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## Randolph Makes Plea for Mixed UMT

### Says Negro in No Mood To Shoulder Gun Abroad, Denied Democracy Here

Washington, D. C., (NNPA)—Enactment of a draft law or authorization for universal military training without a prohibition against segregation and discrimination will result in a civil disobedience program, A. Phillip Randolph, president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, (AFL), told the Senate Armed Service Committee last Monday.

Warned by Senator Wayne Morse, of Oregon, that in case of war, persons who aided or abetted such a program as well as those who participated in it would be prosecuted for treason, Mr. Randolph replied that if that is the price colored people must pay for the democracy they want "I unhesitatingly say they have got to face it."

Grant Reynolds, New York State Commissioner of Correction, told the committee he would stand "shoulder-to-shoulder" with Mr. Randolph in advocating civil disobedience to any compulsory military training program unless race segregation and discrimination are banned.

Both Mr. Randolph and Mr. Reynolds testified in behalf of the Committee Against Jim Crow in Military Service and Training, of which they are officers.

**Testifies for Adoption**

Truman K. Gibson, Jr., former civilian aide to the Secretary of War, testified in support of the adoption of universal military training, but favored safeguards in the legislation the committee is drafting to require complete utilization of the country's manpower.

In his testimony Mr. Gibson said he was "thoroughly shocked" at the report that Mr. Randolph had told

President Truman recently that colored men were in no mood to shoulder a gun abroad so long as they were denied democracy here at home.

"This expression presumes the existence of a bargaining relationship," said Mr. Gibson, adding:

**Patriotism Not Subject**

"Patriotism is not the subject of cynical bargaining. Negroes have participated in the military history of this country to the fullest extent allowed. They will do so in the future.

"To oppress sentiments to the contrary is unfair to the millions of loyal citizens who know only this country and who do not look to any foreign ideology to correct domestic evils."

Mr. Reynolds, in his testimony, made a vitriolic attack on General Almond, who commanded the Ninety-second Division and referred to Fort Huachuca, Arizona, where colored soldiers were trained, as the "desert Alcatraz."

Without mentioning Mr. Gibson by name, he charged that repercussions of what happened in the Italian campaign "halted the sensibilities of Negroes throughout the nation when reports were circulated by a hand-picked War Department mouth-piece who charged that 'Negroes wilted and melted away in the line of fire.'"

Mr. Reynolds' criticism of the Army was even more severe when he charged that Fort Huachuca had the highest venereal disease rate of any camp in Arizona because of segregation. He attributed to the camp commander a statement that colored soldiers trained better when they had access to women.

### Charity Ball and Fashion Revue at Billiken Saturday

Fashions from the tropics will be featured in the "Bermula Cruise" which will take off Saturday night at the NAACP's tenth annual Charity Ball and Fashion Revue.

The show will be held at the Billiken ballroom, April 10, beginning at 9:30 p.m. Dancing with Nat Tolson's band will follow from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

### PHILIPPA SCHUYLER PLAYED BEFORE 12,000 IN NEW YORK RECITAL

Philippa Schuyler, child pianist and composer, who will be presented here Sunday afternoon, May 2, played last year before 12,000 persons at Lewisohn stadium in New York city.

She appearing under the auspices of Delta Sigma Theta and Iota Phi Lambda sororities.

### JOE LOUIS TO RETURN FROM LONDON APRIL 12

New York, (NNPA) Joe Louis, who ended an exhibition series in London on March 27, will arrive in New York on April 12 and leave for a Michigan training camp on April 14, the Twentieth Century Sporting Club announced last Monday.

Louis will do road work and general conditioning work at Bloomington, Michigan, from mid-April until May 18, when he will move to Pompton, New Jersey, for five weeks of intensive boxing.

He will defend his title against Jersey Joe Walcott in Yankee Stadium the night of June 23.

### MARY B. TALBERT CLUB TO MEET APRIL 14

The Mary B. Talbert club met last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Lucy Jenkins. The next meeting will be April 14 at the home of Mrs. Charles Jefferson, 1320 East 19th street. All members have been asked to be present.

### AVERT STRIKE BY COLORED CAB DRIVERS IN ST. LOUIS, MO.

St. Louis, (NNPA)—A threatened strike at midnight last Wednesday of almost all colored taxicab drivers in St. Louis was averted late last Wednesday night by the signing of a temporary contract granting union recognition.

The dispute which has been marked by shootings and violence, began when the Midwest Taxicab Association refused to renew the union's contract, which expired last December 1. The association, an organization of fourteen colored taxicab franchise owners, also declined to recognize the CIO United Distribution Workers as the driver's bargaining representative.

### Baptist Minister Who Lost Wife's Affections Sues Joe Louis for \$500,000 Damages

Chicago, (NNPA)—A Baptist minister asked \$500,000 damages from Joe Louis, the heavyweight boxing champion, in an alienation of affections suit filed last Friday in Cook County Superior Court.

The plaintiff is the Rev. Matthew C. Faulkner, 32, of Atlanta, Ga. His suit alleges that Louis, during the months of November, December, and January, "by subterfuge, contrivance, and design," maliciously won the affections of Faulkner's wife, Mattie, 26, a New York City model known professionally as Carole Drake Faulkner.

The alienation which the suit filed by Attorney Sol R. Friedman, calls an "illicit affair," took place

### HOLD RITES HERE FOR MRS. ARDELLA W. HUGHES

Funeral rites for Mrs. Ardella Watkins Hughes were held here Friday, April 2, at the Estate Funeral home.

Meeting at the student union. Students will be given an opportunity at that time to discuss with Roberson the problem of discrimination against minority groups.

### They Are Des Moines' Best Spellers



Des Moines' spelling champion, Charles Kenoyer, and Runnerup Faye Ashford.

Charles Kenoyer, 12, 705 S. E. Thornton avenue, to whom school work "just sort of comes natural," was declared champion in the biggest spelling bee in Des Moines history, April 3.

Runner-up in the contest at Argonne army was Faye Ashford, 13, an eighth grade Warren Junior High school student, whose mother,

Mrs. V. K. Ashford, 3107 Bowdoin street, was almost as happy as if her daughter had won.

Faye misspelled gypsum as "jyp-som" in the fifteenth round after 51 contestants had been eliminated in nearly two hours of spelling.

The white lad spelled gypsum correctly then won the contest by

spelling propensity properly. He is a seventh grade Lincoln Junior High school student. He will compete in the state finals next Saturday in KRNT Radio theater.

Sponsoring the contest was The Des Moines Register and Tribune Company. (Photo Courtesy of Register).

### Some Say Rev. R. L. Turpin Has Left City; Called for Auxiliary Finances Sunday

The unofficial news in the affairs of the Union Baptist church is that the Rev. Ripley L. Turpin has gone from the city—left the church.

He did not offer his resignation or give his officers any final words of parting—but according to Hayes Snyder, chairman of his deacon board, the Rev. Mr. Turpin was to leave the city Monday night—although Mr. Snyder said in a telephone conversation to the press that "I did not see him leave—but he's gone."

The minister's home at 1438 E. Eighteenth street, was contacted by phone this week and the person who answered informed the press that the Rev. Mr. Turpin was still in the city.

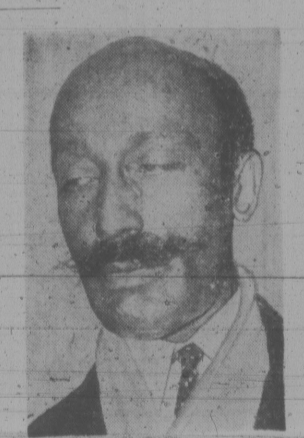
Members who attended the services Sunday heard their pastor preach on "Blessed Are the Meek" and their make an announcement to all of the church auxiliaries to turn in their monies at the Sunday night service.

The amount of thirty dollars was alleged to have been given to the Rev. Mr. Turpin on Sunday night at which time he is said to have told the church that "you don't owe me a cent."

He is said to have told his deacons to "stay at your posts—do your duty."

After several court actions, involving the Union Baptist church and the Rev. Mr. Ripley, in the equity suit heard by District Judge Russell Jordan last week, he ruled that the Rev. Mr. Turpin had "illegally" ousted members of the Union Baptist church.

A court order was entered March 30 to restrain him from any further



The Rev. Ripley L. Turpin.

orders and to restore 14 to membership.

George E. Lockett, Junus Tate, Rufus Owens and Rev. George A. Kendricks, were plaintiffs in the suit against the defendants, Rev. Mr. Turpin, Hayes Snyder, A. Vandover, Leota Smith, Alton Reeves, Lafe Fowler, Sr., and Paul H. Carter.

The story of the court proceedings which began in the April 1 issue of the Bystander is continued here.

Two different editions of Edward T. Hiseox's "The New Directory for Baptists" were used as exhibits during the hearing. One a small, well-worn black book, belonging to the Rev. Mr. Turpin, was quoted, referred to and compared with the contents of a much larger green-back directory.

### MRS. ROOSEVELT BRINGING TO COUNTRY 46 CHILDREN OF ENGLISH MOTHERS

New York, (NNPA)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who recently left for England, is working on arrangements to bring forty-six children of English mothers, fathered by colored servicemen, to the United States where they will be adopted by responsible families in California, it was learned last Wednesday.

Arrangements, it was reported, are about complete. The mothers of the children are said to have been married women, whose husbands were in the British armed forces.

### Death Sentences of Mrs. R. Ingram, 2 Sons Commuted To Life Imprisonment Term

Americus, Ga.—Death sentences given Rosa Lee Ingram, 40-year-old mother, and her two teen-age sons for killing a white man were commuted Tuesday to life imprisonment.

Superior Court Judge William M. Harper ruled the three were convicted on circumstantial evidence and that this permitted him, under Georgia law, to set aside the death penalty.

M. E. Thompson and President Truman in behalf of the Negroes.

Evidence at the trial included testimony that the Ingrams confessed the fatal beating of John Ethron Stratford, 66-year-old share cropper. He was killed last Nov. 4 during an argument over damage to a corn field by a mule owned by the Ingrams. Other testimony was offered that Stratford hit the woman with a knife.

### Appeals to Truman 14 and 16 Years Old

The case attracted widespread attention and prompted appeals to Gov. George E. Lockett, Junus Tate, Rufus Owens and Rev. George A. Kendricks, were plaintiffs in the suit against the defendants, Rev. Mr. Turpin, Hayes Snyder, A. Vandover, Leota Smith, Alton Reeves, Lafe Fowler, Sr., and Paul H. Carter.

"I didn't turn out any," declared Reverend Turpin as he replied to Atty. McKnight's question regarding members who were dropped from the church. The minister maintained throughout his testimony that the "church turned them out."

Regarding the notification of members who had charges filed against them, the minister said "I did what the Baptist guide said do. I announced from the pulpit that there

### NAACP Defends Mrs. Ingram

In her statement last week, Mrs. Ingram gave exclusive authority to the NAACP "to raise funds for our defense, and no other person or organization is so authorized, unless permission is granted by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

All contributions to the defense may be sent to Mrs. Goldie T. Fant, 1854 Maple street, secretary of the Des Moines NAACP branch.

### News Briefs From Far and Near

#### DECORATED ARMY CHAPLAIN ASSIGNED TO NEGRO PARISH

Columbia, S. C.—Father Anthony G. McCabe, O.P., army chaplain wounded on Saipan who now holds the Bronze Star Medal and the Purple Heart has assumed his duties as pastor of Blessed Martin de Porres mission here.

A graduate of Providence College, Providence, R. I., Father McCabe was ordained to the priesthood in June, 1936. His first assignment was a parish priest in St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in New York City.

Since his discharge from military service, Father McCabe has been stationed at St. Vincent Ferrer's in New York.

#### HOW WOMEN MAY BETTER INTERRACIAL RELATIONS; CATHOLIC SCHOOL THEME

Chicago.—Work for women to participate, to better interracial relations, to better interracial relations was discussed at the open meeting of the National Council of Catholic Women, which opened its annual convention at Rosary College here. Five leaders in women's work were guests.

They were Miss Sophie Bell, president of the National Association of Negro College Women; Mrs. W. H. Sahud, past president of the National Council of Jewish Women; Miss Helen M. Ganey, president of the Arch-diocesan Council of Catholic Women; Mrs. Charles Sullivan, secretary of the ACCW; and Mrs. Charzma Rollins, children's librarian at Hall library.

#### BELL WAIVES TO JURY ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Sam Bell, Jr., 28, of 1022 Twelfth street, waived to the grand jury Monday before Municipal Judge Philip D. Moore on a charge of rape and was jailed when he was unable to post \$5,000 bond.

Bell is accused of assaulting a 15-year-old girl in an alley last Saturday. Police said the girl identified Bell as the man who attacked her after threatening her with a gun.

#### TO SPEAK HERE



PAUL ROBESON

Paul Robeson, widely-known American baritone, will speak at 1 p.m. Monday at University Christian church auditorium.

The convocation is sponsored by Drake university convocations committee, a student-faculty organization. The meeting will be open to the public.

Robeson will speak on "Current Issues Facing Americans." It was announced, and also will sing a number of folk songs. He is in Iowa on a tour sponsored by the Wallace for President committee.

Robeson has withdrawn from his new practice and the concert stage to devote his time to the problem of racial discrimination.

Following the convocation, Drake university veterans will sponsor a



# Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**  
**CLEVELAND CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
 Rev. F. W. McNeil, pastor  
 1030 E. 12th St. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Morning service at 11:30 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday and Friday night services at 7:30 p. m. W. W. services at 9:30 p. m.

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
 1111 1/2 E. 12th St. Rev. F. H. Hawn, pastor. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. Morning service, 11:30 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Bible class, 7:30 p. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

**ST. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 1111 1/2 E. 12th St. Rev. F. H. Hawn, pastor. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Morning service at 11:30 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Bible class at 7:30 p. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

**CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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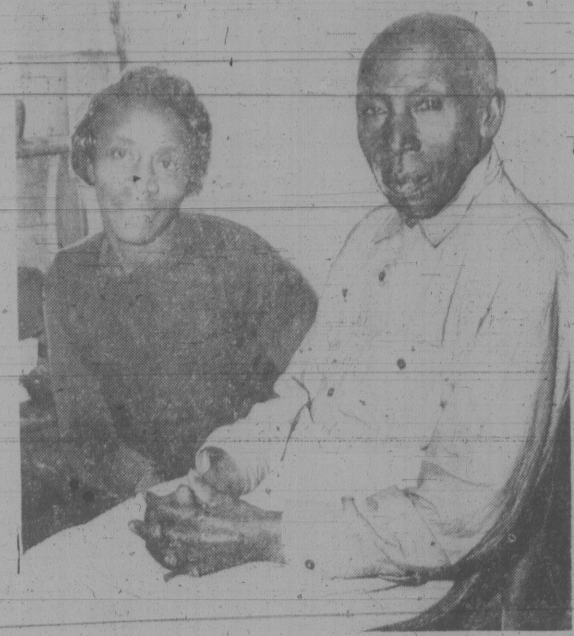
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## FORMER SLAVE RESCUED FROM FIRE



Ben Edmond and his niece, Mrs. Lucy Sanderlin. Ben Edmond, a former slave who claims to be 100, was rescued Friday night, April 2, from his five-story, second-story bedroom at 1415 Fremont street. Edmond said he was sleeping in the room when the fire broke out. He was using a window curtain as a ladder to escape. Barbara Rae Smith, 10, of 1551 E. University avenue, who was passing outside, noticed the flaming curtain and notified Mrs. E. C. Wilhite, wife of the owner of the residence. Mrs. Wilhite and Mrs. Lucy Sanderlin of 1415 Fremont street, rushed upstairs to find Edmond groping around in the blazing bedroom.

The women fed the aged man downstairs just as firemen arrived to extinguish the blaze. Furniture and furnishings in Edmond's room were damaged. Edmond, an old age pensioner who years ago worked for the late John H. Benson, building contractor, has made his home with the Wilhites 48 years. He was given temporary quarters downstairs.

Mrs. Sanderlin, Edmond's niece visiting at the house, said her uncle came to Des Moines from Missouri after being liberated as a slave there. (Enzo Coates' Register).

## Madison Jones Launches Annual Membership Drive For Des Moines NAACP

The fight of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for democracy is a part of the general movement of the world to get democracy, Madison S. Jones, Jr. of New York City, told a large group of listeners Sunday afternoon, at the Burns Methodist church.

An administrative assistant to the secretary of the NAACP, Mr. Jones was principal speaker for the Des Moines NAACP branch's kickoff meeting of the annual membership drive. It is matched with the struggle in India, Java, the struggle by Madan-Pandit who raised her voice against General Smuts. Her voice cried out in the wilderness for these people to get their freedom.

He paid tribute to the work of the people who give their time in the running of the branches, the officers and members. "It is the people's struggle work that you are doing," he said.

We need to double and redouble our efforts in the months to come. F. O. Morrow, membership chairman of the Des Moines Branch's campaign, informed that this meeting was a "warm-up" to kickoff meeting which will be in May.

Commanders named in the drive are: Atty. Luther Glanton, A. P. Trotter, Mrs. Frances Hull, Mrs. Dolores Spears and Mrs. Georgine C. Morris.

Mr. Smalls, past president of the NAACP state and local branches reported forty-one members which he had secured for this year's membership drive.

An appeal for members was made by Mrs. Guy E. Greene program chairman. Attorney Glanton, president of the branch, presided. Music was offered by the Corinthian Youth Chorus under the direction of Mrs.

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**CARD OF THANKS**  
 I wish to thank my many friends for their kindness during my illness. I am convalescing at home, 1012 Twelfth street.  
 Signed—Mrs. Helen Carter

### MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS OF WEEK

Rev. H. R. Fields preached Sunday morning. Two were added to the church. Pastor George Parish baptized six candidates. The Lord's Supper was observed. The pastor is conducting a revival service at the church. The church reported \$36 Sunday morning.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

At 3 p.m. the Rev. L. L. Barnes of the First C.M.E. church was guest speaker at the annual sermon of the Monogram club of which Mrs. Fannie Danforth is the president and for which music was furnished by the choir of the First C.M.E. church.

### BROWN CHAPEL A.M.E. ZION

Pastor A. M. Mitchell was out of the city Sunday. Rev. Mary B. Doyle Martin brought the message Sunday morning. She left that night for Minneapolis, Minn. Visitors for the day were: Rev. S. Ingram, Miss Helen Branch, Miss Ruby Buford, Miss Bernice Buford. Allee Talley is sick. Mae Wilson is church clerk.

### CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES OF WEEK

Sunday, April 4, Pastor G. W. Robinson, assisted by Rev. A. Fox, administered the Holy Communion to 420 after the morning service. Rev. Mr. Fox preached. Visitors were: Mrs. L. Johnson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. William Higgins, Brookfield, Mo.; Mrs. Susie Shorter, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Hiawatha King, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. E. Epps, Bronx, New York City; Mrs. Frank Griffin, Chicago.

### MONOGRAM CLUB HAS ANNUAL SERMON

The Monogram club held its annual sermon at the church.

### CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN MEETING AT THE Y MONDAY EVENING

The Clean-up and Beautify Campaign Committee will meet at the Crocker YMCA Monday, April 12, 8:00 p.m. The Committee is composed of a number of organizations between the Garden Club and the NAACP. Other clubs are asked to send representatives so that a large number of organizations will be included as a sponsor.

### ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH

Rev. L. L. Barnes as guest speaker. A large crowd attended the meeting.

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**C.B.**—I have two years of college but whenever I look for a job, it is admitted I'm qualified, but they make excuses and someone else gets the job. What must I do? I need work.

**Ans:** Go to Business School or take up some other course of study. When you have a trade or are trained for some work in particular, you can get a job without delay. At present you have a good foundation but you haven't a profession or an experience. This "I can do anything attitude gets you nowhere when applying for employment. You must apply for a specific job and state your qualifications in such a way as to fit the job you are applying for.

**J.M.C.**—I feel like someone who has been cast by the wayside. My husband has deserted me and taken up with a woman who is a drunkard, a gambler and everything else she shouldn't be and he always said he hated a woman of this type. What must I do?

**Ans:** Sit steady in the boat and give your husband ample time to realize his mistake. It will dawn on him all of a sudden one of these days just what he has done and he will want to right this wrong. For the time being, be patient and give him an opportunity to find himself. He's been a good man in the past and will be again.

**M.G.**—I have two girl friends I like. One wrote me and said she loved me and I answered back that I loved her but she is real jealous. She is nice looking. The other one is big and fat and when she walks she just shimmies and she looks good to me and I'm not kidding. She keeps her eye on me all of the time and I call her Baby Darling. Now, what's the score?

**Ans:** A case of puppy-love and no serious thoughts between any of you. All the young lassies look good to you right now—and you had better continue to feel that way until you are in a position to center

your thoughts on one. Keep your distance—it's safer.

Unfortunate—I am 24 years of age and have been exposed to three years of college. My life has been very hard. Many many days I have gone without eating except for a piece of bread and water just to complete my education. Now I have been severely criticized by my own folks and others to the extent that I am nervous, frustrated, no initiative, no confidence, I don't have the courage to speak what I think and I am not independent of action. My last quarter at school proved a failure. Help me.

**Ans:** A job will restore your confidence and bring about a decided change for the better in your life. You must not feel disillusioned about failing last quarter—you undertook too much. Work and save your money this spring and summer and next fall arrange to go back to the University and take up the study of law which interests you so much.

**MODERNISTIC CLUB MEETS APRIL 13**

The Modernistic club will meet April 13 with Mrs. Pauline Humphrey, 1407 Center street.

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**MRS. NELLIE GATER HONORS MRS. ANN MALONE AT LUNCHEON**

Mrs. Nellie Gater of 1174 Second Street place gave a luncheon in honor of her mother, Mrs. Anna Malone of Orlabor, Ia., who has been spending the winter with her. Guests invited included Mrs. Hazel Gaither, Mrs. William Clark, Mrs. Lena Hutchinson and Mrs. Alberta High-tower.

**THE FRED MITCHELLS OF CHICAGO VISIT HERE**

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell of Chicago visited their mother, Mrs. Drew Williams, 1334 McCormick street, over the Easter weekend. They returned home March 31.

**MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM CLARK ARE PARTY HOSTS**

Mr. and Mrs. William Clark of 1152 Second street place, gave a pre-Easter party in honor of her sister, Mrs. Juanita Hobbs of Oskaloosa. Guests were Mrs. Wilma Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Young, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. Eddie Bolden, Mr. and Mrs. Louise Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Taylor, Mr. Richard Williams, Mr. Clyde Moore, Mr. L. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. James Jefferson.

**MRS. JUANITA HOBBS AND DAUGHTERS GUESTS OF THE LAWRENCE JACOBS**

Mrs. Juanita Hobbs and daughters, Vida Ashby, Donna Hobbs and son Louis Henry Hobbs of Oskaloosa, Ia., were Easter guests of her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jacobs of 211 Ascension street.

**MRS. FRANK JETT HONORS MISS MARY WOOD AT SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER**

Mrs. Frank Jett, 1721 Pleasant street, complimented at dinner Saturday evening, Miss Mary Wood, YWCA executive of Philadelphia, Pa., who had spent a week here visiting her mother, Mrs. Rose E. Wood, 1613 Vine street. Seating the courtesy were Mrs. Rose Wood, Miss Helen Boulware, Miss Marie Ross and Mrs. Edna Pendleton.

**T.O.B. CLUB TO MEET APRIL 16**

Mrs. Geraldine Gomez was hostess to the T.O.B. club last Friday. After a brief business meeting the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Eva Hayes April 16.

**THREE PURPOSE CLUB HAS THEATER PARTY**

The Three Purpose club met March 31 with Mrs. Helen Martin as hostess. The program was on spring fashions. A theater party was planned for March 31.

**DILETTANTE CLUB TO STUDY ETCHINGS**

The Dilettante club will meet at Wilkie House on April 13. Mrs. Maurine Stanton will conduct the workshop. The lesson will be on etchings. Each member is asked to bring some glass article to be etched.

**MARY CHURCH TERRELL CLUB MEETS MONDAY**

The Mary Church Terrell club met Monday with Mrs. Joburness Bell. Mrs. E. P. Jackson reviewed "Keys on Any Door" (Motley). The next meeting will be with Mrs. Gertrude North, 817 Thirteenth street.

**ELEGANT EIGHT CLUB AWARDS BRIDGE PRIZES**

The Elegant Eight Bridge club met at the home of Mrs. Felice Rhodes March 21. Prizes were won by Mrs. Pauline Yeager, first; Miss Virginia Forrester, second; Mrs. Marion Freeman, third.

**YOUNG WOMEN'S ART GROUP TO MEET APRIL 22**

The Young Women's Art group at Wilkie House will meet April 22. Officers of the group are: Mrs. Gerda Morrow, president; Mrs. Catherine Atkinson, vice president; Mrs. Marian Morrison, secretary; Mrs. Louise Ware, assistant secretary; Mrs. Marguerite Ewing, treasurer; Mrs. Natalie Dixon, membership chairman. Other members are: Mrs. Nellie Morrow, Mrs. Dorothy Hampton, Mrs. Gloria Bowman, Mrs. Eleanor Hastings.

**SOCIAL WORKERS TO MEET APRIL 13**

The Sophia Nichols Social Workers will meet April 13 at the home of Mrs. Nichols. All members have been asked to attend. Reports will be made and delegates will be selected for the convention to be held in June at Sioux City.

**IOWAN MARRIES IN SAN FRANCISCO**



**MR. AND MRS. ALGIEN EPPS**

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor of 919 Grove street announce the marriage of their daughter, Lonnie Catherine, to Mr. Algien Epps, son of Mr. E. E. Epps of 12044 Union avenue, Bronx, New York.

The marriage took place on March 23 in San Francisco, Calif., where Mr. Epps, ex-pharmacist's mate, was stationed in the navy. The Rev. H. D. Hines, pastor of the Third Baptist church, in San Francisco, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Epps, a graduate of North High school in Des Moines, has been living in San Francisco for nearly a year. Mr. Epps is a graduate of Seward Park school in New York City.

The couple is in the city visiting the bride's parents. They will make their home in New York City. (BILL ASHBY PHOTO)

**MRS. THOMAS F. FRAZIER HONORED AT SHOWER BY MRS. F. ROBINSON**

A kitchen shower was given by Mrs. Frank Robinson Saturday, April 3, in honor of Mrs. Thomas F. Frazier, formerly Evelyn Green of this city.

Invitations were issued to Miss Laurene Jones, case worker, Child Welfare Division; Miss Marguerite Jane DeSleet, Mrs. Catherine Atkinson, Mrs. Agnes Matthews, Mrs. Inez DeVan, Miss Rachel Cason, and Miss Elizabeth Gross, all employees of the Polk County Welfare Department clerical staff, of which Mrs. Frazier is a member.

**MRS. JUANITA WINTERS HEADS REORGANIZED SANS SOUCI CLUB**

The Sans Souci club which was reorganized, met March 29, with Mrs. Bertha Wolder as hostess. A luncheon was served and the afternoon spent playing bridge.

The new officers are: Mrs. Juanita Winters, president; Mrs. Helen Martin, vice president; Mrs. Virginia Brown, secretary; Mrs. Mable Weathers, assistant secretary; Mrs. Wolder, treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Carter, chaplain and Mrs. Edith Webb, reporter.

**COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB HEARS WM. H. COLLINS ON 'EARLY PLANTING'**

The Community Garden club met last Friday at Wilkie House. William H. Collins, secretary-treasurer of Iowa State Horticultural Society, spoke on "Early Planting." Door prizes, all plants, were awarded by Mrs. Bernice Carter to: Mrs. E. P. Jackson, president, first; Mrs. Marshall Smith, second; Mrs. Verda Spangler, third.

en's sake—don't let Flora Mae Carter read this because she dislikes reading about flowers. In this column. Too bad we did not run into her for she might have had one to carry home to put in an end-table vase. Without any trouble the host of daffodils soon separated. Two or three of them got stuck in a pop bottle on one of the desks at the Register Tribune library. Up to Polk County Welfare office Evelyn Green Frazier was "found" at her desk and a flower remained there. Downstairs Beatrice Robinson put one in a bowl of vases. On the street car Miss Laurene Jones, who worn from shopping, beamed when she saw the dwindling host of daffodils. Strolling home from Drake university were Rose Mary Westbrook and Wendell Hill who were beaming without the daffodils—so they did not even notice the yellow beauties.

In chatting about her 86-year-old mother who gets about nearly as well as she does, Evangelist Estelja Coates asked herself "What will mother do next?"

—About 5 o'clock Sunday morning Mrs. Coates said her mother, Mrs. Florence Scholer, had the family up notifying them that she was going to Perry, Ia., to spend the day visiting friends—and then went there by herself and returned safe and sound.

"I guess she ought to be safe," I can remember way back when I was four years old that mother had us learning that prayer—"protect us oh Lord wherever we go."

Jonquills—or daffodils—whatever they were—were in the five, and lime green Monday—but for heav-

**MISS McDONALD IS BRIDE**



**MR. AND MRS. MARVIN W. ALLEN**

Mr. and Mrs. McQueen McDonald, 1061 West Ninth street, announce the marriage of their daughter, Bettie Jean, to Mr. Marvin W. Allen, son of Mrs. W. Allen of Studdard, Arkansas.

The marriage took place March 27, at 8 p.m. at the home of the bride's parents with the Rev. G. W. Robinson officiating. After a reception and a short visit with the bride's family, the couple left to reside in Warren, Ohio, where Mr. Allen is employed.

A native of Des Moines and a graduate of East High school, Mrs. Allen had attended Drake university here. She is a member of the Corythian Baptist church and youth chorus. (BILL ASHBY PHOTO)

**WIDOWS CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. B. CRANK**

The Widow's Industrial club met April 4 at the home of Mrs. Nellie Parker with Mrs. Allie Bowman as hostess. Mrs. Bowman was welcomed back after three months visit in Chicago. She sang a request solo. Returning to the club after illness were Mrs. Pearlie Simmons and Mrs. Gertrude Brown. A repast was served.

The club will hold its next meeting Sunday, April 18, at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Crank, at 1181 Eleventh street. All members are to be present. Mrs. Bertha Dunn is president; Mrs. Parker is secretary.

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EDITORIALS - FEATURES - SPORTS

NATIONAL NEGRO HEALTH WEEK

National Negro Health Week is being observed April 4 to 11. It is one of the many dreams of the late Booker T. Washington who felt that no race of people could be a strong race unless it was healthy; that disease constituted a great economic loss to the Negro annually which might well be improved by following a few simple rules.

So well did some think of the idea that the United States Public Health Service, several insurance companies and medical groups have joined in to emphasize the importance of the movement by devising and formulating programs aimed to attract the public that the idea may reach as many people as possible.

Dr. Washington was well aware that unsanitary conditions in the rural districts, as well as in large congested areas, breed disease among the unfortunate and is passed on to the so-called high class citizens; that some maids, cooks, butlers and nurses from unsanitary homes carried disease wherever they were employed.

The death rate among Negroes from tuberculosis was far out of proportion to the whole population when Negro Health Week was put into action but with the cooperation of sponsoring groups, raising their economic level and the use of modern methods to combat disease, improvement has been marvelous. The same thing is true of many other diseases and the work goes on.

In most communities, programs are being held during National Negro Health Week emphasizing what has been done to accomplish the results obtained and to plan for the future. These plans include a more wide participation by the Negro himself, both in the medical profession and among the laity, to carry them out and thus make more sound bodies among all the people.

PRaise FOR THOSE WHO PLAY FAIR

The Bystander has made it a practice to criticize movements and people which tended to deny Negroes a fair share of what this country offers its citizens. On the other hand, in fairness to everybody, it has praised those who have shown that they are broad enough to give every fellow a fair chance to improve his lot.

Recently, Des Moines had an election at which a new bailiff of the Municipal Court was chosen. Over the years, while we have had a courtroom bailiff in that court, there was no such thing in the law, and even though several Negroes have passed the examination for the position as bailiff, none has ever been appointed.

As one of his first official acts, John Wood, the new bailiff, with the cooperation of retiring Judge Don Allen, and the Civil Service Commission, Herschell Hubbard, one of those who passed the examination several years ago, was placed in the status of a full bailiff dating that position back to 1942.

Bailiff Wood is to be congratulated for seeing justice done which was long overdue.

The State Republican Convention was held in Des Moines last week where delegates were elected to the National Convention.

Negro Republicans carried on a rather spirited campaign to include A. A. Alexander on the delegation. Key workers in counties where there is a Negro population, secured the help of the local delegations, so that when the convention opened there was much sentiment for a Negro member of the delegation. The nominating committee on delegates named Alexander and their recommendations were approved.

The Bystander feels that too much credit cannot be given Senator George Faul of Polk County, a member of the committee on nominations, who as he always does, helped make the wishes of Negro Republicans known in official places at the convention and get things done.

While not involving the Negro in particular, The Bystander congratulates newly elected Safety Commissioner M. J. Bennett for his retention of the present chief of police Loren Miller, in that post.

Chief Miller is an excellent officer, fair and fearless. Negroes generally will applaud the appointment for it is encouraging to have men in high places who don't spend a lot of their time looking for the color line and embarrassing people because of their race.

A good start, Commissioner Bennett!

NEGRO HEALTH WEEK PROGRAM GIVEN BY ZIED TEMPLE NO. 90

A Negro Health Week program was given Monday night by Zied

RANDOLPH AND UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING LAW

(See Front Page) So, this commander permitted the existence of an area of prostitution known as the 'Hook' at the front door of Fort Huachuca," Mr. Reynolds charged. He suggested a Congressional investigation.

Efforts Thwarted

Efforts to clear up this latter situation were thwarted by Negro appeasers—Negro Judas Iscariots—who had business interests in the area," Mr. Reynolds said. "An investigation of this camp and its environs would have reached right into the War Department, and certainly one War Department official in Washington, D. C. might have been embarrassed."

After the committee had recessed the morning session, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Reynolds had a brief heated exchange concerning these remarks. It is known that the situation referred to by Mr. Reynolds was investigated by the Inspector General of the Army and that it was found that a group of Chicago business men had invested sums of money to provide recreation for soldiers stationed at Huachuca to keep them from crossing the border into Mexico and to keep down the venereal disease rate.

While Mr. Reynolds was testifying, Senator Richard B. Russell, Democrat of Georgia, a member of the committee, left the hearing. He returned while Mr. Randolph was testifying, remained a few minutes and then left again.

"In a campaign year, when both major parties are playing cynical politics with the issue of civil rights, Negroes are about to lose the fight against Jim Crowism on a national level," said Mr. Randolph, who is a Socialist adding:

Civil Disobedience

To day I should like to make clear to the Senate Armed Services Committee and through you, to Congress and the American People, that passage now of a Jim Crow draft may only result in a mass civil disobedience movement along the lines of the magnificent struggles of the people of India against British imperialism.

"I must emphasize that the current agitation for civil rights is no longer a mere expression of hope on the part of Negroes. On the other hand, it is a positive resolute out-reaching for full manhood. On the other hand, it is an equally determined will to stop acquiescing in anything less. Negroes demand full, unqualified first-class citizenship.

"In resorting to the principles and direct-action techniques of Gandhi, whose death was publicly mourned by many members of Congress and President Truman's Negroes will be serving a higher law than any passed by a national legislature in an era when racism spells our doom.

Mr. Randolph said he personally will advise colored persons "to refuse to fight as slaves for a democracy they cannot possess and cannot enjoy." He added, however, that he was speaking only for himself since he was not sure that all the members even of the Committee Against Jim Crow in Military Service and Training would follow him.

DES MOINES S. S. WORKERS COUNCIL MEETS APRIL 13

The Des Moines Sunday School Workers Council will hold its regular meeting Tuesday evening, April 13, at 8 p. m. at the First Baptist church, West Des Moines. Topics to be discussed will be "The Adult Department" by Mrs. Sarah Jett who is program chairman; "The Sunday School Teacher," by Mrs. Zora Ewing and Miss Geneva Hooper.

Charles Swink, All Sunday School workers, are urged to be present. Mrs. Jeanne Morris is president. Mrs. Catherine Nichols, secretary.

Temple No. 90 of the Shrine, at the Crocker Y.M.C.A. The Des Moines Male chorus sang a health film was shown by the city sanitary inspector, Sophus Christensen. A tuberculosis film was shown, also.

The health week program coincides with Zied Temple's Tuberculosis and Cancer research foundation. James W. Morrow, Shrine potentate, presided at the meeting.

POLK COUNTY NEGRO DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE HAS MONTHLY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Polk County Negro Democratic league met April 4 at Willie House. Dan McEniry, former chairman of Polk County Democratic Central Com-

HEALTH FOR ALL Care of the Teeth

Everybody knows that good teeth are important to good looks. How many times is an otherwise attractive face completely changed when its owner smiles and reveals badly-formed, discolored or decayed teeth?

The damage that neglected teeth does to health is less obvious, but much more important. Digestion begins in the mouth when the teeth grind the food and cut it into small pieces. If the teeth cannot perform this important function properly because they are decayed, broken or missing, interference with the very first step in digestion is the result. Harmful bacteria from badly decayed or infected teeth enter the blood stream. Neglected teeth are often the source of such serious illnesses as rheumatism, arthritis and sinus trouble.

Too many people never go near the dentist until they are driven to it by the torment of a toothache. Nine times out of ten, these agonizing experiences would never happen if the person were in the habit of regular visits to the dentist's office.

Regular visits to the dentist should begin in babyhood. The child should be brought to the dentist as soon as he has his first set of teeth, usually at about two and a half years of age. The first teeth guide the permanent teeth into place and should be allowed to come out naturally unless the dentist advises otherwise. When baby teeth are lost too soon, the permanent teeth frequently are crowded and out of place. On the other hand, the dentist may see a baby tooth that is remaining too long and extract it at the proper time to help regular formation of the permanent teeth.

The early habit of regular visits to the dentist should be retained. The dentist is the only one who can detect cavities and treat them before the tooth becomes decayed or infected. The result will be fewer toothaches, fewer painful treatments and a longer life for the teeth. Proper food is also important to health and life of the teeth. Plenty of milk, citrus fruits and vegetables such as tomatoes contain the minerals, calcium and phosphorus necessary to strong teeth. Chewing coarse foods and raw vegetables and fruits helps keep teeth and gums healthy. But that does not mean abusing the teeth by cracking nuts or biting hard metallic objects.

Brushing the teeth carefully at least twice a day, in the morning and before retiring, loosens harmful bacteria from the surface of the teeth and so discourages their decay. Your dentist will show you the correct way to brush your teeth. Although there is no special toothbrush or dentifrice that will cure or prevent decay, regular and correct cleaning of the teeth helps to preserve them.

This article is presented by the Polk County Tuberculosis Association in the interest of better health.

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

Boxing

As we sat and watched the finals of the State A.A.U. boxing meet, we heard several reasons advanced as to why people stay away from this boxing meet and pack the Golden Gloves bouts. Tony Cordaro in the daily Tribune borrowed a quote "No one came because nobody wanted to." He might be right.

Our guess is that the meet is always an anti-climax to the Golden Gloves with the same boxers. The national meet, held in Boston, draws because it is away from the gloves in New York and Chicago. How well would it draw in either city after all the fanfare about the Golden Gloves?

Bill Mason didn't have too much trouble winning his second state flyweight title. He scored one kayo and one decision to make the trip to Boston where he was eliminated in the quarter finals.

We don't know how Larry Seeman of Iowa City got to the final bout. We were sure he had lost his semi-final test, but his opponent removed all doubt in the last bout, knocking Seeman stiffer than a frozen herring. Admiral Ross and George Trumbo lost via first round kayos in their semi-final tests, and Hinkey Brewer lost in his opening bout.

Local Sports

Young Bill Bell bids fair to become southpaw sensation in high school baseball. He broke up a game with North last week with a clutch single and some high-order pitching. Nice going Bill.

Connie Jones, Reggie Kaiser and George Nichols of North knew what they were talking about when they promised to take care of East next time out. Now they are a tough mile relay team where last year they were only a sprint relay gang.

Tough about Dick Aitkins pulled muscle. Some of our local boxers are still looking for their purses following the last bout at the coliseum. Hiding is a poor way to cultivate faith and well wishing.

Committee gave instructions on precinct caucuses and importance of attending them. Mrs. A. L. Millard gave a report on her trip to Washington, D. C. in the interest of the food control of the Four-mile district. She is the president of the East Des Moines Civic League.

James Rhodes, chairman presided. The next regular meeting will be at Willie House, Sunday, June 6. There will be two speakers who will give instruction on registration and voting in the June primaries; and instruction to delegates to the county convention.

SCOTTISH RITE MASONRY BANQUET

The W. F. Powell Consistory will serve a banquet at the Y.W.C.A. Ninth and High streets, Monday, April 12, for all Masons. All master Masons are invited to attend. James W. Rhone is general chairman.

Buy tickets now at Utica for Phillipa Schuyler, Child Pianist-Composer at Hoyt Sherman Place May 2.—ADV.

T/4 Grant Barber is Truck Driver Stationed in Japan

With the Eighth Army in Osaka, Japan—Technician Fourth Grade Grant Barber, son of Mr. Grant Barber of 1295 De Wolf street, Des Moines, Iowa, is a member of the 24th Infantry, now stationed at Gifu, Japan. The 24th Infantry is a part of 25th Infantry (Tropic Lightning) Division, commanded by Major General Charles L. Mullins, Jr.

T/4 Barber is a truck driver in the 3th Medical Collecting company. He has received a year of military training in an integrated, democratic fashion. OK? OK, you may fire when ready.

The way we see it, Joe, for the way we saw it in a five year hitch, this segregation in our military forces is supported in many instances by your lack of training, military and otherwise.

In other words, Joe, when the brass hats started looking around for an excuse to segregate you and keep you that way, somebody whispered that you were dumb. And when the brass hats put you to a test, you turned out to be just that—dumb and the perfect alibi was formed.

VETERANS WHIRL

By JAMES L. HICKS NNPA Staff Writer

Johanny Get Your Gun???

Where do you stand on the \$64 question of the hour, Joe? Yeah, that's right, we're talking about universal military training—you know, putting the boys back in uniform.

No matter how you stand, no matter what side of the fence you are on, you are likely to find a lot of your old buddies on the other side. Quite a few friends are seeing the same thing differently.

In fact, Joe, it might be the point where you and this column come to the parting of the ways.

You see, this column is in favor of universal military training.

Wait a minute! Let's clear the decks before you start firing—you might hurt some innocent people—and this military training business is mostly concerned with just us.

Before we go further let it be understood that nothing said herein is to be construed as favoring any form of segregation, military or otherwise. This column is dead set against the type of Jim Crow military forces which we now have and is unalterably opposed to their continuance or extension. So when we argue let's have it understood that this corner means universal mil-

AFTER A REVERIE After a muse I put on human shoes and follow through Hiding sacred thoughts in my secret room To loose the key would mean a calamity It shields the real me. A God-like thing really. By Dorothy L. Randle.

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POST EXCHANGE

Letters from Our Readers

A bit of prose, a line or two of poetry, a letter now and then to express thoughts in the minds of our many readers. Send Yours Today

and was awarded the drivers medal for excellency in the operation and maintenance of his vehicle. T/4 Barber entered the army in June, 1946 and received his basic training at Fort McClellan, Alabama. He departed for overseas duty on September, 1946 and since arrival in Japan has served with the 36th Medical Collecting Company.

Before entering the service, T/4 Barber attended Amos High school. THE FORK When you reach the fork And both roads look the same Listen for the eternal whisper For it will surely tell you Which way to choose And the road to take. —Norman Sims Ellington

forces. And there were twice as many smart colored soldiers as the Army was willing to recognize—but when they found them they had an alibi to use against the smart and the dumb ones. As for the dumb white boys—they didn't look for them. They might have found themselves.

BAPTIST MINISTER SUES JOE LOUIS

See Front Page months ago but later withdrew it, charges that because of the champion's acts the complainant has lost not only his wife, but the companionship of their two children, Matthew K. 4 and Oran, 2.

Until Louis intervened, the Faulkners "lived together happily and devotedly, enjoying a mutual warmth of affection for each other." Louis, who has been heavyweight champion since he defeated James J. Braddock in Chicago June 22, 1937, is in Europe, where he has appeared in exhibition bouts. He

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is to return to the United States April 12 and defend his title June 23 in Yankee Stadium in New York against Jersey Joe Walcott. The champion was accompanied on his European trip by his wife, the former Marva Trotter, whom he married September 29, 1935. They were divorced March 27, 1941 in Chicago, and have two children, a year. They have a daughter, Jacqueline, 5, and a son, Joe, 2.

A. A. ALEXANDER ELECTED DELEGATE TO GOP CONVENTION A. A. Alexander, Des Moines contractor, and assistant to the Republican state chairman, was elected delegate-at-large to the national convention at a meeting of the Republican State Delegate Convention held in Des Moines April 2-5. Mr. Alexander was in the city during the week end from Washington, D. C. where the Alexander-Repass company is constructing a three-million-dollar speedway. The national convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., from June 21. Other Negro delegates who attended the convention here Friday were Virgil Warren, Mason City; Mary Freels, Clinton; Powell Gilson, Cedar Rapids; Anna McCann, Lawrence; C. Howard, J. G. Brown, Mrs. Katherine Shelton, Walter Thompson, Mrs. Mae Hayward, all from Des Moines.

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