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## PROMINENT NEW YORKERS

# Differ with Walter White's Opinions

### News Briefs From Far and Near

#### WM. PARKER GETS LEW DEGREE FROM RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Mr. William Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parker, 1826 Easton boulevard, who received his L. L. B. degree at Rutgers university, Newark, N. J., in June, is awaiting the Iowa State Bar examinations in October.

A veteran of the U. S. Navy, serving three years during World War II, he received his bachelor of arts degree at the Pine Bluff, Ark., State college in 1941, then began the study of law at Drake university, where he spent a year.

An East High school graduate he plans to practice law in Iowa.

#### OLYMPIAN CLUB HOUSE BURGLARIZED

Officers of the Olympian Athletic club, who operate a concession at Good park, reported to police that the place was broken into last Tuesday night and \$21 taken from a popcorn vending machine.

The front door was forced open, police said. A juke box also was broken open and an undetermined amount of cash was taken, detectives reported.

#### RACIAL BARS FALLING IN NURSING GROUPS ASSERTS NEW YORKER

Cincinnati, Ohio (ATLAS)—Only seven states and the District of Columbia refuse membership in nursing organizations to Negro nurses today, asserted Miss Alma Veselles, New York executive secretary of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses, at a luncheon in the YWCA. "Even in some Southern state, notably, North Carolina and Florida, racial barriers are being let down," said Miss Veselles.

The guest of honor explained that individual membership in the American Nurses Association was provided one year ago, but various communities and cities still refuse membership in district and local nurses associations. As those difficulties are overcome, it is the policy of the NACGN groups to disband and become a part of the overall association.

#### ANTI-BIAS LAW IN EFFECT ON MIAMI BEACH

Miami Beach, Fla. (ATLAS)—There will be no more displays of any advertisement, notice or signs indicating "white" and "Colored" according to a recently adopted anti-discrimination ordinance, now in effect.

The ordinance makes it unlawful to discriminate against persons of any religion, sect, creed, race or denomination in the enjoyment of privileges and facilities or places of public accommodation, amusement or resort.

The measure also calls for penalties up to \$500 or ninety days, or both for violators.

#### GIANTS TO CLOSE HOME GAMES SEPT. 4-5

Chicago, Ill. (Special)—Chicago's American Giants, still hoping to gain a playoff berth in the Western Division of the Negro American League, will close their home schedule here in Comiskey Park on Sunday and Monday, Sept. 4 and 5, in a quartet of games against the famous Indianapolis Clowns.

Twin bills will be played on Sunday and again on Labor Day Monday, Sept. 5, thus bringing down the curtain on local activity, unless the Giants gain a playoff berth.

#### FATHER OF DR. W. J. RITCHEY DIES IN ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ritchey, 1154 14th street, left Thursday morning for St. Joseph, Mo., where his father, Mr. Squire Ritchey, died Wednesday night.

#### Iowa Editor Passes



HARVEY INGHAM

The last rites for Harvey Ingham, editor-emeritus of The Register and Tribune, were held Tuesday afternoon at Plymouth Congregational church.

Mr. Ingham, who would have been 91 on Sept. 8, died Sunday afternoon at Iowa Methodist hospital, where he had been a patient since Feb. 14. The nationally-recognized editor retired formally in 1943, after 60 active years as an Iowa editor. He had served The Register and Tribune for 40 years after he had been for 20 years editor of the Upper Des Moines, a weekly newspaper at Algona, Ia.

#### HOLD RITES FOR MRS. MARGARET JEWETT

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Jewett, 59, of 1216 Fremont street, were held Tuesday in Union Baptist church of which she was a member. Burial was at Glendale cemetery.

Mrs. Jewett died Friday, August 19, at Broadlawn General hospital following a long illness. Formerly of Muchiconick, near Oskaloosa, Mrs. Jewett had lived in Des Moines 22 years.

Survivors include her husband, William; four daughters, Mrs. Kathryn Beverly of the Island of Guam, Mrs. Geraldine Williams, Mrs. Evelyn Carter, and Mrs. Margaret Wright; two sons, John A. and William E., all of Des Moines; and three brothers, David Ampey, of Cedar Rapids, John Ampey, of Omaha, Nebr. and Carl Oliver, of Minneapolis, Minn.

#### Defense Secretary Invites Iowan to Orientation Parley

Louis Johnson, secretary of defense, has invited A. A. Alexander, internationally known engineer and contractor, to participate in a Joint Civilian Orientation conference for leaders in press, industrial, labor and professional fields to begin in Washington, D. C., September 19. The purpose of the conference, which will be conducted by the National Military Establishment, is to acquaint the group with current problems, and to obtain the views of the members on matters concerning national defense, a letter to Mr. Alexander revealed.

The conference will open at the Pentagon in Washington on Sept. 19, and continue by plane at Elgin Air Force base, Florida, on Sept. 21; and on to Ft. Benning, Ga., and the Naval Base at Norfolk, Va., where it will end on Sept. 26.

#### AT VETS HOSPITAL

Patrolman James P. Thompson, 1115 13th street, is ill at veterans hospital here.

#### State Fair Opens Friday; Children Admitted Free

Friday, the Iowa State Fair holds its gala opening at Fairgrounds here, for an eight-day run. Children will be admitted free at the outside gate all day Friday. At 9:30 a.m. a special program for children will be held in the grandstand.

## Estranged Husband Throws Lye at Hollywood Designer Wife; Knocked Back at Him

By DELORES CALVIN  
Atlantic City, N. J. (CNS)—L'Tanya, beautiful 28-year-old Hollywood designer, will definitely prosecute for assault and damages received when her irate, estranged husband, photographer Earl Griffith, 34, viciously threw a can of lye in her face and that of Marshall Miles, who was co-manager of Joe Louis as heavyweight champ, Friday afternoon at the racetrack here. So upset is L'Tanya over the incident she is temporarily bedded in her Younkers home, unable to continue work on her scheduled fashion tour of the nation in October, but thankful she's still alive.

Separated for the past two months, Earl and L'Tanya Griffin had seemingly agreed to a quiet divorce upon Griffin's return from a trip to France. Upon arriving at her 85 Valentine Lane home, supposedly for his clothes, he discovered she had taken a needed weekend vacation. Angry, Griffin called every resort searching for her. When he located his wife in Atlantic City, he

drove there with what police calls "pre-meditated" murder. Well equipped with the can of lye and a pistol loaded with bullets, he spotted L'Tanya and Miles viewing the horses.

Walking over to them, he asked his wife if he could speak to her and Miles alone. They stepped aside. He was carrying the lye in a beer can wrapped in a napkin. They thought it was beer. Without warning, Griffin threw the lye at the two, aiming at their faces. Miles fortunately, threw up his arm, knocking the can back to Griffin, which hit him in the eyes. He cried, "I'm blind. I can't see" and was led at once to first aid.

Two innocent spectators were sprayed with the acid. L'Tanya, wearing a self-designed pink shantung sun dress suffered acid burns on the face, arms and neck. Miles was severely hurt on the side of his head, neck and arms. His hair was singed. Griffin's condition was serious. He is blind in one eye, and almost completely in the other.

#### NAACP TO SEEK CHANGE OF VENUE IN GROVELAND TRIAL

Groveland, Fla.—A motion for change of venue to move the scene of the trial from the hostile Groveland area will be one of the first legal steps to be taken by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in the defense of the three Groveland youths scheduled to be tried for rape on August 29, NAACP attorneys announced.

Biased news stories and provocative editorials were cited by the NAACP as major contributors to the atmosphere of racial tension, animosity and mob domination still prevalent in Lake County a month after the alleged attack on 17-year-old Mrs. Willie Padgett. The Association contends that a fair trial is

## KKK's Imperial Wizard, Dr. Samuel Green, Dies

Atlanta, Ga. (NNPA)—Dr. Samuel Green, Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan died at his home last Thursday night following a heart attack.

Dr. Green, an obstetrician, was stricken while working in the yard at his home. He was pronounced dead at 6:10 p.m., by Dr. Walter Daniel, a neighbor who was called to the Green home following the attack.

#### Promoted

Dr. Green was promoted only two weeks ago to be Imperial Wizard of the Association of Georgia Klans. Before his elevation, he was known as the Grand Dragon.

A member of the hooded order since 1918, Dr. Green resurrected the Klan during World War II. It

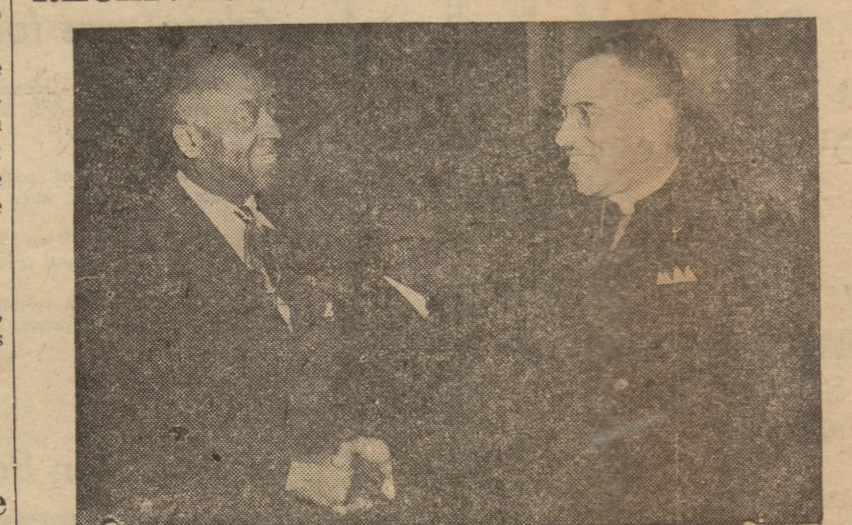
was understood that Dr. Green held an office in the Klan several years before he "revived and reorganized" it in 1944.

Members of the family refused to discuss any aspects of Dr. Green's activities in the Klan saying: "We would prefer that it not be mentioned that Dr. Green was a member of the Klan."

Green took over the old Klan, plagued by Federal tax suits, changed the name to the Association of Georgia Klans and avoided any entanglements with the Government.

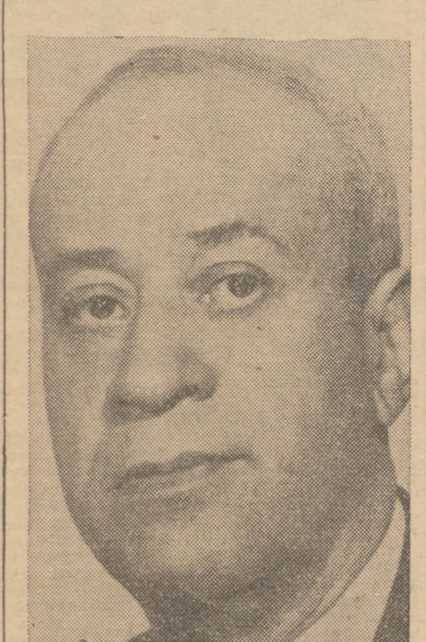
Green reportedly held a commission on Governor Herman Talmadge's staff. Talmadge would neither confirm nor deny that he had appointed the Klan ruler to his staff.

#### RECEIVES BISHOP'S CONGRATULATIONS



Bishop D. Ward Nichols of the First Episcopal district of the AME church congratulates Rev. Edward B. Williams, new pastor of St. Matthew's AME church in Philadelphia for his sweeping victory in stabilizing matters at the important local church. The Rev. Williams won fealty of the congregation, part of whom threatened revolt when former pastor was removed. (ANP)

#### Heads Business League



HORACE SUDDUTH

Memphis, Tenn.—After a strenuous fund campaign in which he himself took a leading role, Horace Sudduth, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is rounding out his first year as president of the National Negro Business League by presiding over the 49th annual convention in Detroit this week. The prominent Ohio realtor made extensive trips in the East, Midwest, the Southwest and the deep South to help promote the \$50,000 budget campaign which he launched for the league shortly after his election to office in 1948 at Atlantic City, N. J.

#### Baptists of Four States Convening In Minneapolis

Minneapolis, Minn.—Bethesda Baptist church, 1118 S. 8th street, here, is the scene of six different Baptist conferences, which opened sessions on Monday and will continue through Friday, August 26. The general theme of these conferences is "The Changeless Christ in A Changeless World," with "Saviour, More Than Life to Me," as the general theme song.

The conferences meeting include the 71st annual session of Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska and Minnesota Baptist convention, with Rev. J. M. Eaves of Des Moines, president; the 67th annual session of the Women's Home and Foreign convention, Mrs. G. B. Ashford, Garner, Ia., president.

The 39th annual session of the Ministers' and Deacons' Union, Rev. L. G. Garrett, Des Moines, president; 21st annual session of the Ministers' and Deacons' Wives, Mothers and Deaconess Union, Mrs. Georgia Terry, Omaha, president; the 13th annual session of the Young People's Department, Mrs. Jessye Bell Davis, Des Moines, supervisor; and the Evangelistic department, Rev. J. R. Roman, Des Moines, chairman.

#### OHIO BENEFIT CLUB INTERRUPTED BY POLICE

By DALE R. WRIGHT  
Columbus, Ohio (NNPA)—A curious situation has developed in Ohio's capital city with the growth and spread of the "Good Sports Benefit Club." Fathored by Cal Crawford, 37, a Dayton, Ohio businessman, the organization is an elaboration of the pyramid clubs which swept the nation recently.

The principles under which the club operates are very similar to the pyramid clubs, but much more complex. The major exception is the system of bookkeeping which insures participation of members and guards against breakdowns. Membership requirements are (1) pay two dollars; (2) get two members to pay you two dollars; and (3) pay the four dollars to the person whose name appeared at the top of the certificate you held.

With full participation by all members, it would be possible to collect \$512. Although no member has collected the full amount since the club's inception early in June, some have been paid up to \$400.

## Negroes Not Interested in Changing Color of Skin to Get Freedom, Leaders Say

New York (NNPA)—Prominent New Yorkers disagreed with Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, that monobenzyl, a chemical that turns dark skin white, will afford colored people a means of breaking over racial barriers.

The chemical science has discovered removed melanin from the skin. Melanin is the substance which makes a person white or dark. Monobenzyl removed melanin from the skin.

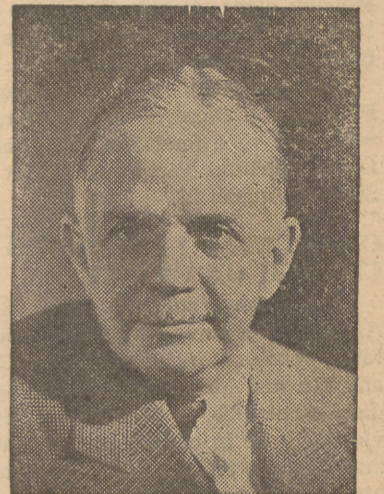
Mr. White, who is on leave of absence for a year from his post with the NAACP and is currently on a round-the-world tour with the Town Hall Seminar, writing in Look magazine, pointed out that the effects of monobenzyl on pigmentation were accidentally discovered shortly before the war when the hands and arms of colored and Mexican workers in a Midwestern tannery were turning white.

Upon investigation by the United States Public Health Service, it was determined that the discoloration was traceable to the chemical in the rubber gloves they were wearing.

For millions of colored Americans, Mr. White said, "monobenzyl" will provide a way to get the fair treatment they've always wanted. The chemical will enable them to break the barriers that hem them in, let them live like other Americans and be judged on their own merits."

#### Not Interested

Disagreeing with Mr. White, Dr. Channing H. Tobias, director of the Phelps Stokes Fund, said: "The answer as to whether colored people would attempt such a thing is a flat no. In spite of the premium that white people may place on color, Negroes are not interested in achieving their freedom from discrimination through any fantastic proposal of changing their color even if it were possible."



WALTER WHITE

Lester B. Granger, executive secretary of the National Urban League, said: "It would be a coward's escape. Nothing is solved when you run from the enemy and leave him in possession of the field."

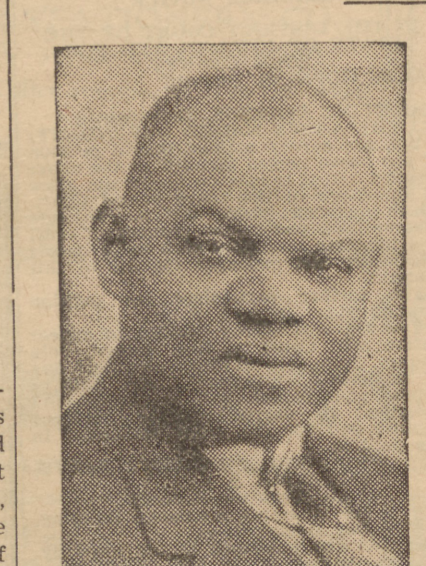
#### Get Proud

Mrs. Edith Alexander, chairman of Mayor O'Dwyer's Committee on Unity; "I don't feel that Negroes would give up the pride in their own race in order to make social gains through a synthetic process. It's time that we get proud of being colored."

James Lawson, president of the United African Nationalist Movement: "This only goes to show how much Mr. White has for the black blood in his veins. Anything that is black to him apparently is ugly, hideous and monstrous. And this is probably why, after being married to a black woman for twenty-seven years, who struggled with him, he used white lawyers to gain a divorce from her and married a white woman. He evidently thinks she is better than all the black women in the world."

Dr. W. A. Hunton of the Council (See Page FOUR)

## Judge Vaughn, Noted St. Louisian, Who Was Active In National Politics, Dies



JUDGE G. L. VAUGHN

St. Louis (NNPA)—George L. Vaughn, an assistant attorney general of Missouri, former just of the peace, prominent in Democratic politics and colored organizations, died of a heart attack early last Wednesday in his home here.

Mr. Vaughn, 64 years old, was the lawyer who carried to the United States Supreme Court, and argued before the tribunal, the St. Louis residential segregation case, which resulted in a reversal of the Missouri Supreme Court.

When interrupted by the police the club's membership was estimated at 1200.

Mr. Vaughn also presented to the Democratic National convention in Philadelphia last summer, in an uproarious night session, a minority report from the credentials committee which almost resulted in the unseating of the Mississippi delegation of Senator James O. Eastland, Representative John Rankin and other Dixiecrats.

Mr. Vaughn was appointed Justice of the Peace for the Fourth District January 17, 1936, succeeding Charles H. Turpin, Republican.

Mr. Vaughn served as first president of the Mound City Bar Association. In 1941, he was the Democratic nominee for Alderman in the old Nineteenth Ward, but was defeated in the municipal election.

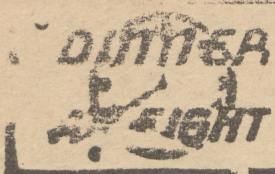
#### 'Most Outstanding'

He was honored as the "most outstanding St. Louis Negro in 1947" at a testimonial mass meeting for his participation in the fight which resulted in the United States Supreme Court decision barring use of the courts to enforce real estate title restriction against colored people. He was also a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

In World War I, he served as a first lieutenant in the artillery, having volunteered. Born in Kentucky, he attended Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee, and Walden University, Nashville, Tennessee.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Eva L. Vaughn; two daughters, Carolyn and Mary, and a son, George L. Vaughn, Jr.





# SOCIETY



### THE J. L. PEAVYS CELEBRATE FIRST YEAR AT LAWN PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard James Peavy, Sr., celebrated their first wedding anniversary August 6, at a party on the lawn of Mrs. Mildred Brown, 1417 Center street, on August 13. Many gifts were received.

Sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. William Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. James Western, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long, Mr. and Mrs. William Western, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peavy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas; Mesdames Eleanor Taylor, Omega Jones, Norvalene Stewart, Pearl Green, Mildred Brown; Misses Mary Rumley, Laurene Jones, Jean Christopher, Ruby Wells, Rose Meeks, Virgie McQuery, Deloris Miller; and Messrs. Harry Wells, Elmer Tolson, Robert Terrell, John Bailey, William Bailey, Norman Norfleet, Henry Coulton, and Richard Carr.

### THE J. B. MORRISSES, JR., HOSTS AT PARTY HONORING VISITORS

Atty. and Mrs. James B. Morris, Jr., 955 17th street, were hosts at a party last Tuesday night honoring Miss Jean M. Morris, home from Hartford, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph T. Arrington of Leroy, N. Y.

Sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Simms, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, Jr., Miss Eleanor Powell and her house guest, Miss Ernestine Clark of Ft. Worth, Texas, Atty and Mrs. Virgil Dixon, Mrs. Marian Morrison, Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, Miss Bettyjane Morrow, Miss Jean Alexander, Messrs. Luther H. Smith, Jr., Edward Harris, Edward Eaves.

### MISS ADA GRAHAM ON VACATION FROM HAWAII

Home on a month's vacation from Hawaii where she has been working as a staff member of the service club at Hickam Field is Miss Ada Graham who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham, 803 Boyd. She held a similar position during the war here at the service club at Ft. Des Moines.

### ST. LOUIS GUESTS AT THOMAS HOME

Mrs. Belle Long Wilson and Lucile Long, granddaughter, are here from St. Louis, Mo., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Thomas, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. Wilson.

### THE ADDISON BROOKS BACK FROM COAST

Mr. and Mrs. Addison Brooks, 3011 Bowdoin street, have returned from a month's visit in California. In Los Angeles they were guests of Mr. Brooks' mother, Mrs. Jennie Brooks, and sister, Mrs. Bessie Dorsey. Enroute home the Iowans were guests of relatives in San Francisco. Many courtesies were extended them by former residents of Des Moines.

Mrs. Brooks has accepted a position with the Iowa Bonus board here.

### THE JAMES HUNTERS TAKE MOTOR TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. James Hunter, Mr. James E. Elligan, motored to Atchison, Kas. to visit relatives of Mr. Elligan and on to Independence, Mo., to visit the kin of the Hunters. Mrs. Addie Chinn of Independence returned to Des Moines with them and is now house guest of the Hunters.

### MR. GEORGE MANUEL HOME FOR VISIT

Mr. George Manuel, 1311 Laurel street, who completed his studies at the Worsham College of Mortuary Science during June, is in the city visiting his family and relatives this week. He is serving as an apprentice at the Crook's Funeral Home in Chicago.

### MRS. L. WILLIAMS BACK FROM VISIT WITH KIN IN DETROIT

Mrs. Lowell Williams has returned from a two weeks vacation spent in Detroit, Mich., with her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Simmons; her daughter and grandson, Mrs. Montena Davis, and Bernard Charles; and her son, Robert Hayes, Jr., who became the father of a son born on August 26.

### BUXTON-IOWA CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL PICNIC

The Buxton-Iowa club held its annual picnic and reunion last Sunday at Union park, with an attendance of 375 persons. Delegations from Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Waterloo, Chicago, and Iowa cities were present.

Wednesday, the club will hold a business meeting and elect officers for the ensuing year. This year's reunion honored pioneers from Charlottesville, Va. Rev. E. L. Jemison of Corinthian Baptist church, a former resident of Virginia, was guest speaker.

### MESDAMES BRINKER AND BUICE FETED BY MANY FRIENDS ON WEST COAST

Mrs. Adelaide Brinker and Mrs. Orea Buice returned last Saturday after spending seven weeks visiting relatives and friends in California and Wyoming.

In Los Angeles, Mrs. Maude Marsh had an open house where the Iowans renewed acquaintances with former Iowans. Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Frye motored them to Tia Juana, Mexico, and others points. The following persons entertained for them: Mrs. Catherine Boone, Mrs. Mary Hunter, Mrs. Lennie Harris, Mrs. Beatrice Sellers, Mrs. Agnes Simms, Mrs. Bertha T. Williams, Mrs. Anna Oliver, Mrs. Minnie Coles, Mrs. William Harris, Mrs. Mae Ruth Carter.

In Los Angeles the Iowans attended a rededication service at Second Baptist church, a broadcast at St. Paul Baptist church, and the NAACP's awarding of the Spingarn medal to Dr. Ralph Bunche at Hollywood Bowl.

In San Pedro Mrs. D. Mae Cleve and Mrs. L. B. Robertson were hostesses; and in Pasadena, Mrs. Nellie Lee and Mrs. Pauline Hasson.

Mesdames Buice and Brinker visited the M.G.M. studio where they saw Clark Gable and Loretta Young making a picture.

In San Francisco the Iowans visited Mrs. Margaret Joseph and Mrs. Albert Davis; and, in Casper, Wyo., they were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lillard Sloan. They were entertained there at a supper by Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Williams.

### MRS. SCALES AND DAUGHTER VISITING IN LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Mrs. E. T. Scales and daughter, Martha, are visiting their son and brother, Emmett, and friends in Los Angeles.

### FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DAUGHTER OF THE REGGAR WEBBS

Mr. and Mrs. Reggar Webb, 1022 Pleasant street, were hosts at a birthday party honoring the first anniversary of their daughter, Luella Mae, on Friday, August 19.

Sharing the courtesy were Mr. Robert Webb, Sr., grandfather of the child; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webb, Jr., and children, Mrs. Chas. Hayes and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, Mrs. Sarah Jett, Godmother, and her grandchildren. Pink and white decorations were carried out in the cake with one candle and table decorations. Games were played.

### LA CARMELITA CLUB PLANS SOCIAL SEPT. 5

La Carmelita club met at the home of Mrs. Mamie Bell last Thursday evening. Plans were made for a social to be held on Labor Day, Sept. 5. The club presented Mrs. Susie Ridgell with a gift in honor of her birthday. Members voted in the club were: Mrs. Betty Jackson and Mrs. Laura Scott. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Vivian Brent, 685 14th street place. Mrs. Helen Wyatt is president; Mrs. Hiawatha King is reporter.

### MRS. H. BESHEARS SPEAKS IN OMAHA

Mrs. Helen D. Beshears was Women's Day speaker, Sunday, August 14, at the Zion Baptist church in Omaha, Nebr., where the members of Zion and Pilgrim Baptist churches held joint services. She spoke before a crowd on the theme, "Christian Womanhood Exalted."

Mrs. Dorothy Lewis of Zion and Mrs. V. Fisher of Pilgrim were general chairmen.

### MISS G. MASON TO RETURN TO TOPEKA

Miss Georgine Mason, instructor at Kansas Vocational School at Topeka, Kas., will leave next week to resume her school work after having spent the summer with her mother, Mrs. Cora Lee Mason, 1187 Fourteenth street.

### IOWANS VISIT IN TOPEKA, KAS.

Mrs. Jacqueline Taylor and daughter and Mrs. Russell Burrell of 1010 10th street have returned from a two weeks vacation in Topeka, Kas., where they visited Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Carrie King and Mrs. Taylor's sister, Mrs. Ella Mae Kitchen of Kansas City, Mo.

### W. P. WARRICKS OF ST. PAUL VISITS PARENTS HERE

W. P. Warricks of St. Paul, Minn., spent the first of this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Warricks, 1006 13th street. He was enroute home from Kansas City where he attended National Alliance of Postal Employees convention. While here he met some of his old friends.

### TO SAN FRANCISCO



DELORES MORROW

Miss Delores Morrow, June graduate of North High school, left by plane Saturday night for San Francisco, Calif., where she will enter San Francisco State College this fall.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Morrow, 1304 Laurel, Miss Morrow visited with relatives in Los Angeles the early part of the week.

### NEOPHYTES TO CREATE INTEREST IN SPORTS

Neophyte Golf club was organized June 3 at the home of Mrs. Viola Howard. The purpose of the club is to create an interest in sports among women here.

Officers are Mrs. Viola Johnson, president; Miss Helen Blanchard, secretary; Mrs. Viola Howard, recording secretary; Mrs. Pauline Humphrey, treasurer; Mrs. Dorris Wilson, reporter.

Members are: Mrs. Marceline Estes, Miss Nadine Taylor, Miss Marie Owen and Mrs. Margaret Duncan.

### MRS. FLORENCE DAVIS OF CHICAGO HERE

Mrs. Florence Davis of Chicago, Ill., spent the week end as house guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hicks, 1184 Eleventh street.

### THE J. L. DAMERONS MARRIED 57 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dameron, 1127 Eleventh street, who observed their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary on

### PERSONAL TOUCH



By Marie Ross

Having read so much this week about the life and deeds of 90-year-old Iowa editor, Harvey Ingham, editor-emeritus of the Register and Tribune daily papers here, who died Sunday, recalled to mind an incident, that revealed the kind old man's regard for human beings and his interest in minority groups.

This happened several years ago on a West Des Moines street car one mid-morning while I was riding to town from West Des Moines.

Somewhere out on Ingersoll avenue the old editor boarded the car and took a seat across the aisle from me. The tram began to fill with well-dressed shoppers and Avenue residents—all heading for town. At each stop they would file in, find seats, in front and behind the seat in which I sat. Finally the car filled with standing white passengers who refused to sit in the same seat with a colored person.

Mr. Ingham kept watching and finally moved across the aisle into the seat with me. Smiling, he commented "There seems to be more room over here," and we chatted on into town about some cheerful subject.

He never said he was Harvey Ingham who had served 40 years as editor of the Register and Tribune papers—and neither, did I tell him that I worked for the Bystander. We just talked—and I admired him as a greater man.

Whether you met him on the street downtown or in the corridors of the Register and Tribune building, he never was too busy to stop for a friendly chat.

An Iowa physician, Dr. William Harper, who has opened a spic-and-span restaurant in Keokuk, is featured in the August edition of the Catholic Digest.

"It is a restaurant with a difference; it will operate at cost, it is under the patronage of Blessed Martin de Porres; it is for colored and white," the article informs.

After Dr. Harper spent \$80,000, the refurbished building glistened under a large neon sign bearing the name Blessed Martin Cafe. It served 200 persons on the opening day,

### YWCA NEWS

Priscilla Weston and Barbara Oliver have returned home from the Des Moines YWCA camp northwest of Boone. Priscilla received a Red Cross beginner's swimming certificate. She also participated in the sports, handcraft and campfire programs. She had the honor of being a flag bearer at the dedication of the new Hillside Chapel.

Barbara was a junior counselor trainee, and took active part in all phases of camp life.

Marilyn Matthews and Marguerite DeSleet have returned home after spending the last period as counselors at the Des Moines YWCA camp.

Both were cabin counselors, and assisted with the sports and handcraft programs.

Helen Bouliware has left for a month's vacation in High Point, N. C., and New York City, after spending the summer as program director at the Des Moines YWCA camp.

She will return to her position at the Des Moines YWCA in September.

July 25, will be guests of honor at a dinner Sunday, August 28, at their home.

### MANLY, IOWA

Manly, Ia.—The trip around the world sponsored by the New Bethel Mission Circle was a financial success and lots of fun last Wednesday evening. It began at Mason City, then to Manly and the last stop was out at the Cecil Douglass farm. Ten cars participated in the trip.

At New Bethel Sunday: Church school at 9:45 a.m., worship at 10:45

### W.S.C.S. STUDY CLASS TO MEET

The W.S.C.S. study class of Burns Methodist church will meet Thursday, Sept. 1, from 2 to 4 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Emory Jackson, 3010 First street. Mrs. F. S. Thomas is reporter.

and since two other Keokuk cafes have opened their doors to Negroes and several others are expected to follow the precedent soon, A. F. Gordon, Jr., the writer stated.

Evangelist Estella Coates dropped by the office last week with a couple of copies of Life magazine which features editorials on the changing racial habits in one which entitled "The South Awakens." Read the July 11 and August 1 issues for more information.

"For more than 150 years ranches have been an integral part of the California scene," the September issue of Ebony magazine informs in a pictorial feature which reveals some of the dozen prosperous Negroes who have taken up residence in the state in recent years and now have expansive and expensive ranches. The article is good reading.

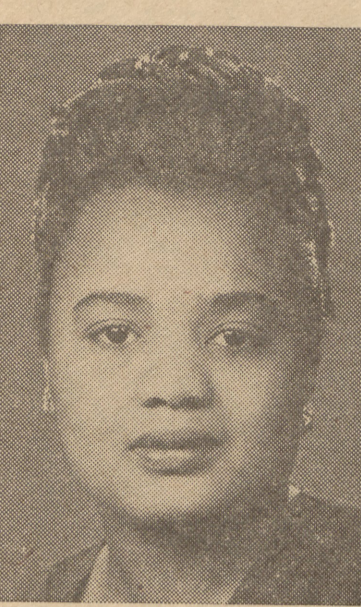
The pastor's solo contest which created a storm of song last week at St. Paul AME church, has ended—but their melodies are lingering on. Members are still talking about "my pastor's solo."

There was just one big omission in the column last week. For some reason, the great solo of Rev. J. E. Tunstall of Burns Methodist church, was not mentioned. How it happened—we don't know. The Rev. Tunstall, who had to be persuaded to come to the rostrum, started off in grand style on the hymn, "Life Is Like A Mountain Railway," with full organ accompaniment.

Something went wrong because the Burns pastor halted his song and shifted his accompanist over to the piano for his follow through.

When the next annual solo contest is held, we will be pulling for Rev. Tunstall to get first place.

### To Teach in Kansas



MISS GENEVA LOOPER

Miss Geneva Looper, 1070 17th street, who has been a faculty member in the Des Moines Public school system for a year and a half, will teach in one of the elementary schools of Kansas City, Kas., this school term.

Miss Looper will leave Sunday night for Hot Springs, Ark., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Looper, before going to Kansas. She just completed a summer school term at Drake university, working towards her master's degree. She received her bachelor of science degree in education from Drake in 1948.

Miss Looper has been residing here with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Buice.

The pastor used for his text "Unfeigned Faith." Out-of-town visitors were Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Scott of Mason City, 6:30 p.m. B.T.U. Evening worship 7:45. The Rev. L. G. Garrett, president of the Ministers and Deacons Union of the Four States Convention was the guest speaker of the evening. He was on his way from his home in Des Moines to Minneapolis to attend the 71st annual session of the Four States Convention. Accompanying him was the president of the convention and Mrs. L. G. Garrett, Jr., and son.



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DES MOINES, IOWA

### LABOR SECRETARY ADDRESSES POSTAL CONVENTION IN K. C.

Kansas City, Mo.—"The NAACP is determined that discrimination because of race in the federal service shall cease," declared Clarence Mitchell, labor secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in an address here last week before the National Alliance of Postal Employees' Convention.

Citing the employment of Negro postal employees in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and in New Orleans as "two important precedents in the field of government employment" during the past year, Mr. Mitchell nevertheless deplored the fact that "the agencies of government are still bound by red tape in their approach to discrimination in employment."

tion, Rev. J. M. Eaves and wife, Mr. Robert, and Mr. Jessie Branden, all of Des Moines. Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Scott, Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Parker, and Mrs. Irene Williams were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Moore and daughters, June and Gwendolyn, have returned home from Kansas City, Mo. The Moores were there attending an annual homecoming and family reunion. Mrs. Opal Edward and small daughter, Gwendolyn, stopped in Mason City for a visit with their aunt, Mrs. B. F. Parker. Mrs. Edward was on her way to her home in Manhattan, Kas.

### OTTUMWA, IOWA

By MRS. B. M. HAYES

Ottumwa, Ia.—Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Smith and sons, Alonzo and Melvin, Jr., have returned home in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Mrs. Bernice Milton, sister of Mrs. Smith, accompanied them home for a short vacation. Many entertainments were given honoring the Smiths while here. A formal dinner was given by Mrs. Ruth Black. Mrs. Tina Davis and Miss Estavia Franklin were hostesses at a dinner and theater party Sunday, August 14, after which they were served at Lucille and Mac's new dining room. At 7

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EDITORIALS - FEATURES - SPORTS

HARVEY INGHAM

Few people have had more to do with shaping the thinking of Iowans than Harvey Ingham. And for this reason, all Iowa mourns his death which came Sunday at the ripe age of ninety.

Harvey Ingham was a distinct product of Iowa. He was born, educated and lived here all his life. A thorough student of national and world affairs, his views were valuable and sought after by men over the country.

Iowa has the reputation for being one of the liberal states in America. That attitude was recognized by the army in its experiment to try a Negro officers' training camp at Fort Des Moines during the World War I, and the first WAACs training center in World War II. People know that by and large, Iowa takes a pretty decent view toward minority groups.

This the Bystander knows to be true.

There are always reasons for these attitudes. They don't just happen. As much as any contributor for better understanding has been the forthright stand for humanity on the editorial pages of the Register and Tribune under the direction of Harvey Ingham, who for more than forty years, never lost a chance to give full support to the American doctrine of equal rights, privileges and opportunities for all men without regard to race, creed, or color.

Minority groups never had a stronger champion than Harvey Ingham. He believed that all men stemmed from the same source and thus were entitled to an equal chance to live a normal life.

Some people have a mistaken notion that one who champions the rights of minority groups does so as against the majority. This, of course, is not true. As a matter of fact, where the status of any group is lifted, it benefits the whole population.

Harvey Ingham had not been active at the Register and Tribune office for several years. But his influence has remained. And it will continue for a position built on justice and fair play is lasting and unchangeable.

DON'T BE DIVERTED BY A SIDESHOW

It is the strategy of the enemy to participate diverting attacks so as to draw his opponent away from the main battle. In this way, he keeps the enemy from placing his strongest forces where they are needed most.

The battle of the Negro for his full right under the Constitution goes on continuously. As a matter of fact, it seems tougher at times than ever before. But that is to be expected for like the football game, it is harder to make yardage at the five yard line than at the fifty yard line.

Recently, some rather unusual happenings have occurred involving two prominent Negroes in the forefront of the fight for equal justice for their race. Some people support Walter White's recent marriage; some people do not. Some agree with much of what Paul Robeson has to say; some do not—particularly the attitude of Negroes toward Russia.

But these are individual acts and views for and in behalf of the two men in question and this has nothing to do with the matter of equal justice and fair play for minority groups.

Negroes and their friends must keep this in mind and refuse to be drawn into personal squabbles between themselves about what Walter White did and Paul Robeson said which serve no good purpose, but to direct the attack from the main issue. After all, this fight for human freedom is a continuous furious battle.

NEW YORKERS DON'T AGREE WITH WHITE

See FRONT Page on African Affairs: "A chemical change of skin pigmentation as a solution of the problems of race relations is about on a par with the atomic bomb formula for gaining world peace. White's proposal is too silly for serious comment. Has he been collaborating with George Schuyler, the author of 'Black No More'?"

BURLINGTON, IOWA

By MRS. ED WILLIAMS Burlington, Ia.—The Missionary Society of St. John's AME church joined the missionaries of the Methodist church in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, to celebrate the 30th anniversary. A formal banquet was held. Many white people of the city were present, many speakers were among them. Other missionary ladies from

this city also participated in the program. Rev. Hightower, the minister of St. John's church, and his wife, were there.

Mrs. Harold Ashby and twins were guests of Mr. and Mrs. De Edwin White for a few days.

Miss Rosemary Smith has returned to her home in Wisconsin after a visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rideout, and her grandfather, Mr. John A. Rideout.

Miss Audrey Carter of Chicago spent a few days at Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rideout's home, and also with her father, Mr. John Hedge of Gulfport, Ill.

Mrs. Kate Chapman, of Bushnell, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Louis for a few days. Mr. Carl Pickett, and Mr. John Pickett of Bushnell and Canton, Ill., also visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown.

Mrs. Rosetta Shaw died Tuesday, August 16, at the St. Francis hospital. Her funeral was held Friday afternoon at Prugh's chapel. She was interred at Aspen Grove cemetery. She was survived by her husband, Mr. Levi Shaw; two sons, Mr. Howard Smith, and Mr. Henry Shaw; three grandchildren, and several other relatives. Rev. Booker Smith, a former pastor of the Union Baptist church of Burlington, now of Philadelphia, Penn., with his wife and two children was here for the funeral. Rev. Beverly officiated and Rev. Smith and Rev. Hightower assisted.

Several showers have been held for Miss Mary Morgan, who is soon to become the bride of Mr. Vernon Baker.

BACK FROM WASHINGTON

Pvt. Shirley Manuel left Friday night to return to her WAC training center at Ft. Lewis, Washington, after spending three weeks here visiting relatives.

SPORTS

By ALLEN ASHBY

Baseball

Have you noticed how many people want just any national league team besides Brooklyn to win that pennant? Wonder why? Right now Robinson is in just about the biggest slump of his career. If he hasn't come out of it soon, you can kiss the hopes of the Dodgers goodbye. In the American league, most people want either the Yankees or Boston to come through. Could this be the same reason that they maybe don't want the Dodgers to win. The sporting magazines are beginning to wake up and climb onto the band wagon that the Negro players in the majors are rolling.

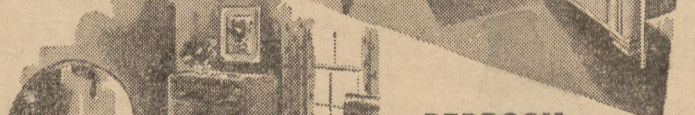
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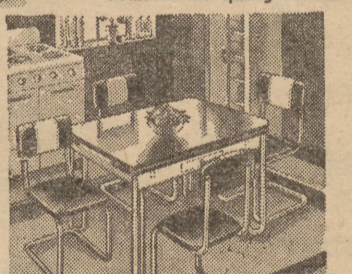
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AT PIONEER AUG. 31



ED HAMMAN

The great Harlem Globetrotters, baseball counterpart of the wonder basketball team of the same name and management, is coming to Pioneer Memorial Stadium Wednesday night, August 31, 8 p.m.

Selected to face the powerful Negro traveling aggregation, recognized as the champion traveling nine of the country, is the potent New York Black Yankees team, whose record in Negro league play proclaims it a worthy opponent for the Trotters.

Like the basketball Globetrotters, the diamond group, owned by Abe Saperstein of Chicago, stresses both fine playing ability and brilliant showmanship. Accompanying the

wagon that the Negro players in the majors are rolling.

We had a talk with Tommy Thompson, and we cried on each other's shoulders about the lack of baseball interest in local kids. Neither of us could suggest a reason for it. If Johnny Bright could hum a baseball the way he can toss a softball he could write his own ticket. Maybe he can, but we would like to see it. We have gone over those arguments about kids who won't play baseball that anyone who has read our column more than once can just about repeat them as well as we can, so we won't bother you again, but we want you to know our feelings haven't changed. If the Hawkeye Elks win the state softball title, that will be fine, but,

team as head of the comedy department is Ed Hamman, the white youth who gained national prominence when he entertained at the world's series at Cleveland last October.

The Globetrotters lineup boasts such outstanding Negro players as Joe Bankhead, Sam Wheeler, Lloyd Cardswell, Paul Hardy, Zell Miles, Johnny Williams and others.

The Black Yankees are an aggregation of Negro league stars including Marvin Barber, Eddie Locke, Ben Lott, Chris Vieira, Correnza Hoad, Curtis Palmer, Albert Stephens, Thadist Christopher, Glen Richardson, Albert Preston and John Stanley.

just suppose it were the baseball championship. A lot of young Negro kids would be in line for promising careers. Again we argue that you don't make four figure salaries in softball. We still think the root of the problem is in a long range program of baseball instruction to kids, even if you have to start with no more than two or three.

Tennis

Our tennis season is just about on its last legs. Two more meets and that is it. We have reason to be proud of the youngsters we have brought out. Donna Carr, Colleen Martin, Phyllis Carr among the girls. Jerry Simmons, Herman Wallace, Tommy Wallace, Sylvester McCracken, Vincent and Bobby Wilson, Don Simmons, the Weathers brothers, and Fred Hawkins are a group of kids who, if they keep on playing, will make a lot of us old timers proud of them. We will have a bunch of kids who can have the same fundamental training that the kid around the other tennis courts have. Then they will have had the advantages of playing in meets before they could swing a racket good, so they will grow up into seasoned veterans just as do other kids. Some of them are sure to fall by the wayside, but out of the bunch there must be one or two who are willing to work at it, and thus reap the benefits of such work.

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Find out where she put 'em; Just you wait and see. Climb up on the high chair, Must be in this can; Ha! hid 'em on the icebox, 'Hind the sugar can. Footsteps on the doorway, Someone 'hind my chair;—

Grandma!-you-you went shopping; What you doing here? Suspect and suspicion, Both the same to me; Grandma just ain't human,— Take me 'crosst her knee. Manuel S. Pickett, 1004 16th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Softball

The Hawkeye Elks have made just about the cleanest sweep that a local club has made around here in recent years. Five titles have the lodge brethren won during the season. They won their league, the fastest in the recreation system, then they went out and won a flock of tournaments that were held to determine the champion of all the leagues. They added to this the Metropolitan tournament to determine the Des Moines representative in the state meet at Boone. In all of these meets the Elks have depended on the right arm of Johnny Bright, and he has come through in great style. Hope he can do as well in the state meet. With the exception of Bright and one or two others, the Elks are a large part of the Willie House team that won the state meet here a few years back. At that time they had the white veteran Franz Linden pitching for them.

The burning of the old Coliseum brought to our mind a flock of reminiscences just as it must have done to any fellow who has followed sports around Des Moines very many years. Some of the greatest Negro fighters in the game appeared there. It was there that Des Moines got its first glimpse of Negro wrestlers. These two fellows were later used on the card for many world title

bouts, often occupying the semi-windup spot. There was a fellow out of St. Joe called Nubby Joe Gans because he had the fingers off one or both hands, we don't recall which. But, as we do recollect, he was the finest boxer we ever saw anywhere, and that takes in a few of the modern day guys.

Then there was Emil Morrow, one of the great welters of his day. He gave several boxing lessons to fellows who tried to beat him. When he came around here to stay, he had hit the skids, and was only a shadow of his former self. But, even at that, he was no pushover.

Dophon Lawson had a battle that left us doubled up with laughter, but it wasn't one bit funny to the kid. He was having a hectic battle with some tough farmer from downstate. He returned to his corner at the end of a particularly hot round, and his second, who belonged to the old school of taking a mouthful of water and spraying the fighter, got a mouthful of something else. Then he tried to open Lawson's eyes with

smelling salts. That was the payoff. Lawson yelled for someone to "come get this guy before he knocks me out. He is more dangerous than the guy I'm fighting." Yes, the old place had its memories for us also.

At Boone

Boone, Ia.—Johnny Bright tossed a perfect no-run, no-hit game in the men's state softball tournament here Tuesday night for the Des Moines Elks and blanked Dow City, 4-0.

Bright, who struck out 16 and didn't allow anyone to get to first, supplied two of his team's four runs with a two-run homer in the seventh. The Elks' Walt Carter hit for the circuit in the fourth with none on.

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