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## First Negro Chosen 'American Mother'

### News Briefs From Far and Near

#### ETHIOPIAN MINISTER RETURNS TO AMERICA

New York (NNPA)—Ras Imru, Ethiopian chief of state who was seven years a prisoner in Italy until liberated by the Allies, arrived in this country last Monday aboard the Italian liner Vulcania, accompanied by his wife and two daughters.

Ras Imru, a cousin of Emperor Haile Selassie, was en route to Washington as the Ethiopian minister to the United States. Wearing a neatly tailored gray suit, the little general who managed to elude capture until December, 1936, in the final phase of the war which began in October, 1935, said that his country has about recovered.

"Ethiopia," he said, "is now in position to furnish about 100,000 bushels of grain to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration for distribution to the hungry of the world."

#### THURGOOD MARSHALL RECEIVES SPINGARN MEDAL

New York — Thurgood Marshall, NAACP special counsel, became the thirty-first recipient of the Spingarn medal, awarded annually for the highest achievement of an American Negro. Other distinguished Americans who have received the coveted award include Dr. William E. B. DuBois, James Weldon Johnson, Marian Anderson, Dr. Louis T. Wright; Governor-elect of the Virgin Islands, William H. Hastie, and Paul Robeson.

The official text of the Committee's award is: "For his distinguished service as a lawyer before the Supreme Court of the United States and inferior courts, particularly in the Texas Primary Case which conceivably may have more far reaching influence than any other act in the ending of disfranchisement based upon race or color in the country; also in recognition of the unselfishness and courage which he has shown not only in this but in other cases for the right of Negroes to belong to trade unions, in his attack upon the Jim Crow travel system and unequal educational opportunities, and for basic human rights and justice in the courts."

#### FUNERAL RITES FOR EDWARD WEEKS, 67

Funeral rites were held Monday at the St. Paul AME Zion church for Edward Weeks, 67, of 1136 Eleventh street. He died May 3 at Mercy hospital after a brief illness.

A resident of Des Moines 47 years, he was employed 15 years at the King pharmacy here. He was a member of the Masonic lodge and the St. Paul church. Burial was in Glendale cemetery.

## Indianan Asserts That C. P. Howard Set Up 2nd Paper 'Without Her Knowledge'

Gary, Ind.—Miss Bereneice Proctor won the first round in her fight against the fledgling weekly newspaper, the Lake County Observer, when Judge Fred Eagan this week appointed Attorney Roscoe C. Crump as receiver for the now defunct Indiana Observer, the Gary American published in its April 26 issue.

Judge Eagan declared that Miss Proctor's allegations that the terms of a partnership which she held with the newspaper's publisher, Attorney Charles P. Howard, Sr., Buse Smith and Hilbert Bradley, were violated.

"Atty. Crump has been instructed to dissolve the partnership and to take charge of all unfinished business, receiving the Observer's assets, real estate, accounts, notes and to reduce them to cash to be divided according to the terms of the partnership agreements.

"The defendants were given two weeks in which to prepare a defense

## Senate Confirms Hastie to Be Governor of Virgin I.

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—William H. Hastie, dean of the Howard Law School, was confirmed by the Senate last Wednesday to be governor of the Virgin Islands.

The opposition of Senators Allan J. Ellender, of Louisiana, and James O. Eastland, of Mississippi, Democrats, who had voted against his confirmation first on the Territories and Insular Affairs subcommittee which inquired into Hastie's fitness and again on the full committee, was mild.

Ellender directed most of his remarks in praise of retiring governor Charles Harwood. But at the outset of his speech he said he thought President Truman made a mistake in naming Hastie to the governorship of the Virgin Islands because he believes a colored governor will retard the progress of the islands in their effort to develop a tourist trade.

"I think it is a disappointment and a great mistake to confirm this nomination," said Eastland. "The nominee is a racial agitator, a racial demagogue, and the committee report submitted by Chairman Wood of the

House Committee on Un-American Activities shows that he is a member of five Communist front organizations."

Taking issue with Eastland, Senator Abe Murdock of Utah, chairman of the Senate Territories and Insular Affairs subcommittee which inquired into Hastie's fitness, declared that "this country and its government are fortunate in having a man of the attainments and the achievements of Judge Hastie to appoint to the high position of governor of the Virgin Islands."

Senator Murdock said Hastie is "a very splendid and outstanding representative of the Negro race. He is an excellent lawyer, and he made a record at Harvard University of which any white man in America could be proud."

Senator Murdock disclosed that a statement in support of Hastie was submitted by the late Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone, who gave his opinion of the National Lawyers Guild, one of the liberal organizations of which Hastie is a member.

## Reece Says 'Best Gauge of Man's Attitude His Record'

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—Asserting that some colored people were as intolerant toward him as some white people are toward colored people, Representative E. Carroll Reece, chairman of the Republican national committee, last Friday asked to be judged on his record and not the accident of his southern birth.

Mr. Reece said during an interview that he feels he is being abused unjustly and without having his record considered by his critics. He was referring specifically to charges made that his election to succeed Herbert E. Brownell, Jr., as chairman of the Republican national committee would deter colored voters from returning to the Republican party.

"Frankly," Mr. Reece said, "I feel that colored people, who claim that they are not being given a chance because of their color, are guilty in my case of the very thing they are fighting, that is, of judging me as hostile and against them because I am from the south."

"Their claim is that we, from the south, automatically turn 'thumbs down' on them because of their color without considering their ability," he said, adding:

"It stands to reason that there are many fine white people from the south who are tolerant towards our colored friends or their lot would be much worse than it is. I think the best gauge of a man's attitude is, first his record and, second, what his constituents think of him."

#### NAACP STATE BRANCHES OUT TO GET 5,000 NEW MEMBERS IN DRIVE

Ike Smalls, president of the Iowa State Conference of Branches of the NAACP, sent letters to officers and members throughout the state informing them of the NAACP's annual membership drive which is on now.

Mr. Smalls reported 2,800 members for the twelve active NAACP Branches in Iowa and informed that the membership goal for this season is set at 5,000.

The Iowa State Conference of Branches will meet in Centerville on June 22-23.

against the former woman editor's charges that the Observer owes her \$10,000 in back salary, bills paid and for the good will which she alleges she built up for the discontinued weekly.

"Attorney Harry Schell, representing Miss Proctor will attempt to prove that the Lake County Observer, now being published by Howard with his son as editor, and the Indiana Observer, also published by Howard, but with Miss Proctor as editor, are one and the same publication.

"Miss Proctor's complaint charges Howard with representing himself as publisher of the Observer and thus obtaining the present location for his new paper under false pretenses.

"Miss Proctor asserts that she had already made preliminary steps to move into the printing plant, but that Howard beat her to it and set up the second paper without her knowledge."

### A SMILE FOR MOTHER'S DAY



JOHNE NE PAMOLA DANFORTH

This seven-month old bundle of happiness is one of the main reasons why Mother's Day is such an impressive occasion. Johnene Pamola who was born last September 18, had to be rushed to the hospital this week for a throat ailment. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Danforth, Jr., of 1042 Fourth street place plan to have her home to help them celebrate Mother's Day but—if she isn't—she will be at the hospital Sunday peering at her through a glass door. Johnene's father is the former Sergeant Danforth who was discharged in February after spending over three years in the military services. He is employed now as a barber at the Hardway-Tonsorial Parlor. Grandparents are: Mr. and Mrs. Danforth, Sr., and great grandmothers are: Mrs. Bertha Dunn and Mrs. Mattie Lewis. Mrs. Danforth, Jr., is the former Flora Mae Carter. The child was christened on Easter Sunday at the St. Paul AME church.

## Jury Decides for Cafe Owner in Civil Rights Case

A six-member jury returned a sealed verdict at 7:45 p. m. Monday in municipal court after four hours' deliberation on a civil rights case against a downtown white cafe manager.

Cecil Stegall, manager of Curley's cafe, 209 Locust street, was accused by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Johnson, 1118 Eleventh street, of refusing to serve them in the main part of the cafe.

Referred to Sign  
On the witness stand in the afternoon, Stegall said that when Johnson, entered the restaurant with his wife and small son March 2 and sat down at a front table, they were referred to a sign hanging on the establishment.

"Johnson asked me what the sign meant and I said that it meant that it was there to protect us from drunks and people that might hurt my business," Stegall testified.

Seating  
Asked what the sign said, he replied, "We reserve the right to seat our customers."

Steggall said he told Johnson he never refused to feed anyone and that Johnson could eat either in the kitchen or at the counter, or take his food with him from the restaurant.

Johnson said he asked to see the manager whom he quoted as telling him he could be served in the kitchen but not at the table because it would "hurt his business." Johnson said he and his wife then walked out of the cafe.

S. Joe Brown, veteran attorney, and Anthony J. Renda, assistant county attorney, are representing Johnson, and Raymond E. Hanke is attorney for Stegall. A jury of five women and one man was selected to hear the trial.

## Fill Out Blank For Clean-Up Drive; Mail Today

An entry blank for the annual Clean-Up and Beautify Campaign which is sponsored by the Community Garden club, the NAACP and the Iowa Bystander, is published in this issue of the Bystander.

If you plan to enter the contest, clip the blank, fill it out and mail to the office of the Bystander at 221 1/2 Locust street before the deadline of May 30. More blanks may be obtained at the office of the Bystander.

Individuals or groups may enter homes, buildings and gardens which will be classified accordingly, in the

## Golden Rule Foundation in New York Pick Mother of 7 Mrs. Clement in Kentucky

New York (NNPA)—Mrs. Emma Clarissa Clement, of Louisville, the granddaughter of a slave, will represent American mothers during the observance of this year of Mother's Day, on May 12. Mrs. Clement was chosen last Wednesday by the Golden Rule Foundation to be "American Mother of 1946," the first colored woman to be so honored.

The graying 71-year-old mother of seven heard the news last Wednesday night at second hand. She was attending a district conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, in Springfield, Kentucky, when the telephone call came to her home in Louisville. Her oldest daughter Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson, called her in Springfield.

That town has a population of 1,500. There are no telephones in the colored section. But the main office of the telephone company sent a message down to the church and Mrs. Clement hurried to the office to hear the news.

The honor she now holds has been awarded to eleven distinguished women since the Golden Rule Foundation began it in 1935. Mrs. Elias Compton, mother of a Nobel Prize winner, A. H. Compton, and of the president of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Karl T. Compton, won it in 1939. A third son, Wilson M. Compton, is professor of economics at George Washington university. Mrs. Edith Mayo, whose husband founded the Mayo Clinic, won it in 1940.

Choice by American Mothers  
The choice was made by the American Mothers Committee of the Foundation after Mrs. Ruth M. Worrel of New York, executive secretary

of the United Council of Church Women, nominated Mrs. Clement.

One vote was cast for Mrs. Clement by Miss Mary E. Hughes, of Louisville. "I never dreamed," she said, "I would ever in my life vote for a Negro. But when I saw her record I couldn't be fair and serve on the committee without recognizing it. I'm a rebel of rebels—or I thought I was until this afternoon."

The record is an impressive one. Mrs. Clement was born in Providence, Rhode Island, Emma Clarissa Williams. She attended Livingstone College in Salisbury, North Carolina, where she met George Clinton Clement. She was married and moved to Kentucky in 1898; he was ordained a minister in the A. M. E. Zion church, and the couple began a long struggle with poverty.

Her Life—Her Family  
His life was the church, and when it ended, in 1934, he was Bishop of Kentucky. Her life was her family. She reared seven children, and saw them all through Livingstone College. Today they have all established themselves in their communities.

Mrs. Jackson, forty-seven, is executive secretary of the church's missionary society. Dr. Rufus R. Clement is president of Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Frederick A. Clement is professor of physics at West Virginia State College. Mrs. Ruth Bond is with her husband in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, where he is chief of staff of the Inter-American Educational Foundation.

George W. Clement is field director of the American Red Cross in Italy. James A. Clement has been discharged. See EDITORIAL Page

## Atlantan to Teach Negro Culture in N.Y. University

New York (NNPA)—Dr. Ira De A. Reid, chairman of the department

of sociology at Atlanta University, Atlanta, has been appointed visiting professor of Negro culture and education at the New York University School of Education for the academic year beginning next September.

Chancellor Harry Woodburn Chase announced last Thursday.

The new chair was established for a three-year period through an \$18,000 grant by the General Education Board, which was founded in 1902 by John D. Rockefeller.

The purpose of the grant is to provide "a significant opportunity for a few Negroes of talent and scholarship to make a constructive contribution

contest for cash prizes. Entries may be made just to show improvement that has been made—for non prizes.

A separate prize will be given to the business place that makes the most improvements. The contest will continue through July 12.

#### MRS. BUNDY HURT IN FALL FROM CURBLINER

Mrs. Laura Bundy, 69, 813 Fourteenth street, suffered a possible injury of the skull and body last Saturday afternoon when she fell from a curbliner at Twelfth and School streets. She was taken by police ambulance to Broadlawn General hospital for emergency treatment. Mrs. Bundy is the mother of Mrs. Orea Bulce and Mr. Earl Bundy.

#### BURY ROBERT W. KRYS

Funeral rites were held May 2 for Robert W. Krys, 73, at the Estes Fu-

to education in an important university," and to encourage "understanding of Negro life and matters of adjustment of minority groups."

Dr. Reid, who has been granted a year's leave of absence from Atlanta University, will instruct graduate courses in the department of educational sociology in the School of Education. These will include "Education as Social Control" and "Advanced Educational Sociology."

Reached last Thursday in Atlanta, Dr. Reid said: "Part of the general approach to problems of American culture involves the techniques of integrating the American people into the American nation. There is no precedent in any other country of the world for this new dynamic culture. America has the responsibility for showing how diverse people can live together."

"This has not yet been introduced into our educational system. Our task is to find a way of introducing this into elementary and high schools, colleges and the community at large."

general home. Burial was in Keokuk, Ia.

Mr. Krys, formerly of Pasadena, Calif., died Wednesday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Mabel Brooks, 107 Fourteenth street, following a long illness. Born in Keokuk, he had lived in California for 15 years. He returned to Iowa two months ago.

## Girls' Home Tag Day Is June 1st

The annual Tag Day sponsored by the Iowa Association of Colored Women will be on Saturday, June 1, for the benefit of the Sue M. Brown hall, home for girls of the IACW at Iowa City. Persons desiring to serve as taggers may contact Mesdames Sophie Nichols, A. A. Alexander or Miss Jessie Walker.



QUESADA VISITS LOCKBOURNE—Major General Elwood R. Quesada, Commanding General of the Tactical Air Command, chats with Colonel Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., Commanding Officer of the 47th Composite Group and Lockbourne Army Air Base, during a recent inspection tour of the Columbus, Ohio, base. The TAC chief was granted to learn that more than 200 Negro officers assigned to the 47th had made application for Regular Army Commission. (U. S. Army Air Forces photo from Bureau of Public Relations.)



**JESSE BURNELL COOPER**  
Completing thirty months in the army Jesse Burnell Cooper, son of Mrs. Harriet Cooper of 1330 E. Seventeenth street court, was discharged from Ft. Leavenworth, Kas., on April 23. He recently returned from the South Pacific where he spent six months, stationed on the Luzon Island with a port company. Prior to that time he served seventeen months in the European Theater of Operations from June 1944.

In the Philippines, Cooper was most impressed with native people and their housing problems. The women worked while many of the men lived a life of ease, he observed. He too, had a "life of ease" he said, after he got to the Pacific. He added that the people seemed to have "amazing strength" demonstrated by their ability to pick-up and carry 100-pound bags of flour on their heads.

Cooper said he did not like the bright colors of the clothing worn by the people. All of the traveling in Europe, seeing England and Scotland, and the Pacific, gave him an opportunity to see about one-fourth of the world, he estimated.

The only time he felt his life in danger, he said, was enroute home on April 7, when his ship was warned of a floating mine, about 500 miles off Guam.

Cooper is entitled to wear: the ETO, Asiatic-Pacific, Philippine Liberation, Victory ribbons and Good Conduct Medal. Now that he is back home he plans to continue his religious education at a seminary.

**PURPLE CROSS UNIT IN RED CROSS COURSE**

The Purple Cross Unit met May 7 after Red Cross class adjourned. All social activities have been called off until the course is finished. The club met May 9.

Mrs. J. Robinson, Daughter Elk, was elected president of the Purple Cross unit, and not of the Elks, the reporter for the Unit of Rose Temple No. 33 Daughter Elks, announced correcting an April 25 report.

**WEST DES MOINES, IA.**

West Des Moines, Ia.—Rev. G. Thomas was a visitor at church Sunday. Mrs. Blanche Brown has returned from a trip to Milwaukee. While there an aunt became seriously ill. Convalescing at home are: Mrs. Annie Payne and Charles Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bruce.

Miss Maxine Anderson has returned from overseas where she was a Red Cross worker in the China-Burma-India theater.

Admission to the American Legion Spring Frolic, 70c; Door admission 90c.—Adv.

**BILL ROBINSON HAS DANCED 60 YEARS**

New York (NNPA)—Hundreds of friends and admirers of Bill Robinson joined with the entertainment world Monday night, April 29, in according to the veteran tap dancer a memorable celebration of his sixtieth year as a performer.

The celebration took place at the Cafe Zanzibar, Forty-ninth Street and Broadway, where the city gave Mr. Robinson a plaque, the American Guild of Variety Actors gave him a life membership and his friends gave him an ovation which went out over a coast-to-coast broadcast. Mr. Robinson, in return, gave a performance in which he tapped out the rhythmic message that sixty years in show business were sitting lightly upon him.

The sixty-seven-year-old performer, who ran away from his home in Richmond to begin his stage career at the age of seven, heard himself described as "the world's greatest tap dancer" in testimonial speeches accompanying the presentations.

**REV. J. R. ROMAN HONORS OFFICERS**

The Rev. J. R. Roman, pastor of the Mount Olive Baptist church, honored his cabinet of officers at a chicken dinner last Sunday afternoon at Mayetta's cafe. Sharing the courtesy were the deacons and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brewer, Mrs. Della Barker, Mr. Dan Lewis and Miss Elsie Roman.

**WOMEN'S DAY PROGRAM AT BETHEL SUNDAY**

Mother's Day will be Women's Day at the Bethel AME church. At the 11 o'clock services with Evangelist Estella Coates in charge, Special selections will be given by combined chorus. Mrs. Louis Nusbaum will be guest speaker. Mrs. Dana Doyle is soloist.

The St. Paul and the Maple Street Ladies choruses will sing at the afternoon service. "Brotherhood in a Peaceful World of Tomorrow" will be discussed by Mesdames M. Irvine, a Catholic; C. W. Hayworth, Protestant and H. Wengart, Jew, and Mrs. Sarah Jett.

Evangelist Coates will present a pageant, "The Mothers of Great Men" at the evening service. Mrs. Mae Hawkins is general chairman.

**MOTHER'S DAY AT KYLES CHURCH**

The Rev. Florence Schooler will be Mother's Day speaker Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock services at the Kyles AME Zion church. The Rev. S. S. Ingram is pastor.

**rites for Mrs. JOANNA CLARK AT UNION CHURCH**

Funeral services for Mrs. Joanna Clark, 75, of 1553 Buchanan street, were held May 3 at the Union Baptist church of which she was a member. Burial was in Glendale cemetery with the L. Fowler and Son Funeral home in charge.

Mrs. Clark died April 30 at her home after a brief illness.

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**DIVORCED**

Listed among persons who received divorces on May 4 were Owen from Mabel Watkins.

**FLORIDA SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS DECISION**

Tallahassee, Fla. (NNPA)—The Florida Supreme Court unanimously ruled last Monday that Dade county had no authority to enact zoning laws excluding colored persons from living in any section of Miami.

The high court upheld a Dade Circuit Court decision releasing two colored families arrested for violation of county zoning regulations. It had been contended by the county that it derived authority from a 1937 legislative act to exclude colored people from any section it chose.

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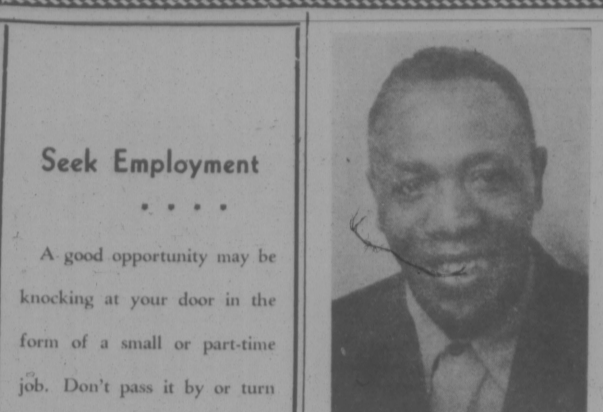
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**EDDIE THOMAS**

About the only one of the six employees of the Winnick Brothers grocery store at Ninth and University who knows every item that the store sells to its hundreds of customers is Eddie Thomas of 1108 Thirtieth street.

Receiving clerk at the serve-yourself style grocery store, Mr. Thomas is also a clerk on the floor, who assists customers in finding articles in the store and takes care of fresh fruits and vegetable stands. He meets all of the in-coming shipments, checks the items, signs the bills and handles about 1,000 articles per day.

"It's almost like being a walking information bureau, sometimes," Thomas commented as he talked of his experiences and expressed a devotion to his job—because of the con-

Dance May 27, with Army Liddell's Band, Riviere.—Adv.

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fact he has with the many customers.

"You know," he informed, "that Winnick the store is known as a 'center store' by many people in this part of the country. It is handy for late shoppers, too, and it is right on a cross-town thoroughfare."

Eddie, only Negro employee at the store, really started at the bottom rung when he went to the Winnick store nearly seven years ago, hired by the two brothers, Sam and Mose Winnick.

Doing painting jobs about the city, he had an opportunity to work for Glaziers store, operated by relatives of the Winnick brothers. The work was very satisfactory, Thomas informed, and then he was recommended to the Winnick brothers to do some painting at the Winnick store. He cleaned up walls and shelves, painted, and lined up stock in such a fashion that the proprietors were so impressed that they offered him a regular job he said.

Eddie was hired to look after the stock and the shelves; and then, on a suggestion from the proprietors, Thomas was encouraged to try his ability as a clerk in the store—"just to see how it would work."

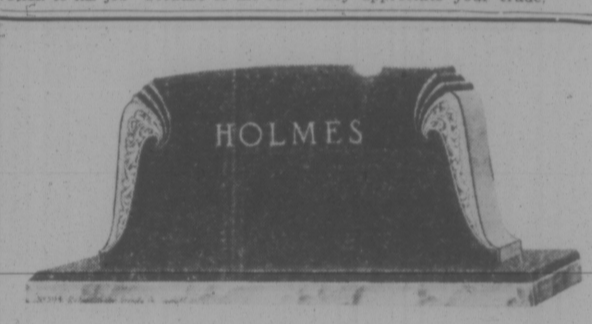
"It really worked," Thomas said and added, "no one has to tell me what to do."

Asked if he had to do any janitorial duties, Thomas answered that "the only time you see me playing around with the broom now is when I have dropped some dirt on the floor myself."

The son of Mrs. Anna Thomas now of Chicago, Ill., he was born in Charleston, Ia.; he was reared in Des Moines, attended West high school.

A Catholic he resides with his wife, Harriet, and four children, three boys and a girl, in the home they bought three years ago.

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MISS NELLIE JONES CROWNED QUEEN OF FASHIONS AT CORINTHIAN REVIEW

With much of the pomp and splendor of a royal coronation, Miss Nellie Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones of the East side, was crowned 'Queen of Fashions' on a flower-decked throne last Thursday night, climaxing the second annual fashion review by the usher board of the Corinthian Baptist church.

A. A. Alexander, prominent citizen, placed the crown while an audience that packed the Corinthian auditorium and balcony to witness the ceremony.

The winning queen, who had vied for honors with Mrs. Eloise Morrow Walker, was escorted to the throne by a procession of beautifully gowned attendants with rose bouquets and tiny princesses carrying carnations. Miss Jones reported \$132; and Mrs. Walker's total was \$89. She led the attendants.

Attendees were Mesdames Barbara J. Parkey, Otis James, Marian Morrison, Vivian Edmunds, Natalie Dixon, and the Misses Evelyn Green and Goldie Jones with Messrs. J. W. Morrow and T. L. Howard as carriage guards.

The little princesses were: Evanette Mays, Brenda Russell, Ethel Thompson, Nellie M. Jones, Goldie McCracken, Valeria Webb, Myrtle Lanier, Shellah Williams, Louise Stewart, Carolyn Bettis and Janet Chapman.

Miss Mary Rose Westbrook was soloist during the coronation.

Little Troopers With Mrs. W. J. Ritchey as narrator, the second annual fashion event opened with "rugged little troopers" in a garden skit, wearing sun suits, pinafores, overalls and play togs. On parade were: Raymond Bates, Ernestine Shackelford, Johnny Strother, Sharon Semple, Michael and Sherman Wilcox, Jr., Ronald King, Regina King, Wallace Gaines, Harold Kennerly, Nellie Marie Jones, Langston Hardaway, Jr., and Renone Buckner.

The "Little Miss at Tea" featured Jean Brooks, Myrtle Lanier, Ernestine Shackelford, Beverly Hall, Brenda Russell, Gloria Jean McCracken, Carl Kennerly, Vera Hall, Sharon Semple, Bennie and Verbona Sloan, Elaine Brooks, Sharon Hammitt, Renone Buckner, and Langston Hardaway, Jr., Anna Mae Wilson, Eva Strothers. Tailored for an "evening stroll" were: Robert Stewart with Elaine

and Joan Brooks; Harold and his sister, Carol, Kennerly; Sheila Williams and Raymond Bates; Janet Chapman and Tommy Wallace, Robbin and Ronnie Ware, Eva Strothers, Sharon Hammitt and Larry Morrow, the Sloan sisters, John E. and Eva Strothers, Tommy and Wallace Gaines, Brenda Russell, Karen Langford and Ethel V. Thompson, George and Lawrence Robinson.

Adults on Parade In the morning scene were featured: Miss Nellie Jones in imported silk robe, Mrs. Eloise Walker, jersey hostess gown, Miss Bernice Tomlin and Mrs. Hester Rich in brunch coats; Miss Goldie Jones, robe and pajamas; Mrs. Marian Morrison, and Mrs. Vivian Edmunds in negligees. In lounging pajamas were Mrs. Zudorah Lewis and Mrs. Nadine Ware, Mrs. Dorothy Hammitt.

Life at the Country Club included clothing for fun and sports. In this group wearing riding outfits were: Mrs. Louise Ware, Miss Alberta Bates, Mrs. Bernice Carter, Miss Frances Bates. In clothes for fun and afternoon affairs were: Frances Bates, Gayle Winters, Laverne, Glendora and Rhoda Smith, Maggi Bailey, Billy Wilkerson, Barbara and Beverly Oliver, Janice Wallace.

More Models More afternoon fashions were worn by Miss Celeste Reeves, Mrs. Ellen Robinson, Mrs. Minnie McGuire, Mrs. Robert Ewing. In the parade of lovely suits were: Mesdames Retha Wilson, William Ashby, Louise Ware, the Misses Louise Mahoney, Mary Gross, Delores Jones, Lorraine Jones, Beatrice Green, Mina Smith, Glendora Smith.

The "Evening in Paris" fashions were modeled by Mesdames Nadine Ware, Jean Payton, Zedora Lewis, Misses Margaret DeSleet, Maxine Miller, Vega Johnson. Escorts were Messrs. J. W. Morrow, Thomas Avant and James Mahoney.

For the various scenes the stage was decorated with necessary articles to lend atmosphere to fashions. Music for the show was under the direction of Mrs. Bernice Gaines and pupils of her studio. Proceeds of the show to date \$369, are for the benefit of the usher board's quota to the church, Mrs. Vera Morrow, director, revealed.

IN SCOUT SHOW



FRANCES BATES Participating in the Girl Scout Style show which featured appropriate wear for the forthcoming camping season, at the Younker's Tea rooms last Saturday afternoon, was one little Negro Girl Scout, nine-year-old Frances Bates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bates of 1028 Sixteenth street.

Frances wore a play suit of yellow blouse and brown shorts.

The program of the afternoon featured movies from camp life shown by Miss Pauline Chaney, Girl Scout Council director, and music by the Girl Scout city-wide chorus, in which three Negro girls sang.

Frances, a 4-A student at Nash school, is a member of Troop 51 which was formerly under the leadership of Mrs. Bates who has worked with the Girl Scouts for three years. Frances has been a Brownie Scout for three years. A member of St. Paul A.M.E. church she plans to go to camp this summer.

ARTHUR PROPES HEADS MONARCH MEN'S CLUB

The Monarch club at its regular meeting this week elected Arthur Propes as president for 1946-47. Other officers are: H. P. Wallace, vice president; H. Redmon Kelso, recording secretary. Re-elected were W. C. Buice, treasurer; Alex Copeland, sergeant-at-arms. Seven new applications have been received for membership.

IOTA DELEGATES BACK FROM REGIONAL MEET

Mrs. Gertrude North and Miss Evelyn Brooks of the city and Mrs. Susie Hart Martin of Dubuque, Ia., have returned to their homes from Chicago where they attended the Iota Phi Lambda Regional Sorority meeting.

The theme of the meeting was "The Post-War World in Regard to Career Women." The entertaining chapter was Alpha of Chicago, which won the activity award. Chapter of Hopkinsville, Ky., won the popularity contest and Alpha Zeta of St. Louis won the scrapbook award.

The regional will go to St. Louis next year. The western region comprises Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Iowa, Colorado and California.

ter from Methodist church of Galesburg and his choir rendered services at the St. John's A.M.E. church at 3 o'clock service in the afternoon. Rev. S. T. Henderson, pastor of St. John's church here. Rev. J. S. Beverly, wife and several members of Union Baptist church attended services at the Baptist church at Ft. Madison Sunday afternoon.

MANLY, IOWA

By JEANNETTE TATE Cheatdom-Rhem Nuptials North Manly, Ia. — Miss Lola Mae Cheatdom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cheatdom of Mason City, and John T. Rhem, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Rhem of Manly were married Saturday morning, April 27, at the Sacred Heart church here by the Rev. Lea Berga.

Attendees were Miss Leota Cheatdom, sister of the bride, and Jerry Harper of Mason City. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Rhems and a reception was held Saturday night at the High Twelve Hall in Mason City.

The couple will reside in Mason City where Mr. Rhem is employed at Becker Packing plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barnett arrived home Tuesday after spending a two weeks vacation in Arkansas visiting friends and relatives in Little Rock, Fordyce, Pine Bluffs and Warren. On their way home they spent a few days in St. Louis where they attended a couple of ball games of the Cubs and Cardinals.

Mrs. Estelle Barnett who resides on the Barnett farm east of Manly entertained at dinner Mrs. Eloise Bates, Mrs. Eunice Stewart, Mrs. Edna Estanders, all of Mason City, and Mrs. Eva Thomas of Chicago and Mrs. Flossie Dogglass of Manly Wednesday evening.

A birthday party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Profit Dunn, in honor of their granddaughter, Delores Dunn. Several friends from Manly and Mason City attended.

Miss Ruby Page of Manly who recently married Mr. William Martin

BURLINGTON, IA.

By MRS. ED WILLIAMS Burlington, Ia. — Sunday, April 28, was quarterly meeting at St. John's A.M.E. church with presiding elder, Rev. W. H. Ogleton of Des Moines in attendance and many members, pastors and friends from surrounding cities attending. Sunday, the minis-

Dance and Dramatic Students at Centers Present Recital

Dancing and dramatic students of the Negro Community Centers, dressed in fancy colorful costumes danced off many routines, sang solos, and appeared in dramatic skits last Friday evening at the spring recital held at the auditorium of Central Y.W.C.A.

Miss Dorothy Copper, dance instructor, and Miss Sylpha Snook, dramatic teacher, were assisted by Mrs. William DeWild and Artie McNair, accompanists with Mrs. Georgine C. Morris directing the costumes.

A tiny brother and twin-sister team, Ronald and Eleanor and Elaine Dixon, took the audience by storm when they gave their rhythmic interpretations. Solos, duets, trios and choruses appeared in numbers entitled: Military Unit, "The Pet Shop," "Cutest Kids in Town," "Some Sunday Morning," "Candy," "Georgia Camp Meeting," "Chickery Chick" and "Cane Dance." Little soloists featured popular numbers and readings.

Other participating in the recital were: Beverly and Betty Carson, Johanna Smith, Frances Scales, Shirley Dixon, Leonna McKay, Bernice Taylor, Frances Potts, Jacqueline Smith, Bernice Christopher, Mildred McKay, Barbara Ewing, Maxine Christopher, Sheila Dixon, Betty Jean Howard, Patty Graves, Claudette Howard, Katherine McGuire, Claudine Cobbs, Jeanette Smith, Sharon Smith, Geraldine McKay, Wanda Hunt, Nadine Ewing, Frances and Helen Vincent, Helen Deering, Marlene Burrell, Loren Deering, Onva English, Gwendolyn English, Marlene Wilson, Gloria DeVan, Dorothy

Elks Oratorical Contest Here May 14 and 17

Marshalltown, Ia. — "The Suffering Christ" was the text of Rev. W. A. Hunter's at Morrow's Chapel Sunday morning. Following these services a large group was served communion.

"The Blessed Home" was the topic discussed at the Youth Fellowship program. Biblical pictures were shown by the pastor. Rev. Hunter was the guest speaker at the Friends church Sunday night using illustrated pictures on "Hope." The gospel chorus directed by Mrs. Irma Morrow gave musical selections. A Mother's Day dinner will be served at the church May 11. Rev. A. N. Fox spoke on "Men of Goodwill" at Second Baptist church Sunday morning after which communion was served. Rev. W. A. Hunter was guest speaker at Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at a rally sponsored by the church. "The Planted Tree" was the subject. Mr. A. Adams of Dutch Guinea has been released from the Deaconess hospital and is recuperating at the home of Mr. Artice Maxwell. Seaman Thomas Spencer left Sunday for Oakland, Calif., after spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer. Mr. Wayne W. Bannon and Miss Hanzell Johnson were united in marriage in Chicago on May 1. Miss Willa Bell Richardson, a cadet nurse in training at St. Louis, is spending a

Elks Oratorical Contest Here May 14 and 17

The Elks state oratorical contest will be held at the Maple Street Baptist church on May 17 at which time winners of state branches will speak on some phase of "The Constitution." The contest is sponsored by the educational department of the Elks of which Mrs. Beatrice Wallace is state director.

ELKS LOCAL CONTEST TUESDAY EVENING

The Elks local oratorical contest sponsored by Ros Temple No. 33 and Hawkeye Lodge No. 160 will be held Tuesday evening, May 14, at St. Paul A.M.E. church at 8:15 o'clock. Agnes Grant of North high school and Doris Mayberry of West Technical high will battle for state honors. Their subjects will be "The Constitution and the Negro." Mrs. Gertrude North and J. C. Browne are local chairmen

vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Burton.

of education. The local winner will appear in the state contest held here on May 17.

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### WITH DINNER AND TEA COUNCIL ENDS YOUTH WEEK CELEBRATION

About 50 persons attended the dinner given May 3 by the Youth Council of the NAACP at the Roosevelt Grill where Norman Ellington, Drake University student, was master of ceremonies. The speakers were: George Papazon of Cairo, Egypt, Herbert Shirley of Jamaica, B. W. I., Jack Tokoyanagi of California, and Reuben Speaks of Lake Providence, La., all students of Drake university. They discussed the subject, "Youth Is Not Too Young to Plan, Achieve and Build."

The observance of Negro Youth Week was climaxed with a silver tea given by the Council May 5 at the Branch Y.W.C.A. Music was furnished by Bette McDonald, Drake student. The next meeting of the Council will be given May 17, 8 p. m., at the Y.W.C.A. where Miss Rose Lovelady and Miss Victoria Kitchen will report on the dance and the tea. Mrs. Alice McCraney will give her report on the conference she attended in Chicago in April. The next meeting will be open to new members.

### DELTA SIGMA THETAS PLAN MAY BREAKFAST

Delta Sigma Theta sorority met May 5 at the Blue Triangle Branch Y.W.C.A. Plans were made for a "Mother and Daughter" breakfast to be held in the cabin at Union Park on Sunday, May 12 at 8:30 a. m. This is a part of the Delta's "May Week" program which is a national observance of Delta.

### MESSRS. GRAYSON AND BENNING HERE FROM COAST

Mr. William Grayson of Seattle, Wash., arrived this week to spend a month visiting his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Grayson, and sister, Mesdames Walter Benning and A. J. Esters and other relatives. He was accompanied by his nephew, Mr. Harold Benning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benning who will leave Monday to return to the coast.

### CHICAGOAN A VISITOR

Mrs. Dovie Rush of Chicago, Ill., left the city Thursday after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. A. P. Trotter, and Mr. Trotter.

### VISITORS AT HOME OF J. B. MORRIS

Out-of-town guests at the home of Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris during the week end of the Drake Revels were of Iowa City, James B. Morris, Jr., of Iowa City, their nephew, Capt. Ralph Arrington of LeRoy, N. Y., and Miss Betty Berry of Kansas City, Mo., former member of the W.A.C.

### MOTHER-DAUGHTER RECEPTION AT BETHEL FRIDAY NIGHT

The women of the Bethel A. M. E. church will give a mother and daughter reception at the church on Friday evening, May 10, featuring Mrs. Lillian Edmunds who will speak on "Mothers of Yesterday." Mrs. Mildred Miller on "Mothers of Today" Miss Shirley Herndon on "Mothers of Tomorrow."

### MRS. HELEN SMITH BACK HOME; MRS. FIELDS HERE

Mrs. Helen Smith of 925 School street has returned home from Omaha, Neb., after visiting her sister, Mrs. L. Johnson who has been seriously ill at St. Joseph's hospital. Mrs. Ida Fields of Omaha is visiting her brothers, Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of 925 School street.

### HONOR MRS. FESTUS STONE AT EVENTS

Mrs. Festus Stone of Tucson, Ariz., was honored at a luncheon by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hamilton of 923 E. 17th street. Mrs. Stone is a past president of the Lincoln Unit No. 129 and Mrs. Hamilton is a member. Mrs. Stone was also a luncheon guest of Mrs. Beulah Bush of West Des Moines and a dinner and theater guest of Mrs. Laura Rhodes.

### MRS. CLYDE MORRIS TO KANSAS CITY, KAS.

Mrs. Clyde Morris left the city Thursday to spend the Mother's Day week end with her daughter, Miss Eleanor Powell, instructor at Summit high school in Kansas City, Kas.

### MOTOR TO ALBIA

Mrs. Hannah Brent, Mrs. Verona McElroy and Mrs. Mattie Moore motored to Albia last Saturday to furnish music for the funeral of Mr. Albert Tate.

### MOTHER AND FATHER HONO RED ON 45TH ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Edwards of 1406 Walker street celebrated their forty-fifth wedding anniversary at a surprise party given by their four daughters: Mrs. Sylvester Forrester, Mrs. Harold Frye, Mrs. Audrey Sanders and Miss Myrtle Edwards, the latter coming from San Francisco, Cal., to be with her parents on the occasion.

The party was given at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sanders of 1755 Walker street, Tuesday evening, April 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards were married in Osceola, Iowa, April 30, 1901. They are the parents of seven children, six of whom are living. Four daughters are in the city; another, Mrs. Roy Shelby is in Richmond, Cal. One son, Frank Edwards, lives in Chicago, Ill. The honored mother and father have fifteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

### MR. AND MRS. ELMER EDWARDS

At the party, covers were laid for 55 guests. Table decorations included red roses, white carnations, tulips, Mother's Day peonies and a three-tier wedding cake with a miniature bride and groom.

Sharing the courtesies were: Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Forrester and sons, James, John and Sylvester, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frye and sons, Earl, Edward and Richard, Mr. and Mrs.

Willard Sanders and daughter, Joyce Marie; Miss Myrtle Edwards; Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaiser, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Morris.

The Rev. R. L. Speaks, the Messrs. Carl Kaiser, Frank Dawsey, Fred Dawsey, M. L. Frye and Del Thomas; The Mesdames Oliver Talbert, Cecil Jenkins, Lulu Ruther, Shelby Noah, Viola Hubbard, Ella Payne, Tresola Clark and Bessie Wesley of Osceola, Ia. Many beautiful gifts were received by Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, Residents of Des Moines for 43 years they are members of the Ninth Street Christian church. (Bill Ashby Photo).

### MRS. HELEN Mc CRAVEN OES QUEEN'S CONTEST

Mrs. Helen McCraven, 913 Grove street, is candidate for the Order of the Eastern Star Grand Chapter Queen, in the state contest which ends on May 15. She is being sponsored by the Princess O'Ziel Chapter No. 9.

### DILETTANTE CLUB MEETS MAY 14

The Dilettante club met with Mrs. Philip McGuire, 1055 Fifteenth street, May 14, 8 p. m.

### MISS THOMAS OF CHICAGO VISITS RELATIVES

The Hyde family is entertaining this week a sister, Miss Helena Thomas of Chicago. She was a former resident of Des Moines.

### MARY CHURCH TERRELL CLUB

The Mary Church Terrell club held a social meeting Monday night at the home of Mrs. A. A. Alexander.

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### JUNIOR LEAGUE HAS FORMAL BANQUET

The Junior League gave a formal spring banquet at the Y.W.C.A. on Monday evening, May 6, entertaining forty guests.

With Le Vester Cunningham, toast master, the following musicians appeared: Miss Sadye Harris, accompanied by Miss Delores Harris, "A May Morning" and "So Long"; William Jones, theme from "Warsaw Czardas"; Miss Frances M. Lowery, "Cribirubin"; Blossom Daniels, "Because"; Artie McNair, "Holiday for Strings"; Doris Bennett, "Park Avenue Fantasy"; and "Deep Purple." Mr. Cunningham played his interpretation of "Honeysuckle Rose" and "You're Nobody Until Somebody Loves You." The toast song was "Auld Lang Syne"; was played by Miss Bennett. The next meeting will be at the home of Charles Smith, 1551 E. University.

### CLUB DE LUX

Club DeLux met with Delores Bailey May 4. Dorothy Holmes and Edna Walker were accepted as new members. The evening, following business, was spent in games. The club met again May 9 with Inez Carter.

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The Membership committee held its regular monthly meeting May 7, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. G. B. Tucker is chairman. The monthly meeting of the Young Adult committee will be May 10 at 1 p. m. Miss Marshall Smith is chairman. The Publicity committee will meet May 13, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Thomas Jeffers is chairman.

### Clubs

The Young Matrons meet Wednesday nights at 8 p. m. The girls just out of school meet Wednesdays at 7:30 p. m. The Thoroughbreds, Industrial Club, meet Thursdays at 8 p. m. The Booklovers meet May 3 at 2 p. m. Mrs. G. H. Mason presided. Mrs. Wm. Neal and Mrs. Margaret Lowery were added to the membership. Mrs. John Drew reviewed "Winds of Fear" by Carter and Mrs. James Bailey reviewed "Cluny Brown" by Marguerite Sharp. Prof. Ralph W. Graham of the Sociology department of Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, and his class in race relations, visited the branch on Thursday evening, May 2. After a tour of the building, and an explanation of the program of the branch, the group had an interesting discussion of interracial practices.

### SUNDAY EVENING SUPPER CLUB MEETS

The Sunday Night Supper club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Rhodes, 129 Ridge street with the following present: Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Lewis, Mrs. Olivia Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Broddus and Mr. H. E. Hubbard. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, Mrs. Alfred Shepherd, Mr. James Bradley, Mrs. Minnie Laro of Rock Island, Ill., and Mrs. Helen Dameron of Muskegon Heights, Mich.

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Ans: It looks like your wife is determined to have her way about every issue that arises or else she skips out. You are familiar by this time with her one weakness and if you intend to live together you are going to have to humor her along as though she were a baby. You are miserable without her—go to her and talk her into coming home and starting all over again.  
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Ans: Living closer to your family would be more convenient for you

### THREE PURPOSE CLUB DISCUSSES 'GARDEN'

The Three Purpose club met May 1 with Mrs. D. Wallace as hostess. Mrs. J. Proctor outlined "The Well-Planned Garden" and presented one that might be easily arranged. An open discussion followed. Plans also were made for Mrs. M. Stanton's visit in May when the members will have a class in shell-making and stenciling.

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A WELCOME MOTHERS DAY

One day we hear of some outstanding example of democracy, the next just the opposite. And the bad examples are so much more circumscribed than the good that it is possible to become discouraged. But definite progress is being made.

Last week, the public was startled when the daily press announced that a Negro woman had been chosen the American Mother of 1946. Such a thing has never happened before. Naturally Mrs. Emma Clarissa Clement, the mother so honored, was surprised for no doubt she nor the public generally had any idea that her qualifications for the honor would be considered.

Possibly, one of the most encouraging signs growing out of her selection was that of a Louisville, Kentucky white woman who said she never thought she would have voted for a Negro woman for such an honor but when she saw Mrs. Clement's record, she just could not do other than cast a ballot for her.

There are a great many people who while professing their belief in equality, get behind closed doors and act just the opposite. The failure or refusal of juries in our courts—one did just that in the Des Moines Municipal Court Monday—to convict violators of the civil rights law is a splendid example. Behind closed doors, they ignore the evidence and decide the issues on their prejudices rather than the facts.

Mother's Day in 1946 is a new day for the Negro and a fine example of the ultimate fairness of the people. It is further proof that Negroes should qualify for there is no telling when an opportunity may come.

GERMANY IS STILL GERMANY

Either our occupation forces in Germany don't know what they are talking about or their news releases ought to be coordinated so as to let the public know the true picture.

As the story in the daily press says: "The United States military government Tuesday turned over to the American-appointed German 'states council' all administrative problems except policy making."

"Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, deputy military governor of the American zone, told the German ministers of Bavaria, Greater Hesse and Wurttemberg-Baden that the new powers given them were an 'expression of confidence.'"

In the next column we find this story: "Fifty out of 134 school-age German youths tested in a sampling of opinion after one year of occupation have expressed attitudes still unmistakably Nazi."

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The grand scramble between Dick Atkins and George Nicholas seems likely to go on for some time. The two speedsters traded verdicts last Saturday, at Grinnell, Atkins grabbing the century, and George showing his heels to the Lee township lad in the two twenty.

We can't recall when there were two Negro sprinters in the local high schools who were so outstanding, and who were just starting on their careers. We hope that they both stay in school, and get all the experience and laurels they can. One or both of them may crack a few sprints records before they are out of competition in action, we think that 'Atkins in action, we think that Atkins is the faster starter of the two, and this accounts for his winning most of the century dashes. Nicholas seems to have more power, and stamina so that he can really run it over a two twenty route.

Then the North high runner seems to get a real kick out of catching runners who are out in front of him, while Atkins seems to think that this shouldn't happen to him; that he should be behind in a race. He doesn't quit.

It is just that he is like a lot of football players who must have every pass to them perfect when they take the ball. If a bad pass comes back to them, they sulk, and refuse to give. Don't know whether Atkins sulks or not, but we do think that he just doesn't believe that anybody should be out in front of him. When he outgrows this, he will become like a two hundred yards.

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Bill Heath is fixing a gymnasium in the vicinity of the Community Drug Store, and it promises to be the real thing. Bill says he is waiting on the material for the finishing touches to it. Des Moines has needed a gym for some time, and our guess is that Bill will do all right, because if he can keep it modern, all the boxers who come to town will work there, as well as the local lights.

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Miss Ruth Vandevere is a new member. The club has 16 members, all of whom are experienced horse back riders except three who are beginners. Assisting the hosts, the Allens, in serving were Mr. and Mrs. Udeil Hannah. Mrs. Lucile Brooks was awarded a riding crop for being the member who sold the most tickets to the Ruptured Duck dance last month.

Eugene Frazier and Obie Brooks, who spent two weeks in the Vets hospital last month are out again. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bernice Carter, 911 16th street, May 12, 4:30 p. m.

The Blackhaws have instituted a new set of rules for their club, and have gone about enforcing them in a unique way. This is talking out of school, but some of the rules are against swearing; unnecessary conduct in club meetings; wearing of hats in the Y, smoking, and several other things along those lines. Any member caught violating these rules finds himself getting punched by just about the entire club membership.

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By MARIE ROSS

Lavalle Tate Promoted to T/Sergeant in Japan

Mainly, Ia. — Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Tate received word from their son, T/4 Lavalle Tate, in Kuno, Japan, that he has been promoted to the grade of technical sergeant. He sent interesting pictures telling of some of the large buildings in Japan.

New Guinea Natives Called 'Fussy-Wussies' Are Proud 'Far From Being Heathens'

"Thirty months in the South Pacific" experiences of Captain Quentin R. Mease, are continued this week as he writes from Tokyo, Japan.

"After ten days of comparative idleness in the Moresby area, word finally filtered down that we had been assigned to a Fifth Air Force unit up in the Forward Area and would be flown over the 'Hump' as the Owen Stanley Range was affectionately dubbed.

"Next morning found our small crew piling into the GMCs and rolling down to the 'strip' at Ward Air-drome at Moresby. Then into olive drab C47s to commence the flight over the 'Hump.' The skies over Guinea a tthis time of '43 were infested with Zeros and we vividly recall the skillful handling of this large plane by the pilot in taking advantage of every available cloud bank for concealment from patrolling enemy fighters. Anxious moments aboard the C47 when a trio of enemy planes were seen flying high above us but apparently not seeing our craft and we winged our way northward, finally dropping into Nadzab in mid-afternoon.

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