evening regular services. You are cordially invited to attend all services.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
30 Maple and East Sixteenth Streets. Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, D.D., pastor; parsonage 1477 Walker street.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Baptist Training Union 8 p. m. Evening worship 7:45 p. m. Midweek prayer services on Wednesday at 8 p. m. Missionary Society each Friday at 8 p. m. Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 8 p. m. You are cordially invited to attend all services.

DAVID SPIRITUAL TEMPLE CHRIST CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS
The David Spiritual Temple of Christ of All Nations, 1229 Stewart street, Evangelist L. W. Brown, pastor; C. L. Branson, assistant pastor. Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Week days, Wednesday spiritual strength at 8 p. m. Friday Bible class. Everybody welcome.

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

ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH
633 S. E. 25th street. Rev. G. H. Kendrick, pastor; residence, 947 W. 9th St. Order of services: Sunday school, 10:30 a. m.; Preaching at 11 o'clock; Morning worship, 11:30 a. m.; Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock; Midweek prayer service, 7:30 o'clock; Mission Circle, Wednesday night 8 p. m.; President, Mrs. Willie Williams.

FIRST CME CHURCH
S. E. 25th and Maury streets; Rev. J. T. Johnson, pastor; address, 1182 12th street, phone 3-4470. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning service at 11 a. m. Evening service at 8 p. m. Beulah Henry, reporter.

1704 Cleveland; Rev. W. DeWitt Smith, pastor. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.; Preaching at 11 o'clock; evening service, 8 o'clock. Regular services Tuesday and Friday night. Y. P. W. W. services at 6:30 p. m.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
9th and School streets. Phone 3-4073. Rev. George W. Robinson, pastor; residence, 1000 12th. Phone 3-4470. 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 rehearsal, Friday night; Junior choir rehearsal, Sunday afternoon.

Two Negroes Get High Kentucky Jobs

Frankfort, Ky.—Republican Governor Simeon Willis Monday said two members of the Negro race would be appointed to high administrative posts for the first time in Kentucky. The governor said he would name one Negro to the state board of education and he would ask Atty. Gen. Eldon S. Dummit to appoint another as an assistant attorney general.

BAPTIZING AT UNION BAPTIST SUNDAY

Baptismal service will be held Sunday at 11 a. m. at the Union Baptist church with the Rev. H. R. Fields, pastor, officiating. The Lord's Supper will be administered and fellowship at 8 p. m. Mrs. H. R. Fields remains ill at her home. Sunday school is under the leadership of Rufus Parker. Business meeting will be at the church on Friday night at 8 p. m.

Church Dedicates Service Flag

Service flag dedicatory services were held at the First CME church on April 8 for servicemen and women of the Sunday school and the community. Special religious numbers were dedicated to those in the services by Mrs. L. Page. The services were conducted by Mrs. E. Burs and Mrs. J. T. Johnson with the co-operation of the American Legion Post 126. One gold star was dedicated for Raymond Freeman and service stars were dedicated for: Noble Mann, Robert Wright, Carl Burs, James Anderson, Wilber Anderson, Russell Collins, David M. Diggs, Irwin Callier, Frank Brown, Andrew Morris, Robert Martin, John Hill, Matt Fountain, Velton Turner, Perdel Turner,

'Personality Parade' At Jewish Center

The Negro Community Centers are sponsoring a show "Personality Parade" at the Jewish Community Center on Wednesday, May 16 at 8 p. m. This event will mark the closing of the present series of classes in dramatic art and dancing of which Sylvia Snook and Florence Bright are instructors, respectively. The program will include skits, songs, and many new dance routines. New faces and talents will be presented to the public. The little children from the nursery school will have a part in the program as well as the Smith children—Rhoda, La Verne and Glendora. Others to be featured in a military tap will be Erma and Wanda Hunt, Marcelline Wilson, Nadine Ewing and Betty Jackson. One of the features will be the crowning of the "Personality Queen." Six girls have entered the contest. They are Betty Hayes, Betty Jo Estes, Dorothy Williams, Clara London, Lillian Hayes and Delores Weston. Prizes will be awarded.

30TH SPINGARN MEDAL TO PAUL ROBESON

New York—Paul Robeson, internationally famous actor, concert artist, and athlete, has been awarded the 30th Spingarn Medal it was announced April 26 by Dr. John Haynes Holmes, chairman of the award committee. Mr. Robeson received the award for his outstanding achievements in the theatre, on the concert stage, and in the general field of racial welfare. The latest triumph in his long public career is his appearance in Margaret Webster's production of "Othello." Mr. Robeson has appeared in numerous legitimate plays including "Emperor Jones," "All God's Chillun," "Porgy," "Black Boy," "The Hairy Ape," and "Stevodora." In the films he has appeared in "Emperor Jones," "Showboat," "Saunders of the River," "King Solomon's Mines," "Jericho," and others.

First Concert

He gave his first concert performance as a singer in 1925, and made his first concert tour of America in 1929. His concert tours of Europe occurred in 1926-28, 1931 and 1938, with a memorable tour of Russia in 1936.

Mr. Robeson is a graduate of Rutgers college and Columbia university. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He was a four-letter man at Rutgers and was all-American end on Walter Camp's team in 1918. He is married and has a son who is now a sophomore at Cornell. The Spingarn Medal was instituted achievement during that preceding by the late J. E. Spingarn, for many

Delicious Scallop

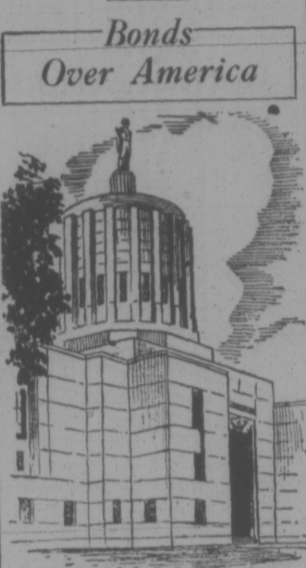
Dabs of vegetables may look like pretty hopeless leftovers, but try combining them with a white sauce, or a tomato sauce and onion, for a delicious vegetable scallop. And how long is it since you've tried a vegetable "pastry"—a big turnover filled with mixed vegetables, and served with gravy or a barbecue sauce. Tag ends of vegetables can also go into soup, salads, or sandwich fillings. If you throw away the hard ends of cheese, you're wasting good proteins and ration points. These hard pieces of cheese, grated, add good flavor to white sauce, casserole dishes and soups. Leftover egg yolks, poached, make a nutritious and eye-catching garnish for creamed dishes, salads and green vegetables. Or, use extra yolks in sandwich fillings.

WIN SHUTTLE RACE



Winners in the grade school shuttle race at the Drake Relays Saturday were the Curtis school team which had the fastest time of the two heats. Left to right are: John Burket, Alfred Clements, Gene Parker and Frederick Lucas. (Courtesy of Tribune).

Bonds Over America



OREGON CAPITOL

Oregon's capitol at Salem is now one of the fine structures which Americans buy War Bonds to support. It's new and beautiful; one of the nation's prized possessions. It is worth buying a great many War Bonds to provide planes and material for our fighting men to use in its defense. Oregon City and Corvallis were capitals of the territory for brief periods but Salem became the permanent capital when Congress provided funds for the erection of capitol buildings there and the U. S. Treasury refused to provide the funds for construction anywhere else. Fire destroyed the first capitol and also another in 1935.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY
RUSIE WILEY, Plaintiff
vs.
ANNA LEWIS, also known as ANNA LEWIS GRANZOW, E. R. GRANZOW, POLK COUNTY, IOWA, and all the unknown claimants of Lot five (5) of the subdivision of Lot ten (10) of the Official Plat of Range 23, North of Range 23, West of the Fifth P. M., Polk County, Iowa, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, including all persons of mental or legal capacity, leaving or claiming to have some lien upon or interest in said property above described. Defendants.
To the Above Named Defendants: You and each of you are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled case is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of

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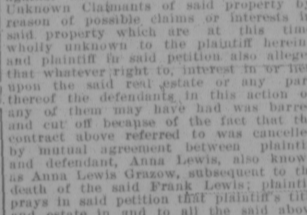
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY
C. W. HOTZ, Plaintiff
vs.
LILLA M. HOTZ, Defendant
To the Above Defendant or Defendants: You are hereby notified that a petition of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled action is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above named Court, from the bonds of matrimony upon the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. For further particulars see said petition.
You are also hereby notified to appear before said court at Des Moines, in Polk County, Iowa, on or before the 18th day of June, 1945, and that unless you so appear, your default will be entered and judgment or decree will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
S. JOE BROWN, Attorney for Plaintiff, Des Moines, Iowa
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SOCIETY



JOHN J. CHAPMANS GREET FRIENDS AT GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Approximately 250 guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Chapman of 3005 Third street Sunday afternoon, April 29, to bring golden wedding anniversary greetings to the couple who was married fifty years ago on April 24, 1895, at Muchkonic, Iowa.

Residents of Iowa since 1915 when they moved from Buxton, Iowa, to the Highland Park address, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman are natives of Virginia. She was born in Charlottesville and he in Staunton.

From Virginia their families moved to the mining section of Iowa, in Muchkonic, where the then Miss Willie Ann James and Mr. Chapman were married by the late Rev. Charles Brookins. Mr. Chapman started out working as a teamster and in 1900 moved to Buxton where he went into farming and then into the coal mines.

The parents of seven children the Chapmans moved to Des Moines for the educational opportunities. Here they joined the Corinthian Baptist church where Mrs. Chapman has served as a church mother.

In the midst of friends, their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman were happy couple as they went about their attractively decorated home greeting and welcoming their guests and showering kisses upon their lifetime friends.

'Matter of Love'

Asked how she had "managed to stay married to one man fifty years" Mrs. Chapman replied that "it was not a matter of managing. It was a matter of love because the Lord put us together." She added that she has never loved anyone else but John and no one else would take his place.

Mr. Chapman will observe his eightieth birthday on July 5; while she was 75 on December last. A young man and a young woman when they came to Iowa from Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman were acquainted with each other. Mrs. Chapman said she did not confine her interest to him at first but after several years of courtship "we became engaged and were engaged for several years." It was not until after she had a dream about them "marching down a church aisle" did she know that she was to marry him, she smiled.

and talked Sunday as she recalled their early days of romance. They married and life has been happy for them ever since.

Six Children Survive

Six children survive and attended the golden wedding celebration. They are: Compton Chapman, Mrs. Jeanette Adams, Mrs. Hazel Stapleton of Chicago, Miss Della Chapman, Mrs. Rosa Bell and John Chapman, Jr. All but Mrs. Stapleton reside in Des Moines.

Grand children attending were James Qualls of Chicago with Mrs. Qualls and their two children, Jeanne 2 and Janice 3; Gale Adams of Des Moines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd D. Adams; Elaine and Carmen Chapman, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Compton Chapman; Raymond and Janice, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman; Shirleen Bell, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bell.

Gifts for the couple came from many friends in the city and scattered about the country. Gift money amounted to \$237. Among the gift pieces on exhibit were a crystal glass plate which was given to the couple fifty years ago from a friend in Oakalooosa, Ia.; and a soap stone engraved book, a gift from the bridegroom of fifty years ago to his bride.

Assisting the family in the golden wedding celebration were many friends who served as hostesses. Among them were the following: Mesdames Paris Skanes, Otis James, door hostesses; Mesdames James B. Morris, C. B. Brinker, parlor hostesses; Mesdames Harry Walden, Emery Jackson, Ellis Carpenter, William Warfield and Oval Carter, presided at a beautifully appointed table which held a four-tier wedding cake, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thompson.

Mrs. Samuel Miller was dining room hostess and Mrs. C. B. Chapman was in charge of the serving. Assisting the hostesses were the Misses Betty Jackson, Elaine Chapman, Mrs. Beatrice Crank, Mrs. John Chapman, Jr.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Ellis Carpenter, Mrs. Gentry Stapleton and the James Qualls family all of Chicago; Mrs. Mary Walker and A. G. Ampy of Cedar Rapids.

KAPPAS HOLD ANNUAL DRAKE RELAYS PARTY

The Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity held its annual Drake Relay party on Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Alexander, 2200 Chautauqua Parkway.

Kappa men who acted as hosts were: Messrs. Alexander, Clarence Adams; Cecil Brewton, Arthur, John Edmunds, Atty. W. L. Oliver, Matthew Johnson, Dr. W. J. Ritchey, Dr. E. E. Scates, a member, was ill.

Out of town guests were Dr. R. T. Beshears of St. Joseph, Mo.; Dr. Hutcherson Beshears of Cedar Rapids; and Bob Kelley, Illinois University track star attending the Relays.

MRS. BOLTON SHOWN COURTESIES HERE

Mrs. Ina A. Bolton, dean of women at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., was honored at a luncheon on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Jones, 1262 Dixon.

Other guests sharing the courtesy were Mesdames Ruth H. McAllister, S. B. Boyers, William Joseph and Nancy White.

On Sunday afternoon Mrs. Nancy White honored Mrs. Bolton at dinner.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE OF GWENDOLYN WELLS

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Bell, 1414 Crocker street, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mrs. Gwendolyn Wells to Mr. Willie Townse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Townse of 1820 Raccoon street.

The marriage took place on Wednesday, May 2, at the home of the bride's parents. A small reception followed.

ENTERTAIN MRS. BOLTON AT FORT DES MOINES

Dean Ina A. Bolton was the dinner guest of Lt. Thelma Brown and Cpl. Eunice Van Horn at Fort Des Moines Monday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Ruth H. McAllister, Dean Bolton addressed the WACS assembled after the dinner and the choral group rendered several selections dedicating them to the guests.

VISITS RELATIVES

Charles Jackson of the navy, stationed at Pensacola, Fla., spent the week end with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown, 1162 Thirteenth street.

REV. R. A. SIMMONS HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Members and the pastor's wife of Kyles AME Zion church honored their pastor, the Rev. R. A. Simmons, at a birthday party last Friday night in the west room of the Roadside Settlement House. Fifteen ministers and their wives were among the invited guests.

Mrs. Mae Howard presided at the receiving table; Mrs. Jessie Mae Phillips was in charge of decorations and the program; Mrs. Esther Lucas offered piano music. Mrs. Estella Coates gave a reading and dedicated a song to the Rev. and Mrs. Simmons. Mrs. Travis Bailey was in charge of serving of refreshments.

The committee in charge was: Mesdames R. Sanders, A. Jackson, C. Flanagan. The young women assisted. Mrs. Laura Darby was in charge of the program and made a presentation of \$38.50 to the Rev. Mr. Simmons.

LA FLEUR DE LES MEETS MAY 4

La Fleur De Les club met April 29 with Mrs. Wilma Hunt, 4642 Walker, Mrs. Stella Greer, Mrs. Thelma Perry and Mrs. Reba Green were awarded pokeno prizes. Mrs. Nancy Jackson will entertain the club May 4 at the 1755 E. University.

PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

Last Saturday afternoon was a fine day for the Drake Relays as spectators sat under the burning sun witnessing the races. Among them was Mrs. Adah Johnson who with another lady had a picnic with pop corn, peanuts and chewing gum.

Although the weather has not been very encouraging for yard work—way out on Francis street Mrs. Pearl Burke has been fixing up her yard for the coming balmy days. She has an attractive set of yard furniture which will make a picturesque setting for her summer garden affairs.

Seen doing a bit of golf striking with his clubs one warm day last week was Undertaker John M. Estes.

SINGER HERE



MARVA TROTTER LOUIS
Marv Trotter Louis, former wife of Club 100. She is stopping at Hotel Fort Des Moines. Marva appeared at the Jewish Community Center Wednesday night when the Negro Community Center held its monthly dance. (Photo courtesy of Register)

LT. CRAIN GOES TO LINCOLN AIR BASE

First Lieutenant Oleta Crain, Training Supervisor, stationed here at Fort Des Moines, was recently transferred to the Army Air Base at Lincoln, Nebraska, to be commanding officer of a detachment of WACS. Before her departure Lieutenant Crain presented the 404th ASF Band of Fort Des Moines, with a large frosted cake made by Cpl. Elsie Oliver of Mess No. Seven. In remembrance, the Band, made Lieutenant Crain a gift of a recording with two of her favorite selections played by Haley's Trio, Sgt. Constance Hurling, trumpeter, Sgt. Evelyn Haley, pianist, Pfc. Nellie Lattimore, drummer and Cpl. Clementine McCopico blending her voice with the instruments singing "Lazy River" and "I'll Make a World for You" lyrics by Lieut. Rebecca C. Musgrave, stationed in New York and the music by Sgt. Evelyn Haley. Others as well as the Band will miss Lieutenant Crain with her sunny smile and cheerful disposition.

KEO-WAY USO CLUB NEWS

Fifteen junior hostesses chaperoned by Mrs. Guy E. Greene with fifteen WACS accompanied by an officer in charge attended the Ottumwa Naval Base Circus Dance, Tuesday, April 24. About 2,000 guests enjoyed the fun and thrills of a circus. A steam organ, pink lemonade and pop corn gave a characteristic atmosphere to the trapeze, tight rope and animal performances. Dinner was served to the WACS who came to take the bus for Ottumwa at Keo-Way, as they had to miss mess at the Fort.

BUSY BEES MEET

The Busy Bee Sewing Circle met at the St. Paul AME church last Thursday. Mrs. Beatrice Green, apron chairman reported on her work. Mrs. Margaret Ewing assisted in the quilting. Fourteen members were present. Mrs. Anna Ringo, social chairwoman, served. Mrs. Lula Mitchell, who died recently, was an honorary member of the club. Mrs. Lella Walker is president.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB MEETS

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Bertha Wolder, 1156 Enos. One of the features of the meeting was the holding of an auction by Mrs. Mary L. Johnson. Mrs. Grace Shelton is chairman of the art committee. Mrs. Dorothy Wallace was presented a birthday gift from the members. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Eunice Bates, 1028 Sixteenth street.

SIX-SIXTY CLUB MEETS

The 6-60 club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hartzell Dell on April 26. The club will meet on May 9 with Mr. and Mrs. George Eppright.

CLUB DE LUX

Mrs. Deloris Bailey was hostess to the Club De Lux on April 29. Mrs. Margaret Sorrell discussed post-war plans. Miss Florence Carter is a new member of the club.

JOLLY TWELVE CLUB

Jolly 12 club met at the home of Mrs. Carter, April 26. Guests of the meeting were Mrs. Dorothy Hawkins and Mrs. Rosie Brooks. Winning the Jolly 12 club prize was Mr. Dave J. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Nina Hawkins at 1513 School street.

Y.W.C.A.

Committee Schedule

May 7, 8 p. m. Membership; Mrs. Paul Wilson, chairman; May 8, 1 p. m. Finance, Mrs. Phillip McGuire, chairman; May 8, 8:30 p. m. Camp, Mrs. Samuel C. Miller, chairman; May 9, 11:30 a. m. House, Mrs. Guy E. Greene, chairman; May 9, 12 noon All Association Finance, Mrs. Guy Logue, chairman; May 9, 8 p. m. Personnel, Mrs. E. P. Jackson, chairman.

Club Schedule

May 7, 7:30 p. m. Keen Teens, East Community Center; May 9, 7:30 p. m. Teen-age Co-eds, Blue Triangle Branch; May 10, 5 p. m. T.L.D.'s, Blue Triangle Branch; May 10, 8 p. m. Senior Girl Reserves, Blue Triangle Branch.

Class Schedule

May 8, 8 p. m. Prenatal and Child Guidance, Mrs. Virginia M. Williams, instructor; May 2, 8 p. m., Nutrition, Mrs. J. Q. Evans, instructor; May 10, 8 p. m., Negro History, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, instructor.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

The St. Paul's Ladies Chorus, Mrs. Mable Mason, president, honored Mrs. A. J. Irvine, of 1079 Sixteenth street at a pot luck birthday affair on April 24.

MANY ATTEND WOMEN'S DAY AT MAPLE STREET

Women of the city turned out in large numbers on last Sunday for the Women's Day services at the Maple Street Baptist church to hear Mrs. Ina A. Bolton, dean of women of Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo. She addressed an afternoon audience on the subject of "The Increasing Role of War in the Society of the Family." The St. Paul AME church's choir sang, Miss Ruth B. Pritchard, principal of Logan school spoke at the morning service.

Sunday evening a symposium on "Women in the War Effort" was held with the following speakers: Lt. Thelma B. Brown of the Women's Army Corps, Lt. Carolyn B. Griggs of the Army Nurse Corps, Lt. Lois Swabel of the WAVES, Mrs. James Bailey of the USO, Mrs. Fred P. Gilbert of the Red Cross, Mrs. Ruth H. McAllister, master of ceremonies, made opening remarks. Dean Bolton, Women's Day guest at Maple Street, gave a summary. Mrs. S. B. Boyers was general chairman of the day. Mrs. McAllister headed the program committee.

Feature of the evening program was music by the 404th (WAC) army band of Ft. Des Moines. Other committee members were: Mrs. Mabel Dant, finance; Mrs. Orzula Dudley, music; Miss Esther Lucas, publicity; Mrs. Grace Wade, usher; Mrs. Ottama Robinson, decorations; Mrs. Mildred Fields, attendance; Mrs. R. V. Forte, courtesy; Mrs. Celestial Jones, hospitality.

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C. C.—There is something that is worrying me very much and this is what it is. There is a preacher in my home town that I am very much in love with and I think he knows because I called him several times on the phone before I left there last year. I went to his church quite often which was closer to me than my own church. He always talked very nice to me when I got a chance to speak to him and would always say he was glad I called. Now, what I want to know is does he always think of me as I do of him? I sent him a Christmas card but I never did hear from him. May I see my answer soon?

Ans.: Aren't you confusing professional courtesy with romance in regards to this minister? He has been very affable and polite and has shown more appreciation for your interest in his work but he has not shown the slightest sign of encouraging feelings of a personal nature. Had he done so, he would have returned your telephone calls and made an attempt to see you. Get this minister off your mind once and for all and by so doing, you might be able to bind the happiness you deserve with your husband.

R. S. S.—I am sending you my problem which worries me often. I am 15 years old and am in love with a girl 15 and she says she loves me but still she believes everything she hears. My little sister is always telling her something about me and when I act like I'm mad, she will cry. I started to quit her 3 or 4 times but it seems I can't. Some of your good advice might help me.

Ans.: There will always be "ups" and "downs" in your love life and especially so during your courting days. And it is the intelligent way in which you master these situations that will determine the degree of happiness that you will have after marriage. In the present case, you are taking the young lady too seriously as you are both too young to let minds dwell on love exclusively. Be pals for the moment and later on if you both still care for each other, maybe something else will develop. As for little sister—she may be doing you more good than harm. At least she stirs up a little activity.

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MOST WERE HAPPY WHILE WINNING

It is certain that Mussolini is no more. Substantial reports indicate that Hitler has died also. The former died at the hands of his own people, some of whom never favored his program.

However, it is quite apparent that Hitler and Mussolini continued to be the idol among most of their countrymen. Most of them supported and followed them when things were successful; they quit simply because their program failed.

But neither the dictators nor their followers quit in time to prevent the Allied Nations from discovering that the Axis powers—particularly Germany—were the most barbaric people we have read about. A few months ago as the Japs were being driven from the Philippines, evidence of extreme cruelties of war prisoners was uncovered. The world threw up its hands in holy horror. The Japs are a barbaric nation!

As the Russian and American troops overran one prison camp after another, they found them in even worse condition than those of the Japs. In fact, it is almost unbelievable that human beings could bring themselves to such barbarity.

This uncivilized conduct upon the part of so-called enlightened nations—brown and white—goes to show that these people were willing to stoop to any course to accomplish their ends. It illustrates further that these nations cannot be trusted to live up to any agreement regulating humane conduct among nations as long as those agreements stand in the way in any manner of carrying out their program.

ADULTS SLACK ON ASSISTING JUVENILES

Following a flareup upon the part of some of Des Moines juveniles recently, a group of citizens, including the heads of our social agencies, has held a series of discussions in an effort to aid in correcting some of the evils which have a tendency to give rise to them.

It must be admitted that the inadequacy of ample recreational facilities available to Negro youth is a large contribution to juvenile delinquency; the lack of adequate staffs likewise.

Of course, we are all aware of the fact that most of this great responsibility belongs in the home. And that responsibility should not stop when youngsters leave home for even though out of sight of parents, parental influence should follow them in the schools, churches and public places.

In these settings it was pretty well agreed that lack of adequate supervision adds materially to juvenile delinquency and that agencies wherever entertainment is attempted to be provided. Here, volunteers can do much to assist those agencies and places of entertainment by aiding in supervision. As the situation stands, neither parents nor community-minded citizens have given much assistance to help fill this breach.

Like other cities, Des Moines has many men and women's clubs. Most of them have no program other than to consume a lot of precious time. The Bystander thinks that there is an opportunity to perform a worthwhile service by giving some of these hours to our social agencies and places of entertainment by helping to provide the proper supervision of these youngsters.

The Bystander has said before that

these discussions are worthwhile because the problem is talked about in the open and not behind closed doors. And we believe that they ought to continue not as destructive but as constructive criticism of what has and is being done.

KENTUCKY GOVERNOR MOVES FORWARD

The governor of Kentucky, who happens to be a Republican, has announced that a Negro will be placed on the state board of education and the attorney general will be asked to name a Negro as one of his assistants.

This is certainly progress in the blue grass state where a Negro is a member of the legislature. It tends to match the forward step taken in New York by Governor Dewey. Republicans must give the Negro more of this type of recognition if it expects to attract them from the Democratic party in 1946 and 1948.

NEGRO DOUGHS PROVE WORTH IN FIGHTING EAST OF RHINE

(See Front Page) Ingest sons-a-guns you ever saw." Lieutenant Millard G. Durham, their company commander from Steger, Illinois, says, "The colored troops, in all engagements, proved to be as courageous and aggressive as the veterans of any other company. Their first engagement was a terrific small arms battle. They never faltered. On the contrary, they were hard to control. Their sole desire seemed to be to close with the enemy, regardless of the scheme of maneuver. It was difficult to hold them on the company objective when there was an enemy in front of them."

"Shortage of ammunition was the only thing that stopped them from going too far ahead when two squads of the platoon spearheaded an attack at Wiesse," says Lieutenant Robert R. Dobson, platoon leader from Charlotte, North Carolina. After fighting for two days the platoon suffered its first serious casualty when one member was killed in a fire fight.

The way the men themselves size it up is best expressed by one of them, who said, "We always did want to get up here at the front. It kind of makes you feel good inside." 311th Regiment The Negro platoon assigned to G Company of the 311th Regiment also has done well. Lieutenant Lee Luther, their leader from 199 Elm street, Iliou, New York, remarked, "They came through their baptism of fire in great shape. Sure they were scared at first, but who isn't?" At the end of a week's fighting one had been killed and nine wounded out of the original platoon strength of 43.

Private George Hutchinson, of Brenham, Texas, who had been overseas for 18 months said, "The infantry is a heck of a lot better than some of the service outfits we have been in. Here a man's a man. Dangerous as Hades too." Already they have taken shots at the Germans, killed some, captured some and routed others.

COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES Monday, May 7—Rehearsal for "Personality Parade." Tuesday, May 8, 11:30—At Grace Ransom Tea Room, N.C.C. board meeting; Mr. A. A. Alexander, chairman, presiding; Dilettante club meets at Des Moines Art Center; Troop 59 committee meeting West Center. Wednesday, May 9—Weekly Teen Dance, West Center. Thursday, May 10—Troop Committee 5 meeting, East Center. Friday, May 11—Movie at Bethel Church; Girl Scout Carnival at East Center.

Girl Scouts Carnival Girl Scout Troop 28 which is sponsored by the East Center will stage a carnival at the East Center on Friday, May 11. Members of the committee: Mrs. Ruth Brown, Mrs. Catherine Crumb, Mrs. Mary Manuel, Mrs. Martha Wheeler and the Scout Leader Ruth White are in charge of the affair. The proceeds from which will be used by the Scout Troop toward their camp expenses. The committee has planned a cake walk, bingo, fortune telling, grab bags, and many other features. There will be prizes. All persons are invited to participate in the event.

Dilettante Club to Meet The Dilettante club will hold their

SPORTS

NEGROES IN RELAYS

Negro athletes composed the winning teams here last Friday and Saturday during the 1945 Drake Relays. Illinois, dominant team in the relays, had several Negroes in the persons of Bob Kelley, George Walker.

In the University Sprint Medley Relay—Illinois won first with Walker, Kelley, Gonzales and Johnson on the team.

Drake University with Negro athletes won first in the University Distance Medley Relay, composed of Paul Ware and Henry Williams, Negroes, and Hofacre and Feller. Time 10:37.8.

Sylvester Stewart of the Miami, Ohio, university was a member of the track team which won first in the College Half-Mile relay with Hatch, Hamilton and Fisher. The Miami team with Stewart won the College Sprint Medley. Time was 3:27.8.

In the special events, Walker of Illinois won second place in 120-Yard High Hurdles. 440-Yard Dash—Paul Ware of Drake University won first place. Time, :49.8.

High School Relays

Davenport high school with two Negro members won the finals in the 440-yard relay with William Cribbs coming in first. The time was :44.8. Other Davenport men were Belless, Ferrell, Moore and Cribbs. North High, with Napoleon Cropp, Morton and Whitecotton and Bob Barnes, second; East of Waterloo, third; and East of Des Moines, fourth.

In the one-mile high school, Davenport won first; East Des Moines, second; Roosevelt, Des Moines, third; East Waterloo, third and North, Des Moines, fourth. The time was 3:33.4. Robert Lloyd, a member of the Burlington high school track team, finished second in the half-mile relay in the first heat.

last meeting in a series of three at the Des Moines Fine Art Center on 6th and Walnut streets, Tuesday, May 8 at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Rowena Clements will conduct a class in block printing. All members are asked to bring a dish cloth to the class. Mrs. Virginia Martin is president and Mrs. Joburne Kelso, chairman of the program committee. Plans are under way for the annual Music Week program which will be held in June this year.

BURLINGTON, IA.

By MRS. ED WILLIAMS Burlington, Ia.—Mrs. A. J. Thompson gave a luncheon for her sister, Mrs. A. J. Bell and her niece, Mrs. Helen Hopkins of St. Louis, Mo., on April 18. The guests were Mesdames Lloyd Smith, Jessie Jefferies, Bertha Martin, E. Brown, Howard Nelson, J. S. Beverly and Ruth Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Martin entertained at dinner for Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Hopkins at their home. After dinner cards were played and Miss Juanita Thompson and Miss Audra Martin entertained with music.

Mesdames Jefferies, Gibson and Brown gave a buffet supper at the home of Mrs. Jefferies in honor of Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Hopkins and other guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thompson and daughters, Miss Juanita and Nancy Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. E. Gibson, Mr. McPike and Mr. Frank Jefferies.

The members of Union Baptist and pastor held union services with the Baptist church at Ft. Madison Sunday afternoon.

Robert Lloyd, member of Burlington high school track team, spent Friday and Saturday in Des Moines for the annual Drake Relays. He was one of the key men of his team. The boys stayed at the Brown hotel and had a grand time. Bob finished second in the half-mile relay in the first heat.

Cpl. Larry Hendricks is on furlough visiting his wife and little son for a few days at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Drews.

FUNERAL RITES FOR OSCAR MAUPIN, 52

Funeral rites for Oscar Maupin, 52, of 1029 Crocker street, were held on Monday at the Estes Funeral home. Burial was at Glendale cemetery.

Mr. Maupin died Thursday, April 26, at the Veterans' hospital following an illness of several months. He had lived 43 years in Des Moines and was a World War I veteran.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Martha A. Holloway, son Harold Maupin, sister, Mrs. Fannie Shepherd and two brothers, Horace and Frank Maupin, all of Des Moines.

MARSHALLTOWN, IA.

By ROSE B. JOHNSON

Marshalltown, Ia.—The Ladies Aid of the Second Baptist church sponsored Cub night of the church Friday evening with the federated clubs and United Service Women giving the program. Participants on the program were Mrs. Agnes Borzotra, devotions; Mrs. Irma Morrow, solo; Mrs. Vicie Ragland, paper; Mesdames Maggie Clark and Martha Warn, duet; Mrs. Sarah Jett of Des Moines, guest speaker; Mrs. Goldie Fant, Des Moines, remarks. Clubs participating were: Phyllis Wheatley, Civic and Social Service, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, United Service Women. Mrs. Ethel Smith acted as mistress of ceremonies.

Installation service was held at Second Baptist Sunday for the new pastor, Rev. Albert Fox, Rev. G. W. Robinson of Des Moines, state moderator, delivered the sermon. Corinthian choir sang—Welcome addresses were given by Deacon Curtis Burton, Artice Maxwell. The Union chorus under the direction of Mrs. Mona Pettis sang two selections. Many Des Moines visitors attended the service. Basket dinner was served following the meeting in the church dining room with Mrs. Lucy Lawrence in charge.

Miss Constance Lorraine McDonald of Cedar Rapids was a Sunday visitor at the residence of Mrs. Wilmer Johnson. Mrs. Gladys Ross, Miss Jessye Walker, visited in the city. Miss Walker was guest at the William Mitchell residence. Ralph and Roger Maxwell, George Johnson, Wallace Davis and Billy Johnson attended the Drake Relays in Des Moines last week end.

The W. C. S. S. of Morrow's chapel will observe Mother's Day Sunday, May 13, with a program at 3 p. m. The B.T.U. of the Baptist church will have a special Mother's Day service at 6 p. m. Sunday, May 13. The Presbyterian church will hold a rally Sunday, May 6 at 3 p. m. Rev. S. A. Nelson, pastor, has returned to the city after building a church in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Helen Johnson appeared on a panel at an interracial meeting at the Evangelical church Friday evening. The executive board of the NAACP will meet May 10 with Mrs. Anna Burton at 8 p. m. Mrs. Maggie Dobbin and Mrs. Robert Taylor are improving. Mr. Albert Tibbs of Grinnell visited at the Frank Johnson residence Sunday.

LINCOLN POST

The month of May means plenty of work for both post and unit with Poppy and Memorial Days. Commander Chapman and Adjutant Bird found some of the unit ladies at the joint Sixth District conference in Perry last week. This district leads the state in membership 2 per cent. Take part in the clean up drive. Comrades Carter and Mack Carson were pall bearers for Comrade Jesse Mitchell's wife last week. Comrade Mitchell has gone to Virginia to make his future home. Adjutant Bird has a permanent assignment for Wednesday nights at the veterans hospital. He is funky to the piano.

Seaman Johnson Returns

Seaman second class Harry Johnson returned to his station at Great Lakes, Ill., after a nine-day leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Johnson of 1132 Thirteenth street.

Cpl. Edward Clark of the 871st Port Company, Boston, Mass., was chosen 'soldier of the week' and congratulated by the general of the Port of Embarkation and was awarded a three-day pass by his company commander," wrote his mother, Mrs. Ardella Hughes from Salina, Kas. Cpl. Clark is a Des Moines boy.

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LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting

By MARIE ROSS

Kats in France Jumped Sharp for Easter, Writes Cpl. Arthur L. McCune

"I've been digging the fine issues you've been putting down in the Bystander lately," wrote Cpl. Arthur L. McCune from somewhere in France on April 14. "I can really say that there is still enough news going on there on the home front to print a paper. From some of the letters that one might receive over here — you would think that Des Moines was a buried city."

"Yesterday, April 13, all of the commands over here were really shocked over the death news of the late president. When I got up, I noticed that the flag was flying half mast. You know me—very curious. I asked a few of my fellows—what the score was—and they told me that they were not quite up on the issue. So just as usual I turned on the wireless to get the war news. There were about twenty of us listening to the news and upon hearing about his death we all were quite upset. I know that it was a great shock to the rest of the word—as it was to us fighting men."

"You should have seen the Kats jump sharp for Easter here. You would think that they had some special place to go. They did—WORK. Seriously, this is the second Easter that I have spent overseas and I'm hoping that it will be the last one. We had fine weather for Easter—the sun was no where to be found and it rained all day and all night." Cpl. Arthur L. McCune, 37659882, Hq. Det. 498th Port Bn., Com Z ETO, APO 562, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

At Great Lakes, Ill.

Great Lakes, Ill.—Frederick H. Jackson, 18, 1203 1/2 Oregon street, Muscatine, Iowa, is receiving his initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center. When his recruit training is completed, the seaman will receive a period of leave.

Pvt. Baskerville on Duty in South Pacific

With U. S. Army Forces in the New Hebrides—Private David Baskerville, a former employee of the Raft Packing company in Waterloo, Iowa, is on duty with a Port Company in the South Pacific theater.

The son of Mrs. Lena Baskerville of 327 Douglas street, Waterloo, Ia., Pvt. Baskerville entered the army during March of 1943, received his training at Fort Lawton, Washington, and in July 1944, came overseas.

Pvt. Baskerville has four sisters and five other brothers. One of the brothers is serving with the Army Forces in the European theater of war.

Cpl. Kenneth Graves Back Home from Africa

Cpl. Kenneth Graves, stationed with the army in Africa, arrived in the city during the week end. His mother, Mrs. Alice Graves, died here during the early part of April.

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Soldier in Germany Says His 'Knod Is Smoking—He's Thinking'

"Somewhere in Germany, doing fine and dandy," wrote Sgt. Thomas Hayward, Jr., on April 1. "My knod is smoking so I do believe that I am thinking, out! To show you that I am thinking, here is a little ditty that I once heard. Do hope you like it, entitled, 'The Barefooted Boy.'"

Blessings on thee little square, Barefoot boy with uncocked hair, With thy righteous pig-top pants, And thy solid hepat's stance, With thy chop so red and mellow, Kissed by chicks so fine and yellow, With the bean beaming on thy brow, That sky of thine such a breeze blow, My own tick-tock to thee I brag, I was once an unhipped square. "Well, that is all of that stuff for the time being. More next time if you like it."

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"Laying all jokes aside, I do hope that you will continue to correspond with us fellows in Tent 13-C. Receiving mail from you is a very good morale builder and morale builders are the things that we need."

"Thanks a million for the lovely Easter card—as your card is the only one that I have received and you will never know how much I love it. It arrives just in time for Easter."

"I know this will be a little late, but the old saying—better late than never—so here is a little one for you. There is a Christ who cares for me, He gave his life on Cavalry, That through His grace I might receive, And blessings from his hands receive, For years I wandered out in sin, I would not let the Saviour in, I would not pay the Master's price, I would not make the sacrifice."

Melvin Caloway Baptized

The Rev. C. A. Record, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist church, received a letter from Chaplain O. B. Woodruff that Melvin Caloway was converted and baptized during the Easter services aboard ship and that it was his request that he be received as a member of the Shiloh Baptist church.

Petty Officer Calloway of the Navy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caloway of 805 S.E. 14th street court and grandson of Mrs. Rosie Wood of 1316 Day street.

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