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News Briefs From Far and Near

NEGRO MARINES WORKING AS STRETCHER BEARERS

(By SGT. HAROLD FOREMAN, of Menasha, Wis., a Marine Corps combat correspondent)

Okinawa (Delayed)—Negro marines, working as stretcher bearers are once again distinguishing themselves in combat.

Two of these men, who are working day and night under fire to evacuate the wounded of the First Regiment of the First Marine Division, are Corp. Willie Crenshaw, of Bessemer, Ala., and Pfc. Warren N. McGrew, Jr., of Waco, Texas.

Often they have been pinned down for long periods by rifle, machine gun and mortar fire while carrying the wounded inarines from the front lines to rear areas. The wounded cannot be set down in an exposed area, so when the Japanese open up, Crenshaw and McGrew make a run with the litters to the nearest place of cover.

At other times, the two men have carried ammunition to the front and have gone out on sniper hunts. Crenshaw already has one Japanese sniper to his credit.

ALL-NEGRO MP PATROL FOR INDIA-BURMA THEATER

New Delhi, India—An all-Negro Military Police patrol—first in the India-Burma Theater—has been authorized by the War Department, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Meyers, acting theater provost marshal, announced this week.

Composed of one Negro officer and 69 enlisted men, the bulk of the unit will be stationed in the Ledo area. It is contemplated that the remainder will be on detached service in the Calcutta area.

"To improve control and increase understanding among Negro troops, we requested permission to form the patrol unit," Colonel Meyers explained.

Members of the unit will be picked from troops already in the theater. Selection will depend to a large extent on civilian background and former military assignments. Preference will be given to men who were MPs at stateside installations or who have had civilian police experience.

The platoon will be commanded by a Negro officer.

HIT BLIND MAN, MUST PAY \$100

Admitting he struck blind Dave Tymony, 132 E. Reigert street, during an argument over religion and choice of a funeral director, William Taylor, 132 Arthur avenue, was ordered to pay \$100 or serve 30 days in jail Tuesday in municipal court.

Judge Charles S. Cooter heard both Tymony and Taylor testify about their May 22 bout in which Tymony asserted he was beaten and kicked into unconsciousness.

YOUTH COUNCIL TO DISCUSS 'GI BILL'

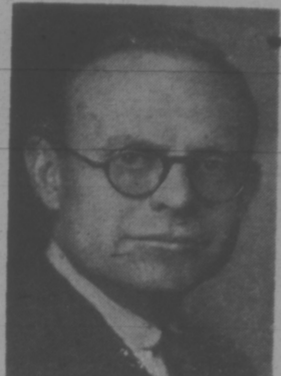
In a series of lectures now being held each meeting of the J. NAACP at the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A., Mr. Charles Thum discussed "Mexico's Race Problem" and a short history of the "Friends Service Committee."

The discussion centered around Mexico's racial attitude and the culture of the people.

He said to understand the people of Mexico, one must learn to appreciate their mixed culture and their country, to go to Mexico with the idea of becoming one of them and not as an alien.



A. A. ALEXANDER, president of the Negro Community Center board, which for several years has been planning for the expansion of the Negro Center here. He announced the gift.



GARDNER COWLES, Jr., one of the trustees of the Cowles Foundation who revealed the gift to the Negro Community Center board.



GARDNER COWLES, Sr., who with his wife, established ten years ago the Foundation which on June 5 made a gift of \$100,000 for the building of a new Negro Community Center in Des Moines.



CRACK MEDICAL UNIT AT WORK—Combining care and painstaking speed, members of the 703rd Medical Sanitary Company at Southampton, England, unloaded more than 120,000 battle casualties between D-Day and V-E Day. During this same period they loaded more than 30,000 patients headed for the United States. The 703rd has been awarded the Meritorious Unit Service Plaque. Sergeant George McPherson (left) Brooklyn, N. Y.; Private First Class Joseph McKie (center), Clarks Hill, S. C., and Private First Class Jesse L. Meadows (right), Cleveland, Ohio, remove patient from ambulance as First Lieutenant James W. Summerower, Chicago, Ill., looks on. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo from BPR.)

Four Negro Seamen Are Survivors of U. S. Franklin

Washington—Four Negro seamen, among the survivors of the bombing of the carrier, SS Franklin, by a Japanese dive-bomber 60 miles off the Japanese mainland on March 19, recently related their experiences at the headquarters of the Third Naval District in New York, where the Franklin is undergoing repairs after making the port under her own steam following the disaster.

The four seamen are: Ernest Pearson 20-year old steward's mate 2c, USNR, P. O. Route 447, Madison, Fla.; Harold Lee Powell 23-year old steward's mate, 1s USN, of 4337 Cook avenue, St. Louis, Mo.; Harry Lee Jones, 20, cook 1c USN of 809 Grove street, Sarasota, Fla.; and Sylvester Glosson, 32, steward's mate, USNR, of Inverness, Miss.

Pearson said he was in the wardroom pantry, which serves as a temporary sick bay during the battle, when the bombs hit the 27,000 ton carrier. Later, when the Cruiser USS Sante Fe came alongside the Franklin to give aid, Pearson assisted in the transfer of wounded men to that vessel. Told that he could go over to the Sante Fe after the wounded had been evacuated, Pearson refused. He and a shipmate, "Mac" Williams, a cook, "talked it

wounded who were brought there. Later and throughout the night, he found fire on the flight deck. He was also offered the opportunity to transfer to the Sante Fe, but refused. Glosson is married to the former Clit Hill, and they have a son, Sylvester, Jr., who is 16 months old.

Among other Negro members of the crew of the Franklin are: steward's mate Willie Cogman, of 1912 South Chadwick street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Amos N. Shields, cook, S/C, of 98 Whiteside Road, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Wesley Tumblin, steward's mate 1/C, Kenner, Ala.; Reuben L. Patton, steward's mate, 1/C, Seel, Ala.; and Alvin G. Millen, steward's mate, 1/C, of 31 Eighteenth street Birmingham, Ala.

NAACP State Meet June 30

The Iowa State Conference of the NAACP will hold its annual meeting in Cedar Rapids, June 30 and July 1. Keynote speakers will be Miss Ruby Hurley, national youth council advisor, and Mr. O. T. Champ, secretary of the Congress Industrial Organization.

MRS. FANT SPEAKS

Mrs. Goldie Fant, president of the Women's Missionary Society of the Northwestern Annual Conference of the A.M.E. church, was the guest speaker at the annual Women's Day

WAC BAND TO PLAY TONIGHT

The weekly concert at Fort Des Moines will be played tonight by the 404th ASF Band, only colored women's military band in the United States. The place is, as usual, Theater No. 1, the time, 7 p. m. The concert is open to the public, without admission charge.

On the program are seven numbers of the Band, including Lily's "Concert Overture," "In a Monastery Garden" by Ketyby and "Somebody Loves Me" by Gershwin.

The chorus will sing Hall's arrangement of "You Got to Reap What You Sow," "Allah's Holiday" by Friml, "Italian Street Song" and several other numbers.

Truman Urges Permanent FEPC, Write Senators

You can help speed this bill by writing to your senators or representatives at Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C.—President Truman Tuesday intervened in a congressional situation which threatened dissolution of the present fair employment practice committee while attempts to set up a permanent FEPC are stymied in both houses of congress.

Mr. Truman wrote Chairman Adolph J. Sabath of the house rules committee urging that his committee clear the way for house action on a bill to set up FEPC as a statutory agency "as quickly as possible."

President Truman's letter to Sabath said abandonment of the fundamental principle of FEPC is "unthinkable" and asserted that "the principle and policy of fair employment should be established permanently as a part of our national law."

"Discrimination in the matter of employment against properly qualified persons because of their race, creed or color is not only un-American in nature, but will lead eventually to industrial strife and unrest."

YOUNGEST MEMBER



MARY ANN HOLMES

Mary Ann, three-year-old daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Charles W. Holmes of 1064 West Fifth avenue, is the youngest member of the Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She is the holder of a blue certificate of membership presented her in the recent drive.

Mary Ann's grand parents are Mrs. Anna Tucker, of 955 W. 17th street, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Skipper of 504 Southeast Third street. Sergeant Holmes is with the U. S. Army stationed somewhere in Germany.

program at Shorter Chapel church of Oskaloosa, Ia., Sunday, June 3. Mrs. Foustine Hytower presided over the meeting. The Rev. Thomas Hytower is pastor.

Cowles Foundation Donor; To Name New Center to Honor Wendell Willkie

For the building of a new, modern, and adequate Negro Community center in Des Moines, a gift of \$100,000 from the Gardner Cowles Foundation was announced Tuesday, June 5, by A. A. Alexander, president of the Negro Community Center board.

The Cowles Foundation, which was established ten years ago by Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Cowles, Sr., to aid Iowa colleges, hospitals, and other non-profit community projects, announced the gift following a report of a special committee of the Negro Community Center, which has been investigating for some time ways and means of expanding the Negro center's program to meet the needs of the community.

Memorial to Willkie

In making the gift, the Foundation suggested, for consideration of the board, that the building be known as a memorial to Wendell L. Willkie "who did so much in his public career to create better understanding toward the Negroes and more tolerance among all the races, one toward another;" that "the building would always be open to anyone who cared to use it and would never be restricted to any special group or segment of the city's population."

"We feel grateful to Mr. Cowles in ill health.

seeing the need of such a building," Mr. Alexander said and added that the Negroes in Des Moines will contribute \$10,000 toward the cost of the building to supplement the Foundation gift. The Foundation heartily approved the plan for the Negroes to raise \$10,000.

"This is the beginning of a new era in Des Moines," the Center board's president commented.

"We will begin plans at once," Mr. Alexander said. Construction of the new building will start as soon as building restrictions are lifted. The building will include a combination gymnasium-auditorium.

Its location has not been determined but it probably will be located near the present Negro community center house at 907 Fifteenth street.

Other major gifts made by the Cowles Foundation have been to the Des Moines Junior League Convalescent Home building, the Cowles library at Drake university, a dormitory building at Grinnell college, the Harvey Ingham science building at Drake (yet to be built), and a science building at Simpson college (yet to be built).

Gardner Cowles is publisher of the Register and Tribune. He has retired from active business because of ill health.

Midwest Institute Hears Dr. Reid on Colonial Problems

Problems of the colonial peoples were presented before the Midwest Institute of International Relations at Drake University Tuesday evening, June 5 by Dr. Ira D. Reid of Atlanta, Ga., the only Negro member of the institute faculty, which opened session here on June 2 to continue thru June 10 at Drake university.

Chairman of the Department of Sociology at Atlanta University Dr. Reid spoke on the subject of "The Place and Treatment of Dependent Areas in Proposed Plans for World Government."

"The daily newspapers do not give us the problems of the colonial peoples," the Atlantian opened his message, stating that it is necessary to go to the Negro newspapers and foreign publications for information regarding the peoples of the dependent areas. Over 700 millions of the peoples of the world make up these dependent areas.

"The A. B. C's of the problem have not been faced by any world conference," the speaker said and stressed that "they must be faced."

He spoke of the "divisions between the dependent and independent areas, the divisions between the colonial and non-colonial peoples," the geographical locations of all of the dependent areas in Asia, Africa, Europe, and Americas.

"Almost all of the dependent peoples are of the darker races, almost all of the independent peoples are of the white race," the speaker pointed out as he listed the "divisions" and the "patterns" between the "dependent and independent, the have and have-nots." He added that there was an "equally so-called division in the cultures: the orientals and the occidentals."

Dr. Reid went back 400 years when colonial dependency began—"when England set out on a conquest that has created the problem we have today. Now Great Britain has one half of the dependent peoples of the world, the speaker said.

Principles
The speaker outlined the "principles" under which these dependent

areas are operated.

"In all of them is a very obvious color line—which is more than segregation—acts as a type of a divine white right which lets the whites move in and set up their systems."

"All of these dependent areas are characterized by a type of political control held by the power possessing them; these dependent areas are "economically dependent upon—and economically controlled by the mother country; in each of the dependent areas is a very low state of the level of social services, which includes education," Dr. Reid spoke.

He said that back of these "earmarks of colonial status" was a set of "rationalization which made these principles very strong." At first these colonial peoples had to swallow it whether they liked it or not. But now, he stated, these colonial areas are beginning to question and ask why—and the status quo begins to change."

That the San Francisco Conference has numerous problems in regarding the colonial peoples, what will be the big powers will strive for in seeking a solution to the problems of these dependent areas, whether or not the powers will compromise, what nations will speak for freedom for these peoples, what to do with the dependent areas of the enemy countries—will have to be answered.

"There can be no security for two thirds of the peoples of the world if one-third is held in bondage," Dr. Reid declared.

During the question period, Dr. Reid, speaking in regard to the Philippines which have been promised their independence by the United States, said "We've done better in the Philippines than other nations—but I don't know that I would get romantic about it."

Dr. Reid, associate executive director of the Southern Regional Council, is editor of Phylon, the Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture.

MRS. DANFORTH ILL
Mrs. Fannie Danforth is ill at Mercy hospital.



SOCIETY



MISS VOLINEER WEDS SEAMAN JOHNSON IN JUNE CEREMONY

Mr. and Mrs. James Volineer of 1625 Walker street announce the marriage of their daughter, Marjorie Theola, and Seaman First Class Hayes H. Johnson, of Elgin, Ill., who is stationed at Hastings, Nebr.

The ceremony was performed at 8:15 o'clock Sunday evening, June 2, in the presence of the family and friends who assembled at the Volineer home.

The bride, wearing a pink, two-piece costume suit with a corsage of red and white carnations, was attended by her sister, Mrs. Geneva Clinton. Seaman James Ferguson of naval depot at Hastings, Nebr., was the best man.

Following the ceremony approximately 75 guests attended the reception. A two-tier wedding cake graced the reception table.

Mrs. Johnson, a native of Des Moines, is a graduate of East high school and attended Tuskegee Institute, Ala. She is a member of the Shiloh Baptist church.

Seaman Johnson, a native of Mississippi, worked at the Elgin watch plant in Illinois. He returned to his naval station on Sunday evening.

MISS WEBB HONORED AT GIFT SHOWER

Mesdames Sarah Tucker and Frank Parker were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous shower Sunday evening, June 3, at the home of Mrs. Tucker, 1101 School street, honoring Miss Clara Webb who will be married this summer.

Games for the afternoon were by Mrs. Madelyn Berry. Gifts for Miss Webb were held in a beautifully decorated umbrella.

Sharing the courtesy were: Mesdames Joan Bullock, Adah Johnson, Haley Houston, Madelyn Berry, Thelma Reeves, Eunice Bates, Hazel Oliver, Catherine Stewart, Guy Greene, Austin Kaiser, Mary Harlow, William Bell, Alice McCraney, Misses Marguerite Newcomb, Marguerite Proctor, Joy Smith.

ATTEND ANNIVERSARY IN HIGGINSVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Carson and Mrs. Stella Carson, 1330 Day street, attended the silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Chinn of Higginsville, Mo., on May 27. They also visited the mother of Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Maude Allen, and the parents of Mrs. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wilson.

ATTEND GRADUATION OF MISS WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Washington of Beatrice, Nebr., and Mrs. Arthur Henderson of Kansas City, Mo., arrived in the city during the week end to attend the commencement exercises of their daughter, and niece Miss Donna Marie Washington, who was graduated from Drake University on Monday, June 4.

MRS. BREWER IS VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Beartie Brewer, wife of the Rev. J. W. Brewer of the C.M.E. church of Eldorado, Kas., left the city recently for Omaha, Nebr., after having been extended many social courtesies here.

Conference president of the Women's Missionary Department of the C.M.E. church, she was dinner guest of the Rev. and Mrs. H. R. M. Hardiman. The Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson shared the courtesy.

MRS. MATTIE SCOTT BACK FROM CHICAGO

Mrs. Mattie B. Scott, 1623 Searle street, returned to the city on Monday evening from Chicago, Ill., where she spent ten days visiting her grand daughter, Mrs. Thelma Bacon, and great-grand daughter, Miss Mary Brooks. Miss Brooks, a graduate of North high school, is clerk-typist in the office of the War Foods Administration.

MRS. RUCKER OF MISSOURI VISITOR

Mrs. M. M. Rucker of Knobloster, Mo., arrived Monday night to spend a three weeks vacation with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Madison of 1125 Thirteenth street, and other relatives and friends of the city.

NEW YORKERS VISIT RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Samuels of New York City were house guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hendricks of 1331 Center street.

MRS. WELLS ILL

Mrs. Willie M. Wells is still ill at her home at 1745 Walker street.

HONOR MRS. T. S. WILLIAMS AT SHOWER

Mesdames Catherine Stewart, Louise Ware and Virginia Williams were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous farewell shower on Sunday evening, June 3, at the home of Mrs. Williams, 1022 Thirteenth street, honoring Mrs. T. S. Williams who will be leaving the city on June 15.

Gifts were concealed in a traveling bag which was presented to the honoree.

Sharing the courtesy were Mesdames Verda Spangler, Donna Greenlee, Rosa Bell, Frances Morrow, Marguerite Proctor, Julia Proctor, Marguerite Cothorn, Marie Frazier, Bernice Carter, Hazel Oliver, Willa Bell James, Dora Elva Moore, Ellen Robinson, Misses Marguerite Newcomb, Clara Webb, Marie Ross, Marjorie Holmes, Ada Graham.

MRS. CHAMBERS IS ENTERTAINED HERE

Mrs. Josephine Chambers of Minneapolis, Minn., who was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Irvine, was entertained by Miss Cecil Madison and sister, Mrs. Joe O. Brooks, at the home of the former, 1125 13th street, last Friday.

Sharing the courtesy were members of the T. O. B. club and Mesdames Helen McCraven and Frances Morrow.

T.O.B. CLUB HONORS FRANK ROBINSON

The T. O. B. club met on Friday, June 1, with Miss Octavia Roane as hostess. Plans were made for a party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Matthews on Sunday evening honoring the club's first serviceman to be returned from overseas duty.

Ex-seaman First Class Frank B. Robinson arrived home on May 30 after having received an honorable, medical discharge from the naval service.

CLUB DE LUX MEETS

The Club De Lux held their monthly potluck at the home of Mrs. Margaret Sorrell on May 31. The club was hostess to two members, Miss Florence Carter and Mrs. Sorrell who observed birthdays. The club meets with Mrs. Mildred Tynomy on June 7.

TEN KEYS CLUB

The Ten Keys club will meet with Mrs. Christine Marth, 1069 Sixteenth street, Friday, June 8. All members are urged to be present.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Lou Johnson, May 23. Mesdames Julia Proctor and Johnson reviewed respectively, "The Image of Josephine" (Booth Tarkington) and "Black Boy" (Richard Wright). The next meeting will be with Mrs. Grace Shelton.

ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Joseph entertained at dinner Sunday night, June 3. Her guests were Mrs. Maudie A. Forte and Miss Mildred Galbreath.

JOLLY TWELVE

The Jolly Twelve club met May 24 at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Potts. The next meeting will be with Miss Edna Harris, 1144 17th street.

PERSONAL TOUCH

By MARIE ROSS

The reception was going on at the Volineer home the other evening. Guests were busy wishing well the bride and groom, enjoying the wedding cake, greeting old friends.

Over in the corner one guest was busy browsing over the table of wedding gifts when suddenly she uttered a shout. The other guests came running to see what all the excitement was about. The excited guest held in her hand a beautifully wrapped gift box which contained one lovely piece of bed linen—a sheet.

There was silence as all of the guests admired the gift. Then suddenly a puzzling began—each was asking the other—“Whence came the sheet? Whose gift was it?” And, soon the giver of the precious gift was found. There was no peace for the lady until she informed all of the guests—who were getting ready to make a dive for the store—that she had purchased the sheet sometime—last fall.

TO NEW POST

Among the recent graduates of the American Institute of Business was typist Miss Frances Lowery, 1267 Stewart street. She left the city May 26 for Dayton, Ohio. A graduate of East high school in January, last, Miss Lowery is the niece of Mrs. Alberta Warden and Mrs. Bessie Cunningham. Her uncle, Pvt. Levester Cunningham is in France.

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Five Get Degrees At Drake University

Negro students who received degrees at the commencement exercises at Drake University on June 4 were: Miss Mattie Burke, Des Moines, Miss Donna M. Washington, Nebraska, Miss Cora Black, Kansas; Nimrod Townsend, Jamaica; Don Welcher, California.

Y.W.C.A.

The Campers club which has the purpose of helping girls to help themselves and earn money in which to pay camp fees, has its initial meeting Friday, June 9, at 6 p. m. with a free—Camp-Cook-Out (or in case of rain) on the lawn of the Blue Triangle Branch. Girls planning to join the fun may phone the Branch Y.W.C.A. by Friday noon.

The Book Lovers club annual election was held June 1st at which time the following were elected: Mrs. Mabel M. Mason, president; Mrs. Cecilia Carl, secretary; Mrs. Adele McGuire, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth McGregor, appointed program chairman. The next meeting will be with Mrs. E. T. Scales when a potluck will be held. The book, "Forever Amber" (WindSOR) was reviewed by Mrs. McGregor.

The house committee will meet June 13 at 11:30 a. m., at the Branch. The finance committee will meet on June 12.

RATIONING

Sugar stamps No. 25 and 26, good for five pounds each, are valid Saturday, June 2, was the last date for the use of sugar stamp No. 26. Stamp 26 continues good through August 31.

On Friday, June 1, new red stamps W2, X, Y2 and Z2 became valid for ten points each. Red stamps Y3, Z3, A2 thru D2 expire on June 2. Red stamps E2 thru I2 continue valid, and are good for ten points each.

On Friday, June 8, five new blue stamps became valid. They will be D1, E1, F1, G1, and H1. Last date for the use of blue stamps H2 through M2 was June 2. Blue stamps N2 through Z2 and A1 through C1 continue usable; good for ten points each.

A. L. coupons good for four gallons each, are valid through June 21, 1945. On June 22, the next "A" coupon will become valid for six gallons of gasoline. On June 11, "B" card ceilings will be raised throughout the country to 650 miles a month. Not all "B" ceilings—only those using car for business driving—50 applications before June 11.

Period 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 coupons, good for 10 gallons per unit, are usable throughout the country for the rest of the heating year.

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Ans.: You will be unhappy and worried as long as you persist in trying to gain the affections of a married man. He has his responsibilities and you should appreciate a wife's position enough to let him, a married man, alone. The other man you have on your list is a good prospect for marriage. He is a widower, owns his own home, makes a good living and apparently is infatuated with you. Now he, or some other likely man, is the logical choice for you to associate with. A home and future security is what you should be seeking.

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DAINGEROUS INSTANCES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Last week, a farmer in a small town in California, confessed to the crime of shooting into the home of a Japanese. Fortunately, nobody was injured. Upon his arrest, he pleaded guilty. The judge sentenced him to six months in jail and suspended the penalty during good behavior.

It was a cowardly act which this man committed. He did not have the courage to meet the man face to face he hated and commit his crime. He chose the cowardly method—the type of sneaking job like the Japanese did at Pearl Harbor for which we condemn them and rightly so.

As dastardly as this man's crime was, there was had the court—the law itself—displaying a sympathetic attitude toward people who resort to low, dirty tricks in their violation of the law against a man simply because he happened to belong to a minority group.

After all, the part played by this judge is more dangerous than that of the defendant. It smacks of a "green light" to those people who take the law into their own hands. Public officials of this type ought to be ousted from their jobs. And if the citizens of the California city don't, they are no better than the judge.

America just can't maintain her prestige as the land of the free and the home of the brave when it refuses to insure its humblest citizens the equal protection of the law.

JUST WHO RUNS IOWA ANYWAY?

It is obvious that most southerners have never quit fighting the Civil War. Every opportunity most of them get to talk to a Yankee, they spend a part of the time trying to explain how wrong the North was, what a bad job was done after the war and if placed in their position the northerner would have done the same thing.

And as bitter as these arguments make us, we feel even more so toward the spineless northerner who agrees with the position of the southerner on this question and thus brands the job done by the members of the GAR as a thankless one.

Last week, someone wrote an article in the Des Moines Tribune on the origin of Memorial day. It stated that Southerners disliked some of the relics in Iowa's historical building which tended to place them in the wrong light and that after all most of the things which divided the states have been overcome and the head of our historical department agreed with him.

The Bystander knows that America must unite all the people under its banner of democracy but it is opposed to a democracy as most southerners see it. If the curator means that the North has adopted many of the crimes against a human race as practiced by some southerners, then we agree that much of the disagreement has been obliterated. He knows that human slavery as a legal commercial enterprise was the basic cause of the Civil War, if he is at all informed he should know that illegal slavery exists in many southern communities today, that all of them deny Negroes privileges and immunities guaranteed by the constitution and that some southerners have brought those ideas and planted them wherever they have gone.

"A southerner might not like it." Who is running Iowa? Who is paying its bills? Who is maintaining a reasonably good relationship between the races in Iowa? Not the southerners; not the copperhead northerner; but those people who continue to believe that the cause for which the members of the GAR fought was and is right. And we ought to be ashamed to look the old men of GAR in the face or to think of those who have passed on if we fail to come to their defense when those people who do not believe in the cause for which they fought minimize these deeds.

The Bystander would like to forget the Civil War; it wishes that the principles for which it was fought—and they are the ideals upon which this country was founded and hopes to go forward—prevailed on every foot of ground in America. But as long as men are denied the enjoyment of all the rights, privileges and immunities as guaranteed by the constitution—many of which were enlarged and/or amplified as a result of the Civil War—simply because their skin, religion or creed is different it would be a travesty of justice, a betrayal of those who fought that horrible war, to forget it. And we have little respect for the so-called American who thinks otherwise.

But Brown's main reason for writing was to interest Negro high school graduates to attend Negro schools. Speaking strictly from an athletic viewpoint the fellows say that Negroes can't get the opportunities in white schools that they do in their own schools. Your illustrious scribbler can help him a little on that. Drake University encourages Negro track and football players, but keeps them out of competition with Southern schools away from home for obvious reasons. Negroes are discouraged from playing basketball and we believe tennis and baseball. One Negro, Charles Howard, played baseball for Drake in the early twenties, but he was the last to our knowledge. There are many number of Negroes now attending Big Ten schools who could play basketball if they were allowed to. This could go on forever with us mentioning too many names and dates. But Young Brown reeled off a list of the boys he grew up with and wondered why most Des Moines Negro athletes don't go to college.

Ask Special Point System to Aid GI's

The setting up of a special point system governing the discharge of veterans in service troops was urged by the NAACP this week in a letter to Secretary of War Stimson.

The plight of the Negro soldier being held indefinitely in the Army and overseas as the result of the present 5-point system for soldiers with combat records, was brought to the attention of the War Department.

In his letter to Secretary of War Stimson, Walter White declared that a grave injustice was being inflicted on these men who in most instances had absolutely no control over, assignment to the service units which deprived them of opportunities for combat or heroic performance.

"Service troops, it was pointed out, have performed magnificently in this war. Theirs has been the unglamorous, unpublicized task of building, to cite but one of their achievements—airfields in jungles and other difficult places and climates from which bombers could take off in dramatic forays against the enemy. It is the service troops which have carried supplies ashore in beachhead landings, often in the face of withering fire, but the publicity and the citations have gone not to them but to the combat soldiers who could never have succeeded had not supplies followed immediately behind the assault waves.

"It goes without saying that an American soldier in the engineer or quartermaster corps loves his family and home as dearly as a soldier who fires a rifle or flies a plane." An even more serious penalty emphasized in the present system which ignores the contributions of nearly one million Negro soldiers attached to engineer, quartermaster, port battalion, trucking, sanitation and other service units is the fact that the first soldiers home get the pick of jobs and public gratitude. "Service troops," said White, "deprived thru no fault of their own from earning certain points, will thus return to the United States or be discharged from the Army at a later date and may thereby be denied jobs or be forced to accept the least desirable ones."

BURLINGTON, IA. By MRS. ED WILLIAMS Burlington, Ia.—Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Beverly have returned from Des Moines where they spent a pleasant visit with their son and his family on his furlough to visit his wife and children.

The southeast district meeting was held at Union Baptist church on May 27 and Rev. Patterson of Ft. Madison, Ia., was the speaker. The next meeting will be held in Ft. Madison on June 24 and Rev. Edward of Mt. Pleasant, Ia., will be the speaker.

Robert Lloyd returned Saturday night from a two-day track meet at Ames, Ia. Misses Colleen G. Lloyd, Mary Morgan, Bette Nickerson, and Robert Ashby are graduates of Burlington high school. Miss Colleen Lloyd was among the 30 graduates who were invited to join the National Honor Society. She was initiated into the so-

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

We received a rather interesting letter from Kenneth Brown, former North high basketball star who is now attending J. C. Smith College at Charlotte, N. C. According to his letter, and it wasn't hard to check on, Young Brown developed into quite an athlete, making all-conference basketball guard and getting mentioned as one of the standout football players.

This conference is the Colored Intercollegiate Athletic Association, and one of the toughest Negro conferences in the country, numbering among its members Morgan College, West Virginia state, Lincoln U. of Pennsylvania, Hampton, Howard and A. & T. of North Carolina.

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With a few exceptions the really good ones have just drifted off into nowhere until the war took a lot of them. We also wondered that lots of times. To us it seemed that the general run of Negro athletes in the city were too content to live on their high school laurels until it is too late to go on.

Kenny hopes that the kids who finish this June will go on to college and naturally he would like for some of them to get down to Charlotte, N. C. We hope also that some of the fellows decide to go on. When we think of some of the really great athletes around Des Moines who had no ambition or desire other than a wish to go on to college, we wonder if there isn't just a little bit wrong with our system for developing athletes.

LINCOLN POST NO. 126

By LE ROY BIRD

The dance at Riverview Park was a success. Members participated in the Memorial Day parade. Members are starting to pay their 1946 dues. July 3 will be election night. The Commander has not had one executive board meeting during his term of office. There are only three more meetings for old officers.

ATLAS CLUB MEETS

JUNE 11 AT ELKS REST

The Atlas club of the Hawkeye Elks Lodge No. 160 will meet June 11 at the Elks Rest. William Hubbard, president, urged all members to attend the meeting.

city on May 28 at the morning assembly.

Miss Viola Ray and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Majors and little son are visiting in Duluth, Minn.

Graduation day for Burlington high school students was May 31 at the stadium.

Mrs. Grace Burney of Chicago, Ill., is visiting Miss Mary Brooks at her home on S. Fifteenth street.

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LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting

By MARIE ROSS

Sgt. Miles L. Brown Writes of Paris Sights

"I am well except for a cold I caught while in Paris," wrote Sgt. Miles L. Brown from France on May 23, to his beautiful sister, Mrs. Lena King.

"We had such fine weather there those few days and so many were swimming, I just had to get in the water, too. I sure would like to go back there again. We really balled. It is just like New York and the up-to-date colored people speak more English than I ever thought of speaking; however, I am doing okay speaking French, Spanish, Italian and Sicilian. I guess German and Chinese are next to pick up on."

"We went to Club Patee where Josephine Baker was the featured attraction and she really was fine. Honey, you haven't seen any hair styles yet. You should see these—and hair dyed green, blue, purple, yellow, red, orange and the coufeurs can't be beat."—Sgt. Miles L. Brown, 69th Ord. Ammo. Co. APO 722, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Sgt. Temple Asks Boys to Save Few Drinks of Malted Milk for Him

"I'm sure some of the gang has been written by now—telling you of our change and how much we like it," wrote Sgt. Hugh F. Semple on May 15 from somewhere in Germany.

"Now, may I add my little bit, like a little child or don't you want to hear it? I have access to a fine shower daily now and one of those fine beds—but not as fine as the kind back home."

"The gang has been broken up and don't get to see each other very often but it doesn't mean that friendship has been lost. We work in different departments and have to be there all the day so you know how often we see each other."

"At the very moment I am working like the devil, trying to get the boys ready for demobilization. Now you know why I have to work so hard. I'm sorry they couldn't find a more simple way to let these men out of the army because it causes too much trouble. One has to check and double check and then he isn't sure of himself."

"I suppose all the boys who came into the service before I was kidnapped are coming out now and having themselves a ball. Well, tell them to save a few drinks for me because I really need them. I haven't had over two good drinks since I've been over here. Ha-ha-ha-ha, you think I meant intoxicating drinks—but I don't. I mean malted milk. I quit years ago. Forgive me if I left the impression of a habitual drunkard. I think I'd better run now. I hear the Personnel Officer coming."—Sgt. Hugh F. Semple, 99th QM Salv. Coll. Co., APO 403, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

NAACP NOTES

The NAACP drive this year has secured many new members. Ike Smalls, past president, presented the branch with a lifetime membership through his captain, Atty. S. Joe Brown.

Mrs. J. B. Morris, past president of the branch, is not serving as a captain in the drive but is working faithfully in this campaign gaining many memberships. At this writing, Mrs. A. Mitchell has her quota.

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Iowan Writes of Life in Jungles of Burma

"Burma—this whole place is a prison surrounded by and composed of nothing but jungle," wrote Cpl. Robb Simmons on May 16 from somewhere along the Stillwell Road in Burma, India.

In a letter to a friend, he continued: "Perhaps you're familiar with what isn't in Burma. If not, I'll tell you how to arrive at the answer. Just take all the modern conveniences you have in the states and those are the exact things Burma doesn't have. (on gripe session)."

"I've missed your letters a lot. Your letters to me were always so different from anyone's. Yours represented a girl friend who could write a long and interesting letter and not be writing the usual 'I Love You.' Although, I imagine you could write some very interesting letters along that line, also. But to one about whom that is not true, most girls fall as letter writers."—Cpl. Robb Simmons, 0022, H. S. Co. 45th Engr. Regt. APO 689, c/o Postmaster New York, N. Y.

"Really Struck Keynote"

"I only hope that you got half as much joy out of writing the letter as I got out of reading it; I received it at a time when I was needing something nice and encouraging, and yours really struck the keynote of putting one in a cheerful mood!" wrote Cpl. Frank W. Ishman of the Marine corps on May 23 from somewhere in the South Pacific.

"They tell me that your city (Des Moines) is quite a place and I hope to stop over with Adam Johsson. I've heard so much about it—at least Adam and others make it the second playground of the world—Little Park."—Cpl. Frank W. Ishman, USMC, First Marine Depot Co., 4th Marine Base Depot, SS. FMF, Pac. c/o PFO, San Francisco, Cal.

Pvt. Marshall Smith 'Appreciates Bystander'

"I want you to know that I appreciate the Bystander so much and the news in it—especially the Post Exchange," wrote Pvt. Marshall R. Smith, on May 29 from Sheppard Field, Texas.

"I had to tell you about it. I am in basic training at Sheppard Field, Army Field Base, Texas. Please forgive the post card. Am busy, but thinking of you and the other Bystander employees.—Smitty." Pvt. Marshall R. Smith, ASN 17170519, Squadron K, 3706th AAF, B.U., Sheppard Field, Texas.

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Sgt. William H. Williams, writing from somewhere in Italy, dedicated this poem to his wife, Mrs. Fannie Williams, of 1009 Sixteenth street.

"We've Really Been Seen a Lot," Writes Pfc. Sheppard

"I have a pal here with me from there (Des Moines). His name is Robert Ashby," wrote Pfc. Clarence Sheppard from the Pacific. "We are lucky we started out the same time and are the only two in the company from Iowa. We have been overseas 18 months and have really seen a lot. I can't tell you where I am just yet but you can take one guess and it will be right."

"I enjoy reading your Post Exchange articles. Keep up the good work." How are things in the old town—still jumping?" Pfc. Clarence Sheppard, 37674852, 644 Ord. Amm. Co., APO 331, c/o P. M., San Francisco, Cal.

S/Sgt. Clark Has Met Chaplain Bain in Italy

"I am well and looking forward to the day when I return to good old Des Moines," wrote S/Sgt. L. A. Clark on May 22 from Pisa, Italy.

"For one year I have been receiving the Bystander. It has meant much to me as a morale builder. First of all I would read letters from men and women in the service, thinking I would read about someone from Iowa that would either be close to where I am located or I would be able to contact them because my job demands an excessive amount of traveling."

"There has been one person that I

have met and knew from Des Moines. That one is none other than Chaplain John C. Bain. I was sure glad to see and talk with him. He was stationed very close to me. He and my chaplain, Charles Walker, are good friends. John W. Floyd from Omaha, Nebr., was the only one in the outfit near Des Moines. Now he has returned to the states."—S/Sgt. L. A. Clark, 37194636, 838th Engr. Avn. Bn., H/S-Co. APO 528, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Bob King Home T/4 Robert King will be in the city until June 13, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. King and relatives. He has been stationed at Ft. Frances Warren, Wyo., but is scheduled to go overseas soon.

CAPTAIN



CAPTAIN ROY TATE Roy Tate, 26, has been promoted to the rank of captain, according to information received by his mother, Mrs. Lydia Tate Thompson of 111 Bates street, Waterloo, Ia. Captain Tate is now in Germany with a quarter-master corps of the army. He was wounded while serving in Belgium and was recently awarded the purple heart and two battle participation stars.

TO MEET JUNE 14 The United Service Women will meet on June 14 at the Negro Community Center, Mrs. C. E. Martin is president; Mrs. Leota Hunter, secretary.

MEN'S DAY SUNDAY AT KYLES CHURCH Men's Day will be held, Sunday, June 10, at the Kyles AME Zion church, 1109 S. E. Fifteenth street. The Rev. L. R. Collett of the Open Bible Church will be the guest speaker at the 3 p. m. services. Granville Williams, deacon, will speak at the 8 p. m. service. The Rev. H. A. Simmons is pastor.

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News Briefs From Far and Near

NEGRO MARINES WORKING AS STRETCHER BEARERS

(By SGT. HAROLD FOREMAN,
of Menasha, Wis., a Marine Corps
combat correspondent)

Okinawa (Delayed)—Negro marines, working as stretcher bearers, are once again distinguishing themselves in combat.

Two of these men, who are working day and night under fire to evacuate the wounded of the First Regiment of the First Marine Division, are Corp. Willie Crenshaw, of Bessemer, Ala., and Pfc. Warren N. McGrew, Jr., of Waco, Texas.

Often they have been pinned down for long periods by rifle, machine gun and mortar fire while carrying the wounded marines from the front lines to rear areas. The wounded cannot be set down in an exposed area, so when the Japanese open up, Crenshaw and McGrew make a run with the litters to the nearest place of cover.

At other times, the two men have carried ammunition to the front and have gone out on sniper hunts. Crenshaw already has one Japanese sniper to his credit.

ALL-NEGRO MP PATROL FOR INDIA- BURMA THEATER

New Delhi, India—An all-Negro Military Police patrol—first in the India-Burma Theater—has been authorized by the War Department. Lieutenant Colonel Charles Meyers, acting theater provost marshal, announced this week.

Composed of one Negro officer and 60 enlisted men, the bulk of the unit will be stationed in the Ledo area. It is contemplated that the remainder will be on detached service in the Calcutta area.

"To improve control and increase understanding among Negro troops, we requested permission to form the patrol unit," Colonel Meyers explained.

Members of the unit will be picked from troops already in the theater. Selection will depend to a large extent on civilian background and former military assignments. Preference will be given to men who were MPs at stateside installations or who have had civilian police experience.

The platoon will be commanded by a Negro officer.

HIT BLIND MAN, MUST PAY \$100

Admitting he struck blind Dave Tymony, 132 E. Reigert street, during an argument over religion and choice of a funeral director, William Taylor, 122 Arthur avenue, was ordered to pay \$100 or serve 30 days in jail Tuesday in municipal court.

Judge Charles S. Cooter heard both Tymony and Taylor testify about their May 22 bout in which Tymony asserted he was beaten and kicked into unconsciousness.

YOUTH COUNCIL TO DISCUSS 'GI BILL'

In a series of lectures now being held each meeting of the Jr. NAACP at the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A., Mr. Charles Thum discussed "Mexico's Race Problem" and a short history of the "Friends Service Committee."

The discussion centered around Mexico's racial attitude and the culture of the people.

He said to understand the people of Mexico, one must learn to appreciate their mixed culture and their country, to go to Mexico with the idea of becoming one of them and not as an alien.

The subject to be discussed June 15 is the "G. L. Bill," to be presided over by Mr. George E. Strawn, coordinator of veterans' affairs at Drake U. Anyone may attend these lectures that are held regularly.



A. A. ALEXANDER, president of the Negro Community Center board, which for several years has been planning for the expansion of the Negro Center here. He announced the gift.



GARDNER COWLES, Jr., one of the trustees of the Cowles Foundation, who revealed the gift to the Negro Community Center board.



GARDNER COWLES, Sr., who with his wife, established ten years ago the Foundation which on June 5 made a gift of \$100,000 for the building of a new Negro Community Center in Des Moines.

WAC BAND TO PLAY TONIGHT

The weekly concert at Fort Des Moines will be played tonight by the 404th ASF Band, only colored women's military band in the United States. The place is, as usual, Theater No. 1; the time, 7 p. m. The concert is open to the public, without admission charge.

On the program are seven numbers of the band, including Lilya's "Concert Overture," "In a Monastery Garden" by Ketyby and "Somebody Loves Me" by Gershwin.

The chorus will sing Hall's arrangement of "You Got to Reap What You Sow," "Allah's Holiday" by Friml, "Italian Street Song" and several other numbers.

Truman Urges Permanent FEPC; Write Senators

You can help speed this bill by writing to your senators or representatives at Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C.—President Truman Tuesday intervened in a congressional situation which threatened dissolution of the present fair employment practice committee while attempts to set up a permanent FEPC are stymied in both houses of congress.

Mr. Truman wrote Chairman Adolph J. Sabath of the house rules committee urging that his committee clear the way for house action on a bill to set up FEPC as a statutory agency "as quickly as possible."

President Truman's letter to Sabath said abandonment of the fundamental principle of FEPC is "unthinkable" and asserted that "the principle and policy of fair employment should be established permanently as a part of our national law."

"Discrimination in the matter of employment against properly qualified persons because of their race, creed or color is not only un-American in nature, but will lead eventually to industrial strife and unrest."

YOUNGEST MEMBER



MARY ANN HOLMES

Mary Ann, three-year-old daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Charles W. Holmes of 1054 West Fifth avenue, is the youngest member of the Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She is the holder of a blue certificate of membership presented her in the recent drive.

Mary Ann's grand parents are Mrs. Anna Tucker, of 955 W. 17th street, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Skipper of 504 Southeast Third street. Sergeant Holmes is with the U. S. army stationed somewhere in Germany.

NAACP State Meet June 30

The Iowa State Conference of the NAACP will hold its annual meeting in Cedar Rapids, June 30 and July 1. Keynote speakers will be Miss Ruby Hurley, national Youth Council advisor, and Mr. O. T. Champ, secretary of the Congress Industrial Organization.

MRS. FANT SPEAKS

Mrs. Goldie Fant, president of the Women's Missionary Society of the Northwestern Annual Conference of the A.M.E. church, was the guest speaker at the annual Women's Day



CRACK MEDICAL UNIT AT WORK—Combining care and painstaking speed, members of the 703rd Medical Sanitary Company at Southampton, England, unloaded more than 120,000 battle casualties between D-Day and V-E Day. During this same period they loaded more than 30,000 patients headed for the United States. The 703rd has been awarded the Meritorious Unit Service Plaque. Sergeant George McPherson (left) Brooklyn, N. Y.; Private First Class Joseph McKie (center), Clarks Hill, S. C., and Private First Class Jesse L. Meadows (right), Cleveland, Ohio, remove patient from ambulance as First Lieutenant James W. Summerower, Chicago, Ill., looks on. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo from BPR.)

Four Negro Seamen Are Survivors of U. S. Franklin

Washington—Four Negro seamen, among the survivors of the bombing of the carrier, SS Franklin, by a Japanese dive-bomber 60 miles off the Japanese mainland on March 19, recently related their experiences at the headquarters of the Third Naval District in New York, where the Franklin is undergoing repairs after making the port under her own steam following the disaster.

The four seamen are: Ernest Pearson 20-year old steward's mate 2c, USNR, P. O. Route 447, Madison, Fla.; Harold Lee Powell 23-year old steward's mate, 1s USN, of 4337 Cook avenue, St. Louis, Mo.; Harry Lee Jones, 20, cook 1c USN of 809 Grove street, Sarasota, Fla.; and Sylvester Glosson, 32, steward's mate, USNR, of Inverness, Miss.

Pearson said he was in the wardroom pantry, which serves as a temporary sick bay during the battle, when the bombs hit the 27,000 ton carrier. Later, when the Cruiser USS Sante Fe came alongside the Franklin to give aid, Pearson assisted in the transfer of wounded men to that vessel. Told that he could go over to the Sante Fe after the wounded had been evacuated, Pearson refused. He and a shipmate, Mac Williams, a cook, talked it

over," Pearson said, and they decided to stay with their ship.

Had Come Off Watch

Powell had just come off watch and was below changing his uniform when the bombs hit. He grabbed his pants and shoes instantly and started to dash for his battle station, he said, but then realized that he couldn't get to it for the smoke and fire. "Instead, he made his way to the hangar deck where he aided in fighting fire for a half hour after which he joined in—tossing ammunition over the side.

Jones was enroute to his battle station at a 20 mm. gun on flight deck when the bombs hit. He backed down because of the smoke and fire and tried to reach the deck by another hatch but found it too clogged with men. Finally, he reached the flight deck and immediately joined in fighting fire. He also assisted in transferring the wounded to the Sante Fe. Jones is the son of First Sergeant and Mrs. Johnny Jones of the Sarasota address.

The other member of the quartet, Sylvester Glosson, was frying hot cakes in the pantry when the bombs hit. He went to the junior officers' bunk room which was converted into a temporary sick bay and helped the

wounded who were brought there. Later and throughout the night, he found fire on the flight deck. He was also offered the opportunity to transfer to the Sante Fe, but refused. Glosson is married to the former Cliff Hill, and they have a son, Sylvester, Jr., who is 16 months old.

Among other Negro members of the crew of the Franklin are: steward's mate Willie Cogman, of 1912 South Chadwick street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Amos N. Shields, cook, S/C, of 98 Whiteside Road, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Wesley Tumbler, steward's mate 1/C Kenner, Ala.; Reuben L. Patton, steward's mate, 1/C, Secil, Ala., and Alvin G. Miller, steward's mate, 1/C, of 31 Eighteenth street Birmingham, Ala.

For the building of a new, modern and adequate Negro Community center in Des Moines, a gift of \$100,000 toward the cost of the building to supplement the Foundation gift. The Foundation heartily approved the plan for the Negroes to raise \$10,000.

"This is the beginning of a new era in Des Moines," the Center board's president commented. "We will begin plans at once," Mr. Alexander said. Construction of the new building will start as soon as building restrictions are lifted. The building will include a combination gymnasium-auditorium.

Its location has not been determined but it probably will be located near the present Negro community center house at 907 Fifteenth street.

Other major gifts made by the Cowles Foundation have been to the Des Moines Junior League Convalescent Home building, the Cowles library at Drake university; a dormitory building at Grinnell college, the Harvey Ingham science building at Drake (yet to be built), and a science building at Simpson college (yet to be built).

Gardner Cowles is publisher of the Register and Tribune. He has retired from active business because of ill health.

Midwest Institute Hears Dr. Reid on Colonial Problems

Problems of the colonial peoples were presented before the Midwest Institute of International Relations at Drake University Tuesday evening, June 5 by Dr. Ira D. Reid of Atlanta, Ga., the only Negro member of the institute faculty, which opened session here on June 2 to continue through June 10 at Drake university.

Chairman of the Department of Sociology at Atlanta University Dr. Reid spoke on the subject of "The Place and Treatment of Dependent Areas in Proposed Plans for World Government."

"The daily newspapers do not give us the problems of the colonial peoples," the Atlantian opened his message, stating that it is necessary to go to the Negro newspapers and foreign publications for information regarding the peoples of the dependent areas. Over 700 millions of the people of the world make up these dependent areas.

"The A, B, C's of the problem have not been faced by any world conference," the speaker said and stressed that "they must be faced."

He spoke of the "divisions between the dependent and independent areas, the divisions between the colonial and non-colonial peoples," the geographical locations of all of the dependent areas in Asia, Africa, Europe, and Americas.

"Almost all of the dependent peoples are of the darker races; almost all of the independent peoples are of the white race," the speaker pointed out as he listed the "divisions" and the "patterns" between the "dependent and independent, the have and have-nots." He added that there was an "equally so-called division in the cultures: the orientals and the occidentals."

Dr. Reid went back 400 years when colonial dependency began—"when England set out on a conquest that has created the problem we have today. Now Great Britain has one half of the dependent peoples of the world, the speaker said.

Principles

The speaker outlined the "principles" under which these dependent

areas are operated. "In all of them is a very obvious color line—which is more than segregation—acts as a type of a divine white right which lets the whites move in and set up their systems."

"All of these dependent areas are characterized by a type of political control held by the power possessing them; these dependent areas are economically dependent upon and economically controlled by the mother country; in each of the dependent areas is a very low state of the level of social services, which includes education," Dr. Reid spoke.

He said that back of these "earmarks of colonial status" was a set of "rationalization which made these principles very strong." At first these colonial peoples had to swallow it whether they liked it or not. But now, he stated, these colonials are beginning to question and ask why—and the status quo begins to change."

That the San Francisco Conference has numerous problems in regarding the colonial peoples, what will be the big powers will strive for in seeking a solution to the problems of these dependent areas, whether or not the powers will compromise, what nations will speak for freedom for these peoples, what to do with the dependent areas of the enemy countries—will have to be answered.

"There can be no security for two thirds of the peoples of the world if one-third is held in bondage," Dr. Reid declared.

During the question period, Dr. Reid, speaking in regard to the Philippines which have been promised their independence by the United States," said "We've done better in the Philippines than other nations—but I don't know that I would get romantic about it."

Dr. Reid, associate executive director of the Southern Regional Council, is editor of Phylon, the Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture."

MRS. DANFORTH III

Mrs. Fannig Danforth is ill at Mercy hospital.

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Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

BROWN'S CHAPEL. Rev. M. R. Zion. Rev. R. A. Wilhite, pastor, 1445 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, 8:00 p. m., Wednesday, every body is welcome.

RETURNS



REV. H. A. SIMMONS. Beginning his second conference year as pastor of the Kyle's A. M. E. Zion church, the Rev. H. A. Simmons was reappointed by Bishop W. C. Brown at the annual conference which met during May in Kansas City, Mo., at the Ward Chapel A. M. E. church.

Present May Pole Drill and Review

An appreciable audience at the Jewish Community Center Thursday evening, May 31, witnessed the May Pole Drill and style review which was sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service of Burns Methodist church.

Morrow's Chapel is celebrating the anniversary of the Rev. W. A. Hunter, pastor, from June 11 to 17. Mrs. Maggie Clark is visiting her mother in Kansas City. Mrs. Frank Wilder and Mrs. Ethel Smith attended the graduation of their daughter and sister, Mary Lee, in Kansas City last week.

On Air Monday. The local NAACP will broadcast over station KFJB, Monday, June 11, at 9:30 p. m. in its membership drive.

PARCELS MAL BE MILED TO PHILIPPINES. Washington — Parcels containing gifts and samples may now be mailed under certain restrictions from the United States, its territories and possessions to the Philippine Islands.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY. EDITH HARRIET BOYD, Plaintiff.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF REAL ESTATE CONTRACT. To FRANK A. SMITH and JUNE VALETTA SMITH, husband and wife, contract purchasers.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has formed a body corporate under the provisions of Chapters 284 and 285.1 of the 1939 Code of Iowa and has adopted Articles of Incorporation that provide as follows:

Classified Ads. HOTEL FORT DES MOINES. HOTEL MAIDS. Good pay for day or night shift six day week. Uniforms furnished and laundered. Call or see Miss Blake, Housekeeper, 3-1161 Hotel Fort Des Moines.

HOUSEMEN. Full or part time work in house-keeping department. Experience not necessary. Pays well-would welcome boys over 16. Apply Mr. Black, Timekeeper, 3-1161, Hotel Fort Des Moines.

CULTIVATOR SHOVELS and all farm blacksmithing at Major Welders, 334 S. W. 3rd. 3-1615.

SECRETARY with Accounting Training or Experience. Phone 3-1615 or apply 334 S.W. 3rd street.

MAIDS 6 DAY WEEK. \$75.00 per month. Apply House-keeper, Plaza Hotel, 5th and Grand.

HOUSE FOR SALE. 2624 Rollins, 4 rooms partly modern. \$2250. Reasonable down payment, balance like rent. 305 Royal Union Bldg. 3-2427.

FOR SALE. Storage Lot Merry Go Round Organ belonging to A. L. (Tony) Crescio for storage charges. Reppert Transfer Co., 112 10th street, Des Moines, Iowa.

CARD OF THANKS. We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses and courtesies extended us during the hospitalization and convalescence of Mr. J. G. Browne.

of the local groups. Mr. Ike Small of Des Moines presented the group with a picture of the late Dr. George Washington Carver, famed scientist. Remarks were given by Mrs. George Morris, J. B. Morris, Fred Morgan of Des Moines, Dr. L. B. Ferguson of Waterloo. Carl Russell appeared for memberships. Mrs. Addie Howard acted mistress of ceremony.

The state executive board met prior to the banquet with M. F. Fields of Waterloo, president, presiding. Plans were made for the state conference at Cedar Rapids June 30 and July 1.

Children's Day will be observed at the Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 a. m., Mrs. Margaret Maxwell, superintendent.

The Second Baptist Sunday school will have a program. Mrs. Maggie Clark is superintendent, will have a program at 3 p. m. June 10.

Masonic Notice. IOWA MASONIC GRAND LODGE SESSION POSTPONED. The 58th Annual Session of the Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Iowa has been postponed by order of the Committee on Conventions and the O. D. T. until a later date.

HOWARD BROWN, G. M. (Seal)

Bonds Over America

Dr. Ira DeA Reid, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, an old friend of Pastor McAllister, who was school mate at Morehouse college years ago, was in the city this week, serving on the lecture staff at the Mid-West Institute of International Relations.

Rev. C. Lopez McAllister was guest speaker to the graduates of the high school at Mason City, Iowa, Friday night. He will return home Saturday.

Among the many visitors last Sunday morning were two daughters of Mrs. Laura Nichols who are here visiting with her from Chicago and William Fields, cousin.

On Sunday night, June 17, Mrs. Estella Coates will present one of her programs at Maple Street in interest of the conventional work.

Mrs. J. L. Madison, Mrs. Willa Mae Wells, and others on the sick list are improving.

MARSHALLTOWN, IA. By ROSE B. JOHNSON. Marshalltown, Ia.—Cpl. Samuel Gilliam arrived in the city Sunday after a two years overseas duty to visit for 30 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gilliam.

Miss Cora Morrow and Mrs. Nora Norman of New Jersey are visiting their brother, Amos Morrow and friends. Ruby Spencer, Jessye Lee Wilder and Ralph Maxwell, were graduated from Marshalltown high school Thursday. Ralph Maxwell received the Paul Lawrence Dunbar award for high scholastic merits.

The Paul Lawrence Dunbar club met Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Ethel Smith. Reports of the district meeting at Waterloo were given by Mrs. Addie Howard. Mrs. Jessye Walker gave highlight on the tea for Mrs. Dement, national president. Mrs. Irma Morrow and Miss Catherine Bannon were elected delegates to the Iowa Association of Colored Women state meeting in Council Bluffs. A reception will be held at the residence of Mrs. Mona Pettis, June 29, with Mrs. Goldie Fant of Des Moines as guest speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Rudson and family and Cpl. Gilliam motored to Davenport Sunday to visit relatives. The NAACP celebrated its sixteenth anniversary recently when a banquet was held at the Y.W.C.A. Mr. M. J. Jones and Mrs. Rose B. Johnson spoke briefly on the history

Other contestants were: Sadie Bell, sponsored by Mrs. H. Jackson, \$64.10; Emogene Wilson, sponsored by Mrs. Marie Thomas, \$56.85; Betty Kellogg, sponsored by Miss Constance Peek, \$14; Ida Smith, sponsored by Mrs. Elaine Peavey, \$13.05. The grand total and free-will offering was \$364.40.

Mrs. Ethel Winston introduced the models as follows: "Old Lady in the Shoe," Mrs. Cottie Lucas, with Brenda Russell, Larry Fowler, Nellie M. Jones, Sharon Hammit, Elaine Dixon, Maxcella Dixon, Sarah Lou Dixon, May Fongo, Annetta Fongo, Chrystal Stewart, Viola Bell, Patricia Hayter, Gretchen Hayter, La Joyce Phillips, Ronene Buckner, Donna Ruth Chamblee.

In the scenes of "Old Lady in the Shoe," Mrs. Maxine Watkins, Emma Lewis, Edna Craddock, Dorothy Hammit, Gladys Robinson, Dorothy Wallace, Constance Peek, Vera Morrow Mary Underwood, Leola Nichols, Janice Wallace, Betty Jackson, Bernice Tomlin, Delores Morrow, Kathryn Lee, Frances Whaley, Delphia Tillman.

Maypole girls were: Carletta Strothers, Kathryn Dailey, Carol Ogleton, Hazel Dixon, Alene Gilmore, Imogene Gilmore, Berna Jean Weston, Barbara Shepard, Bernadine Duke, Janet Wilson.

Mrs. Estell Allen was chairman of the style review; Mrs. Hattie Jackson, chairman of May Pole drill; Mrs. B. E. Lee in charge of the free-will offering. Music for the Revue and Drill was furnished by Miss Barbara Jane Matthews and Mrs. Gertrude Fibbs.

The Rev. H. R. M. Hardiman, pastor of the Burns church gave the invocation. Musical selections were rendered by the Ladies Chorus of Bethel A.M.E. church, Misses Lillian Cooper, Lenore Brown, Alberta Bates, Constance Peek, Mrs. Mildred Page and Mr. Herbert Shimney.

Ushers were Messrs. Fred D. Allen, Herschel McCowan, A. D. Green and Fletcher Thomas.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY. EDITH HARRIET BOYD, Plaintiff.

LAVERNE EARL BOYD, Defendant. To the Above Named Defendant: LAVERNE EARL BOYD.

You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above named court, the petition of the plaintiff above named, charging you with judgment for an absolute divorce on the ground that you have been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment as to imperil plaintiff's health and endanger her life.

Said petition further asks for the permanent custody and control of the minor children, Richard George and Janice Jean, and for general equitable relief and for the costs of this action.

For further particulars, see petition. You are further notified to appear before the District Court of Iowa in and for Polk County, which is located on the Third Floor of the Polk County Court House, West Fifth and Mulberry streets, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on or before July 12th, 1945, and that unless you so appear, your default will be entered and judgment and decree rendered against you for the relief demanded in said petition.

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NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has formed a body corporate under the provisions of Chapters 284 and 285.1 of the 1939 Code of Iowa and has adopted Articles of Incorporation that provide as follows:

1. The name of this corporation is and shall be the New Home Construction Company and the principal place of business, shall be in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

2. The object of the corporation shall be the general nature and purpose for which the corporation is formed is to do any and all kinds of building and construction work in Des Moines, Iowa, and elsewhere and to transact any and all business necessary or incident to the above and purposes of this corporation.

3. The authorized capital stock of this corporation is 100 shares, all of which shall be without nominal or par value and such non-par value stock shall be issued only in the manner and for the consideration expressed in the Articles of Incorporation or by any amendment thereto, or for such consideration as may be determined by the board of directors at any annual meeting thereof or at any special meeting thereof called for that purpose, or by the board of directors acting under the authority of such stockholders given in like manner.

4. The time of the commencement of this corporation was May 31st, 1945, and shall continue for twenty years thereafter, unless sooner dissolved by the vote of the stockholders at any annual meeting or at any meeting duly called for that purpose.

5. The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a board of one or more directors which shall choose a president, a vice president, secretary and a treasurer and such other officers as they may deem essential and necessary to take care of the business of said corporation, or such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws of this corporation.

6. The private property of the stockholders shall be exempt from liability for corporate debts.

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 1st day of June, 1945.

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12384 of the 1939 Code of Iowa, and unless within thirty (30) days from and after the completed service of this notice you make payment of all the delinquent payments as provided in said contract, including the payment of the general taxes on said property as above set forth, all of which is paid due and owing under said contract, and unless you perform each and every one of the terms, provisions and conditions of said contract now in default, and in addition pay the additional costs of serving this notice, said contract will stand cancelled and forfeited, and will become null and void and you will be forever barred, estopped and foreclosed from having, claiming and asserting any right, title and interest in and to said real estate.

WITNESSES our hands at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23rd day of May, 1945.

FINANCIAL CREDIT SYSTEM. By: C. L. Thomas, President. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander May 24, 31 and June 7, 1945.

SHERIFF'S SALE. STATE OF IOWA, POLK COUNTY, vs. THE MAY COMPANY, Plaintiff.

COLONEL F. HOWES, and wife, MARIE HOWES, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a General execution, to me directed by the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, against the goods, chattels, lands, tenements, etc., of Colonel F. Howes, and wife, Marie Howes, defendants in favor of The May Company, plaintiff, I have levied on and will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, the following real estate, to-wit:

1. The east front door of the Court House in the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, all of the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described property, situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

All right, title and interest of Colonel F. Howes, and wife, Marie Howes, in and to Lot 12th day of July, 1924 in East Side of Official Plat, now in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

Sale to commence at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., of said day, of these my hand, this 16th day of June, 1945.

VANCE B. OVERTURFF, Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa. By: H. F. WOOD, Deputy. Published and printed in the Iowa By-stander at Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on June 7 and 14, 1945. Publisher's Fee \$9.00.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY. AGNES MAY WATKINS, Plaintiff.

VERNON HARTLEY WATKINS, Defendant. To: VERNON HARTLEY WATKINS, Defendant.

You are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled case is now on file with the clerk of the District Court of Iowa in and for Polk County claiming you an absolute divorce on the ground that since the marriage of the plaintiff and the defendant you have been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment toward the plaintiff so as to endanger the life and health of your plaintiff.

For full particulars see petition now on file with the clerk of the district court of Iowa in and for Polk County.

You are further notified that unless you appear before the District Court of Polk County in and for Polk County at the Polk County Court House in Des Moines, Iowa, on or before the 30th day of June, 1945, your default will be entered and judgment rendered against you for an absolute divorce and for the relief demanded in said petition.

Dated May 22, 1945.

THEODORE F. MANTZ, Attorney at Law, the Plaintiff, 207 Securities Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander May 24, 31 and June 7, 1945.



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DITTY AKEIGHT

SOCIETY



MISS VOLINEER WEDS SEAMAN JOHNSON IN JUNE CEREMONY

Mr. and Mrs. James Volineer of 1625 Walker street announce the marriage of their daughter, Marjorie Theola, and Seaman First Class Hayes H. Johnson, of Elgin, Ill., who is stationed at Hastings, Nebr.

The ceremony was performed at 8:15 o'clock Sunday evening, June 4, by the Rev. C. A. Record, in the presence of the family and friends who assembled at the Volineer home.

The bride, wearing a pink, two-piece costume suit with a corsage of red and white carnations, was attended by her sister, Mrs. Geneva Clinton. Seaman James Ferguson of naval depot at Hastings, Nebr., was the best man.

Following the ceremony approximately 75 guests attended the reception. A two-tier wedding cake graced the reception table.

Mrs. Johnson, a native of Des Moines, is a graduate of East high school and attended Tuskegee Institute, Ala. She is a member of the Shiloh Baptist church.

Seaman Johnson, a native of Mississippi, worked at the Elgin watch plant in Illinois. He returned to his naval station on Sunday evening.

MISS WEBB HONORED AT GIFT SHOWER

Mesdames Sarah Tucker and Frank Parker were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous shower Sunday evening, June 3, at the home of Mrs. Tucker, 1101 School street, honoring Miss Clara Webb who will be married this summer.

Games for the afternoon were by Mrs. Madelyn Berry. Gifts for Miss Webb were held in a beautifully decorated umbrella.

Sharing the courtesy were Mesdames Joan Bullock, Adah Johnson, Haley Houston, Madelyn Berry, Thelma Reeves, Eunice Bates, Hazel Oliver, Catherine Stewart, Guy Greene, Austin Kiser, Mary Hardaway, William Bell, Alice McCraney, Misses Marguerite Newcomb, Marguerite Proctor, Joy Smith.

ATTEND ANNIVERSARY IN HIGGINSVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Carson and Mrs. Stella Carson, 1330 Day street, attended the silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Chinn of Higginsville, Mo., on May 27. They also visited the mother of Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Maude Allen; and the parents of Mrs. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wilson.

ATTEND GRADUATION OF MISS WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Washington of Beatrice, Nebr., and Mrs. Arthur Henderson of Kansas City, Mo., arrived in the city during the week end to attend the commencement exercises of their daughter and niece, Miss Donna Marie Washington, who was graduated from Drake University on Monday, June 4.

MRS. BREWER IS VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Beatrice Brewer, wife of the Rev. J. W. Brewer of the C.M.E. church of Eldorado, Kas., left the city recently for Omaha, Neb., after having been extended many social courtesies here.

Conference president of the Women's Missionary Department of the C.M.E. church, she was dinner guest of the Rev. and Mrs. H. R. M. Hardiman. The Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson shared the courtesy.

MRS. MATTIE SCOTT BACK FROM CHICAGO

Mrs. Mattie B. Scott, 1623 Seale street, returned to the city on Monday evening from Chicago, Ill., where she spent ten days visiting her grand daughter, Mrs. Thelma Bacon, and great grand daughter, Miss Mary Brooks. Miss Brooks, a graduate of North high school, is clerk-typist in the office of the War Foods Administration.

MRS. RUCKER OF MISSOURI VISITOR

Mrs. M. M. Rucker of Knobloster, Mo., arrived Monday night to spend a three weeks vacation with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Madison of 1125 Thirteenth street, and other relatives and friends of the city.

NEW YORKERS VISIT RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Samuels of New York City were house guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hendricks of 1331 Center street.

MRS. WELLS ILL

Mrs. Willie M. Wells is still ill at her home at 1745 Walker street.

HONOR MRS. T. S. WILLIAMS AT SHOWER

Mesdames Catherine Stewart, Louise Ware and Virginia Williams were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous farewell shower on Sunday evening, June 3, at the home of Mrs. Williams, 1022 Thirteenth street, honoring Mrs. T. S. Williams who will be leaving the city on June 15.

Gifts were concealed in a traveling bag which was presented to the honoree.

Sharing the courtesy were Mesdames Verda Spangler, Donna Greenlee, Rosa Bell, Frances Morrow, Marguerite Proctor, Julia Proctor, Marguerite Cothorn, Marie Frazier, Bernice Carter, Hazel Oliver, Willa Bell James, Dora Elva Moore, Ellen Robinson, Misses Marguerite Newcomb, Clara Webb, Marie Ross, Marjorie Holmes, Ada Graham.

MRS. CHAMBERS IS ENTERTAINED HERE

Mrs. Josephine Chambers of Minneapolis, Minn., who was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Irvine, was entertained by Miss Cecil Madison and sister, Mrs. Joe O. Brooks, at the home of the former, 1125 13th street, last Friday.

Sharing the courtesy were members of the T. O. B. club and Mesdames Helen McCraven and Frances Morrow.

T.O.B. CLUB HONORS FRANK ROBINSON

The T. O. B. club met on Friday, June 1, with Miss Octavia Roane as hostess. Plans were made for a party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Matthews on Sunday evening honoring the club's first serviceman to be returned from overseas duty.

CLUB DE LUX MEETS

The Club De Lux held their monthly potluck at the home of Mrs. Margaret Sorrell on May 31. The club was hostess to two members, Miss Florence Carter and Mrs. Sorrell who observed birthdays. The club meets with Mrs. Mildred Tymony on June 7.

TEN KEYS CLUB

The Ten Keys club will meet with Mrs. Christine Martin, 1069 Sixteenth street, Friday, June 8. All members are urged to be present.

THREE PURPOSE CLUB

The Three Purpose club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Lou Johnson, May 23. Mesdames Julia Proctor and Johnson reviewed respectively, "The Image of Josephine" (Booth Tarkington) and "Black Boy" (Richard Wright). The next meeting will be with Mrs. Grace Shelton.

ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Joseph entertained at dinner Sunday night, June 3. Her guests were Mrs. Maude A. Forte and Miss Mildred Galbreath.

JOLLY TWELVE

The Jolly Twelve club met May 24 at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Potts. The next meeting will be with Miss Edna Harris, 1144 17th street.

PERSONAL TOUCH By MARIE ROSS

The reception was going on at the Volineer home the other evening. Guests were busy wishing-well the bride and groom, enjoying the wedding cake, greeting old friends.

Over in the corner one guest was busy—browsing over the table of wedding gifts when suddenly she uttered a shout. The other guests came running to see what all the excitement was about. The excited guest held in her hand a beautifully wrapped gift box which contained one lovely piece of bed linen—a sheet.

There was silence as all of the guests admired the gift. Then suddenly a puzzling began—each was asking the other—"Whence came the sheet? Whose gift was it?" And, soon, the giver of the precious gift was found. There was no peace for the lady until she informed all of the guests—who were getting ready to make a dive for the store—that she had purchased the sheet sometime—last fall.

TO NEW POST



Mrs. Marguerite Esters Cothorn, program director for the Negro Community Centers here for three years, will leave the city next week to begin duties on June 15 as director of the Booker Washington Community House at Rockford, Ill.

MRS. HENDRICKS RETURNS HOME

Mrs. C. Hendricks returned to the city last Friday from a visit in Chicago, Ill., and Cleveland, Ohio. In the latter city she attended her sister, Mrs. Octavia Ramsure, who was ill.

USHERS TO MEET

Maple Usher Board meets Friday at the home of Miss Cecil Madison, 1125 Thirteenth street. Mrs. Arzola Dudley is president.

AT BROADLAWNS

Nanna Saunders, 517 Raccoon street, is ill at Broadlawns General hospital.



Can Corn Fresh and a Little At a Time for Good Results

Corn is a stumbling block for many an otherwise successful home canner. For some it spoils; for others it turns brown and has poor flavor.

Gladys Kimbrough, Home Service Director for Ball Brothers Company, glass jar company with headquarters at Muncie, Indiana, considers it far from easy to persuade the general public to adopt practices and procedures which give satisfactory results.

If you have never canned corn but want to this season because of rationing, or if you have tried and failed, you may profit by following Miss Kimbrough's advice. In an informal discussion of the subject she said, "Sweet corn, particularly the deep yellow, is rich in flavor and food value, but field corn, as well, keeps as well, as the garden varieties and is the preference of many persons who could, if they chose, grow a patch of sweet corn for table use. So, take your choice but don't pay too much unless you know the corn is fresh from the stalk and that it is at the most perfect stage for table use. At this stage the kernels are plump, shiny, and all but bursting with milk-like juice.

Can Corn Early As corn matures, the milk gives way to a substance called dextrin. They people say the corn is too hard and they say right because it is hard to keep it by canning once it has passed the milk stage. Flavor is another good reason for the can-a-little-at-a-time rule. Corn loses its sweetness more rapidly than any other vegetable with the possible exception of green peas. This fact, plus bacteria's special liking for corn which has stood several hours, explains the wisdom of the old slogan, "two hours from garden to canner."

Jars, caps, lids, rubbers, canner and all other utensils needed should be ready for use when the corn is brought in for canning. It is a waste of time, energy, and food to put anything in a jar which can't be sealed airtight. The smallest nick or crack can cause trouble, so smart home canners take time to examine the sealing surface of every jar and lid. Jars, caps, glass lids and rubbers should be washed in warm soapy water, rinsed, covered with warm water and then boiled. One can't be too clean about canning. Used jars, caps, and lids should be boiled 20 to 30 minutes. New ones need only be brought to boiling and kept hot.

Any jar, cap, lid, and rubber worth using is worth using by the manufacturer's instructions. Such instructions are given on a circular packed with the jars and printed on the cap cartons. Two sharp knives are needed—one

TO OHIO



Among the recent graduates of the American Institute of Business and training school for stenographers and typists is Miss Frances Lowery, 1265 Stewart street. She left the city May 26 for Dayton, Ohio. A graduate of East high school in January last, Miss Lowery is the niece of Mrs. Alberta Warden and Mrs. Bessie Cunningham. Her uncle, Pvt. Levester Cunningham is in France.

MR. PARKER HONORED

Mr. Ralph I. Parker was honored at a birthday party on June 3. Twenty guests shared the courtesy and showered him with gifts. Miss Mary Pepson was hostess.

AT BROADLAWNS

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Five Get Degrees At Drake University

Negro students who received degrees at the commencement exercises at Drake University on June 4 were: Miss Mattie Burke, Des Moines; Miss Donna M. Washington, Nebraska; Miss Cora Black, Kansas; Nimrod Townsend, Jamaica; Don Welcher, California.

Y.W.C.A.

The Campers club which has the purpose of helping girls to help themselves and earn money in which to pay camp fees, has its initial meeting Friday, June 9, at 6 p. m. with a free Camp-Cook-Out (or in case of rain) on the lawn of the Blue Triangle Branch. Girls planning to attend the fun may phone the Branch Y.W.C.A. by Friday noon.

The Book Lovers club annual election was held June 1st at which time the following were elected: Mrs. Mabel M. Mason, president; Mrs. Cecilia Carl, secretary; Mrs. Adele McGregor, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth McGreggor, appointed program chairman. The next meeting will be with Mrs. E. T. Scales when a potluck will be held. The book, "Forever Amber" (Windsor) was reviewed by Mrs. McGregor. The house committee will meet June 13 at 11:30 a. m., at the Branch. The finance committee will meet on June 12.

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Advice ON THE PROBLEMS OF LIFE by ABBE WALLACE SERVICE

NOTICE TO READERS. You may have your own human relation problem analyzed FREE in this column. Please include a clipping of this column with your letter.

B. S. C.—I am worried and not able to decide or understand myself. I have been going with a man off and on for about 8 years. At times we get along fine. Then again I can not depend on him. He had been visiting me regularly but now his visits are far apart. I just can't figure him out. He has a wife and I have never wanted to cause any trouble but like him as a personal friend! I am a widow and I am not out for a good time. I have another friend too. What must I do?

Ans.—You will be unhappy and worried as long as you persist in trying to gain the affection of a married man. He has his responsibilities and you should appreciate a wife's position enough to let him, a married man, alone. The other man you have on your list is a good prospect for marriage. He is a widower, owns his own home, makes a good living and apparently is infatuated with you. Now he, or some other likely man, is the logical choice for you to associate with. A home and future security is what you should be seeking.

M. C. H.—I read your column all of the time and I have a problem I want your opinion on. I married a woman here and it seems like we just can't live together. Please tell me what you think about it, and why can't we live together? I love her and want to live with her.

Ans.—The inability to compromise is the specific cause why you two can't live together congenially. Apparently you two love each other but neither of you will give in and cooperate as a married couple is forced to do. You are not children any longer, you are mature in age and you must make a mature outlook if you are to save your marriage. Go to your wife and try to come to a

peaceful understanding about your domestic difficulties. J. P.—We are married and have 3 children. I love my husband and he is good to me and the kids. He works all the time and makes good money. When we didn't make anything much we bought a place and built a 3 room house and now since he is making good I want to build more rooms but he says he is not able. We don't have good clothes and we don't buy anything but something to eat so why can't we build on our place? I think I should leave and maybe I could do better.

Ans.—Your husband's salary has increased but not to the extent of having surplus money with which to build. Living expenses are much higher now than they were several years ago and his money doesn't go any further than it did at that time. You are fortunate to be able to hold your own during this period of war. Stay there and stick with your husband and children and help him economize for the necessities you desire. In due time you will get your wish.

M. W.—I am anxious to know if the woman I am going with really cares for me as much as she says she does. I have been going with her three years or more and she was a loving girl when we started going together but now she acts a little distant toward me. What must I do?

Ans.—Three years is an awful-long time for a girl to remain loving and attentive while you keep her in a state of anxiety as to what your intentions are. You've had her guessing all this time so now she is playing the same game that you are. Love is not a game that can be beat around the bush—you have to make your intentions plain in order to find where you stand. You need to go to the little lady and have a confidential talk and iron out these difficulties.

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DANGEROUS INSTANCES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Last week, a farmer in a small town in California, confessed to the crime of shooting into the home of a Japanese. Fortunately, nobody was injured. Upon his arrest, he pleaded guilty. The judge sentenced him to six months in jail and suspended the penalty during good behavior.

It was a cowardly act which this man committed. He did not have the courage to meet the man face to face he hated and commit his crime. He chose the cowardly method—the type of sneaking job like the Japanese did at Pearl Harbor for which we condemn them and rightly so.

As dastardly as this man's crime was, there we had the court—the law itself—displaying a sympathetic attitude toward people who resort to low, dirty tricks in their violation of the law against a man simply because he happened to belong to a minority group.

And after all, the part played by this judge is more dangerous than that of the defendant. It smacks of a "green light" to those people who take the law into their own hands. Public officials of this type ought to be ousted from their jobs. And if the citizens of the California city don't they are no better than the judge.

America just can't maintain her prestige as the land of the free and the home of the brave when it refuses to insure its humblest citizens the equal protection of the law.

JUST WHO RUNS IOWA ANYWAY?

It is obvious that most southerners have never quit fighting the Civil War. Every opportunity most of them get to talk to a Yankee, they spend a part of the time trying to explain how wrong the North was, what a bad job was done after the war and if placed in their position the northerner would have done the same thing.

And as bitter as these arguments make us, we feel even more so toward the spineless northerner who agrees with the position of the southerner on this question and thus brands the job done by the members of the GAR as a thankless one.

Last week, someone wrote an article in the Des Moines Tribune on the origin of Memorial day. It stated that Southerners disliked some of the relics in Iowa's historical building which tended to place them in the wrong light and that after all most of the things which divided the states have been overcome and the head of our historical department agreed with him.

The Bystander knows that America must unite all the people under its banner of democracy but it is opposed to a democracy as most southerners see it. If the curator means that the North has adopted many of the crimes against a human race as practiced by some southerners then we agree that much of the disagreement has been obliterated. He agrees that human slavery as a legal commercial enterprise was the basic cause of the Civil War, if he is at all informed he should know that illegal slavery exists in many southern communities today, that all of them deny Negroes privileges and immunities guaranteed by the constitution and that some southerners have brought those ideas and planted them wherever they have gone.

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idea of a special point system governing the discharge of veterans in service troops was urged by the NAACP this week in a letter to Secretary of War Stimson.

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Who is running Iowa? Who is paying its bills? Who is maintaining a reasonably good relationship between the races in Iowa? Not the southerners; not the copperhead northerner, but those people who continue to believe that the cause for which the members of the GAR fought was and is right. And we ought to be ashamed to look the old men of GAR in the face or to think of those who have passed on if we fail to come to their defense when those people who do not believe in the cause for which they fought minimize these deeds.

The Bystander would like to forget the Civil War; it wishes that the principles for which it was fought—and they are the ideals upon which this country was founded and hopes to go forward—prevailed on every foot of ground in America. But as long as men are denied the enjoyment of all the rights, privileges and immunities as guaranteed by the constitution—many of which were enlarged and/or amplified as a result of the Civil War—simply because their skin, religion or creed is different it would be a travesty of justice, a betrayal of those who fought that horrible war, to forget it. And we have little respect for the so-called American who thinks otherwise.

Ask Special Point System to Aid GI's

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"It goes without saying that an American soldier in the engineer or quartermaster corps loves his family and home as dearly as a soldier who fires a rifle or flies a plane."

An even more serious penalty emphasized in the present system which ignores the contributions of nearly one million Negro soldiers attached to engineer, quartermaster, port battalion, trucking, sanitation and other service units is the fact that the first soldiers home get the pick of jobs and public gratitude.

"Service troops," said White, "deprived thru no fault of their own from earning certain points, will thus return to the United States or be discharged from the Army at a later date and may thereby be denied jobs or be forced to accept the least desirable ones."

BURLINGTON, IA. By MRS. ED WILLIAMS

Burlington, Ia.—Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Beverly have returned from Des Moines where they spent a pleasant visit with their son and his family on his furlough to visit his wife and children.

The southeast district meeting was held at Union Baptist church on May 27 and Rev. Patterson of Ft. Madison, Ia., was the speaker. The next meeting will be held in Ft. Madison on June 24 and Rev. Edward of Mt. Pleasant, Ia., will be the speaker.

Robert Lloyd returned Saturday night from a two-day track meet at Ames, Ia.

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SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

We received a rather interesting letter from Kenneth Brown, former North high basketball star who is now attending J. C. Smith College at Charlotte, N. C. According to his letter, and it wasn't hard to check on, Young Brown developed into quite an athlete, making all-conference basketball guard and getting mentioned as one of the standard football players.

This conference is the Colored Intercollegiate Athletic Association, and one of the toughest Negro conferences in the country, numbering among its members Morgan College, West Virginia state, Lincoln of Pennsylvania, Hampton, Howard and A. & T. of North Carolina.

But Brown's main reason for writing was to interest Negro high school graduates to attend Negro schools. Speaking strictly from an athletic viewpoint the fellows say that Negroes can't get the opportunities in white schools that they do in their own schools.

Your illustrious scribbler can help him a little on that. Drake University encourages Negro track and football players, but keeps them out of competition with Southern schools away from home for obvious reasons. Negroes are discouraged from playing basketball and we believe tennis and baseball. One Negro, Charles Howard, played baseball for Drake in the early twenties, but he was the last to our knowledge. There are any number of Negroes now attending Big Ten schools who could play basketball if they were allowed to.

This could go on forever with us mentioning too many names and dates. But Young Brown reeled off a list of the boys he grew up with and wondered why most Des Moines Negro athletes don't go to college.

With a few exceptions the really good ones have just drifted off into nowhere until the war took a lot of them. We also wondered that lots of times. To us it seemed that the general run of Negro athletes in the city were too content to live on their high school laurels until it is too late to go on.

Kenny hopes that the kids who finish this June will go on to college and naturally he would like for some of them to get down to Charlotte, N. C. We hope also that some of the fellows decide to go on. When we think of some of the really great athletes around Des Moines who had no ambition or desire other than a wish to go on to college, we wonder if there isn't just a little bit wrong with our system for developing athletes.

LINCOLN POST NO. 126 By LEROY BIRD

The dance at Riverview Park was a success. Members participated in the Memorial Day parade. Members are starting to pay their 1946 dues. July 3 will be election night. The Commander has not had one executive board meeting during his term of office. There are only three more meetings for old officers.

ATEAS CLUB MEETS JUNE 11 AT ELKS REST

The Atlas club of the Hawkeye Elks Lodge No. 160 will meet June 11 at the Elks Rest. William Hubbard, president, urged all members to attend the meeting.

diety on May 28 at the morning assembly.

Miss Viola Ray and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Majors and little son are visiting in Duluth, Minn.

Graduation day for Burlington high school students was May 31 at the stadium.

Mrs. Grace Burney of Chicago, Ill., is visiting Miss Mary Brooks at her home on S. Fifteenth street.

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LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting

By MARIE ROSS

Sgt. Miles L. Brown Writes of Paris-Sights

"I am well except for a cold I caught while in Paris," wrote Sgt. Miles L. Brown from France on May 23, to his beautiful sister, Mrs. Lena King.

"We had such fine weather there those few days and so many were swimming. I just had to get in the water, too. I sure would like to go back there again. We really bailed. It is just like New York, and the up-to-date colored people speak more English than I ever thought of speaking; however, I am doing okay speaking French, Spanish, Italian and Sicilian. I guess German and Chinese are next to pick up on."

"We went to Club Parez where Josephine Baker was the featured attraction and she really was fine. Honey, you haven't seen any hair styles yet. You should see these— and hair-dyed green, blue, purple, yellow, red, orange and the couffeurs can't be beat."—Sgt. Miles L. Brown, 69th Ord. Ammo. Co. APO 722, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Sgt. Temple Asks Boys to Save Few Drinks of Malted Milk for Him

"I'm sure some of the gang has written by now—telling you of our change and how much we like it," wrote Sgt. Hugh F. Semple on May 15 from somewhere in Germany.

"Now, may I add my little bit, like a little child or don't you want to hear it? I have access to a fine shower daily now and one of those fine beds—but not as fine as the kind back home.

"The gang has been broken up and don't get to see each other very often but it doesn't mean that friendship has been lost. We work in different departments and have to be there all the day so you know how often we see each other.

"At the very moment I am working like the devil, trying to get the boys ready for demobilization. Now you know why I have to work so hard. I'm sorry they couldn't find a more simple way to let these men out of the army because it causes too much trouble. One has to check and double check and then he isn't sure of himself.

"I suppose all the boys who came into the service before I was kidnapped are coming out now and having themselves a ball. Well, tell them to save a few drinks for me because I really need them. I haven't had over two good drinks since I've been over here. Ha-ha-ha-ha, you think I meant intoxicating drinks—but I don't. I mean malted milk. I quit years ago. Forgive me if I left the impression of a habitual drunkard. I think I'd better run now, I hear the Personnel Officer coming."—Sgt. Hugh F. Semple, 998th QM Salv. Coll. Co., APO 403, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

NAACP NOTES

The NAACP drive this year has secured many new members. Ike Simms, past president, presented the branch with a lifetime membership through his captain, Atty. S. Joe Brown.

Mrs. J. B. Morris, past president of the branch, is not serving as a captain in the drive but is working faithfully in this campaign gaining many memberships. At this writing, Mrs. A. Mitchell has her quota.

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lowan Writes of Life in Jungles of Burma

"Burma—this whole place is a prison surrounded by and composed of nothing but jungle," wrote Cpl. Robb Simmons on May 16 from somewhere along the Stillwell Road in Burma, India.

In a letter to a friend, he continued: "Perhaps you're familiar with what isn't in Burma. If not, I'll tell you how to arrive at the answer. Just take all the modern conveniences you have in the states and those are the exact things Burma doesn't have. (oN gripe session.)

"I've missed your letters a lot. Your letters to me were always so different from anyone's. Yours represented a girl friend who could write a long and interesting letter and not be writing the usual 'I Love You.' Although, I imagine you could write some very interesting letters along that line, also. But to one about whom that is not true, most girls fail as letter writers."—Cpl. Robt. Simmons, 0022, H. S. Co. 45th Engr. Regt. APO 689, c/o Postmaster New York, N. Y.

'Really Struck Keynote'

"I only hope that you got half as much joy out of writing the letter as I got out of reading it; I received it at a time when I was needing something nice and encouraging to read and yours really struck the keynote of putting one in a cheerful mood" wrote Cpl. Frank W. Ishman of the Marine corps on May 23 from somewhere in the South Pacific.

"They tell me that your city (Des Moines) is quite a place and I hope to stop over with Adam Johnson. I've heard so much about it—at least Adam and others make it the second playground of the world—Little Paris."—Cpl. Frank W. Ishman, USMC, Fleet Marine Depot Co., 4th Marine Base Depot, SS, FMF, Pac. c/o PFO, San Francisco, Cal.

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TO THE WIFE

New look for me little wife, I'll be coming home someday. And never forget to pray, You, look for me my darling. Please, look for me, lover. My thoughts are always of you, I'll keep them within my heart. Don't fail to look for me, I'm hoping day and night. My God will protect me. Someday I'll be if sight. Are you looking for me? As my playing days are through, You know I'm aging daily. Still I want to see you. At times for you dear wife, I know you do feel bad, Just stop all of your worrying And make yourself feel glad. The end is slowly coming. I hope it isn't far. Then we'll meet little wife of mine. I'll be coming home where you are. —William H. Williams, Sgt.

Sgt. William H. Williams, writing from somewhere in Italy, dedicated this poem to his wife, Mrs. Fannie Williams, of 1009 Sixteenth street.

'We've Really Been Seen a Lot,' Writes Pfc. Sheppard

"I have a pal here with me from there (Des Moines). His name is Robert Ashby," wrote Pfc. Clarence Sheppard from the Pacific. "We are lucky we started out the same time and are the only two in the company from Iowa. We have been overseas 18 months and have really seen a lot. I can't tell you where I am just yet but you can take one guess and it will be right.

"I enjoy reading your Post Exchange articles. Keep up the good work. How are things in the old town—still jumping?" Pfc. Clarence Sheppard, 37674852, 644 Ord. Amn. Co., APO 331, c/o P. M., San Francisco, Cal.

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have met and knew from Des Moines. That one is none other than Chaplain John C. Bain. I was sure glad to see and talk with him. He was stationed very close to me. He and my chaplain, Charles Walker, are good friends. John W. Floyd from Omaha, Nebr., was the only one in the outfit near Des Moines. Now he has returned to the states.—S/Sgt. L. A. Clark, 37194636, 838th Engr. Avn. Bn., H/S Co. APO 528, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Bob King Home T/4 Robert King will be in the city until June 13, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. King and relatives. He has been stationed at Ft. Frances Warren, Wyo., but is scheduled to go overseas soon.

CAPTAIN



CAPTAIN ROY TATE Roy Tate, 26, has been promoted to the rank of captain, according to information received by his mother, Mrs. Lydia Tate Thompson of 111 Bates street, Waterloo, Ia. Captain Tate is now in Germany with a quartermaster corps of the army. He was wounded while serving in Belgium and was recently awarded the purple heart and two battle participation stars.

TO MEET JUNE 14 The United Service Women will meet on June 14 at the Negro Community Center. Mrs. C. E. Martin is president; Mrs. Leota Hunter, secretary.

MEN'S DAY SUNDAY AT KYLES CHURCH Men's Day will be held Sunday, June 10, at the Kyles AME Zion church, 1109 S. E. Fifteenth street. The Rev. L. R. Collett of the Open Bible Church will be the guest speaker at the 3 p. m. services. Granville Williams, deacon, will speak at the 8 p. m. service. The Rev. H. A. Simmons is pastor.

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