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WHY I REMAIN A NEGRO BY WALTER WHITE REPUBLISHED IN DIGEST

New York—Walter White's article originally appearing in the October 11th issue of the Saturday Review of Literature, "Why I Remain A Negro," has just been republished in the January issue of the Readers Digest.

Mr. White's article which has been widely praised by Albert Einstein, Barry Zanuck, Marian Anderson, Eric Johnston, Walter Davenport, editor of Colliers Magazine, is a revealing story of the thinking of Negroes which has become one of the most widely read articles of contemporary times.

VACATE WRIT TYING UP PURSE WON BY LOUIS IN JERSEY FIGHT

New York (NNPA)—A writ of attachment tying up the purse won by Joe Louis the heavyweight champion, in his fight with Jersey Joe Walcott has been vacated by Supreme Court Justice James B. McNeely as a result of agreement of the parties, it was learned last Monday.

The writ was obtained by Louis's wife, Marva Trotter Barrow (Louis's real name is Barrow), in connection with a suit for \$30,000 for "money loaned." It was served on the head of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club, which promoted the bout, immediately after the fight.

The order vacating the attachment was signed as a result of a stipulation entered into with Mrs. Barrow's counsel, which said "in consideration of the sum of \$10,000, plus the sum of \$200 which includes costs and disbursements paid by the defendant to the plaintiff, the suit against him is settled and discontinued."

The basis of Mrs. Barrow's suit was not disclosed and her counsel declined to comment.

GILES A. HUBERT APPOINTED TO FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICE IN HAITI

Washington, D. C., (NNPA)—President Truman has approved the appointment by the State Department of Giles A. Hubert, professor of economics at Fisk University, to be a foreign service officer, grade 4.

Mr. Hubert will be assigned to the United States Embassy at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, where he will serve as principal attaché. He will assume his new duties about February 15.

Trained as an agricultural economist, Professor Hubert has been a member of the faculty at Fisk since 1937. During this period he also served for five years as senior agricultural economist in the Farm Security Administration, and for one year as project analyst for the old Department of Agriculture, while in charge of the university.

Graduate of Jackson College and the University of Iowa, Mr. Hubert has done advanced study at the University of Minnesota and at the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural College of Copenhagen, Denmark.

FATHER OF MR. ADAMS
DIES IN ALTON, ILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Adams left Monday to attend the funeral of Mr. Adams' father in Alton, Ill. He died there Dec. 18.

Tulsa, Okla.—Henry A. Wallace, former vice-president and ex-secretary of commerce and present editor of the New Republic, will deliver the principal address at the 33rd annual convention of the Alpha Psi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., which meets here December 27-31. Mr. Wallace will speak at a public meeting scheduled for 4:00 p. m. Sunday, December 28, at Convention Hall.

In issuing his call to the 10,000 Alpha men throughout the nation, General President Belford V. Lawson, Jr., prominent Washington, D. C. Attorney, outlined a three-point program, which he previously submitted to local chapters for consideration.

He will ask the establishment of an office of a full-time executive secretary for the fraternity; will appeal for joint action with sister and brother organizations in an historic forward movement for the welfare of our people; and will present an overall plan to modernize and streamline the internal structure of the organization.

'Our Greatness Depends'

"Our greatness depends on whether we can at this convention finish the formulation and start the prosecution of a sound, immediate, and long-range program under a unified and progressive leadership," Mr. Lawson declared.

Calling for an active political and economic attack on the evils which hamper the progress of the Negro people, the Alpha leader stressed that "the great lesson to be learned from the history of constitutional government and from all democratic progress is that political liberty is not a gift, it is a struggle."

LINCOLN U. (MO.) FOUNDS DAY JAN. 11

Jefferson City, Mo.—Pounders day at Lincoln University will be observed on January 11. Events will include the traditional annual afternoon program at which Honorable Ernest Moss Tipton, judge of the supreme court of Missouri, will be the principal speaker. At this time a special eulogy to the late C. C. Hubbard will be delivered by a member of the University's board of curators. Mr. Hubbard served for a number of years as a member of the Board.

NAACP Petition to UN Receives Wide Approval

New York—The NAACP petition to the United Nations as a "super job" Harvard University's famous professor of history, Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., declared last week. "I hope it has the effect it should have in rousing the conscience of the world and in stimulating our own government into more effective action."

That no other document on behalf of justice for the American Negro has ever focused so effective and world-wide attention on this problem in the consensus of opinion of scholars, editors, diplomats and other authorities.

Thomas L. Stokes, in his widely syndicated column, declares the petition "a timely reminder for us to take a look inward at ourselves while we are declaiming about the



Frightened Georgia Farmer Tells Conflicting Stories

By MARION E. JACKSON
Monroe, Gr., (NNPA)—A shaken and badly frightened 27-year old farmer, Isaiah Grimes, who served sixteen months in the United States Army at Camp Rucker, Alabama, and in the Southwest Pacific, told many conflicting stories to a group of colored leaders who came here in response to his plea for aid.

These leaders conferred with the honorably discharged veteran in the Walton County jail, where, in a cowed, hesitating and nervous manner, and in the presence of Deputy Sheriff Lewis Howard and two assistants, he said he had "signed a statement given him," in which he allegedly confessed to the burning of two colored churches and a colored school in Loganville, Georgia.

The group who talked with Grimes, included C. A. Scott, editor-general

manager of the Atlanta Daily World; Austin T. Walden, an attorney; Warren E. Cochrane, secretary of the Citizens' Defense Committee, and J. Richardson Jones, a photographer, all of Atlanta.

Before going to the jail, the group conferred with Solicitor General Marshall Pollock, who arranged for them to visit Grimes in the jail.

Grimes allegedly admitted that he burned the churches and school "to gain revenge" against two lodges which had used the buildings as meeting places.

The lodges, allegedly incurred Grimes' wrath because insurance policies the late Fluke Catlin had with the organizations were made payable to Catlin's adopted daughter, Minnie, instead of Grimes' mother, Mrs. Maggie Catlin.

Grimes denied he had anything against the lodges and insisted that the money had gone where it should have gone—"to the undertakers." He denied to the group that he had any revenge motive.

Mr. Walden, who agreed to under-take the defense of Grimes, later said editorially:

"The Negro churches in America have been asked to dedicate one Sunday in the near future to urging their congregations to support the conservation program of the President's Citizens Food Committee."

William H. Jernagin, director of the National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches, in a letter to denominational leaders, this week reminded them that "inasmuch as American homes had not been 'ravaged and laid waste' by the war, it is our right to give moral leadership to millions of starving people abroad."

"The Negro church can play a great and influential role in bringing the message to our people all over the country," Dr. Jernagin wrote. "Nobody knows this better than I for I traveled 18,000 miles throughout Europe this past summer and with my own eyes saw the suffering and the physical emaciation of the most hardened person alive."

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Washington, D. C., (NNPA)—The elimination of race segregation and of the "quota system" from institutions of higher learning was called for last Monday by the President's Commission on Higher Education.

These two recommendations were included in twelve steps outlined in the first volume of the commission's report, as necessary to meet the needs of higher education today.

The report will consist of six volumes to be issued under the general title, "Higher Education for American Democracy." The first volume, "Establishing the Goals," sets the general pattern for the entire report.

In accepting the report, President Truman said:

"Higher education in our Nation is confronted today with the tremendous responsibilities. Colleges and universities are burdened by great over-crowding and a shortage of teachers.

"Most importantly, however, we are challenged by the need to insure that higher education shall take its proper place in our national effort to strengthen democracy at home and to improve our understanding of our friends and neighbors everywhere in the world.

"It was for these compelling reasons that I asked this Commission to report to me and to the Nation. I am confident that the Report will

the Christmas list for a super Betty Wells Christmas.

No cash is given the families. Every home is thoroughly investigated by social workers and Betty before approval for "adoption." Two months work have been required to complete the project.

Estimated 15,000 clothing and household items and at least \$1,200 in cash were contributed by individuals, organizations, and business firms to Betty's "Christmas-for-the-Needy" yearly program. The third year for this project, it has grown from the "adoption" of 10 families to 35.

Miss Wells, KRNT women's director, and her many volunteer workers provided huge Christmas boxes, complete with chicken dinner, 100 cans of food, and all needed clothing for 32 families. Cooperating business organizations and military recruiting agencies "adopted" the other 13 families. In addition to the boxes, each family was honored at a downtown luncheon, and a Christmas tree was provided for the home.

Fifty destitute children, representing 15 more families, were also on

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help all of us to understand this challenge. I am equally confident that it will prove to be of great value in meeting the challenge successfully.

Carefully-Developed Program

"A carefully-developed program to strengthen higher education, taken together with a program for the support of elementary and secondary education, will inevitably strengthen our Nation and enrich the lives of our citizens."

The commission's report points out the expansion higher education has undergone during the twentieth century, with enrollments increasing from 250,000 in 1900 to 2,350,000 in 1947.

Substantially Below

But "the educational achievements of the American people are still substantially below what is necessary either for effective individual living or for the welfare of our society," the report states, adding:

"For the great majority of our boys and girls, the kind and amount of education they may hope to attain depends, not on their own abilities, but on the family or community into which they happened to be born or, worse still, on the color of their skin or the religion of their parents."

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT
AT DAVID SPIRITUAL

A candlelight service will be held New Year's Day, at 8 p.m. at the David Spiritual church, 1239 Stewart street.

'Greater Things Must Be Done' Rev. Williams Tells Beauty School Graduates

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MRS. GRACIE GAINES VISITING HERE FROM OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

Mrs. Gracie Gaines of Oklahoma City, and Marietta, Okla., is spending the holidays here, the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Gaines, 1173 Tenth street. She is visiting three sons and their families, Messrs. Seymour, Curley and Joseph Gaines.

MRS. MAUDE JONES VISITING IN MINNEAPOLIS

Mrs. Maude Jones, 1007 12th street is visiting in Minneapolis, Minn., with her sister, Mrs. Ada Bledsoe, and niece, Doris Anderson over the Christmas holidays.

MRS. E. P. JACKSON PRESENTS STUDENTS

Mrs. E. P. Jackson presented the following members of her class in piano and music appreciation in a Christmas recital, Dec. 18, at the Ninth Street Christian Church. They were: Patricia Hayter, Camille Wilson, Wanda Ashby, Sandra Ashby and Elaine Chapman.

CALIFORNIAN SPENDING HOLIDAYS HERE

Mrs. Marian G. Byrnes of Los Angeles, Calif., is the house guest during the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Greene.

JOLLY 'S' CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL DANCING PARTY

The Jolly 'S' club held its second annual formal dancing party Sunday night, Dec. 14, at the Billiken ballroom.

Officers of the club are Mrs. Ruth Bailey Cole, president; Mrs. Ruby Rogers, vice president; Mrs. Bernita Woody Cardwell, secretary; Mrs. Mable Watkins, assistant secretary; Mrs. Meta Mae Redd, treasurer.

JOLLY '12' CLUB PARTY DEC. 29 AT BILLIKEN BALLROOM

The Jolly '12' club will hold its formal holiday party at the Billiken ballroom on Monday, Dec. 29.

Officers of the club are: Mrs. Helen Newman, president; Mrs. Thelma Crewe, vice president; Mrs. Nina Hawkins, secretary-reporter; Mrs. Susan Ridgell, treasurer.

SOCIAL ART CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Social Art club had its annual Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts on Dec. 18 at the home of Mrs. A. L. Cranshaw, 849 Sixteenth street. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fannie Danforth, 1219 Laurel.

MRS. ELLA BURKS HOSTESS TO VOGUETTES CLUB

Mrs. Ella Burks was hostess to the Voguettes club Wednesday at her home. Gifts were exchanged. Plans were completed for a cocktail party Dec. 28, at Club Morocco.

TEN KEYS MEET WITH MRS. JORDAN JAN. 9

The Ten Keys club met with Mrs. Helen Ewing, hostess, Dec. 19. After business meeting gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Rose Brooks was reported ill. The next meeting will be Jan. 9 with Mrs. Leona Jordan.

PAUL L. WILSON HEADS DORIC LODGE

Doric Lodge No. 30, F. & A. M., held their annual election and installation of officers for the ensuing year on Thursday, Dec. 18, at which time the following new officers were installed by Past Grandmaster S. Joe Brown:

Morshippful master, Paul L. Wilbur; warden, Clyde Humbard; senior warden, Dolphin Lawson; chaplain, W. H. Warrick; senior deacon, Lloyd Hubbard; junior deacon, A. D. Green; senior steward, Chas. A. Copeland and junior steward, W. W. Humbard.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL TO HOLD MEETING

The December meeting of the Executive Administrative Council of O.E.S. will be held in the offices of Atty. S. Joe Brown, 1050 5th Ave. on Sunday Dec. 28 at 4 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Mrs. Mattie B. Scott is president, Mrs. Helen Carter, secretary.

BURLINGTON, IOWA

By MRS. ED WILLIAMS
Burlington, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Cronartie of Chicago, Ill., surprised her parents when they came last Saturday for a week end visit to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Irvine at their home on Arch street. Mr. L. Irving who has been ill in Mercy hospital for sometime will undergo an operation Monday. Mrs. Verla

VISITS HERE



MRS. GLADYS ROSS
Mrs. Gladys Ross who is residing in Chicago, Ill., left the city Sunday after having spent several days here as the house guest of her daughter and son-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson, Jr.

PERSONAL TOUCH



By Marie Ross
Among the many holiday greeting cards—with best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year was one from an unsigned person who enclosed two dollars and the following message:

"I am enclosing with this card some money to make Christmas happier for a man who lives on South Union. There was an article about him in the Tribune just before Thanksgiving. I am not forgetting when I was in the same plight and want to help him as a 'Thank Offering' to God for the way He has helped our family. 'May you too have a Merry Christmas.'"

A search was made to learn the identity of the "man on South Union." A check of the Register and Tribune files revealed that the man was Ben Taylor, 1309 S. Union street, who told a Register reporter in a recent interview that he will be 110 years old next Feb. 3.

The interview revealed that he reads "two or three chapters from the Good Book every day." A deacon of Mount Olive Baptist church for 40 years, he said he went to church "whenever I'm able" because "that's the best place on earth to go." He revealed that he spends most of his time in bed because he is "too weak to work."

Born in Louisville, Ky., he fought in the Confederate army, not by choice, as a slave with his master. Christmas mail came in small packages and large boxes at the home of the Roy Walkers, 921 12th street, this week. Among the last parcels was a party-crushed box that the postman pitched upon the front porch. Mrs. Walker—watching—shuddered as she thought some delicate article like candy or cake—was being roughly handled. Upon inspection she noted a red berry

Lewis is also ill in the hospital. Mrs. Rose B. Johnson, passed through Burlington Sunday noon enroute to Keokuk where she attended a meeting of the NAACP group. Mrs. Johnson is the Iowa State president of the NAACP. Mr. Glenn Charles Mitchell died Dec. 19 at St. Francis hospital after an extended illness. He was born here in 1904 the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Mitchell. Being a member of St. John's Catholic church the Rosary was said at Prugh's chapel Sunday evening and the funeral was held Monday morning. Burial was in Sacred Heart cemetery.

STUDENTS HOME FROM UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Miss Betty Joe Estes and Mr. John M. Estes, Jr., students at the University of Iowa, are spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Estes.

Mr. Cecil Brewton, Jr., student at the University of Iowa, is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brewton.

Mr. James B. Morris, Jr., is spending the holidays with his parents, Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris, Sr.

Mr. Joe Howard is guest of his parents, Atty. and Mrs. C. P. Howard.

Mr. Luther H. Smith, Jr., will be here part of the holidays and then he plans to motor to Washington, D. C. and points east, accompanied by James B. Morris, Jr.

Mr. Jimmy McGuire, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McGuire, is home with his wife, Mrs. Lois McGuire.

Miss Gwendolyn Davis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Davis.

Miss Martha Scales is at home with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Scales.

Julian Mason is spending the holidays with his wife, Mrs. Eugetta Mason, and parents; Mrs. Robert Wright, with his wife, Mrs. Bernice Wright.

Jack Copeland is visiting his relatives.

Christmas programs were held at both churches here Sunday, Dec. 21, pushing out the top of the box. Mrs. Walker thought—the box held cranberries. But opening it she found branches of holly, spruce, ivy and even some roses that had come all the way from Portland, Oregon, a gift from Mr. Walker's sister.

Another neighbor, Mrs. Katie Chatman, found a bushel basket awaiting her last week as she came home from work. It was from her father who lives in Mississippi where he raises hogs, chickens and other farm products. Mrs. Chatman imagined a slab of bacon or a ham and other farm delicacies. Wide-eyed she opened the basket, and newly grown peanuts greeted her. She dug down into the mass of goobers and pulled out a gallon jug. Now, don't get excited and go rushing up to her apartment—because the jug was filled with fine country sorghum from the heart of Mississippi. Her father revealed that the hams and bacon would arrive later.

Seen downtown doing some last-minute Christmas shopping was Mrs. Elizabeth Greene, 946 Fourteenth street place, who had run into one of the hard-to-get Christmas items—tiny bulbs for the Christmas tree. Many shoppers could find the "bubble" bulbs but few the regulars. But Greene had a nose for bulbs and found some at one of the chain drug stores.

Some unusual expressions were seen on the faces of many at the post office this week as they "tasted" the postage stamps for their many greeting cards. Among them were Mrs. Marguerite Greene Ewing and Miss Bette Jackson. Miss Jackson didn't like the taste of most of the stamps—but she got the job finished—for her mother—who came home recently from the hospital.

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MR. AND MRS. WOOD WOOLERY, JR.

Miss Victoria Nah Kitchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon H. Kitchen of Columbus, Ga., formerly of Des Moines, was united in marriage to Mr. Wood Woolery, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wood Woolery, Sr., of Fulton, Mo., at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14.

The candlelight service was held at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hughes. The Rev. Raymond Brown, assistant pastor of the Ninth Street Christian church, officiated at the double ring ceremony. Mrs. Sarah Tucker played the nuptial music.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her grandfather, wore a winter white wool crepe dress and a shoulder length illusion veil which fell from a white satin band. She carried a small white Bible decorated with lavender and white orchids. She wore a single strand of pearls, a gift from the groom.

Miss Mattie Burke served as maid of honor. She was attired in a pastel blue faille suit, black hat and wore a corsage of pink carnations. Mr. Gilbert Watson was best man.

A reception followed the wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes where Miss Mary Jane Asbury presided at the bride's table. Guests were the immediate family, and intimate friends of the bride and groom.

Mr. Woolery, a Drake university senior, will continue her studies, while Mr. Woolery, a navy veteran, will resume his studies in the field of radio and electronics at the De Forest Institute of Technology here. They will reside temporarily at 952 Fourteenth Street Place.

EARLY NEWS DEADLINE NEXT WEEK

All news items and other articles for the New Year's Day edition of the Bystander must be in the office not later than Tuesday noon, Dec. 30.

Big NEW YEARS Night At CLUB MOROCCO

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Mrs. J. W.—Can you tell me why it is when my husband and I go out together we cannot get along?
Ans: Sure can. You just started your marriage off wrong. You let your husband run around openly with other women and for spite you run around with other men. What can you expect from a marriage of this sort? When you do go out together, you try to outshine one another. Shame on both of you. You can't build a loving home life on sham and pretense. It takes real love.

R.A.D.—There is a man and he seems to like to be in my company. He is a very fine guy. He tells my girl friend how he likes me and says I am the type of lady he wants for a wife but he never has asked me about marrying.

Ans: What are you waiting for, sister. At the right time—the right place—feel him out on the subject. Make it appear casual like—but get him on the spot and make him commit himself on the subject of matrimony. Next time he gets in a loving mood—let your feminine instinct take over and let it be known in a nice way that your ideal husband is the type of man who thinks you're the type of lady he wants for a wife.

H.W.S.—I have a job and a business and someone else is running it? Could you advise me what to do?
Ans: The business is not grossing enough yet where you can afford to quit your job and take over the management. Until it does—stay put. You can keep close tabs on your investment in your spare time. See that your manager does a good job and if he cannot produce the results you expect—Get one that can.

G.W.T.—I am married and have three children. My in-laws are people I can't get along with. My husband is awful good to the kids but talks rough and mean to me. I am thinking this coming year of taking the children and going back home to my mother and dad. Will I do good to go back home?
Ans: Your husband will never permit you to move the kiddies out from under him. They mean too much to him. Besides, it would be a grave mistake to move in on pop

and mom with three growing children on your hands. All you need to do to live happily with your husband is to get him out from under the influence of his people. A change of cities would improve family relations immensely.

M. M. W.—I am a married man, have been 2 years now, but seems like our stormy life started right away. I have a good wife and she works all of the time but she is under the influence of my brother-in-law and his wife and looks like they meddle into our affairs all the time. I could handle her if they did not live here. What must I do?
Ans: Stop finding fault with your in-laws and do something about your problem. Your wife has no social life—she isn't friendly with anyone except her folks as she feels you would register objections. Take her out for entertainment more often and introduce her to the people you would like to encourage as congenial friends to you both. If you do so, she will not continue letting her folks influence her.

BURNS METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Among the visitors last Sunday at the church to hear the pastor, Rev. J. E. Tunstall, were: Mrs. H. H. Hughes, Mrs. G. H. Kitchen of Columbus, Ga., and Mr. and Mrs. Wood Woolery, newlyweds.

The M.E.F. hour at 6 p.m. will observe Youth Day Dec. 28. The Christmas musical program was held last Sunday night. The Sunday School Christmas tree was held on Dec. 24.

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THIS NEWSPAPER, IOWA'S OLDEST NEGRO WEEKLY, IS AN INSTITUTION DEVELOPED FOR AND BY THE PEOPLE OF IOWA AND THE MIDDLEWEST TO PRESENT THE NEWS OF THE DAY, FOSTER BETTER RACE RELATIONS, LEAD PUBLIC OPINION AND TO CONTEND FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF ALL THE PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES.

YORK RESIGNS AS STATE CHAIRMAN

Willis York of Madrid has resigned as chairman of the Republican State Central Committee. He assigns the press of private business, which prevents him from giving a lot of time to the job as has been required and will be more so as the 1948 campaign plans are made up, as his reason.

Iowa Republicans have been fortunate in having an energetic hard worker as his chairman during the past few years. He had the full confidence of his workers.

Chairman York set a fine example for others to follow in his handling of the Negro workers. There was no Negro division, but Negro workers were a part of the official organization and every confidence was placed in them whether in quest for counsel and advice or work.

Men like Willis York do a lot toward better racial understanding by deeds; he talks little about the subject.

IOWA LEGISLATURE DOES FINE JOB

The Iowa legislature met last week for a specific purpose—to revise the state income tax law—did the job in a hurry and adjourned.

This is as it should have been. Under similar circumstances it would have been easy to prolong the session by considering a lot of things foreign to the purpose of the call.

The members and those officers who had charge deserve the gratitude of the people of Iowa for their fine service.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MAKES FINE REPORT

The Citizens Federal Committee on Education has been making a series of reports to President Truman recommending, among other things, that segregated schools did not give the Negro students a fair share of funds allocated for education as well as other critical statements. The Southern members did not sign the majority report but prepared a minority report objecting to the findings of the committees of segregated schools.

Of course, these members who opposed that part of the report know that their position is unsound but feel that in order to be in harmony with the institutions with which they are working, the negative position must be taken.

We are getting a lot of good reports out of Washington about what should be done in these racial matters but just what will become of them is a mystery.

GEORGIA FARMER'S STORIES CONFLICT

See Front Page announced that his client had penned a note saying he signed the purported confession only because he was "afraid."

The visit of the delegation to Grimes was decided upon after the Atlanta Daily World received the following note through the mails, bearing a Monroe postmark:

Note to Daily World: Isiah Grimes I nede you help they made tell lide on my self and no not what to do but them tell that i was made do it all rote out to say yes to them was not right but some one had told them that we had been send with some gas but I both some gas and sold it and we just have some fun and they say we was doing just that tell that all dont be made with me for I am arrier of a gun and they have bet me to tell that.

The World Monday night had additional information which confirmed the belief that some credence must be given the note and that warning of the message was unmistakable.

Grimes, replying to questions regarding the Loganville fires stated: "I must have been crazy." He answered a question: "Would you have set fire to the school if the lodge had been there?" "No, Sir, Asked "did you set fire to the church, es and school?" Grimes looked appealingly about the room and replied "Yes."

According to Solicitor General Pollock, Grimes will face trial on charges of arson in three counts at the February term of Superior Court in Monroe.

BETHEL'S SENIOR CHOIR PROGRAM SUNDAY NIGHT

The Senior Choir of Bethel A.M.E. church will present its Christmas program Sunday night, at 7 o'clock

HENRY A WALLACE ALPHA PHI ALPHA CONVENTION SPEAKER

See Front Page the highway to economic and social progress."

His convention call continued with concrete proposals for action. "The denial and deprivation of our economic and political rights amidst soul-searing humiliation must come to an end," he said. "The achievement of Fair Employment Practice, anti-lynch and anti-poll tax legislation, the abandonment of the doctrine of "separate but equal," the destruction of the myth of white supremacy and the removal of restrictive covenants will come only when the collective inner dignity of man rises up in solemn and solitary defiance of man's inhumanity to man."

Other personalities also included on the convention program. Among them are Thomas W. Young, president of the National Negro Publishers Association and of the Journal and Guide, Norfolk, Va.; newspaper; Mrs. Edna Gray-Oliver, president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Dr. John Hope Franklin, Howard University historian; and Charles V. Willie, undergraduate senior president of the Morehouse University student council.

Official convention headquarters will be at Carver Junior High School, 620 East Oklahoma Place, where all sessions will be held in the school auditorium. The school cafeteria will be opened for meals for convention delegates.

On the day following Christmas and prior to the convention opening the executive committee banquet will be staged at 6:00 p. m. at Warren Inn. A model initiation and symposium will be staged from 8:00 p. m. until midnight the same day in the recreation hall at Lincoln Park.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of our beloved mother, Mrs. Mildred Spencer of Perry, Ia., who died May 3 at the age of 86. Her birthday was Christmas Day.

Dear mother you are not forgotten. Though on earth you are no more, still in memory you are with us, as you always were before. Sadly missed by Mrs. R. M. Taylor and family.

SPECIAL SERVICES SUNDAY AT SANCTIFIED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services were held Christmas Day at 11 o'clock for the churches of the Southeast side at the Sanctified Church of Christ, 809 S. E. 27th street.

A special service will be held Sunday, Dec. 28, with Bishop D. H. Cranshaw, chairman of the Men's Day committee, presiding. Rev. Carl Sanders will be the speaker. Dinner will be served at the dining room. A fellowship meeting will be held at 3 p. m. The Rev. Everett Davis will bring the message at 7 p. m.

EAST SIDE MISSION UNION MEETS AT BETHEL SUNDAY

The East Side Mission union will meet at Bethel A.M.E. church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. C. A. Reed the guest speaker.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday was Youth Day at the Maple Baptist church. Lawrence Howard, law student at Drake was guest speaker at the morning hour. Sunday afternoon Miss Helen Boulware of the Central YWCA was principal speaker. The Pastor's Aid Turkey dinner was a success.

Baptizing will be held Sunday morning, Dec. 28, Sunday evening a passport will be given to the men's chorus.

HOLD LAST RITES FOR MR. JONES EMANUEL, RESIDENT 45 YEARS

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in St. Paul's A.M.E. church for Jones Emanuel, 74, of 1040 Fourteenth street. Burial was at Glendale cemetery.

Mr. Emanuel, a Des Moines resident 45 years, died Dec. 21 in Broadlawn General hospital after an illness of one year. Born in Richmond, Va., he was a member of the Doric Masonic lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Lottie; three daughters, Mrs. Margaret Howe, Mrs. Muriel DeSleet, and Dorothy, all of Des Moines; two sons, Raymond and Orville, Des Moines; two sisters, Mrs. Louise Marmaduke, Des Moines, and Mrs. Marie Lomax Omaha, Neb.; and one brother, Oliver, Des Moines.

HEALTH FOR ALL

A Healthy Christmas

Christmas brings the greatest joy to those who have helped make the season happy for others. Everyone likes to do a little something extra at this time of year, that no child will be disappointed Christmas morning, that no old person may be lonely, that no ill person may feel he is forgotten.

If the Christmas spirit lasted throughout the year this would be a better world. There are many things we can do the year-round to help others and, at the same time, ourselves. Take health, for example. No one would dispute the value of good health, but also to help others retain their health and to make our communities healthier for all.

We are doing something for others as well as ourselves when we cooperate with groups which are organized in the community to combat specific diseases—cancer, heart, infantile paralysis, tuberculosis, rheumatic fever, etc. These organizations are working twelve months a year in the interest of better health, particularly through preventive measures.

At the Christmas one of these groups—the tuberculosis association—appeals to us for financial help. We are asked to buy and use Christmas Seals, for these Seals are the sole support of the 3,000 associations affiliated with the National Tuberculosis Association which, in cooperation with official health agencies,

VETERANS WHIRL

By JAMES L. HICKS, NNPA Staff Writer

Merry Xmas!

The Veterans Administration's Christmas present to you, Joe, is an extension of the time in which you can renew your lapsed insurance. Last Thursday, after the House had unanimously passed a resolution to extend the time to December 31, 1948, the VA, on its own authority, moved the time up to July 31, 1948, for fear that the Senate would not act on the resolution before the deadline, December 31, 1947.

The VA's action gives you a new lease on your off-again-on-again insurance life but it can't last forever. In case you were sleeping, December 31 would have been the last day on which you could have renewed your insurance without a physical examination. Now you have six more months.

You can do it by paying up two premiums and swearing that you are as healthy now as you were on the day of your discharge.

Oh, you already knew that, huh. Sounds like a broken record in this column, doesn't it? Well why the hell haven't you acted like it and reinstated your policy?

It Looks Like What It Is

Here's a cute phrase which you never heard in your foxhole, Joe, but one which the VA is kicking around these days and which has a lot to do with you. The phrase is "prima facie evidence" and the lawyers toss it around quite a bit in jury rooms and at cocktail parties.

According to Mr. Webster, "prima facie evidence" is "evidence sufficient in law to raise a presumption of fact or establish the fact in question unless rebutted."

Does that mean anything to you? Me too. Clear as mud.

Show Me

In other words, the VA is going to start asking you to "Show Me." As it stands now, and until December 31, you can walk in a doctor's or dentist's office, or VA clinic and get almost any type of medical treatment you need and have the VA pay the bill simply by saying that your ailment started back there when you were in uniform.

After December 31, however, the VA is going to tell you that your discharge and those other little worn-out papers which you carry in your wallet is not enough to convince it that that same tooth is hurting you two years after the war.

The VA is going to ask you what you have been doing about it all

this time—or how you have managed to live with that aching back for so long without going to a doctor.

And if you have been to a doctor, what doctor, and what did he do for you, and where are his records.

If you can't answer all those questions satisfactorily, the VA is going to tell you that your ailment is not connected with your former military service and that you will have to pay for medical service just like your country cousin who never got around to putting on a uniform.

To Enlist 25 Men From Des Moines By Wednesday

According to a special announcement by Captain Rex D. Brown and T-Sgt. Otis Banks Jr. of the U. S. Army and Airforce Recruiting Office here they have received a special authorization to enlist twenty-five colored troops from the Des Moines area between now and December 31, 1947.

This is a result of a recent visit by Colonel Albert K. Stebbins, head of the Military Personnel Procurement Division of Fifth Army Headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. At the time of this visit Capt. Brown and Sgt. Banks held a conference with Col. Stebbins and impressed him with the need for a greater authorization for enlistments of colored troops from this area.

At that time Col. Stebbins expressed his satisfaction with Sgt. Bank's work here in Des Moines and promised to attempt to alleviate allocations of quotas to the Des Moines Station and insure a greater amount of authorizations for enlistment.

Sgt. Banks is very desirous of having every man in this area who is interested in applying for enlistment in the New Regular Army to contact him at his home, 953 Seventeenth St., phone 4-5084 or at the Army Recruiting Office in the Federal Building, phone 4-7427 as all previous quotas of this nature have been rapidly filled.

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Unique New Year Customs Still Exist In Many Foreign Countries

Many unique New Year customs still exist in foreign countries.

In Scotland Young Scotchmen used to wait eagerly for the first stroke of twelve marking the coming of the New Year. As the bell in the church steeple began to toll, he would rush up to the door of his beloved's home, to be the first to cross her threshold.

Czechoslovakia In Czechoslovakia they forecast the future by little "lightboats"—nut shells filled with wax and floating on water, a wick burning in each shell. If the boat floats toward the center, its owner will take a journey during the New Year. If two boats come together, the owners will be married within the year.

Hungary One of the quaintest New Year's customs is the visit of the chimney sweeps in Hungarian towns. The sweep-knocks at the door with his broom, and the householders' snatch a straw or two from it. These are tied with a ribbon and kept as a good luck charm during the year. To touch a pig on New Year's Eve brings good luck, according to Hungarian tradition.

because of an extramarital relationship with her lover. The woman, Margaret May Goosey, 41, is awaiting transportation back to her native land while serving a six-month sentence for unlawful cohabitation.

According to Commonwealth's At-



THE NEW YEAR

Build on resolve, and not upon regret. The structure of thy future. Do not grieve among the shadows of old sins, but let thine own soul's light shine on the path of hope. And dissipate the darkness. Waste no tears. But turn the leaf, and smile. O smile to see the fair, white pages that remain to thee.

torney J. Clopton Knibb, the sentence will be lifted as soon as transportation is arranged. Miss Goosey was a worker in a shoe factory at Wellingboro, Northants, England, at the time she met Thomas Henry Johnson, then stationed in England.

Knibb said she flew to this country in June and took up residence with Johnson. When the situation was brought to the attention of county authorities, Miss Goosey was sent to the Richmond Public Welfare Department and Johnson given a 30-day sentence for unlawful cohabitation.

Later, Knibb related, she came back to live with Johnson in his Goochland home. She was then taken into custody and given a six-month sentence by Trial Justice Charles M. Johnson, whose ruling provided the sentence be suspended upon assurance that the woman would return to England.

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