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News Briefs From Far and Near

RED CROSS CABLES SON OF HONOR TO MOTHER

Washington, D. C.—American Red Cross Chairman Basil O'Connor on behalf of the organization has extended congratulations to George W. Clement, Negro Red Cross club director in Leghorn, Italy, on the election of his mother, Mrs. Emma Clarissa Clement, by the Golden Rule Foundation as the Mother of 1946.

Mr. Clement, who is in charge of the Imperial Club for occupational troops on leave, joined the Red Cross staff in September 1944 as an assistant field director. Because of special aptitude, he was promoted to the status of program director soon after completing his orientation training at American University, and served in that capacity when he first went to Italy.

REVOKES KLAN CHARTER

Los Angeles (NNPA)—Superior Judge Alfred A. Paonessa last Tuesday revoked the California charter of the Ku Klux Klan and denied it the right to obtain a new permit to operate in this state. Attorney General Robert W. Kenny paraded a throng of ex-klanmen and other witnesses to prove his contention that the Klan "taught racial hatred through violence and intimidation."

SINGER'S SON TO NAVY'S PRESS SECTION

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—Ensign Charles T. Duncan, a son of the noted singer, Todd Duncan, has been assigned to the Office of Public Information in the Navy Department's press section, the Navy announced last Wednesday.

Ensign Duncan flew here from Japan where he has been assigned as assistant navigator of the U. S. S. Plant, a naval tanker.

A graduate of Dartmouth University, Ensign Duncan will take over the duties formerly performed by Lieutenant Sylvester White, who was the first colored officer ever to be assigned to Navy headquarters in Washington. Lieutenant White is now discharged and living in Chicago.

WILSON, ELK LEADER, DENOUNCES REPORT

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—J. Finley Wilson, grand exalted ruler of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, branded as "absolutely false" reports that he has threatened to seize or plans to seize the real or personal property of Imperial Lodge No. 127, Brooklyn Lodge No. 32, or any other Elks' lodge.

He also denounced as false "any rumor" that he plans to levy a tax of any kind upon the receipts of the bar and grill of those lodges or any other Elks' lodge.

Both Imperial and Brooklyn lodges are under suspension because they transferred their property from the fraternal lodge to a corporation.

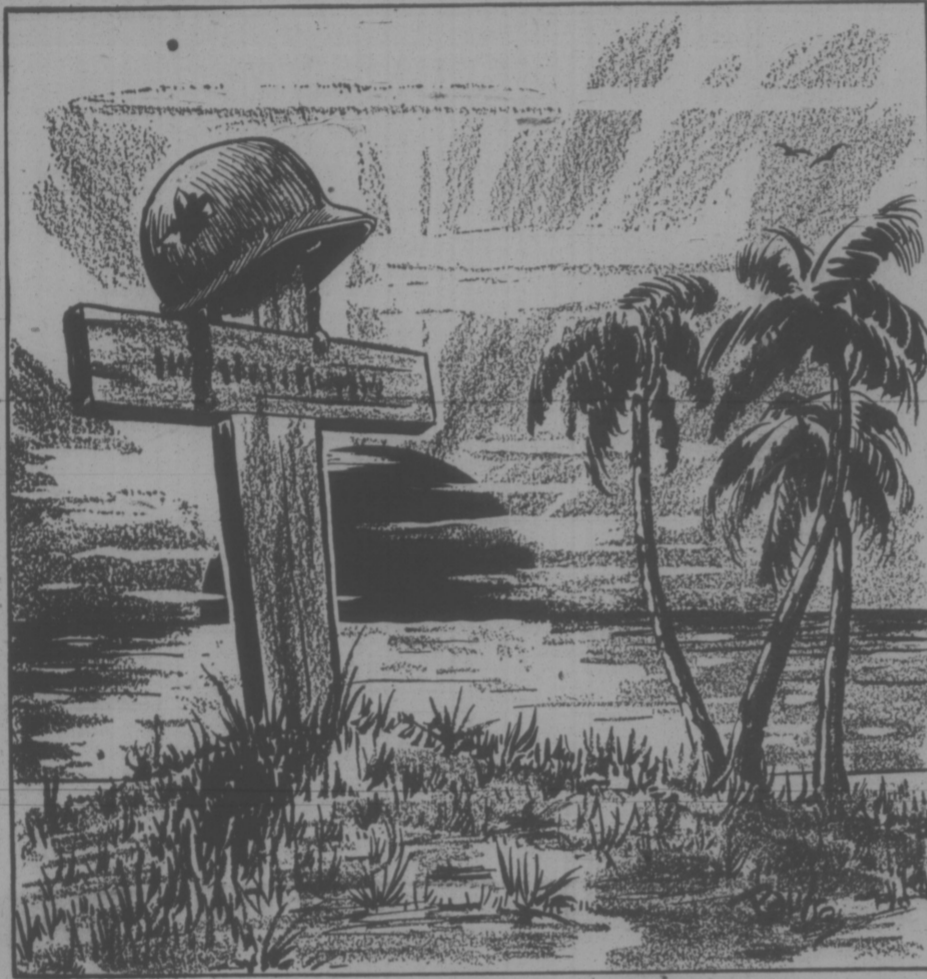
Mr. Wilson said he will insist that the real and personal property of the two lodges and all other Elks' lodges "shall remain exclusively for the use and benefit of those loyal members who are remaining faithful and true to the order."

MOTHER OF MR. R. S. SIMMS DIES IN TOPEKA

Mr. R. S. Simms, 937 Fifteenth street, left the city Wednesday to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Cynthia Simms, who died in Topeka, Kas., on Monday, May 27, after an illness of three weeks. Mrs. Osceola Simms was at her bedside.

Eighty-seven years old, the Kansan who was a native of Sedalia, Mo., had lived in Topeka for 50 years, residing at 1814 Tenth avenue. She was a past matron of the Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the Shiloh Baptist church. Funeral arrangements await the arrival of other relatives.

Died—For God and Country



On some far distant shore, I sleep, that tyranny shall rule no more.
Guard well your trust, and keep America free, forevermore!

NAACP WORKERS WHO PUT DRIVE OVER TOP



Among the workers in the recent membership drive of the Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People who went over the top of their goal with 1,505 members are the following: (Seated on floor from left to right): Mrs. William Joseph, A. P.

Trotter who is president of the Branch; Atty. S. Joe Brown, Rev. J. J. Hawkins who was chairman of the membership drive, F. O. Morrow, Mrs. LeRoy Carter.

Second row: (left to right) Mesdames Myrtle Butler, Mattie B. Scott, Eva Roper, William Neal, Sarah

Jett, Cora Moore, Georgine C. Morris. Third row: (left to right) Mesdames Celeste Jones, Dorena Manuel, M. B. Glass, Claudine Redmond, Reba Dean, J. J. Hawkins, Mr. Ike Smalls, Mesdames Marri Johnson and Murlean Taylor. (Bill Ashby photo.)

Unveil Bust of Booker T. Washington in Famed Hall

New York (NNPA)—A bronze bust of Booker T. Washington, the slave-born educator who rose to international eminence before his death in 1915, was unveiled at ceremonies attended by 1,100 persons, including many of his descendants, at ceremonies in the Gould Memorial Library of New York University last Thursday.

The bust was unveiled by his grand daughter, Gloria Davidson Washington, who came from Washington, where she is a student at Howard University, to join in the ceremonies. It will be placed in the Hall of Fame for Great Americans on the univer-

sity campus. A procession, led by sixty members of the Tuskegee choir and including many educators and former friends and associates of the late Dr. Washington, marched through the colonnade of the Hall of Fame, to the auditorium, to open the exercises. The Hampton Institute Creative Dance Group enacted a dramatic pantomime interpreting the life of Dr. Washington, and Miss Dorothy Maynor, soprano, sang several solos and joined the choir in spirituals.

President Truman sent a message of the spirit of the ceremony. In a let-

Willkie House, Inc. Community Center Project Approved

Approval of the new Negro community center building project by the Des Moines district construction committee here on Monday "does not give us the right to buy building materials," commented A. A. Alexander, president of the community center board and building chairman this week.

"It merely means that—if we can find the materials—we can buy them," Mr. Alexander stated. Construction bids will be taken about September 1, he added.

"Willkie House, Inc., name of the new community center, will be a \$100,000 project, to be built on the old McHenry school site at Seventeenth and Crocker streets. Named for the late Wendell Willkie, it will replace the present community center at 907 Fifteenth street.

A contribution of \$100,000 was made to Willkie House, Inc., from the Gardner Cowles Foundation. Des Moines Negroes raised an additional \$10,000 to supplement the gift. Facilities in the new building will include a gymnasium, recreation room, bowling alley, meeting room for Boy Scouts and other groups, and kitchen.

In making the gift, the Foundation suggested that the building be named to honor Mr. Willkie "who did so much in his public career to create better understanding toward the Negroes and more tolerance among all grow with it in size and activity," Mr. White commented.

Another suggestion by the Foundation was "assurance that the building would always be open to anyone who cared to use it and would never be restricted to any special group or segment of the city's population."

DRAKE COMMENCEMENT MONDAY MORNING

Commencement exercises at Drake University will be held on Monday morning, June 3 at 9:30 a. m.

Release 9 Suspects In Kidnapping Case

Chicago (NNPA)—Chief Justice Harold G. Ward in criminal court last Tuesday ordered the release of nine of eleven persons seized by police in a wholesale round up of known police characters for questioning in connection with the \$100,000 ransom kidnaping of Edward P. Jones, the wealthy policy king.

When the men appeared before him on writs of habeas corpus, the judge ordered the police to release or book them.

Judge Ward said that if police could cite any definite evidence against any of the persons held, he would be glad to allow the police ample time for investigation, but that they cannot arrest people at random, without evidence, and investigate them at their leisure.

Meanwhile, police sought for questioning nearly half a hundred other persons who had been listed by Chief of Detective Storms.

MUSICAL PROGRAM FRIDAY, JUNE 7 AT CORINTHIAN

The Bethel Choral club, Burns Men's Chorus and Corinthian Song-fellows will be presented in a musical program Friday evening, June 7, at 8 o'clock at the Corinthian Baptist church. Mrs. Katherine McFarland will give several readings. A diamond ring will be awarded to the winning contestant.

Mesdames Ophelia Hill and Beatrice Bailey are sponsoring the program for the state and national Baptist conventions.

PVT. KELLEY HERE

Pvt. Shelle Kelley, stationed at an army camp in New Jersey, spent the week end here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Neil, and sister, Mrs. Robert Wright.

Man Should Scorn Seeking Office Over 'Prostrate Bodies of Another Race'

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—Giv-

en the ballot, the millions disfranchised through the poll-tax in the South would shortly correct and improve their own social, educational, agricultural and industrial conditions, Harold L. Ickes, former Secretary of the Interior, told a dinner-meeting of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare at the Statler hotel here last Wednesday evening.

Attacking the poll tax before a mixed audience of more than 600 people, Mr. Ickes charged that "the economic masters of the South seized the opportunity afforded by the dire straits of the Negro to impose a tax on his voting privilege."

Calling this "political slavery," Mr. Ickes said the number of impoverished whites reduced to "ballot-bondage" was twice that of colored people, and added:

"They may be, and were, drafted into the Army; they may be, and were compelled to face the common enemy, and if necessary give up their lives to protect the life, and liberty, and happiness of their fellow citizens. But they cannot vote. This is the brand of democracy that we hold up for the curious regard of the world."

Mr. Ickes declared that this country is going to do away with injustices and discriminations "despite the

Bilbos and the O'Danields and the Rankins." Continuing, he said:

'Day Will Come'

"The day will come—perhaps it is already here—when any decent human being will scorn to seek public office over the prostrate bodies of those of another race.

"It is a foul thing, this keeping the passions of the prejudiced and ignorant stirred to white heat in order to attain public office. It is foul and unclean and if I were a member of a so-called committee to investigate un-American activities I would begin at home.

"If denial of civil rights to American citizens, denial of the right to enjoy to the full the freedom proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence and set forth in the Constitution of the United States does not constitute un-American activities then I do not know the meaning of that term."

At the meeting, which was a part of the Southern Conference's program to raise \$2,500 to carry on its educational activities in the District of Columbia, more than \$9,000 was contributed to bring the total amount raised thus far in the drive to \$17,000.

The largest single donation of the evening was made by Mrs. Luke Wilson who gave \$2,500.

D. M. NAACP Drive Goes Over with 1,505 Members; Greetings from W. White

Message from Walter White

Walter White, national secretary of the NAACP, telegraphed Ike Smalls, following a letter from him, congratulating the Des Moines branch on "its fine achievement in securing 1505 members—a gain of 300 over last year.

"Difficult days of peace lie ahead but the forces of decency are better organized than ever before to oppose bigotry. The latter, however, are strong and must not be underestimated. National office is confident Des Moines Branch will not be satisfied even with present fine achievement but will continue to grow with it in size and activity."

Mr. Smalls, president of the Iowa State Branches, was "proud of the record" of the Des Moines Branch, he said.

The Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People ended its membership drive on Wednesday night, May 22, with a total of 1,505 members, the Rev. J. J. Hawkins, chairman of the drive, announced. The goal was 1,500.

"The workers entered the drive with a spirit of unity," the Rev. Mr. Hawkins commented and added that the drive was "a perfect example of concentrated energy."

A. P. Trotter, president, and F. O. Morrow, made congratulatory remarks at the meeting.

Highest ranking team was headed by Mrs. Eva Roper and Mr. Trotter with 575 members. The second highest was led by Atty. S. Joe Brown and Mrs. William Neal with 455 members; and the third, Mrs. Azalia Mitchell and Mrs. Alice McCraney, leaders, brought in 400 members. Extra workers reported the remainder of members.

Individuals reporting the largest number of members were: Mrs. William Neal, 153; Mrs. Azalia Mitchell, 125; and Mrs. William Joseph, 117.

Workers of the Roper-Trotter team with 575 members were the first to report over the top of goal. Team follows: Mrs. Roper 53; Mr. Trotter 78; Mrs. Joseph 117; Mrs. Celeste

Jones 60; Mrs. Birdie Winn 5; Mrs. Dorena Manuel 51; Mrs. C. Brown 28; Mrs. C. Lewis 10; Mrs. L. Bundy 53; Mrs. Georgine C. Morris 43; Mrs. Reba Dean 38; Mrs. L. Darby 6; Mrs. Mays 28; C. Bayles 5.

The Brown and Neal team workers with 455 members were: S. Joe Brown 50; Mrs. Wm. Neal 153; Mrs. Mary Hardaway 21; Mrs. Mattie B. Scott 13; Mrs. Elizabeth Franklin 33; Mrs. E. J. Roach 19; Mrs. M. B. Glass 15; Mrs. S. E. Jett 43; Mrs. D. Wilson 10; Ike Smalls 38; Mrs. Cora Moore 13; Mrs. Marri Johnson 32; Mrs. Alice Sloan 6; Mrs. M. Butler 7.

The Mitchell-McCraney workers with 400 members reported were: Mrs. Azalia Mitchell 125; Mrs. Alice McCraney 53; Mrs. Olive Peterson 25; Mrs. Beasye Greene 24; F. O. Morrow 53; Mrs. Murlean Taylor 11; Sam Singleton 13; Calvin Pruitt 28; Mrs. J. J. Hawkins 28; R. Gibson 50; Mrs. Clara Bayless 12.

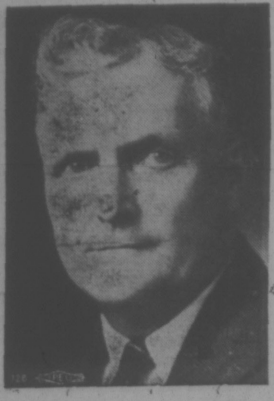
Extra workers were: Mesdames Walter Thompson, Willa Jones, William Simmons, Westella Tywater, Ellen Robinson, Dayse Johnson, Irene Spivey, Marcelline Estes, Clyde Morris, Frances Hall, Mary K. Monroe, Willa Bell Sloan, Hattie Manuel, Carrie Colbert, L. Miller, Pinkie Carr, Hannah King, Annamay Carter, Tina Berry, Etta Mae Edmunds and Rev. Alvin Cannon.

Registration for Clean-Up Drive Is Set Up to June 10

The registration deadline for the annual Clean-up and Beautify campaign which is sponsored by the Community Garden club, Des Moines branch NAACP and the Iowa By-stander, has been extended until June 10.

Phone the office of the Bystander or clip the blank in the paper and mail to the office if you plan to enter the contest in which many cash prizes will be awarded.

DAVID B. LONG
SEEKS A SECOND TERM



The office of State Commerce Commissioner is one of the more important positions to be filled at the next general election. The Commerce Commission deals with practically every phase of our economic life and its decisions and rulings affect the welfare of each man, woman and child in the state. Nominations for the office will be made in the primary election in June. No doubt there are several good men running for nomination for this office. However, the Negro voters generally and many in official circles happen to be particularly well acquainted with David B. Long who is now finishing his first term as Commerce Commissioner and is a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket for a second term.

"Dave" Long is a friendly, approachable man of the highest character and of sterling ability and with a broad business experience. These qualities together with his admitted, highly successful first term in the office should assure him of the nomination on the Republican ticket for a second term.

YOUTH COUNCIL HAS
HOLIDAY PICNIC

The Youth Council of the NAACP held a Memorial Day picnic on May 30 at 6:30 p. m. at Greenwood park. The Council's president, Miss Sue Craddock, is living in Detroit, Mich. At the next meeting, May 31, plans will be made for the election of a new president and report on the membership drive which ends on June 15.

MRS. WILLIAMS IN
PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Barbara Jean Williams, presented in piano recital recently at the Gaines Studio, played the following numbers: "Perpetual Motion" (Webster); "Clair DeLune" (Debussy); "The Bee" (Schubert); Chopin Waltzes and "Fire Dance" (DePalla). Mrs. Dana Doyle, soprano, sang "Ava Maria" (Schubert) and "Lord's Prayer" (Malotte).

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT
OF REDEMPTION

To W. E. BEATY, WILLIAM E. DARTY, in whose name the real estate described herein is taxed.

You are hereby notified that on December 31, A. D. 1946, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

East thirty-five (35) feet of Lot three (3) Beaver Heights, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to Mary McGuire for the delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1937, 1938, 1939, thereon; that the undersigned Mary McGuire is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

Dated May 24th, 1946.
Book 26, Page 202.
MARY McGUIRE,
by her Agent, J. H. Olson,
Printed and published in the Iowa Register
Monday, May 20, June 3 and 13, 1946.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE
STATE OF IOWA IN AND FOR
POLK COUNTY
HAWKEYE COMPANY, Plaintiff
vs.
POLK COUNTY, IOWA,
The Unknown Spouses, Grantees, Devisees,
Heirs at Law, Legal Representatives,
and Assigns of Andrew W. Bright and
Pearlina J. Bright, and,
The Unknown Claimants in and to the following described real estate to-wit:

Lot 91, Lakeside Addition, included in the following described real estate to-wit:
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Defendants.
To the above named defendants and all of them:

You and each of you are hereby notified that the petition of the above named plaintiff is now on file in the Office of the Clerk of the above named Court, asking that certain liens described in said petition which were filed for advancements made to the former owners of the above described property for Old Age Assistance furnished said parties and which liens described in said petition were assigned to the above plaintiff by the State Board of Social Welfare of the State of Iowa in the total amount of \$1,250.00.

Plaintiff asks in said petition for judgment in rem in said amount against the property described in the caption of this notice and that said judgment and lien be foreclosed upon said property and that the same be sold to satisfy said liens and for the appointment of a receiver to take charge of said property.

For further particulars see the petition now on file.

You are also hereby notified to appear before the above named Court at the Polk County Court House in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa on or before the 6th day of July, 1946, and that, unless you so appear your default will be entered and judgment of foreclosure will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

MISSELL AND WITMER,
Attorneys for Plaintiff,
419 Southern Surety Bldg., Des Moines, Ia.
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ORIGINAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY
VIVIAN CRUZE, Plaintiff
vs.
JOHN HARVEY CRUZE, Defendant,
To the Above Named Defendant:

You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, claiming of you an absolute divorce on the grounds of cruel inhuman treatment. For further particulars see the petition now on file.

And unless you appear thereto and defend before said court of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on or before the 27th day of June, 1946, your default will be entered and judgment or decree will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition or as provided by law, with due notice and govern yourself accordingly.

Dated this 22nd day of May, 1946.
W. LAWRENCE OLIVER,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
419 E. 8th St.
Printed and published in the Iowa Register
Monday, May 20, June 3 and 13, 1946.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF
QUALITY DRUGS SERVICE, INC.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have formed a body corporate under the provisions of Chapter 28, Section 28.1 of the 1939 Code of Iowa and have adopted Articles of Incorporation that provide as follows:

1. The name of this corporation is and shall be Quality Drugs Service, Inc. and the principal place of business shall be in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

2. The object of this corporation and general nature and purpose for which the corporation is formed is to carry on a wholesale and retail business dealing with drugs, sundries, notions, kitchenware and any and all articles, products, medicines and merchandise that can be legally sold by the corporation under the laws of the State of Iowa.

In furtherance but not in limitation of the purposes herein stated, the corporation shall have the power to acquire and purchase any and all types of merchandise to carry out the objects and purposes of the corporation and for the additional powers to purchase and acquire any and all equipment, personal property and real estate that is found to be essential for the expansion and success of the corporation.

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

Ten (10) shares of said non-par value capital stock of this corporation, shall be issued for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each of said shares and this corporation shall commence business when said ten shares have been issued, but said ten shares shall be non-par value shares and the same as all the capital stock authorized by the Articles of Incorporation by these Articles of Incorporation may be increased by a vote of two-thirds of the interest of all stockholders voting in favor thereof, and by an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation. When the amount of the capital stock has been increased as herein provided, the additional shares shall be issued to the then existing stockholders proportionately to their respective holdings in the same manner and upon the same terms and conditions as provided herein for the issuing of the original capital stock.

The time of the commencement of said corporation was May 28th, 1946, and shall continue for twenty years thereafter, unless sooner dissolved by the stockholders by a 2/3 vote of the stock held by the stockholders at any annual meeting or at any meeting duly called for that purpose or otherwise provided for by law.

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

5. The annual meeting of the stockholders of this corporation shall be held on the last Wednesday of December of each year and that the first annual meeting of the stockholders of Des Moines, Iowa, shall be held on the 27th day of December, 1946, at Des Moines, Iowa, and the office of said corporation shall be at Des Moines, Iowa, secretary, and Keith A. Markussen, of Des Moines, Iowa, treasurer of said corporation.

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

7. At Des Moines, Iowa, this 28th day of May, 1946.
RALPH T. ANDERSON,
KEITH A. MARKUSSEN,
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Vernon R. Seeburger, Republican Candidate for County Attorney, primary, Monday, June 3rd, 1946, has made an outstanding record for vigorous law enforcement during his previous administration as Polk County Attorney, and since his appointment by the Board of Supervisors in October, 1945, has collected \$31,725 in fines (the largest amount in fines collected in a six months period in the history of Polk County) which go to the school fund and help to support our schools. At the time he entered the County Attorney's Office, there were 150 cases on the docket, since that time the Grand Jury has added 200 more, and the docket is now substantially cleared as of the ending of the March term.

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When some straw-boss surprises you with a sudden greeting of "dialect"—then be surprised that his language has changed. If he continues, re-act him—but go on with your work—and keep your job.

Enjoy your job while you have it. Looking for another in public institutions is not such a happy thought.



R. S. SIMMS

That man in the telephone booth who seems to be making you wait while he works with a light or adjusts a door—just could be R. S. Simms of 937 Fifteenth street, who has been employed as booth inspector for the Northwestern Bell Telephone company for 17 years.

Mr. Simms is the company's only booth inspector who takes care of the 350 or more telephone booths in the city. A more accurate title of his duties would be "booth maintenance." Mr. Simms informed as he lifted among his duties, checking booths to see that the lights are working, directories are in good condition, making minor adjustments on the phones, putting new linoleum on the booth floors, or glass in the doors and repainting and refinishing the booths.

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city and makes weekly and monthly inspections of the telephone booths. Places like railway stations and large hotels require booth inspections more frequently than the less patronized institutions or businesses.

When Mr. Simms started with the telephone company, phone service was not considered a necessity as it is now and it was the business of every employee of the company to help sell the service to new users. In 1935 and 1936 he received a commendation from the company for having sold more downtown telephone service than any other employee — during that period.

Mr. Simms revealed that the company employed nine Negro women as maids when he began working there. All were laid off but one maid. Now the company has ten Negro employees, five girls who began work on May 1, as elevator operators. Four other Negro men hold other jobs. Born in Sedalia, Mo., Mr. Simms lived in Kansas where he was reared, graduated from Topelka high school and came to Iowa in 1915.

Worked for Cadillac Company
He began working for the Kruide Cadillac Co., as manager of their parts department, for which he did all of the buying of the motor car parts and handling of the accounts for his branch for thirteen years.

If he had life to start over again Mr. Simms said he would prepare to be an accountant—because he likes working with figures and keeping books.

Active in religious and fraternal organizations here, he is class leader, steward and secretary of the St. Paul A.M.E. church, secretary of the North Star Lodge, and member of the NAACP and the Y.M.C.A.
He resides with his wife, Mrs. Cecelia Simms, in their home at 937 Fifteenth street.

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New Tuskegee Chairman in Key Position Interracially; Former Law Partner of FDR

Tuskegee (ANP) — Election last month of Basil O'Connor as chairman of the board of trustees of Tuskegee instituted recalls the remarkable record of inspiring and capable leadership which Tuskegee has enjoyed. The best blood and brains of the white north and south has always joined hands with those of the black south to support Tuskegee, symbol as it is of the rise and possibilities of a race.



BASIL O'CONNOR

In Booker T. Washington, Robert R. Moton and now Frederick D. Patterson, the institution has had at its immediate helm, 3 unusual figures: Booker T. Washington, the founder, the statesman; Robert R. Moton, the builder, a disciple of interracial friendship; and now the youth Patterson who has carried on with adaptation to fit changing times, the tradition laid down by his distinguished predecessors.

Basil O'Connor, who is also chairman of the American Red Cross and president of the National Infantile Paralysis foundation, in becoming head of the board which is responsible for the financing and overall policies of Tuskegee, likewise follows a brilliant coterie of figures. Among those who have served as chairmen are Dr. William Jay Schieffelin, famed New York civic leader and humanitarian; William H. Baldwin, Jr., the great industrialist; Seth Low, former mayor of the City of New York and William G. Wilcox. Associated with them have been such a stalwart personalities as Theodore Roosevelt, Julius Rosenwald and Robert C. Ogden.

Best Known Counsellor
Mr. O'Connor, law partner of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, is one of the best known counsellors in New York City. He specializes in corporate law but through expert organization of his time is able to also handle two momentous jobs of Red Cross and infantile paralysis. A native of Taunton, Mass., a graduate of Dartmouth college, through which he helped to defray his own expenses and of Harvard Law school, Mr. O'Connor's rise to the top of the New York bar was rapid.

Interest in Tuskegee
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SHRINE JUBILEE AT CORINTHIAN JUNE 2
Sunday morning, June 2, James Morrow, potentate, and nobles, with the Daughters of Isis will attend Corinthian Baptist church for their annual Shrine Jubilee celebration. After services there will be dinner, then the Potentate will take a class of novices "across the hot sands of Mecca."
After the ceremonial the nobles and ladies will go to the legion for refreshments. Guests are welcome to the after party. Entertainment chairman, Speck Howard will be in charge. The Scottish Rite degree will be conferred by Marcus McCraven.

NINTH STREET CHRISTIAN SERVICES AT YMCA JUNE 2
Sunday services of the Ninth Street Christian church will be held on June 2 at the Crocker Street Y.M.C.A., and will continue there until the worship center is completed at the 1026 Ninth street location, the Rev. J. J. Hawkins, pastor, announced. Bible school is at 9:45 a. m.; worship service, 11 a. m., C. Y. E. at 7:30 p. m. These meetings are open to the public.

Seek to Regain DAR 'Esteem'

Washington, D. C. (NNPA)—Commenting editorially on the resolution passed by the Daughters of the American Revolution at its fifty-fifth annual congress in Atlantic City last Tuesday, which banned the Committee Against Racial Discrimination in Constitution Hall, the Washington Post, under the caption, "DAR Opportunity," last Wednesday said:
"One can react only with dismay to the resolution adopted by the DAR Continental Congress ordering immediate dissolution of the 'DAR Committee Against Racial Discrimination in the Use of Constitution Hall.' Representative Clare Booth Luce, who headed the committee has been endeavoring to mobilize sentiment within the DAR for elimination of the 'white artists only' clause in rental contracts for Constitution Hall. We should think, if the organization is at all democratically constituted, that she has every right to do this. Yet Mrs. Talmadge indignantly called her

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PLAY DUET FOR GOVERNOR BLUE



During a tea at Hotel Kirkwood Thursday, May 23, honoring Governor and Mrs. Robert B. Blue, Ward Barnes, veteran Iowa publisher from Eagle Grove and Blue's primary campaign manager, entertained the 225 women guests with a piano selection.

The leader of a 'rebellious group seeking to force a change in our rules.' 'Rebellious' is a strange taunt from a daughter of revolution.
"If it be rebellion that Mrs. Luce is leading, it is rebellion of a very constructive sort. There must have been many in the DAR, as there were many throughout the Nation, who deplored the refusal last fall to permit Miss Hazel Scott to use Constitution Hall for a recital. The refusal based entirely on Miss Scott's race and color, was an affront to the essential

B. HARRY WRIGHT
To the Readers:
I wish to call the attention of the readers of the Iowa Bystander, the candidacy of B. Harry Wright, the present Bailiff of the Municipal Court for Clerk of the District Court, subject to the Republican primary election, June 3, 1946.
Harry has been bailiff of the Municipal Court for 10 years and is still holding that office. He has made a splendid record and performed his duties as such office with honor to the city, county and with great credit to himself. Harry was also a former deputy District Court clerk prior to being elected Bailiff of the Municipal Court three times with a very large majority each time. He is a Republican and serves the public regardless of party affiliation; is courteous and efficient to the highest degree.
It is with pleasure that I recommend Harry to the voters of Polk County, both in the primary, June 3, and in the General election in November.
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LINCOLN POST NEWS
By W. T. BURNS
On June 4 the Post nominating committee will submit its selection of candidates to be post officers for the ensuing year. Post election will be July 2.
Delinquent members will have until June 30 to pay their 1946 Legion memberships. For further information consult W. T. Burns, Sixth District vice commander. The Post meets on June 4 and 18.
The commander attended Adult education council dinner at Younkers Tea room and housing conference at Information Center. Commander Fird and Turpin carried colors for the memorial at Burke park. Two boys have been selected for Boy's state, which will be held at Camp Dodge in June. The year's membership will from the DAR record, Mrs. Luce disclose at 225. Owing to the shortage plays a devotion at once to democrat- of everything the Post is not having its ideals and to the organization of refreshments on 3rd Tuesday at pres- which she is a distinguished member. ent.

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Mr. and Mrs. Susie A. and Mr. Ritchie, on their birthday party, received many gifts. Attending: Joan Brown, tie Woods, and William Bourne, Wa Johnnie Bechie and M.

MRS. AV. SURPRISE
Mrs. Mat birthday party Marguerite was five years old. The following: Sharon ell, Joan P. J. Taylor, Al Dixon, kis, Edward Eayles, Jr., vin Moore.

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Mrs. G. Northwester Society was Muscatine 19. Dr. Allic sided. The tor.

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Mrs. Mil returned to a concert Savannah, appeared in Methodist 13 and 14. Milwaukee church at St. Matt.

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IT'S HARD TO DUCK MORAL ISSUES

The DAR Constitutional Congress, meeting last week in Atlantic City, New Jersey, voted almost unanimously to dissolve the committee against Racial Discrimination in Constitution Hall of which Rep. Clare Booth Luce is the head. It was a grand and glorious way for the DAR to duck the issue because there was no constitutional authority for such a committee and therefore anything Rep. Luce's group did as such had no standing before the body. There was no other way for the delegates to vote.

Of course, the legalistic standing of the committee is not the issue in this fight to delete the word "white only" from leases for Constitution Hall. The real question is one of racial discrimination. This is what Rep. Luce and his group were fighting; this is the issue which the DAR refused to meet squarely and fairly.

And, unfortunately, failure to meet the issues fairly and squarely as they raise today is the chief reason why this country finds itself in such an ignominious position. The fear of Con-

VOICE MONDAY IN THE PRIMARIES

Monday, June 3, the voters of Iowa go to the polls to nominate candidates for the majority party to be voted on at the general election. The primaries are important for those who are nominated constitute the party tickets; important because individuals, who are otherwise regular party members, have the opportunity to say who those candidates shall be.

This has not been a very lively campaign except for the race for the Republican nomination for governor. No real issues have developed which, generally, not only put life into a campaign but also bring out a large vote on election day.

Fortunately, Iowa puts no restrictions on a man's right to vote. This going to the polls and registering is a blessing we enjoy; a privilege of which many people over the world

WE MUDGLE ALONG, SOMEHOW

As the Bystander predicted, the railroad strike was patched up last week and the trams are rolling on schedule again; undoubtedly the same thing will be true with the mine strike. Both affairs have made monkeys of the administration and Congress, neither possessing the courage to do the things it knows to be right and for the best interests of the country as a whole.

Over the years, Congress has passed much labor legislation aimed to fit particular situations which arose or the labor union which has been able to put on the greatest amount of pressure. Many of these laws are valuable. But we don't have a code of

LOCAL NAACP DRIVE DESERVES PRAISE

The Des Moines Branch NAACP maintains a strong position which has just closed the most successful membership drive in its history, securing a total of 1,503 members to date.

Well organized and directed from the beginning the solicitors were so placed that each section of the city was covered thus producing a wider distribution of solicitation among all groups.

The NAACP is carrying on a great fight over the country. Its success has been encouraging. The local branch has supported that fight very well both with its financial and moral support; it has backed and is directing and pursuing a good program toward carrying out the object of the organization; it will do more as it

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SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

Our local Negroes got sort of left at the post in the State high school meet last week. With just a little luck, North High might have won the thing. Ed Morton is still fussing about that unfortunate spill he took in the high hurdle race that might have cost the Pink and Green the title. George Nichols was trounced in his specialty, the two twenty, because we were told, he didn't warm up. Then, the time, under .22, might have a little to do with it. Any time a guy can gallop the furling under twenty-two seconds, he is flirting with college time. But George came back and helped the quarter mile relay team of Massey, Morton and Burkes to win and fairly flew past the field to bring his team in fifth in the half mile relay.

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MRS. BERTHA BELL BACK FROM IOWA CITY HOSPITAL
Mrs. Bertha Bell, 1414 Crocker street, returned to the city last Tuesday from Iowa City hospital where she was confined about two months. She is doing nicely at her home. While there she was visited by her daughter, Mrs. William Townes, and her husband, Mr. Hayes Bell.

Baseball

The Pittsburgh Courier is keeping a running record of the Negroes in the white minor leagues. There is Ray Campanella, heavy hitting catcher and Don Newcombe in the Eastern league, a class B affair, besides Jackie Robinson in the International who have managed to break into the box scores thus far. Robinson has been hitting pretty well, plugging along at a .344 rate, and being scored in stolen bases in the league. His fielding has been marked by quite a few errors. The Sporting News, which never was so hot for Negroes in organized baseball says that his biggest weakness is throwing off balance, and this accounts for a number of wild throws. But, he is the finish man on what has developed into one of the best double play combinations in the league, so he must not make all of those tosses off balance. Our humble guess is that Jackie tries for everything that he can possibly reach, probably knocks down a lot of potential extra base hits, and has to hurry his throws or doesn't have a chance to get them off properly. Campanella's timely and heavy hitting is responsible for the showing of Nashua, Brooklyn farm club in the Eastern league. Newcomb has won 3 games and has a fine strike-out record, as well as a low percentage in earned runs. Our further opinion is that Negroes will be popping up in lots more of this class B leagues all over the country.

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Mrs. Bertha Bell, 1414 Crocker street, returned to the city last Tuesday from Iowa City hospital where she was confined about two months. She is doing nicely at her home. While there she was visited by her daughter, Mrs. William Townes, and her husband, Mr. Hayes Bell.

Baseball
The Pittsburgh Courier is keeping a running record of the Negroes in the white minor leagues. There is Ray Campanella, heavy hitting catcher and Don Newcombe in the Eastern league, a class B affair, besides Jackie Robinson in the International who have managed to break into the box scores thus far. Robinson has been hitting pretty well, plugging along at a .344 rate, and being scored in stolen bases in the league. His fielding has been marked by quite a few errors. The Sporting News, which never was so hot for Negroes in organized baseball says that his biggest weakness is throwing off balance, and this accounts for a number of wild throws. But, he is the finish man on what has developed into one of the best double play combinations in the league, so he must not make all of those tosses off balance. Our humble guess is that Jackie tries for everything that he can possibly reach, probably knocks down a lot of potential extra base hits, and has to hurry his throws or doesn't have a chance to get them off properly. Campanella's timely and heavy hitting is responsible for the showing of Nashua, Brooklyn farm club in the Eastern league. Newcomb has won 3 games and has a fine strike-out record, as well as a low percentage in earned runs. Our further opinion is that Negroes will be popping up in lots more of this class B leagues all over the country.

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Many Pleasant Features About Milne Bay That Compensated Hard Work, Captain Mease Writes

"And now enough of philosophizing about life 'Down Under' and back to the road again, and again it is the 'Road to Guinea,' wrote Captain Quentin R. Mease continuing his 'Thirty Months in the Pacific.'"

"October 12, 1944 found us leaving Brisbane, this time bound for Ora Bay, New Guinea. This was an eight day water trip up the east coast of Australia, broken by a three day stop at Townsville, Australia. The last night aboard ship we received word of the Philippine invasion at Leyte and most everyone aboard expressed a wish to get to the Philippines as soon as possible. But only a few of these wishes were gratified, and although a few of the officers were assigned to join units in or heading for the Philippines, most of us had to be content with assignments to Guinea bases.

"After a three-day stay in Ora Bay, our number finally turned up and we received the discouraging word that we were to go to Milne Bay for duty at Base 'A.' This was going in the opposite direction from the Philippines and it was a rather dejected group that piled into a C-47 and headed for the Southeastern tip of Guinea. An hour and a half air journey finally brought us over the Milne Bay region and a birdseye

view of what was to be our home for the next seven months.

To Gili Gili

"Landing at the airstrip at Gili Gili, we drove for about fifteen miles through large coconut plantations whose endless rows of palm trees, laid out in exact geometric patterns, had presented such spectacular sight from the sky and was no less beautiful when viewed from the ground. But all was not the beauties of nature that we viewed that afternoon because here at Milne Bay, along with Ora Bay and Finschaven, was a large supply base and staging area serving as one of the principle springboards for the campaigns farther north.

Enormous Concentrations

"Base 'A,' as the designation indicated, was the first of the Guinea bases and had enormous troop and supply concentrations. Heretofore, accustomed to large overseas airbases with hundreds of planes but moderate sized operating forces, it was quite a change to find the tens of thousands of ground, service and air force troops at a huge base such as this. And it was at Base 'A' that we spent seven of the hardest working months of our existence.

"But there were many pleasant features about Milne Bay that compensated for some of the hard work. The thousands of GIs that overran this corner of Guinea had, with typical ingenuity, made life quite bearable in the jungles. Ball diamonds and bas-

ketball courts dotted the island furnishing wholesome recreation for spectators and participants alike — day and night.

"There were dozens of outdoor theaters, many of them showing films not released in the States. One had a choice of a different cinema each night. And for free. And then there was that always popular diversion of joining in a boat excursion to one of the neighboring islands and spending the day visiting native villages either souvenir hunting or shooting pictures. But as time wore on, there was less of the souvenir hunting and more picture-taking as the natives 'went commercial,' demanding 'bobs' instead of castoff GI articles of food and clothing." (Continued in the June 6 Post Exchange.)

Two Iowans Released from Lockbourne Army Air Base

Columbus, Ohio (Lockbourne Army Air Base)—Included among the list of veterans released by officials at Lockbourne last week for separation from the Armed Forces were: Pfc. Grant Greene, Jr., Sqdn. "A" 318th AAF Bu, 118 Sherman Ave., Ames, Ia., and Pfc. Lewis Shepherd, Sqdn. "T" 84th Unit, DPC Co., Box 749, Davenport, Ia., both sent to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., separation center.

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