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## Paratroopers Fight Fires in Pacific Woods

### News Briefs From Far and Near

#### PORGY AND BESS TO BE ON AIR FOR NATIONAL WAR FUND

New York, N. Y.—According to an announcement this week "Pacific Sabbath," the overseas story of the USO-CAMP SHOWS "Porgy and Bess," has been transcribed by a Negro cast for broadcast to millions of radio listeners in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico during the National War Fund campaign this fall. Over 800 stations will carry the "Porgy and Bess" transcription.

#### VETERANS OF IRAN AND GERMANY NOW SUPPLY- ING OCCUPATION TROOPS

Antwerp, Belgium—After nearly two years' service in Europe and the Middle East, Headquarters Company and Medical Detachment, 114th Quartermaster Battalion is set up in his Belgian port city to handle supplies for U. S. Troops remaining in Europe. The organization supervises the work of what is believed to be the only Negro Diesel trucking unit in the U. S. Army.

Before coming to Antwerp the 114th Quartermaster Group operated the Red Ball supply highway in France and participated in the crossing of the Rhine.

In Iran the 114th organized and ran an entire dispatch system for the rapid delivery of Russian lend-lease supplies through the Persian Gulf corridor.

#### MOST PEOPLE AGREE THAT NORTH IS FAIRER TO BLACK AMERICANS

Chicago — Most people, white and Negro, agree that the North is fairer to black Americans than the South. Canvassed in the Negro Digest Poll for September, a cross-section of the population felt that Dixie falls behind the Northern states in America in its treatment of colored persons. Only a small minority of whites in the South contested this view.

Replying to the query, "Is the North or South fairer to the Negro?" those polled answered as follows:

	North	South	Undecided
Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
North	93	1	6
West	95	1	4
South	56	33	11

Most commonly cited as Dixie's failure in its handling of the Negro problem was the lack of voting rights and equal education for Negroes below the Mason and Dixon Line. The Jim Crow system of so-called separate but equal facilities for Negroes was deemed a failure by most of those who felt the North far ahead of the South in its fairness to Negroes.

Many of those polled believed that the North was not all it should be in its approach to the Negro problem but all of these expressed the feeling that the South was far behind the North.

#### NEGRO TALENT PROGRAM ON KRNT EACH WEDNESDAY

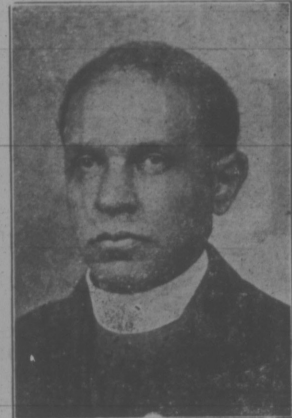
Radio station KRNT will use local and out-of-town Negro talent on an half-hour show, each Wednesday from 4 to 4:30 p. m., under the sponsorship of the Jene Emerald show.

Programs will be arranged by Mrs. Alice McCraney. Talented youth or adults of the city or state are invited to write Mrs. McCraney at 4023 University avenue; or phone her at 5-6127 for further information.

#### YOUTH COUNCIL MEETS ON SEPTEMBER 24

The Youth Council of the NAACP will hold its regular meeting Friday, Sept. 24, at 8 p. m. at the Blue Triangle branch Y.W.C.A. Plans are being made for the formation of an acapella choir and band. Names of persons interested may be turned in to Rose Loveady, Mattie Burke, John

### HOLD ANNUAL CONFERENCE



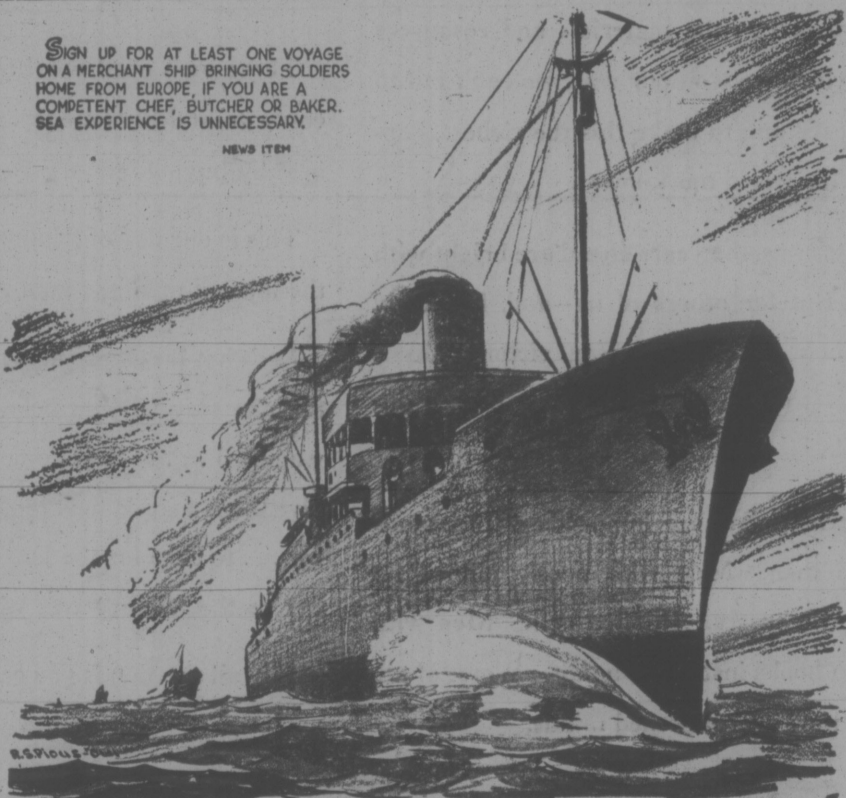
REV. W. H. OGLETON  
Presiding Elder W. H. Ogleton of the Des Moines district of the Northwestern Branch of the A.M.E. Fourth Episcopal district, begins his sixteenth year as presiding elder.

REV. W. E. GUY  
Rev. William E. Guy, presiding elder who was reappointed over the St. Paul district of the A.M.E. Northwestern Branch at the annual conference which closed Sept. 9 at Council Bluffs, Ia.

BISHOP J. A. GREGG  
Bishop John A. Gregg of the Fourth Episcopal district of the A.M.E. church Northwestern Branch

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## Speakers Tell of Gallantry Of Negro Soldiers Overseas

### GORDON GAMMACK ON NEGRO TROOPS

"Every single Negro outfit I came in contact with overseas did an absolutely magnificent job," Gordon Gammack, Register-Tribune correspondent columnist who returned recently from the European theater, told members of the Des Moines Interracial Commission who began their fall activities on Tuesday evening at their dinner meeting at the Central Y.W.C.A.

Mr. Gammack, daily columnist for the Register-Tribune, gave his explanation of the lack of Negro soldiers' news from the war fronts. He said the infantry divisions were the units to which the correspondents "gravitate" because of public relations offices in these units; and censorship, made it very difficult for us to report the activities of Negro troops. "We were prohibited in identifying Negro units and sometimes

held up for weeks," he told the group of listeners.

The correspondent praised the "gallant work" of the Negro troops at Anzio beach in unloading the ships and spoke of Ernie Pyle's commendation of the men in his book; the work of the Negro tank destroyers, the Negro soldiers who sped the supplies to the front lines under fire.

Mr. Gammack made his first crossing on a liberty ship with 450 Negro men, a 21-day journey. He said the spirit of these men and the association with them was "marvelous."

Mr. Cornell Hewson, vice president of the commission, presided at the opening meeting in the absence of the president, Rev. C. L. McAllister.

### PRAISES WORK OF NEGRO WACS IN EUROPE

Port Des Moines, Iowa—Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, deputy commander and chief of Army Service Forces in the European Theater of Operations under Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, paid tribute to the work of the Negro

members of the Women's Army Corps this week in a speech at the First WAC Training Center, Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Stopping at Des Moines to visit his 85 year old aunt, the general reviewed a parade at the Women's Army Corps Training Center. The 404th ASF Band, the only All-WAC Negro band in the country, played for the event.

"No WAC in the ETO asked a GI to do her work," the general said. "The challenge was gloriously met by our women of the armed forces and their work has been perfectly splendid. Every position held was fully held. I saw many WAC detachments including the Negro detachment and they all set a fine standard of American womanhood of which every soldier is proud."

Inspecting companies from the Overseas Replacement Depot whose departure for the Pacific was recently cancelled with a directive stating that there would be no more overseas shipments of WACs, the general expressed regret that the women could not be sent over as replacements for high point WACs now on duty in the ETO. He also said he would like to see the Women's Army Corps continued as a permanent part of the Regular Army.

### Get Entry Blanks Now for Talent Show October 8th

The annual talent show of the Iowa Bystander will be held this year on Monday night, October 8, at North High School Auditorium.

The location was changed from the Jewish Community Center where the talent shows have been held for a number of years to accommodate, comfortably, the crowds which have been attending and standing at the shows for several years.

Registrations and entry blanks may be obtained now by any talented amateur in the city of Des Moines or throughout the state by writing to the office of the Bystander, 221 1/2 Locust street. Deadline for entries has been set for September 26.

The date of the first rehearsal will be on Friday night, September 28. Music students—piano, voice or instrument, are invited to enter the talent show.

Special prizes will be given this year for beginning amateurs in the talent show. Get your entry blanks today.

### Contributions Send Center Project Fund To \$11,387.65

The final figures of the Community center equipment project to supplement the \$100,000 Gardner Cowles Foundation gift for the building of a new Negro Community Center here totaled \$11,387.65 when the last report was checked and turned over to the Negro Center board by Campaign Manager W. Lawrence Oliver this week. The drive so far has exceeded its goal of \$10,000 by \$1,387.65.

As the drive neared its goal some of the contributors increased their contributions by making gifts in order to be eligible to receive the gift certificates.

Many of the last contributors were men in the military services—some of them overseas. One letter from Chaplain (Captain) John C. Bain, former Des Moines pastor, stationed in Italy now, brought ten dollars as his contribution for himself and family. He congratulated the good people of Des Moines for the proposed new Community center project and sent best wishes to Attorney Oliver for an "over the top report."

The contributions which brought the figures up to the final total follow:

- Speedway Slice Repair, 1201 Keoway, \$100.
- Rev. W. F. Ogleton, 1524 E. University, \$25.
- W. C. Bulce, 1070 17th street, \$25.

#### Ten Dollar Donors

Chaplain John C. Bain in Italy and Mrs. Bain and son in Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Ogleton, 1656 Walker; Lt. Luther T. Glanton, Jr., stationed in France; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones, 947 16th street, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Calaway, Jr., 1024 14th street; Mrs. R. H. Ewing, 327 E. Broad; Mrs. Marguerite Duff Chamblee, 1656 Walker.

#### Five Dollar Donors

Present Help in Time of Need Club of Maple Street Baptist church, Archie DeBlanc, H. V. Brooks, John Bell, Mr. A. D. Green, Geraldine Gomez, Henry (Dick) Steele, Harry Davis, Mrs. Alice M. Brown, Mary Jones Tillman and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Commodore Hendricks, Mrs. C. Martin, Travis Bailey, Sr. and Mrs. B. L. Daul, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sims, Ophelia Hill, Set. Wiley D. Dixon who is stationed in Netherlands, East Indies, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Pigeon, Robert M. Jones, Miss Fleta Guillier, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller, Mrs. Helen E. Washington, Jay Howard, Jr. of Howard Coal and Sand Co. Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burdell, Mrs. H. W. Wailes, Mrs. Willis Ocala, Mrs. and Mrs. J. D. Williams, Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boyd, Mrs. Rose E. Wilson, John Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nichols.

## Trained for Combat Duty, Men of 555th Jump from C-47 Troop Carrier Planes

Pendleton, Oregon — The war is over, but American paratroopers are still fighting an enemy in these Pacific Northwest woods, a common, ever-present enemy—FIRE.

For months now, Negro paratroopers of the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion have been jumping from Douglas C-47 Troop Carrier planes to battle big forest fires in one of the worst years in this section's history.

Faced with the manpower shortage, in a dry season and more fires than usual, the United States Forestry Service called on the Army—and these paratroopers furnished the answer.

In many ways, these jumps are just as daring, hazardous and spectacular, if not more so, than any of the combat parachute jumps made in Europe. With no protection except an asbestos helmet and a mask to protect their eyes, the paratroopers bail out 2,000 feet or more into trees ranging from 150 to 200 feet tall.

They use jump techniques perfected by the Troop Carrier Command and the Parachute Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia, plus six weeks of fire-fighting technique taught them by the Forestry Service.

Directing the project which the Army calls "Firefly" is Captain Fay McDonald, of Indianapolis, Indiana, a veteran Troop Carrier pilot. He and other pilots assigned to unique tasks are always ready and frequently are in the air en route to a big fire by 4:00 o'clock in the morning. Troop Carrier planes are strategically stationed at the Walla Walla, Washington Air Base; at Chico, California; and at Pendleton, Oregon.

From Canada to Mexico they cover an area of not only thousands of acres of forests, but thousands of miles. They fight fires all the way from the Canadian border to Mexico. Principal states are Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and California, but if the need arises, there is no boundary.

The Troop Carrier planes receive their orders—or directions—from a central fire control tower of the Forestry Service.

No chemicals are used—only their instruments and manual labor.

They land in what is probably some of the worst mountain terrain in the world—on mile-high, rugged mountain peaks and in deep, rocky valleys. Some of the territory is so rough that it has taken them as long as ten days to get back to their home base. Some of the trees are so tall and treacherous that it requires several hours for them to get out.

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As soon as the report comes in—giving the location of the fire, the size, wind velocity and other pertinent data—the Troop Carrier planes are loaded with the fire-fighting Negro paratroopers and speeded to the scene of the fire.

Ordinarily, it would take hundreds of men to fight a 600-acre fire. A dozen paratroopers will do the job. The fire-borne chutists, as they have been dramatically described, land in front of the fire and then cut it off.

They usually bail out in "sticks" of four and five on an exact spot, the plane making several passes to jump them all. Axes, picks, shovels, and other equipment are dropped to earth by chutes ordinarily used to drop food to combat soldiers in enemy territory.

After landing in the tall trees, they free themselves from the chute and let themselves out of the tree with a 150-foot rope which they carry.

Upon hitting the ground, they retrieve the shovels and set to work digging trenches ahead of the blaze to keep it from spreading. After this has been done, they make an effort whenever possible to extinguish the blaze. But the emphasis is placed on keeping the fire from spreading.

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## Few Changes in A.M.E. Church Annual Conference

Council Bluffs, Ia.—The largest delegation in the history of the annual conference of the Northwestern Conference Branch of the A.M.E. church convened here at the Bethel A.M.E. church with Bishop J. A. Gregg of the Fourth Episcopal district presiding.

The Rev. W. H. Thomasson of Waterloo preached the annual sermon. The missionary sermon was given by Rev. W. M. Berry of Clinton. Addresses were given by Rev. F. A. Hughes, editor of Western Christian Recorder, Deah B. F. Lewis of Payne Theological Seminary at Wilberforce.

The closing conference services on Sunday, Sept. 9 were held at the Fifth Avenue Methodist church (white) where Bishop Gregg read the appointments as follows:

Appointments  
Des Moines district, W. H. Ogleton, presiding elder; St. Paul (Des Moines), A. J. Irvine; Bethel (Des Moines), W. F. Ogleton; Davenport, E. C. Allen, Keokuk, L. L. Johnson; Ottumwa, I. M. D. Washington; Burlington, A. L. Preston; Council Bluffs, C. H. Copeland; Clinton-Duquette, W. M. Berry; Ft. Madison-Mt. Pleasant, R. O. Hopkins; Fairfield, Albion, Grant Page; Oskaloosa-Washington, T. W. Hightower; Clarinda, R. C. Campbell; Muscatine, E.

A. London; Iowa City, S. J. Caulder; Newton, W. M. Brewer; Marshalltown, Evangelist E. McConnell. Evangelists: Estella Costes, Julia Stewart, Rachel Turner, Alma Ellis, Martha Brown, Missouri Slater, Effie Majors.

St. Paul District  
St. Paul District—William E. Guy, presiding elder; St. James (St. Paul), B. N. Moore; St. Peters (Minneapolis), H. C. Boyd; Waterloo, W. H. Thomasson; Cedar Rapids, A. R. Parks; Sioux City, J. W. Collins, Wayman (Minneapolis), L. P. Ashford; St. James (Minneapolis), E. R. Thomas; Huron-Yankton, S. D., J. M. Barr; Winnepeg, Canada, Harry Sweet; Ft. Dodge, W. L. Johnson; Duluth, M. R. Patrick; Allen (Minneapolis), S. F. Colman.

Evangelists: Lillian Parkinson, Myrtle Hill, Sally Thomas, Cordellus Jackson, Mericha Johnson. The 1946 annual conference will convene in Cedar Rapids.

### NATIONAL MEETING IN SESSION IN K. C.

Kansas City, Mo.—The National David Spiritual Temple of Christ Church Union, (Inc.) is holding its thirteenth annual national assembly beginning Sept. 9 to 21, at David Spiritual Temple of Christ church, 1508 Ragfield avenue with Rev. E. Fuel, pastor, host.

WOMEN'S DAY SUNDAY, AT FIRST C.M.E. CHURCH

Sunday, September 16 will be Women's Day at the First C. M. E. church. Mrs. J. B. Morris, wife of editor and Attorney Morris, and prominent in civic affairs, will be the guest speaker for the 11:00 o'clock services.

At 3 p. m. services there will be a panel discussion on the subject, "Women of Tomorrow—At Home, At Work—War Effects." Mrs. Korrine Jackson will lead the discussion.

Other participants in the discussion will be Mesdames Hazel Oliver, Mildred Fields, Pauline Humphrey and Miss Fannie McGregory. The Shiloh Baptist choir will render the music.

MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE MEETS SEPT. 18

The Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance will meet Tuesday, September 18, at 6 o'clock at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A. Annual election of officers will be held. Every member is urged to be present. C. Lopez McAllister is president; Jesse Hawkins, secretary.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. C. L. McAllister has returned and will fill his pulpit at all services Sunday. Sunday morning he will discuss the subject: "The Sure Foundation." Sunday at 8 p. m. he will tell about the National Baptist convention. Mrs. C. L. McAllister is visiting in Cleveland, Ohio, after a visit at the National Baptist convention.

The Baptist Training Union has opened its fall campaign for additional membership. George Wells is president.

Mr. Norman McAllister of New York visited with his cousin, Mrs. Maud A. Forte at the parsonage. He flew back to the field at Louisville, Ky.

Rev. and Mrs. McAllister were guests at several dinners while in Detroit.

Enroll with the September club. See Mrs. Pearl Jeffers. Have you enrolled in the effort to decorate your church? If not call to see Mrs. Olive Holmes or Mrs. Fannie Cox. The Missionary Society will meet at 2 p. m. Friday.

LINCOLN POST, NO. 126, AMERICAN LEGION

By LeROY BIRD The post membership for '46 is 145, an increase of 53. The post has one third of them. On Sept. 18 the post will have a movie and refreshments. The third Tuesday of each month, Chairman Turpin will have a

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF STORM LAKE CANNING COMPANY TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Notice is hereby given and published that Leo M. Gleason and Eoma Gleason, all of Des Moines, Iowa, have incorporated themselves into a body corporate under the provisions of Chapter 254 of the Code of Iowa and acts amendatory thereto. Articles of incorporation have been duly filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Iowa.

1. The name of the corporation is Storm Lake Canning Company and its principal place of business shall be in the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. 2. The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to acquire, own, manage, sell, assign, and otherwise deal in canning factories, packing plants and factories, and in real estate and personal property; to loan money; to manage real estate; and generally to enter into, make, perform, and carry out contracts for any lawful purpose without limit as to amount; to borrow money as it may require; to issue notes, bonds, and other evidences of indebtedness.

3. The amount of capital stock authorized shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), divided into Five Hundred (500) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), each, all of which shall be common stock. All of said stock shall be non-assessable and no stock shall be issued unless the corporation shall have received the full par value thereof in money or property and if in anything other than money; the issue thereof shall be approved by the Executive Council of Iowa as provided by law. Each share of such stock shall be entitled to one vote at meetings of stockholders which vote may be cast in person or by written proxy. If the outstanding capital stock of this corporation shall be increased, the additional shares shall be offered to the existing shareholders by the Board of Directors and the officers of secretary and treasurer may be combined and held by one person. The stock of the Board of Directors. However, the office of vice president may be dis-

program. Plans are to have a dance for veterans this fall. This dance will be for veterans and family only. All sick comrades are improving: Brown, Jefferson, Corbett and Frye. W. W. II boys who have discharge problems, let's have them.

ST. PAUL AME CHURCH NOTES

Last Sunday was annual conference Sunday at St. Paul's in session this time at Council Bluffs, Iowa; and Dr. A. J. Irvine, pastor, was away attending conference at Council Bluffs. Many members attended conference.

ORALABOR, IA.

Oralabor, Ia.—The Rev. G. A. Kendrick preaches every second and fourth Sundays at Oralabor. Mrs. King and daughters, Kizzie and Lola Aiae, have returned home from a five-week visit in Chicago. Her niece, Mrs. A. Anderson came back to visit with them a few days. Rev. and Mrs. Kendrick and Mrs. G. M. Ross motored to Perry, Ia., Sunday evening on his annual visit for the Central district.

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

RAYMOND MILES, Defendant; vs. RENA GRANDSTAFF MILES, Plaintiff. 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 of you an absolute divorce on the ground that since the marriage of the plaintiff and the defendant that you willfully deserted this plaintiff and absented yourself from the plaintiff without a reasonable cause for a space of more than two years last past.

Plaintiff also asks for the custody and control of the minor daughter, Barbara Ann Miles, who is the daughter of the plaintiff and defendant and who lives with plaintiff in Des Moines, Iowa. For full particulars see plaintiff's petition, here on file as above stated. You are hereby directed to appear in the court at the Polk County Court House in Des Moines, Iowa, in the district court of Iowa in and for Polk County on or before the 19th day of October, 1945, and unless you so appear your default will be entered and decree and judgment as against you for an absolute divorce and for the custody and control of said minor child and costs and in accordance with the prayer of plaintiff's petition.

THEODORE F. MANTZ, Attorney for Plaintiff, 207 Securities Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander September 13, 20 and 27, 1945.

4. This corporation began its existence upon the 27th day of July 1945, the date of issuance of its certificate of incorporation, and shall endure for a period of Twenty (20) years from said date unless sooner dissolved.

5. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than two (2) nor more than five (5) directors who shall be elected by the stockholders at the annual meeting for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Vacancies occurring in the Board of Directors shall be filled by the remaining directors until the next following annual meeting of the stockholders. The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary, a treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided.

officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at its first meeting held after the annual meeting of the stockholders, and shall hold office for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Officers need not be stockholders. One person may hold two (2) or more offices at the same time except the office of president and vice president.

The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held at the principal place of business of the corporation on the second Tuesday in the month of July at 10:00 o'clock A. M. Until the annual meeting of the stockholders to be held in the year 1946, the following shall constitute the Board of Directors: Leo M. Gleason, Des Moines, Iowa; Eoma Gleason, Des Moines, Iowa; and until the first meeting of the Board of Directors following said year 1946 annual

meeting of the stockholders, the officers of the corporation shall be: President, Leo M. Gleason, Des Moines, Iowa; Secretary, Eoma Gleason, Des Moines, Iowa; Treasurer, Eoma Gleason, Des Moines, Iowa.

6. The private property of the stockholders of the corporation shall be exempt from corporation debts, obligations, or liabilities. Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10th day of August, 1945. STORM LAKE CANNING COMPANY By Leo M. Gleason, President. Eoma Gleason, Secretary. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander August 23 and 30 and September 6 and 13, 1945.

ORIGINAL NOTICE IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY WILLIAM CAMPBELL vs. LURETTA CAMPBELL To LURETTA CAMPBELL: You are hereby notified that the petition of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above named court, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bond of matrimony on the grounds of willful desertion for a period of more than two years.

For further particulars see petition. You are further notified to appear before said court at Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on or before the 18th day of October, 1945, and unless you so appear

your default will be entered and judgment or decree rendered against you as prayed for in plaintiff's petition. GRETHER E. RUSH, Attorney for Plaintiff, 220 Walnut St., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander September 13, 20 and 27, 1945.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY LAURENCE JACOBS, Plaintiff vs. JAUNITA JACOBS, Defendant To JAUNITA JACOBS, the above named defendant: You are hereby notified that a petition of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled action is now on file in the Office of the Clerk of the above named Court.

and the petitioner prays for an absolute divorce by said plaintiff from you on the grounds of desertion and cruel and inhuman treatment on your part such as to affect his health and endanger his life, and asking that the custody of said minor child be granted to you.

You are also hereby notified to appear before said Court at Des Moines in Polk County, Iowa, on or before the 28th day of September, 1945, and that unless you so appear, your default will be entered and judgment and decree will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. H. PIERCE WITMER, Attorney for Plaintiff, 419 Southern Surety Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa By-stander August 23, 30 and September 6, 1945.

Advertisement for Victory Bonds. Features a large graphic of a soldier's uniform and the text: 'In This Hour of TRIUMPH Behind us lie 3 1/2 years of deadly struggle in which, with God's help, we have prevailed. So, today, we celebrate a victory. After the celebration, what lies ahead? For most of us, the outlook is a bright one. If we will simply use the brains, the will, the energy, the enterprise... the materials and resources... with which we won our war, we can't fail to win the peace and to make this the richest, happiest land the world has known. For most of us, the years ahead are bright with promise. But for others of us—and, ironically enough, their part in bringing victory was a major one—the years to come must bear a different look. In America today are hundreds of thousands of injured men. Men with neatly pinned up sleeves and trousers. Blinded men. Men with clever iron hooks instead of hands. Worst of all, men with hurt and darkened minds. These men need our help. Helping them will cost a great deal of money. We can help them best by buying Victory Bonds. Far away from America today are millions of Americans. As we would be, they're on fire to get back—to their wives, to the children some of them have never seen, to their jobs. These men need our help. Helping them will cost a great deal of money. And we can help them best by buying Victory Bonds. This is our day of triumph. But it's theirs too—the injured men, the men who are still far away. Let's not forget them, in our just rejoicing. And the one way we can help most to care for our wounded... to bring our veterans home... to give them a fresh start in the country they fought for... to care for the families of those who died before the Victory was won... is simply this: Buy all the Bonds you can. Keep all the Bonds you buy. VICTORY BONDS... To have and to hold. The following individuals and companies are sponsors of this ad. R. B. THODE REAL ESTATE, GREENWOOD ELECTRIC & HARDWARE CO., DANIELSON'S GARAGE, COTTON PRODUCTS COMPANY, SHAFER STANDARD SERVICE, UNIVERSAL HEATING & EQUIPMENT CO., URBAN COAL CO., LEIBSLE HARDWARE & PAINT CO., MEREDITH PUBLISHING CO., MID-TOWN MOTORS NEW CARS, CITY CLUB BEVERAGE CO., INC., CARTER'S REPAIR SHOP.

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### GERALDINE WRIGHT IS BRIDE OF R. L. DANIELS

Miss Geraldine Wright, grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCann of Chesterfield, and Robert L. Daniels, STM 1/c of the U.S. Navy, and son of Mrs. James Darby of 1149 Third street, were united in marriage at the home of Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Kendrick on Thursday, Sept. 6, at 7:30 p. m., by the minister.

The bride wore a dark green suit with white accessories, hat to match, and a corsage of pink and white roses.

A native of Des Moines, Mrs. Daniels is a graduate of East high school and a member of the St. John Baptist church. She will reside with her grand parents while her husband completes his six more months of service in the navy.

Mr. Daniels, who attended East East and North high schools, is a member of the Kyles AME Zion church. He left the city to return to the navy.

### HOLIDAY WEEK END GUESTS AT ALEXANDER HOME

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Alexander, 2230 Chautauqua Parkway, during the week end of Labor Day were: Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Dobson of Sioux City, Mrs. Mary Alton Cutler, of Vallejo, Calif., who is now director of the USO at Sioux City; Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Crump of St. Paul, Minn.; and their daughters, Mrs. Charlotte C. Poole of Washington, D. C.; Dr. E. A. Carter of Detroit, Mich.

### J. D. JONES ARE HOSTS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

The J. D. Joneses, 1421 E. 18th street, gave a birthday party in honor of their daughter and sister, Lorraine Jones on September 5. Sixteen guests shared the courtesy. A buffet dinner was served. Games were played.

### MISS HELEN BOLDEN TO EAST FOR VACATION; MRS. WILLIAMS TO JOIN HER

Miss Helen Bolden, beautician, left the city Saturday morning to spend a vacation in Detroit, Mich., and Milwaukee. She will be joined in Detroit on the week end by Mrs. Flossie Williams, another beauty operator.

### HOME ON FURLOUGH

Cpl. Thomas Jeffers is home on a 15-day furlough from Ft. Belvoir, Va., where he is in charge of the officers' club at McKenzie hall.

### BACK FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Manuel, Mrs. Lucy Sandelin and Mrs. M. Harold returned last Wednesday, September 5 from Omaha, Nebr., and Council Bluffs, where they visited relatives and friends.

### J. W. MORROWS HOSTS AT FAREWELL DINNER PARTY FOR GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morrow, 1160 Seventeenth street, honored at a farewell dinner party on Thursday night, Sept. 6, Mrs. Morrow's brother, T. Sgt. John Q. White, back from overseas service with the Fifth Army in Italy. He left the city Friday morning to report to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

The party which started at the Morrow home, also honored Mr. Virgil Morrow, brother of Mr. Morrow, who is visiting here of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Marguerite Guieb of Los Angeles, Mr. Eddie Barefield of New York City. From the Morrow home the guests went to the Sepia Supper club for the remainder of the evening.

### MRS. HYDE GOES TO WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mrs. B. N. Hyde, 819 Thirteenth street, left the city last week to spend a vacation in Washington, D. C.

### THE OWEN WATKINS BACK FROM LAKES

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Watkins returned to the city recently from a month's vacation spent in Denver, Colo., Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., where they spent some time at the lakes fishing.

### LEAVES FOR COAST

After spending four months here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Winn, Mrs. Marguerite Guieb left the city Wednesday morning to return to her home in Los Angeles, Calif.

### MRS. EDMUNDS TO WEDDING OF SON IN CHICAGO SUNDAY

Mrs. Lillian Edmunds will leave the city this week end to attend the wedding of her son, Arthur John Edmunds, and Miss Vivian Starks, which will be held on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 15, in the chapel of the University of Chicago.

The couple will visit in St. Paul, Minn., with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Williams, brother-in-law and sister of Mr. Edmunds, and then return to Des Moines the latter part of the week.

### MR. AND MRS. JAMES ARE BREAKFAST HOSTS

Mr. and Mrs. Otis James of 1169 Fourteenth street entertained at breakfast Sunday, Sept. 9, honoring Mrs. James' brother, Mr. Virgil Morrow of Los Angeles, Calif., and their son, Pvt. Lawrence James who is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, after serving two years overseas.

Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Trotter and their niece, Mrs. Juanita Bland of Chicago, Ill., and Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris.

### MRS. BLAND HERE

Mrs. Juanita Bland of Chicago, Ill., niece of Mrs. A. P. Trotter and Mrs. Reba M. Dean, is visiting with them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Winn, 1199 Fourteenth street, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at a reception at their home on Sunday afternoon, September 9, in the midst of their children, many friends and flowers.

Approximately 142 guests attended the reception and brought gifts of silver to the couple who was married twenty-five years ago, in 1920, by the late Rev. S. L. Birt.

Garden flowers decorated the Winn home as charming hostesses in evening attire assisted the hosts. Mrs. Oval Carter registered the guests. Parlor hostesses were Mesdames William Brooks, John M. Estes, James B. Morris, J. J. Ritchey and A. A. Alexander.

In the dining room as hostesses were Mesdames A. P. Trotter and Bert Harris with Mrs. J. W. Mitchell presiding at a richly appointed dining table which was covered with an Italian cut-work cloth. Pink rosebuds and white tube roses enhanced the table. Miss Geneva Morrow and Mrs. William Joseph were gift hostesses.

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About a block away from her home she found "Dad Ogletton"—the presiding elder who is back from conference in Council Bluffs. He brought along his saw and followed the instructions of Mrs. Fant—who had everything sawed off of the bed but the legs and the springs. Of course, "Dad" Ogletton wondered loudly why she wanted to tear up her good bed like that—but he sawed and raised and lowered the slats until the lady was satisfied that the "Hollywood bed" was the right height from the floor.

Then Mother Ogletton came over to inspect the job that her husband was doing—and she was sure that "Goldie" was crazy." Mrs. Fant related. But anyway, the orders were carried out, mattress placed, bed linen and a beautiful spread which draped down to the floor added. Alas—Mrs. Fant had accomplished her dream—her Hollywood bed.

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#### BLUE TRIANGLE BRANCH

The Branch Committee meets Sept. 13 with Mrs. W. J. Ritchey, chairman.

Book Lovers regular monthly meeting at home of Mrs. Lucille Smith, 1422 E. 17th street court. Two books will be reviewed. A potluck lunch will be served.

An all-Association committee met Monday evening at Central building to discuss inter-club councils and all-over program planning. Mrs. Ritchey, Mrs. Iva Mae Hayes, Mrs. Mable Mason, Mrs. Adah Johnson were present from Blue Triangle Branch.

Thirty-two young hostesses attended the all-station party at the Otumwa Naval Air Base on Sept. 6. Mrs. Lucille Smith and Mrs. Maxine Watkins were chaperons. Mrs. William Joseph also accompanied the group.

The Branch building is open every Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 9 p. m. to meet service people. Hostesses are on duty at these hours to help provide entertainment and give information. Civilians are also invited to drop in.

#### USO Area Volunteer Conference

An Area USO Volunteer Conference will be held Tuesday, Sept. 18, at Hotel Commodore. Two sessions are from 9 a. m. to 12 and 2 p. m. to 4 p. m. A luncheon meeting will be held at 12 o'clock noon. National and local USO people will discuss "USO Adjustments to Changing Needs." All USO volunteers are invited to attend the meeting.

#### DILETTANTE CLUB

The Dilettante club met Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. A. A. Alexander. Further plans were made for the club's annual art exhibit to be held at the city library in November.

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### CHICAGOANS ATTEND GRADUATION HERE

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cruse had as their guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Elson Evans, Mrs. Lucille Willis and Miss Irene Rowells, all of Chicago, Ill.

They were here to attend the graduation of the Evans' daughter, Miss Elaine McFarland from North high school at the summer exercises held at Des Moines Technical school on August 30.

While here they were extended many courtesies. Mrs. Evans was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller of 1267 E. Seventeenth street court, and Mrs. Mattie Avant of 1215 Day street.

### MRS. M. AVANT IS DINNER HOSTESS

Mrs. Mattie Avant of 1215 Day street entertained at dinner last week Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson, her sister-in-law and brother-in-law, of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Elson Evans of Chicago and her daughter, Miss Elaine McFarland of this city.

### PLATFORM MEETING AT BETHEL SUNDAY

The East Side Union Mission Society is sponsoring a platform meeting Sunday afternoon, September 16, at 3 p. m. at Bethel AME church. Mrs. Georgia Terry of Omaha, Nebr. will be guest speaker. Mrs. C. Houston is president.

### MRS. WM. MARTIN BACK FROM VACATION TRIP

Mrs. William Martin is home after having spent a short vacation in Mason City with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Martin. From there Mrs. Martin visited in Fulton,

Mo., with an aunt and grandmother. Mrs. Martin returned to Des Moines with her niece, Darlene Bennett, who went back to school after having spent her vacation in Missouri.

### WILLIAM C. TAYLOR HOME ON LEAVE

William C. Taylor, third class petty officer of the navy, is home on an emergency leave because of the illness of his mother, Mrs. Ethel Statena of 1079 Seventeenth street. The husband of Mrs. Sadie Taylor, he is a member of the navy's shore patrol in Chicago.

### LOGAN SCHOOL PTA MEETS SEPT. '18

The Logan school PTA will hold its first meeting of the school year on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 3 p. m. at the school. Mrs. William Fields is serving her second year as president of the organization.

Other officers are: Mrs. O. E. Burgett, first vice; Mrs. Ruth White, second vice; Mrs. Clara Cooper, secretary; Mrs. Rollo Pratt, treasurer.

### MARY CHURCH TERRELL CLUB HAS PICNIC

The Mary Church Terrell club entertained a group of WACs from Ft. Des Moines army post last week at a picnic at McRae park. The club met on Monday night with Mrs. Gertrude North as hostess.

### MR. A. J. ESTERS ON VACATION TRIP

Mr. A. J. Esters, 1423 Center street, is spending his vacation at Rockford, Ill., visiting his daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn. He will go to Duluth, Minn., before returning home.

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SEE FRONT PAGE of dollars worth of the country's national resources have been preserved.

CONFERENCE BRANCH MISSIONARIES MEET IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

The twenty-fifth session of the Northwestern Conference branch Women's Missionary society of the AME church convened at the Bethel AME church in Council Bluffs, Ia., Sept. 3 and 4 with Mrs. Goldie Fant, conference branch president, presiding.

BURLINGTON, IA.

By MRS. ED WILLIAMS Burlington, Ia. — Mrs. Myrtle Johnson died Friday, Sept. 7, at her home, 524 S. Fifth street, after a short illness.

STARTING SATURDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 15th

ORVILLE COX And His Band Playing One Week AT WATKINS HOTEL

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

One of the oldest arguments in football was set off in the last game between the College All Stars and the Green Bay Packers, pro football champions.

Local Sports

Still marking time for the big games to open among the prep boys and let us see what they have in the way of Negroes.

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men are taken out for a rest, or sometimes against weak opposition, not even started in order to save them for a bigger game the following week, the guy who would learn the necessary tricks to protect himself from the big bad pros will maybe have about twenty or fifteen hours of actual play over a period of three years.

Compare this to the pro players who frequently go through a schedule of twenty games, or two years of college competition in one season, and are always playing against veterans who also know all the tricks, while your college star often has several easy days against weak opponents, days on which he doesn't even have to be feeling at his best in order to get away, and you can begin to understand just what your illustrious scribbler is trying to scribble about.

Local Sports

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LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

You Keep Writing—They'll Keep Fighting By MARIE ROSS

Sgt. Robert Simmons Writes from Shingbwiang, Burma, Stationed with Engineers

"We, my tentmates and I, receive the Bystander weekly, but by Burma being the forgotten front, papers are some two months old when we get them," wrote Sgt. Robert Simmons on August 17.

"I never realized how interesting home town activities were until these 14000 miles were put between us. It's nice reading of the hometown boys all over the world and the good name they're making for Des Moines. There'll be so many skilled men when we get back you'll have to open up some new industries to employ them.

"We of the 45th Engineers took V-J day rather calmly. The nearest city with civilian population being three days ride from here. There wasn't much celebrating we could do. We did have the pleasure of hearing the people in New York and London cheer the victory—through the courtesy of the Chungking, China station.

"Since the Jap threat has been removed our exact position along the Stillwell Road can be disclosed. Our outfit is at Shingbwiang, Burma—105 miles from Ledo. Shingbwiang is nothing more than a name given to the terminal of the first leg of the 1,000 mile trip to China. The Patkia Mountain Range, which rises up some 5,000 feet lies between us and India. The road is built right over the top of the range.

"I ran into Freddie Bell some months ago but I think he's moved up around Myitkyina. I haven't seen Guy Jackson or Tommy Pinson.

"Well, Marie, here's hoping we'll be talking it over in good old Des Moines before many more months. I think I'll have quite a yarn in shape soon about these head-hunters and jungles over here."—Sgt. Robert Simmons—0022, H-S Co., 45th Engineers Regiment, APO 689, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

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"This poem was received by Rebecca Nipper and written by T/B Robert L. King who is stationed in the Philippines.

Pfc. Robert Fowler Writes of Fine Red Cross in Germany

"We are stationed here in a German garrison camp," wrote Private First Class Robert E. Fowler on August 23 from Hershfield, Germany. "I guess you noticed me writing on Red Cross paper. Well, we have a fine Red Cross club—three colored women and one man. Two of the women are from St. Louis, Mo. The other is from California. They do every thing possible for the boys.

"Likewise, we have a swell company band. So it's not so very dull. Especially in the evenings. We always have some place to go—to the movies or the service club. "David Callister, George Williams, Craddock and the rest of the fellows send their best regards."—Pfc. Robert E. Fowler, 37654839, 3168 QM Service Co., APO 758, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Jack Lewis in Okinawa—A Stone's Throw from Tojo

"Well, here on Okinawa Island, just a stone's throw from Tokyo, there isn't much difference," wrote F 1/c Jack C. Lewis on September 1. "I mean in—if the war is on or off.

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we live in are about twenty-five feet long and oh—about sixteen feet wide with thirty men in them. And we have lots of air, too (ha, ha.)

"The top has an opening on it and also along the middle and bottom screened-in ply-wood floor, electric lights. Some fellows have radios too. But it still is far from being like home.

"Oh yes, I got a new rate also. From first class to fireman first class. Going up, eh? Slow but sure. Well, so far (and I'll knock on wood) I haven't had one minute of extra duty—nor have I been in the clink. I've had to bite my tongue sometimes though.

"Well, today I washed clothes—but, no zoot paints (smiles) but I have made myself a pair (quiet). Boy, I guess you think me nutty. Maybe, it's because the war is over. If you were to see us fellows you would say those guys are buggy. Sam Parker and John Jewett are still here. John envies young Hackney of East High school. Please don't stop writing 'cause the war is not over for you until we fellows come home."—Fireman First Class Jack C. Lewis, U. S. NOB Navy 2256, Logistic Support Co., 52 NX 2, c/o PPO, San Francisco, Calif.

SGT. DELBERT MORRISON

Sgt. Delbert Morrison, son of Mrs. Mary Earl, is in the city on a 34-day furlough. He arrived in the states recently from signal corps duty with the Twelfth Army in France and Germany.

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