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'Lonely' Iowa Sailor



L. W. STROTHER

Boatswain's Mate Second Class W. Strother of 1018 12th street, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Strother, who has been serving in Korea for the past 8 months, is stationed aboard the USS Rupertus which has been with Task Force 77 and 95 in the Far East.

Strother, who enlisted in the navy on December 7, 1947, wrote recently some of his experiences aboard the USS Rupertus.

"Early on April 7, 1949, the Rupertus tested whistle and siren and shoved off for Pearl Harbor. After three weeks of hunted and killer exercises, we left for the Far East. First stop was Okinawa. There we stayed two weeks.

"From Okinawa the Rupertus headed for Tsingto, China. A few days after we arrived, the city fell to the Communists. We were the last Americans to leave. From there we went to Subic Bay, P. I., with sickle troops to Singapore, Manila and Guam.

"In October 1949, a two weeks cruise was made through the southern Philippine Islands. This cruise included visits to the Philippine ports of Iloilo, Jolo, Zamboango, Cebu and Legaspi. In each port the local citizens made all-out efforts to welcome and entertain us.

"On November 13, 1950, we pro-

Rites Saturday For Joe Greene

Joseph H. Greene, 49, 946 15th street, died of a heart attack while asleep early Tuesday morning, June 19.

Funeral rites will be held at St. Paul AME church Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

A native of Dubuque, Iowa, he had lived in Des Moines since 1916 and for many years had been employed at Bankers Trust building, but in recent months worked for Younker Brothers store.

In the Hawkeye Elks lodge 160, Mr. Greene was an esteemed leading knight, member of Past Exalted Rulers Council No. 35, and Antler Walking club, Royal Dukes club and the NAACP.

He leaves two sons, Joe Jr., and Arthur Greene of Los Angeles, Cal.; four sisters, Mrs. Luther H. Smith, Sr., of Des Moines, Mrs. Mabel Haggins, and Mrs. C. E. Hogan, both of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Lula Parries of Cedar Rapids, Ia.; three brothers, Guy E., and James H. Greene of Des Moines, and Charles A. Greene of Denver.

He proceeded to Pearl Harbor and Midway Island, arriving in Yokosuka, Japan, on November 28, 1950. On December 3, 1950, we departed for Yokosuka, Japan, escorting the carrier Sicily to Hungnan, Korea. We proceeded to Yokosuka for further assignment.

"We were assigned to Task Group 967 for hunter-killer operation and ASW training. On December 7, 1950, we operated with the group until assigned to Task Force 77 on April 3, 1951.

"We reported to Task Force 77 the morning of April 6, 1951, service with the Seventh Fleet and saw action in both Korean and Formosan waters. We were detached May 2, 1951, from Task Force 77 and sailed for Sasebo, Japan.

"After 87 days at sea, on June 27, the membership for the branch stands at 876. The workers will continue until the quota of 1,000 has been reached. Persons with memberships may contact the membership secretary, Mrs. Guy E. Greene, or the chairman, A. P. rotter.

Los Angeles NAACP Stage Membership Parade



The Los Angeles branch of the NAACP staged its climatic parade to its membership drive down Central Avenue recently. Shown is the Community Queen, Nina Mosely, eastside miss, with her court. Seated to the right and left of Nina are: Betty Richards and Monda Galan; in front, from left: Shirley Patterson, Evelyn Grace and Yvonne Branson. (Photo Courtesy of Los Angeles Tribune).

Say Conviction of Two Men 'Legally Absurd and Inconsistent'; 4 Are Freed

Trenton, N. J.—An attempt is being made to get a new trial for the two "Trenton Six" defendants who were convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Defense Attorney George Pelletieri served the notice Monday on Prosecutor Maria Volpe, denouncing the conviction as "legally absurd and inconsistent."

Trenton.—The climax of one of the most dramatic murder trials in recent years came shortly before nine o'clock Thursday morning, June 14, when a Mercer County jury of six men and six women acquitted four of the Trenton Six defendants and adjudged two others guilty of the 1948 murder of second-hand furniture dealer William Horner.

Horace Wilson and John McKenzie, the two men whose defense was handled by attorneys for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, were among the four acquitted. The other two were McKinley Forrest and James Thorpe. The jury recommended mercy which means a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment, for the two convicted men—Ralph Cooper and Collis English.

"Glorious Chapter"
Raymond Pace Alexander, who headed the battery of NAACP lawyers defending McKenzie & Wilson, hailed the jury's verdict as "a glorious chapter in the ceaseless struggle of the Negro to obtain justice under our American law." He said that the decision "in such a controversial criminal case as this one, by an all-white jury, involving very seriously a group of Negro defendants in a case in which the victim was white, is a monumental step forward in our endeavor to appeal to our constant legal authority to guard and protect our fundamental rights as American citizens."

In expressing the Association's gratification at the acquittal of four of the defendants, NAACP Special Counsel Thurgood Marshall indicated that NAACP attorneys will get together with attorneys representing Cooper and English to determine whether or not the Association will continue in the case.

The trial, the longest to be heard by a jury in the State of New Jersey, lasted almost fifteen weeks. At a legal authority to guard and protect our fundamental rights as American citizens. SEE EDITORIAL PAGE.

Wacoan To Be Iowa Dentist

Waco, Texas.—Dr. Robert F. Harvey, former Wacoan, will soon be the first Negro dentist in the history of Waterloo, Iowa when he opens an office there this month. He was the only Negro in the June graduating class in dentistry at Iowa State U. this year and will be one of the five Negro dentists practicing in the state of Iowa.

Dr. Harvey is the son of the late Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Harvey who were pioneer church leaders of the AME church in Texas. He is the brother of M. P. Harvey Jr., business manager of Paul Quinn college.

A graduate of Paul Quinn and Wiley colleges in Texas, Dr. Harvey is married to a Wiley school mate, the former Miss Cora Franklin of Iowa. The Harveys have one daughter, Sandra Louise, four years old.

Given 3 Months On Pistol Theft

Ralph Stewart, 24, of 617 S. E. Fifth street, who was found guilty by a district court jury of breaking and entering last Saturday morning was sentenced to three months in jail by District Judge Tom K. Murrow.

Stewart, a packing house employee, was convicted of breaking into the home of Mrs. Anna Marshall, 619 S. E. Fifth street, and stealing a pistol last Dec. 31.

Doors of New Willkie House Officially Opened; Dedication Is Spectacular

The doors of the Willkie House, Des Moines new community center building, at Seventeenth and Crocker streets, were officially opened to the public Sunday, June 17, when over 1,000 persons of all races, creeds and colors, jammed the corridors and packed the auditorium-gymnasium for the impressive dedicatory ceremonies.

Spectacular were the ceremonies from the early hot afternoon when from Argonne Post, American Legion band men in their uniforms assembled on the sun deck of the imposing new \$172,000 red brick building and played a half-hour concert.

The new center was erected with a gift of \$125,000 from the Gardner Cowles Foundation and additional funds were raised in a drive and through individual and group contributions.

Distinguished was the group of speakers who came from far and near to bring to the Des Moines citizens their interpretations of the importance of an institution in America like the new Willkie House building which bears on its plaque, these words of the late Wendell Will-

kie: "We must create a world in which there will be an equality of opportunity for every race and every nation."

Presiding over the ceremonies was Dr. E. T. Scales, Des Moines physician and surgeon, who is a former board member of Willkie House.

He presented the Rev. G. A. Singleton, pastor of St. Paul AME church, who gave the invocation; Lincoln Post, 126 of the American Legion, who presented the colors to the new building; Edward Bayles, who led the vast audience in the singing of the National Anthem.

Reads Telegram
Greetings from Mrs. Thornburg Cowles, of New York City, who is president of the Willkie board of directors, were read from a telegram by Dr. Scales.

In her message of regrets for her inability to be present "on this day which has been our goal for so long," Mrs. Cowles expressed a hope that "what we do today will be an example to every community great and small and a step forward to a really great world in which all men stand together free and equal with no qualifications as to race, creed or color."

"Wendell Willkie for whom this house is named stood for a free world among all men. I think that if he were here today he would be disturbed at the slow rate of world's acceptance of the great ideas which were his.

"Even reasonable perfection is still a long way off but those of us who meet freely and easily in this house can participate in a true sharing of ideas and activities which cannot help but make for a better world.

"You have all worked hard and well and I send you my affection and my congratulations. There is still a great deal to be done and I have confidence that today is only the beginning of greater achievement."

Governor Talks
First among the distinguished guests to begin the speeches of dedication was the Hon. William S. (SEE PAGE TWO)

WILLKIE HOUSE EDITIONS STILL AVAILABLE
The Bystander has a few copies of the Willkie House edition available. Send one to your friends outside the city. They will appreciate what Des Moines is doing. Call at the office or phone 3-2822.

NAACP Branch To Meet Tuesday At Crocker YMCA
The Des Moines branch of the NAACP will meet Tuesday evening.

Renew Your Subscription
FIRST OF RACE AT ST. LOUIS U. 2 RECEIVE DOCTOR'S DEGREE;
The first two Negroes to receive doctor of philosophy degrees from St. Louis University are Albert C. Stewart of Chicago, and James H. Kirk of Indianapolis. They were graduated at the University's 133rd commencement in Kiel auditorium here.

Dr. Stewart, while completing his studies for the doctorate in chemistry has also been a member of the university faculty since August, 1949 as an instructor in chemistry and research associate to the director of the department.

Dr. Kirk, 27, a sociology major, is the first Negro to complete all his studies at the university since it began admitting Negroes in 1944.

Inducted



PAUL JOHNSON

Paul Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Johnson, 1132 17th street, has been inducted into the army and will leave Monday, June 25, for the induction station.

7:30 o'clock, June 26, for their regular monthly meeting, at Crocker branch YMCA. President George A. Singleton will preside.

Anticipating the reaction of the Atlanta hotels, Mr. White sought the intervention of the State Department. In a wire to Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, he warned: "Refusal of such accommodations to so distinguished and famous an artist will create, as you know, a most unfortunate international incident. Request that

Barred by Atlanta Hotels, Jo Baker Cancels Benefit For NAACP Convention

New York.—Denied first-class hotel accommodations in Atlanta, Josephine Baker, world famous entertainer, has cancelled her proposed appearance in that city at the 42nd annual convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, announced June 18.

Miss Baker last month accepted the invitation of the Atlanta branch to give a benefit performance in that city, on June 30, on condition that she and her party be housed in a first-class hotel, that there be no segregation in the audience, and that a mixed orchestra participate in the entertainment. Arrangements were made for a mixed band. There is never audience segregation at any NAACP meeting.

On May 25, Mr. White wired the three leading hotels in Atlanta—the Henry Grady, the Biltmore and the Georgian Terrace—asking for reservations, June 30 to July 2, for Miss Baker and her party of nine, consisting of Negroes and whites, citizens and foreigners. The Biltmore replied that it was booked to capacity; the others said they could not accept the reservations.

Meanwhile in Atlanta a committee for the branch unsuccessfully sought a conference with the managements of the hotels in an effort to have them abandon their long-standing policy of excluding Negro guests.

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U. S. government through Department of State take whatever steps are necessary to insure non-discrimination both against those members of the party who are American citizens and the three who are citizens of France."

Following receipt of the rejections, Mr. White again wired Mr. Acheson expressing fear that "critics and enemies of America will use this as a basis for attack on the United States." The NAACP secretary proposed taking a representative committee to Washington to talk with State Department officials about possible means of getting the hotels to reverse their decisions. Later, Mr. White was informed by a State Department spokesman that the Department is without authority to intervene, except in an advisory capacity.

Holds to Principle
Unable to obtain hotel accommodations for Miss Baker, Mr. White nevertheless urged her to go to Atlanta. He pointed out that two of her conditions had been met and that

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Hold Rites for Mrs. Henrietta Condrey

Services for Mrs. Henrietta Condrey, 63, of 1221 E. Sixteenth street, were held Wednesday, June 20, at the Cleveland Avenue Church of God in Christ. Burial was at Glendale cemetery.

Mrs. Condrey died June 16 at Broadlawn general hospital after a long illness.

Born in Arkansas, she lived in Des Moines the last 30 years.

Surviving are: husband, John; a brother, Arthur Brown of Oklahoma; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

FEPC NOTICE!

The Des Moines FEPC committee has announced that all complaints of discrimination in employment based on race or religion or suggestions should be made in writing, signed and mailed to the Des Moines Fair Employment Commission, c/o Mayor's Office, City Hall, Des Moines, Iowa.

Argonne Post Band Plays on Sun Deck



Phillip Willkie (right) of Rushville, Ind., and Governor Beardsley walk on sun deck where Argonne Post American Legion band played to ad-

mire the exterior of Willkie House before formal ceremonies began last Sunday. The new community center was named after Willkie's father,

the late Wendell Willkie, because of his belief in, and his work for "one world." A plaque in the new center quotes Wendell Willkie: "We must

create a world in which there shall be equality of opportunity for every race and every nation." (Photo Courtesy of D. M. Register.)

WILLKIE HOUSE

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Beardsley, governor of Iowa, who said the occasion was a "realization of a hope which the community has held many years—a dream come true."

Ray Mills, representing the city council, called Willkie House "another milestone on the way to a happier, better life for the city of Des Moines."

N. D. McCombs, Superintendent of Des Moines schools, said "This truly is a great day for the city of Des Moines."

"We see here the culmination of a dream and of the faith of this city without which this couldn't have happened. We faith in the staff which operates this great institution."

Wendell B. Gibson, president of the Des Moines Community Chest and council, praised the present Willkie House organization and its "predecessors who have been members of the Community Chest for more than 30 years and have given the Chest a minimum of trouble and a maximum of cooperation."

Mrs. E. T. Meredith, Jr., chairman of the Council of Social Agencies, extended her "heartiest congratulations on this building," and described it as an "opportunity for increased service which offers a challenge to you."

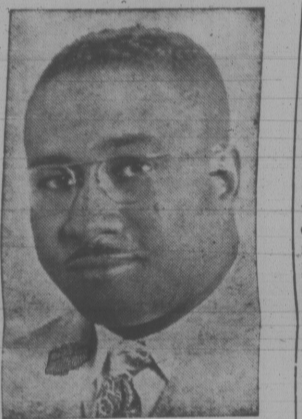
Gardner Cowles Speaks
Gardner Cowles, president of the Des Moines Register and Tribune Company, said there were four persons he wished might be present at the dedication program.

Foremost, he said, was the late Harvey Ingham, sr., longtime editor of The Des Moines Register, "who, I think perhaps, was the finest citizen Des Moines has ever known."

"I wish, too, that my father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Cowles, sr., could have been here," he said.

"It was 15 or 16 years ago," said

Presided



DR. E. T. SCALES
Former board member of Willkie House, Dr. E. T. Scales, Des Moines physician and surgeon, presided over the dedicatory ceremonies of the new Willkie House building last Sunday.

Cowles, "that (Mrs.) Lillian Edmunds (executive director of Willkie House) began persuading my parents and me what such a building could do."

(The Cowles Foundation gift to Willkie house was made following a report of a special committee of the community center, concurred in by the Community Chest board which administers it, that more adequate facilities were badly needed to serve the 6,500 Negroes of Des Moines.)

The fourth person Cowles said he wished might be there was Wendell Willkie himself, "my close friend . . . and a man genuinely interested in real brotherhood around the world."

"Would Be proud."
"I know he would be proud to know this building bears his name," declared Cowles.

He also called attention to the

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"splendid gift of Ellis Levitt"—the Willkie House library—in memory of his father, Jacob Levitt.

Cowles praised the officers and directors of Willkie House, especially Albert J. Robertson and Joseph F. Rosenfield, and the chairman of the building committee, A. A. Alexander, for the "many, many hours of hard work they put in on this project."

Willkie's Son Here
"I am happy and grateful to be invited to the dedication of this wonderful and magnificent memorial to my father and his work," declared Philip Willkie, of Rushville, Ind., now completing his second term in the Indiana legislature.

FEPC Advocate
Active in passing a law forbidding segregation in the public school system of Indiana and in seeking the establishment of fair employment practices commissions (FEPC) on both a state and national level, Philip Willkie, 31, was introduced as a "titic son."

"Mike (Gardner Cowles and his family have made this building possible by their generous and substantial gift," said Willkie.

He termed Cowles "my father's loyal, trusted and devoted friend . . . who was with him (Wendell Willkie) the night he decided to run for the presidency and accompanied him on the trip around the world when he attained his conception of 'one world.'"

"An Idealist.
Willkie called his father "an idealist as very few men who have exercised public influence in this country have been idealists."

"Too few people think in terms of conflict," declared Willkie.

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may probably, in fact, will probably decide whose is the final victory."

Father's Feelings.
Saying he has tired hard in the years since his father's death not to speak for this occasion he believed he would be voicing his father's feelings in saying:

"I am very grateful to Gardner Cowles, the Cowles Foundation and the people of Des Moines for what you have done here. This is a most fitting memorial."

Granger Speaks.
Principal speaker of the dedication was Lester B. Granger, New York, N. Y., the first Negro to serve as president of the National Conference of Social Work, and executive director of the National Urban League, (discussed "The American Partnership—A Working Democracy."

He said Willkie House was a fitting name for such a center that he had met Wendell Willkie only three times and had conversed with him only once.

"Willkie had just made a speech about equality of opportunity," said Granger, "and I asked him why he didn't say some of those things when he was running for president."

"Well, I didn't say them because I didn't have sense enough to. I didn't know them. I've been around the world since then," he quoted Willkie.

Learned Some Things
"The American nation, like Willkie, since 1940 has been around the world and learned some things," declared Granger.

"We have always realized vaguely that freedom is an indivisible factor; that no man is free while his brother remains in chains; that no nations is free while another remains shackled whether it be by the fetters of totalitarianism, ignorance or brutal barbarism."

"Wendell Willkie made us conscious of this freedom among nations as an indivisible as freedom among individuals."

"Unless the United States provides that leadership, there is no chance for peace," Granger pointed out.

He emphasized that world leadership "depends upon the belief that we are honest."

ORIGINAL NOTICE

In The District Court of the State of Iowa
In and For Polk County
RICHARD SCHRIER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ANN SCHRIER,
Defendant.

You are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now on file in the office of the clerk of the above named court, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bond of matrimony on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.

For further particulars see petition.
You are further notified to appear before the above named court in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on or before June 8, 1951, and unless you so appear, your default will be entered, and judgment or decree rendered for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's petition.

LOUIS J. GARSH,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
301 Court Avenue,
Des Moines, Iowa.
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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF BODENSTEINER MANUFACTURING CO.

Public notice is hereby given that at a special meeting of the stockholders of Bodensteiner Manufacturing Co. held at its office in West Des Moines, Iowa, on May 23, 1951, at which time all of the stockholders of said corporation were in attendance, it was

RESOLVED, that the Bodensteiner Manufacturing Co. be dissolved and that it cease to be and exist as a corporation, and

further RESOLVED, that H. H. Bodensteiner, the President of the Corporation be and is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such dissolution as may be required by law and take all such steps as are necessary to legally terminate the said Corporation, and it is

Further RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all things requisite and necessary to settle the affairs of the Corporation, collect the outstanding indebtedness, provide the payment of debts, including expense of dissolution, and distribute the assets in kind to the stockholders of the Corporation in exchange for and in complete cancellation of all said stock outstanding.

That this notice of dissolution is given pursuant to the above resolution.
Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23rd day of May, 1951.

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American history, a better understanding of what we mean when we talk of democracy," the speaker said as he pleaded for mutual interdependence, mutual respect, equality of opportunity for a "working democracy."

Devoted Work
"This Willkie building is a very beautiful symbol of devoted work by the staff, by the board, years of cooperative backing by the Community Chest and the Council of Social Agencies and the outstanding generosity of the Cowles family," said Granger.

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Interracial Crowd of 1,000 Attends Ceremonies



Gov. William S. Beardsley addressed an interracial crowd of 1,000 persons who attended dedication ceremonies Sunday afternoon, June 17, at Willkie House, new community center at Seventeenth and Crocker streets. Prominently displayed in the auditorium-gymnasium are the colors, presented to the long-awaited community center by Lincoln post, American Legion. All seats were filled and many in the crowd stood in the back of the room during the ceremonies. (Phot Courtesy of D. M. Register.)

Executive Director and Scouts Using Ping Pong Table



During the dedication, Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, director of Willkie House, wore three orchids, two from Mrs. Thornburg Cowles of New York City, president of Willkie House board of directors, and one from Mrs. Meyer Rosenfield and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ransom of New York City. After the ceremonies Mrs. Edmunds and two Boy Scouts got down to the serious business of using the center's ping pong table. The boys are Gordon Wolder, 14, of 1426 Maryland avenue (center) and Joe Wilcoits, 12, of 1104 Seventeenth street. Designed for all types of activities, Willkie House has a library, gymnasium-auditorium, office rooms, a kitchen, locker and shower rooms, a "well-baby" clinic and a large activities room. A total of 37 organizations, representing all age groups, already have started using the new center. (Photo Courtesy of Des Moines Register.)

Exterior of New \$172,000 Community Center



The exterior of the new community center, Willkie House, at Seventeenth and Crocker and Olive streets. Landscaping will be completed during the fall of the year. (Photo Courtesy of Des Moines Register.)

Berlin 'Free University' Has Seen Steady Growth

A "free university" opened in the U.S. sector of Berlin in 1948 as a counter-measure against Russian dominated Under-den Linden university, has grown in student enrollment from 2200 students to 5,000 today.

Twenty per cent of the students are sons and daughters of laborers and a quarter of the student body is comprised of women, a percentage that would have been inconceivable in pre-war Germany.

When the western powers entered Berlin in 1945 they discovered that the Russians, who had arrived some months earlier, had already begun reorganization of Berlin university along Soviet lines. The U.S. education representative at that time proposed that the university should be properly placed under control of the Berlin city government so that all four occupation powers would share control of the school. This was blocked by a Russian veto and the

university opened in 1948 under Russian control. Communist professors were installed in key positions and the University was flooded with student party-liners.

When the majority of the students resisted Communist pressure, more direct methods were applied, six students were arrested and kidnapped in the spring of 1947. It was then that the Berlin city authorities decided to open a new free university in the western sectors of Berlin.

Today 42 per cent of the students in the new University are refugees from the Soviet zone, nearly half of the remaining students are from Berlin with 5 per cent coming from western Germany and the rest from foreign countries. Law, medicine, philosophy and economic and social science make up the curriculum.

New Type of 'Blood Bank' Preserves Blood Vessels

Doctors have established a new type of "bank" which collects and

preserves human blood vessels.

The first such bank has been established at New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center and Bellevue Hospital, part of the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center.

Desirability of such a bank became apparent with the development of new techniques of cardiovascular surgery in which normal blood vessel grafts from deceased persons are transplanted to patients with diseased or abnormal vessels.

The use of blood vessel grafts is already well recognized in surgical treatment of patients suffering from constriction of the main artery of the heart, malignant conditions necessitating the sacrifice of a vital blood vessel, and aneurysms, a dilation of the walls of an artery resulting in the formation of a blood-filled sac.

Dr. Robert E. Gross of Boston is believed to be the first to successfully use blood vessel grafts as early as 1948. He preserved sections of vessels for future use but

on a small scale.

The New York bank, on the other hand, draws its supply from all available New York hospitals. It was established in July, 1949.

Watch Your Eyesight!

Country cousins, in the main, have better eyesight than city folks, the Better Vision Institute reports. Many of them should consider themselves remarkably fortunate — for they often take foolhardy risks with their vision. In their day-to-day duties, farm people expose their eyesight to dangers to which no able factory supervisor would consider subjecting his workers. They often "make hay while the sun shines" without wearing sun glasses. And they frequently neglect to wear protective goggles when engaged in repairing farm machinery, sharpening tools, welding, plowing and threshing in dust, and similar activities—sometimes with tragic results. Further, many people in rural areas skip periodic eyesight examinations because of the time and travel involved. Such examinations are vitally important in eyesight conservation.

Rice—Food of Strength

The high nutritive value of rice as a daily diet is adequately attested by the survival of hundreds of Americans who fell prisoners to the Japanese during those grim days of 1942. Through more than three and a half years of imprisonment, these soldiers and sailors were subjected to Nipponese brutality, were worked unmercifully, and yet their diet consisted of no more than three, or sometimes as little as two small bowls of rice per day. Occasionally, it is true, this diet was augmented by a thin broth, and perhaps a little black bread—but, always, there was rice. And it was rice, even in incredibly small quantities which sustained their strength under brutal, slave-work conditions.

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When it is pointed out that a Pittsburgh steel plant gets iron ore from Minnesota, fuel oil from Texas, manganese from Russia and India, ferro-chrome from Rhodesia, nickel from Canada and calcium molybdate from Colorado, one suddenly realizes what a vital factor transportation is in the manufacture of steel.

Geography Inspires Swiss to Innovation

Geography is the mother of invention in the land of the edelweiss and alpenstock.

The news that icy Alpine lakes are doing duty as giant "deep freezers" for food storage is but another example of the ingenuity with which the Swiss have made the most of a mountainous land only slightly larger than the combined areas of Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

By converting geographic liabilities into assets, the people have secured a high level of prosperity, a traditionally democratic government and a well established neutrality.

The Swiss Alps, for example, seemed to have little to offer, originally, beyond spectacular beauty. Covering two-thirds of the nation's land area, the mountains were poor in minerals, however rich they might be in awesome expanses of barren rock, or fields of ice and snow. Moreover, they served to isolate the inhabitants and posed a major problem in communication and transportation.

The invention of a practical steam locomotive in the early 19th century gave the Alps an economic new look. It brought the lucrative Swiss tourist industry into being and simultaneously paved the way for a more complete integration of the country. Switzerland was among the first ten nations to establish railroads. Today the country claims

Distinguished Visitors Here for Dedication



Three of the distinguished visitors who spoke at Willkie House dedication ceremonies discuss the new \$172,000 building. From left they are Phillip Willkie, 31, Rushville, Ind., son of the late Wendell Willkie, for whom the center is named; Lester B. Granger, New York, N. Y., first Negro president of National Conference of Social Work, and executive director of National Urban League, the main speaker; and Gardner Cowles, president of The Des Moines Register and Tribune Company. The three men are shown in the library presented to the center by Ellis I. Levitt in memory of his father, Jacob Levitt. (Photo Courtesy of Des Moines Register.)

the densest railway system in the world with more than 3,600 miles of track, reaching into every segment of the diminutive land.

With the railroads came thousands of tourists — sightseers and sportsmen — who found Swiss hospitality an art. By 1942 Switzerland had over 7,000 hotels and an international reputation for the finest housekeeping.

Impressive and Distinctive

A dramatic entrance hall combines black, white and the wall color of the adjoining living room in an outstanding manner. The front door and woodwork surrounding the glass panels that flank it are painted white. The remaining area around the door and the wall at right angles to it are finished in a velvety black. Against the black wall hangs a fine portrait of a member of the family, done in life size. The wall opposite the front door is painted in the same lively green as the wall of the living room which adjoins the hall.

Black, White and Pink Kitchen

An attractive modern kitchen in which black, white, pink and pale gray are used effectively is indicative of a new trend in kitchen decoration. Where white cabinets used to be the rule, more color is now capturing popular interest. An example of this is the kitchen where the ceiling and cabinets are painted cherry blossom pink and walls are enameled mist gray. White appears on the stove, sink and refrigerator. Gleaming black emphasizes the baseboard and the breakfast nook chairs. Black and white checkered curtains hang at the windows.

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1247 McCormick Street, Elder A. B. Brewer, pastor; Sunday School 9:45 a. m.; Morning worship, 11 a. m.; Evening services, 8 o'clock. First Sunday is Mission Sunday. Mrs. Ida Trent, church reporter. Everybody welcome to attend services.

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday, June 24, Rev. George Parish will preach from the subject, "Covered by His Hand." At 3 p. m. Mrs. Mildred Fields will sponsor a reading recital, sponsored by the Sunday School. The P.H. club met Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. William Jefferson. The usher board will meet Friday evening with Mrs. Clara Benings, 993 Fifteenth street. Mrs. M. Lincoln's missionary program was a success on June 10.

ST. PAUL AME CHURCH NOTES
July 1 will be women's day at St. Paul AME church with Mrs. Iva Mae Hayes as chairman. Mrs. Agnes Matthews is secretary and Mrs. Bessey L. Greene has charge of publicity. Fifteen conductors are working with them and reports from the group will be given Sunday evening, 7 o'clock, July 1.
Musical program will be Sunday evening and after the service a watermelon social will be given in the dining room downstairs. A tour of the church will be made for the purpose of redecoration plans.
Sunday afternoon, June 24, at 4 o'clock, the Rev. J. D. Wilkerson, pastor of Union Baptist church, and his choir, will be guests of Mrs. Jessie Jones and Mrs. Lelia Parker in a pew rally. Rev. Wilkerson will preach.

IN RECITAL AT MAPLE STREET
Mrs. Mildred Fields will be presented in a recital of readings on Sunday afternoon, June 24, at 3 o'clock, at the Maple Street Baptist church, sponsored by the Sunday School.

COMMUNITY SACRIFICED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Mrs. M. J. Cranshaw, pastor; 809 S. E. 27th street. Order of services—Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.; Afternoon worship, 3 o'clock; Youth organization 7 p. m.; Night service, 8 p. m.; Midweek prayer and Bible study, Wednesdays at 8 p. m.; Everyone is welcome. Rev. Eric Fountain, Asst. Pastor

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Southeast Fourth Street and Scott; Rev. H. R. Fields, pastor; Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; Morning services at 11 a. m.; Sunday Evening worship at 7:45 p. m.; Prayer meeting is Wednesday 7:30 p. m.; Missionary Society Friday, 7:30 p. m.; Everybody is welcome to attend these services.

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BRITISH MISSIONARY AT ST. PAUL CHURCH SCHOOL SUNDAY
Mrs. John Rolles, British Missionary to India, will be guest speaker to the St. Paul AME church school, Sunday, June 24, 10:15 a. m. The public is invited.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES
Wings Over Jordan singers will be at Corinthian Baptist church Thursday and Friday, June 21 and 22 at 8 p. m. This singing group is sponsored by the Excelsior club. Freewill offering will be taken.
Fathers Day message was by the Rev. Richards of Mexico, Mo. Three new members joined: Miss Hestena Mabin of Mexico, Mo., Mr. H. Taylor of Mexico, Mo., and Mrs. Eulah Litt of New Orleans.
Missionary Group D. will meet at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Maniell.
The Majors' competitive rally closed Sunday night. The women under Mrs. Leota Slater brought in \$802.46. The men under Henry Wilcocks reported \$437.78.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES
Miss Priscilla Robinson is the newly elected corresponding secretary of the B.T.W. Four States convention. Father's Day service was well attended. A men's chorus was the feature at the 11 o'clock service. The pastor preached at two services during his visit to the Four States convention in Ottumwa. Felix Steward, deacon, will spend a ten-day vacation with friends in St. Louis, Mo.; starting June 22. S. Watson, deacon and

Mt. Olive Baptist In Anniversary Week June 25-July 1

Mount Olive Baptist church will observe anniversary services beginning Monday night, June 25, through Friday night, July 1.

The Building Fund club will sponsor the Monday night meeting with Rev. J. E. Tunstall and the Burns Methodist choir and Rev. J. D. Wilkerson and the Union Baptist choir as special guests.

Tuesday night the B.T.U. and Sunday School will present the Shiloh Baptist Senior choir with Rev. C. A. Record, the Corinthian Mission choir and the Maple Street Baptist choir with Rev. E. Glover.

Wednesday night the Missionary group will be in charge presenting

Mrs. Watson, visited in Missouri last week.

Sunday visitors at church were: Mr and Mrs. J. E. Bailey, Mrs. E. Rios, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Bailey, Ronald Johnson and Mrs. M. Jenkins.

COMMUNITY SACRIFICED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services last Sunday were in charge of Dora Ramsey, Ella Patrick, Vergie Allen and Estella Brown with sermon delivered by Evangelist Lucy Fountain, and Rev. M. J. Cranshaw. The mission meets Thursday afternoon. Sunday, June 24, is men's Day with three services. The Pastor's Aid will be in charge of the afternoon services. Visitors last Sunday were: Mrs. J. J. Frost, Mrs. M. McDonnell, Mrs. Margaret McMickle of Assembly of God mission, Mrs. Leora Daniel, Piñkey Lacey and Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Roman. Mrs. Roman sang.

Rites for L. W. Strothers, Iowa Resident Since 1988

Colfax, Ia.—Funeral rites were held Tuesday, June 12, from the Bumgardner chapel, here for L. W. Strothers, 89-year-old resident who had lived here since 1899. Interment was in the Colfax cemetery.

The Rev. George Parish officiated at the service and Mrs. Hattie Cortez read the obituary.

Pall bearers were Donald and Harold Gaines, George Robinson, Sylvester Strothers, Thomas Lewis, Jr., and Theo. Sorrell.

Lewis Watson Strothers died Wednesday night, May 30, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. O. Redmond in Quincy, Ill., following a long illness due to the infirmities of age.

Son of Jerry and Caroline Strothers, the deceased man was born in Albermarle county, Charlottesville, Va., on July 14, 1864. He was 86 years, ten months and 16 day at the

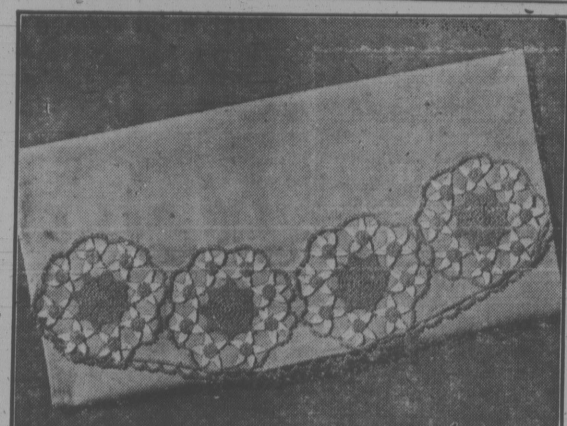
Kyles Methodist choir with Rev. B. F. Blanks and St. John Baptist choir with Rev. A. C. Crawford.

Thursday night is the Senior choir night with First Baptist and Bethel AME choirs and Rev. L. A. Garrett and Rev. J. I. Thomas.

The usher board and junior choir will sponsor Mt. Zion Baptist with Rev. W. Heath and First CME with Rev. L. L. Barnes.

Sunday night, July 1, the Brotherhood club, Deacon and Trustee board will present Maple Street Baptist choir with Rev. George Parish and Pilgrim Baptist with Rev. L. R. Turpin.

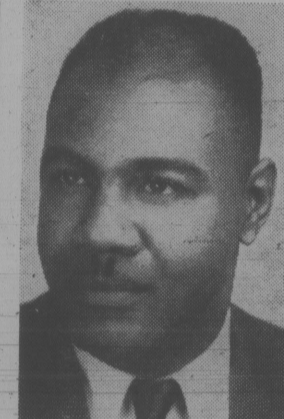
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Strothers of Des Moines, Iowa, twenty grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

To Funeral
Those from out of the city attending the funeral were Mrs. Alice Miller and Donald Gaines of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lewis, Sr., Mrs. Wilhelmenia Mizner, all of Oskaloosa, Ia., Harry Strother, Inkster, Michigan, and Mrs. Reuben Gaines and Harold Gaines of Albia, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O. Redmond, Gerald Jackson of Quincy, Ill.; the members of the Mother's Club of Corinthian Baptist Church, Corinthian Baptist Church choir of Des Moines, Mrs. Mamie Hubbard, Mrs. Mabel Conway, Mrs. Adelaide Brinker, Mrs. Beatrice Crank, Mrs. Bailey and daughter, Midge, John Estes, Rev. George Parish, Theodore Sorrell Jr., Mrs. Sylvia Hughes, Mrs. Katherine Branch, Miss Carlotta Strother, Carl Strother, Mrs. Bertha Rena Cropp, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Strother, Sr., Mr. and Mrs.



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MR WENDELL SMITH AND SON OF SEATTLE VISIT PARENTS HERE

Mr. Wendell Smith and son, Thomas Marshall, of Seattle, Wash., left the city this week after having spent two weeks visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Smith, 1422 E. 17th street court.

THE FRANK FANTS HONOR MR. WENDELL SMITH AT PICNIC

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fant were hosts at a picnic at Union park June 11 honoring Mr. Wendell Smith and son, Thomas Marshall of Seattle.

Others sharing the courtesy were: Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Frazier and family, Mrs. Goldie Fant of Los Angeles, Cal., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clay and family of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. Lewis James and Mrs. Dollie Welch and daughter.

MRS. DREW WILLIAMS BACK FROM VACATION

Mrs. Drew Williams returned from Chicago last Thursday afternoon after spending a vacation with her daughter, Mrs. Zoe Mitchell, and son, Mr. William Williams.

THE JOHN MORROWS TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. John Morrow and Miss Billie Jean Wilkerson left the city last week for a vacation in California.

MISS EVELYN STEWART OF TUSCON, ARIZ., VISITS HERE

Miss Evelyn Stewart, teacher in the public schools of Tucson, Ariz., spent several days here the guest of Miss Eleanor Powell, 1046 17th street. Miss Stewart was enroute to the University of Minnesota to do summer work on her doctor of philosophy degree.

DINNER GIVEN BY MRS. HELEN CARTER FOR CALIFORNIANS

A dinner was given by Mrs. Helen T. Carter on June 8 at her home in honor of Mrs. Birdie Williams and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Adams and son, B. Adams, Jr., who reside in California and are here visiting their son and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Williams.

Those sharing the courtesy were: Mesdames Susie Yeager, Ontario Thompson, Dorothy Collier, Alice Williams, Agnes Adams, Mattie Anderson, Viola Brown.

THE GUY E. GREENES ENTERTAIN FOR MISS CARTER AND MRS. COLE

Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Greene entertained Miss Florence Carter of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Andrew Cole of Denver, Colo., to brunch and a movie on June 15. Both Miss Carter and Mrs. Cole are former Des Moines residents.

ATTENDING HAWKEYE GIRLS STATE

Attending the Hawkeye Girls State at Grinnell, Ia., this week is Betty Jackson, 17, daughter of Mrs. Robert Jackson of 1425 Buchanan street. She was named from the Lincoln Post auxiliary.

Girls State gives the girls who attend an opportunity to learn and practice good citizenship.

FASHION-OF-WEEK



POLKA DOTS lend a dashing air to this French crepe dress by Fashion Frocks of Cincinnati. The rolled collar ending in a self tie and the deep cuffed sleeves add an expensive looking touch. Sold in homes only by housewife representatives. (ANP)

Miss G. O. Franks And Mr. Paul Williams To Marry Here Saturday

Mr. Paul Williams, 1106 12th street, sophomore student in medicine at Meharry university, was accompanied home for the summer vacation by his fiancée, Miss Gwendolyn O. Franks, a North Carolina Public school teacher.

Miss Franks, the daughter of Mrs. Rena Franks of Asheboro, N. C., will be married here on Saturday, June 23 to Mr. Williams.

Miss Franks, who is a graduate of A. and T. college in Greensboro, will attend summer school at Drake university. She is a member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Williams, graduate of North High school, former Drake university student, is a veteran of World War II. He is a member of the St. Paul Episcopal church and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. During the summer months he will be employed as a salesman with the Economy Roofing and Siding Company.

He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Williams.

FRANCES M. SCOTT AND WAYNE G. GIBSON MARRY

Nuptial vows were exchanged Saturday afternoon, June 9, by Miss Frances M. Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Scott, 911 S.E. Eleventh street, and Wayne G. Gibson, son of Mrs. Helen Edwards, in the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Record.

Miss Georgia Scott and Mrs. Hallie Fonza were attendants.

PERSONAL TOUCH



All the talk this week is about the new Willkie House—the new community center, now located on Seventeenth street between Crocker and Olive streets.

If you are going to the center by bus, get off at Olive street, the distance is nearer than making a stop at Crocker street. Mrs. Herbert Chapman and Mrs. Gertrude Claybrook found that out the other night when they wondered why Mrs. Margaret Lowry would not get off at Crocker street. Mrs. Lowry was waiting at the entrance by the time the other neared the steps.

The new building was appropriately initiated on Monday night when two Willkie House youth clubs, the Film Council, and the Polarettes held a grand Coronation Ball.

Some new rules went into effect. All of the young lady guests wore formal attire or they would not be admitted. Also on display were many varieties of corsages that their escorts had sent them.

No lady was admitted without an escort and no gentleman entered without a lady.

"Has an educational value," Director Lillian Edmunds smiled as she told of the plan by Boys' Work Advisor Vernon T. Odum to make the formal a monthly affair.

And speaking of corsages—Mrs. Edmunds wore three beautiful orchids on Sunday at the dedication program. One was from Mrs. Meyer Rosefield and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ransom of New York City; and the other came from Mrs. Thornburg Cowles, president of the Willkie House board of directors, who resides in New York City.

Mildred and Dennis Clay of Los Angeles, Cal., with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clay, were visiting around the new Willkie House on Tuesday night.

Mildred commented that, out in California they go to a recreational hall but "it isn't as pretty as this."

From the east side of town, for the dedication of the new center last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tunley, who returned on Tuesday night for the Dilettante club's spring musical program.

The couple chatted in one of the beautifully decorated club rooms, as guests toured the room and admired a collection of oil paintings done by Tunley's daughter, Mrs. Willa Mae Harris, now living in Chicago.

Also a center of attraction, on the mantel of the redbrick fireplace, was a collection of gold trophies which athletic teams of the center have won throughout the years.

Proud to be able to attend the Willkie House dedication program, as hot as the temperature got, were Miss Mabel Harris, a retired Des

Many Visitors Attend New Willkie House Dedication Ceremonies

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grayson of Albia, Ia., were guests of their aunt, Nellie Esters, at the dedication of the New Willkie House building Sunday.

Dr. C. Parks and Miss Jennie Enlow, who is a member of the Rockford Community Center staff, were guests of Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn last Sunday at the Willkie House dedication program.

They left Sunday night to return to Rockford. Mrs. Cothorn, who is director of the Rockford, Ill., center, was accompanied to Des Moines by her son, John Arthur, who will spend the summer here with his grandmother, Mrs. Nellie Esters.

Mrs. E. W. Bayles of Hampton, Ia., was one of the visitors here Sunday. Her son, Edward Bayles, led one of the songs at the dedication program.

Visitors From St. Paul . . . Mr. Alfred Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Humbard and Mr. and Mrs. James Kirk, all of St. Paul, Minn., motored here last Sunday to attend the dedication ceremonies at Willkie House.

Mr. Williams' wife, Mrs. George Williams, and Children are here spending several months with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, who is executive director of Willkie House.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Brown of Tuskegee Institute, Ala., accompanied by Miss Shegiko Motoki of Japan, who recently graduated from Iowa State College, Ames, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Scales last Sunday at the new Willkie House dedication.

4-H CONFERENCE AT KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE

Frankfort, Ky.—Nearly one hundred boys and girls representing 4-H clubs from every section of the State of Kentucky assembled at Kentucky State College June 11, for a five-day State conference. Ten instructors and five leaders are also in attendance. Special demonstrations by Miss Dorothy Thepeld, clothing specialist of the University of Kentucky, and Miss Alberta Temple, food instructor, Kentucky State College, were given to the boys and girls June 12.

Moines school teacher, who came on the aid of crutches. While there she met many friends and commented that the program alone was worth all of the effort.

Fitting around in the crowd and seeing many people was Mrs. A. C. Baker, who like Miss Harris, both Unitarians, are vitally interested in terracial progress in Des Moines.

Both Miss Harris and Mrs. Baker comb the papers and magazines daily and monthly to learn more about what Negroes are doing in America.

Just recently Mrs. Baker received an answer to a letter she had written, commending George Schuyler for his article on the Negro, which appeared on the Des Moines Tribune's editorial page.

Mr. Schuyler, who is New York editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, wrote Mrs. Baker "thanks" on June 6 about the digest of his article which was reprinted from The Freeman, in the Des Moines Tribune.

"It does seem to me that there has been a great deal of distortion and imbalance, recently, in discussions of the status of the American Negro, and I felt that it was time to restore the balance and introduce a little sanity into the discussion. I understand that a somewhat truncated version will appear shortly, in the Readers' Digest for July."

All the way from Nashville, Tenn., touring the new building with her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, 1648 Walker street, was Mrs. Martha M. Brown, who is library consultant at the Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State college.

Having been in library work since 1912, Mrs. Brown was very much interested in the new Levitt library room of the Willkie House. She has watched her school's library grow from a volume capacity of 1,500 to more than 120,000 with ten trained librarians and 12 student assistants. She studied library science at Hampton Institute, Va., has taught music and home economics and has been in charge of dormitories at the school.

Mrs. Brown plans to retire soon and hopes to be able to make frequent trips to Des Moines, she said.

Pay Your Subscription

Mrs. Milton Battle of Chicago, Ill., witnessed her brother, Dr. E. T. Scales, preside at the new Willkie House dedication last Sunday. She will spend a vacation here with the Scales family.

Dr. L. A. Whitfield of Chicago, Ill., accompanied his mother, Mrs. J. Q. Evans, 1106 17th street, to the dedication program of new Willkie House last Sunday.

Among other out-of-town visitors registered at the building were: 1951, we entered Sasabo, Japan, to service with Task Force 95 in Korea. "Before coming into the service, I was a student at North High school and hope to finish high school in the Navy.

"P. S.—Anyone wishing to drop a lonely sailor a line or two here is the address: USS Rupertus DD 851, C/O Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Henry, Ankeny, Ia.; Mrs. G. W. Bradford, Alto, Texas; Mrs. Annie B. Cleaver, Nicogdoches, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, Hampton, Ia.; Mrs. Pearl Headd, Vicksburg, Miss.; Alice M. Hagedorn, Luverne, Minn.; Mrs. Adolph Jones, Omaha, Neb.; Robert E. Lee, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Ozzelle Rollison, Eufala, Okla., who is visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary Craddock Rollison.

Among the social affairs for the Willkie House visitors were: board luncheon for members' and out-of-town guests, in the library of the new building; a cocktail party, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barshall, for the board members and their wives, husbands and out-of-town guests; and a social for Mr. Lester B. Granger at the home of Mrs. J. W. Mitchell.

MUSIC PUPILS OF MRS. JACKSON IN RECITAL SUNDAY

Mrs. Korinne Jackson will present her class in piano, voice and music appreciation in recital at Willkie House, Seventeenth and Crocker street, Sunday, June 24, at 5 p.m. The following members of the class will appear on the program: Johanna Thomas, Shirleen Bell, Leonard Sharp, Maryland Graham, Beverly Hildebrand, Carmen Chapman, Elizabeth Austin, Dorothy Collier, Barbara Smith, Patricia Winder, Prudence Bannister, Sherry Beaver, Carol Ann Brewer and the St. Monica's chorus.

Guest artists will be Miss Virginia Lee who is accompanist for St. Monica's chorus and Mrs. Clyde Collier. The program is open to the public without charge.

SOCIAL ART CLUB SILVER TEA SUNDAY AT WILLKIE HOUSE

The Social Art club is sponsoring a silver tea Sunday, June 24, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Willkie House.

Iced Coffee and Cake Is Warm-Weather Treat



Photo by Santa

If you were auctioning off a homemade cake for your favorite charity, you'd get many a raised hand if you leed it with rich coffee frosting, a new recipe employing instant caffeine-free coffee as the flavoring ingredient. The instant coffee can be mixed right in with the other dry ingredients, a convenience you'll applaud. Bids would be high, too, for iced coffee on warm days. So use this tricky recipe for making coffee ice cubes and keep your guests supplied with tinkling glassfuls. All the family can enjoy the beverage when you use caffeine-free coffee.

Rich Coffee Frosting

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 1/2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
- 1 egg or 2 egg yolks, unbeaten
- 1 tablespoon instant caffeine-free coffee
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 tablespoons top milk (about)

Cream butter; add salt and part of the sugar gradually, blending after each addition. Then add egg, instant caffeine-free coffee, and vanilla; mix well. Add remaining sugar, alternately with milk, until mixture is of right consistency to spread, beating after each addition until smooth. Makes about 2 1/2 cups frosting, or enough to cover tops and sides of 2 9-inch layers, or tops of 3 dozen cupcakes or 4 dozen 3-inch cookies.

Iced Coffee

To make caffeine-free coffee ice cubes, prepare caffeine-free coffee by your usual method. Pour into ice-cube tray of automatic refrigerator until firm. For a stronger beverage, use double-strength coffee for cubes. Remember that caffeine-free coffee needs to percolate from 15 to 18 minutes to bring out its rich coffee flavor. Fill glass with frozen caffeine-free coffee cubes, then fill glass with warm milk. The resulting beverage gives the illusion of a generous cream quota.

JOLLY S CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. MUSETTE BROWN

The Jolly S club met at the home of Mrs. Musette Brown, 115 11th street, West Des Moines. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Catherine Bell, 1223 E. 18th street. Mrs. Eujetta Mason is reporter.

DELTA SIGMA THETAS PRESENT PICNIC SUPPER

The members of Delta Theta sorority held a picnic supper Saturday evening, June 16, on the patio at the home of Miss Marguerite DeSleet, 3106 Bowdoin street. A gift was presented to Miss Catherine Atkinson, one of the pledges in appreciation of the outstanding work she did in directing "The Jabberwock" which was held recently.

Out-of-town Deltas present included Miss Janet Allen, a psychiatric social worker at the veterans hospital at Knoxville, Ia., Misses Eleanor Powell and Mary Rose Westbrook, both teachers in Kansas City. Miss Evelyn Stewart who was a guest of Miss Powell, was in attendance.

MODERNISTIC CLUB HAS BREAKFAST AT McCRAE PARK

The Modernistic club held its annual breakfast Sunday, June 18, at McCrae park, entertaining their husbands and guests. Mrs. Major Humphrey, who is treasurer of the Federation, gave a report.

Guests were: Mrs. Herschel Hubbard, Mrs. Lloyd McGuire, Mrs. Harbon Merritt, Mrs. Stanley Proctor, Mr. Alfred Roper, Mr. Leroy Berry, Mr. Marshall Wilson, and R. Hardaway, Jr.

CLAYBROOKS ENTERTAIN ON FATHER'S DAY

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Claybrook of 223 E. 13th street entertained in honor of Father's Day: Mr. and Mrs. Damon Hall and children, Arlene and Darlene, and Mrs. Anna Claybrook and R. D. Claybrook and Mr. and Mrs. Aloytuse Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Hall and children left the city for their home, Henderson, Nevada, Sunday night.

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To St. Louis



Mr. Felix Steward, deacon at Mt. Olive Baptist church, will leave on June 22 for a ten-day vacation in St. Louis, Mo. He will visit an old school friend, Mrs. Emma B. Johnson.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our son, Master Sergeant Inman L. Perkins, Killed in Italy, June 17, 1944. Not dead to us who loved him. Not lost but gone before. He lives with us in memory. And will forever more.
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EDITORIALS - FEATURES - SPORTS

WE MAY WELL REVIEW THIS CRITICISM

Lester Granger, who gave the main address at the Willkie House dedication, in the course of an interview, said Negroes were putting too much emphasis on civil rights and, FEP and not enough to the more tangible things in areas where a great amount of good can be done.

There is some merit to the criticism in that not enough effort is placed on doing some of the practical things right around us but, this is no reason to let up on the campaign for full enjoyment of civil rights which has done much to level off even the conditions of which Mr. Granger complains.

Of course Mr. Granger is not working in the field of civil rights and thus feels to much emphasis is given that side of racial advancement. In other words it's another old division as existed among the followers of the late Booker T. Washington and W. E. B. Du Bois.

The NAACP is the recognized leader in the field of civil rights, and it is doing a good job. No group is doing an outstanding job as leaders in the field of which Mr. Granger complains.

The Bystander believes that here is a field the churches and community centers may well take the lead in which to do a real job. Take the matter of slum conditions on a local basis. Our churches are placed strategically in centers where most Negroes live and where clean up campaigns could serve to do a lot of good.

Churches may well take the lead in emphasizing better home life, better deportment in public places, more diligence in the performance of the jobs Negroes hold, more brotherhood among all men, less chips on the shoulder.

In other words, the church should take the lead in the moral uplift of the community emphasizing it equally with spiritual side. People need to know more about how to live, for if they live right they die the same way.

Mr. Granger's views deserve a lot of serious thought and more emphasis on the things he suggests. But one field of endeavor should not be advanced at the expense of the other.

RUSSIA HAS NOTHING ON US HERE

Last week Mr. Vogel, the American telephone and telegraph official who served several months in prison for alleged spy activities in Hungary, broadcast a synopsis of the method used by Russian satellites to secure a confession from him. He said that although the confession was secured by illegal methods it formed the substantial evidence that was used to convict him.

It sounded bad. Civilized people should not tolerate such things. But as this confession was unfounded by Vogel, anymore acquainted with court procedure in our own southern states realized that they are just as bad as those used in Hungary. And while there is less such practices here today, due to a great extent to the decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court reversing convictions based on these confessions, they have not been entirely eliminated.

So while we hide Russia and her satellites about inhuman conduct, we ourselves are guilty of some of the very same things.

The Bystander emphasizes that Des Moines citizens should give its baseball team liberal support. It's the best assurance of getting a good team.

BARRED AT ATLANTA HOTELS, JO BAKER CANCELS BENEFIT

SEE FRONT PAGE her program was to be televised throughout the South. "While continuing thoroughly to agree with you on principle involved in hotel matter, we believe an even more basic gain can be won, despite tax on your strength, you could arrange to arrive in Atlanta Saturday and leave on late train or plane that night."

Miss Baker felt unable to accept such an arrangement and finally on June 13, Mr. White "regretfully" released her from her promise to go to Atlanta. "We shall, however," he said, continue our uncompromising struggle until the day comes when no human being because of color can thus be gratuitously insulted."

In reply, Miss Baker wired from Cleveland where she is appearing: "It makes my heart beat with happiness to know that you not only appreciate but agree to my keeping to my principles in not going to Atlanta because the hotels have refused accommodations to me and my party for

your annual conference. The fact of being in a white hotel does not flatter me in the least, but it is a matter of being a Negro and not being able to go wherever you so desire. This situation grieves me deeply and I am all heart with you of the NAACP, Dr. Dunfee and all our people who are fighting to conquer injustice, discrimination and prejudice against people who want only to be considered as human beings. I profoundly believe in God and am absolutely certain we will win."

RENTON SIX CASE

SEE FRONT PAGE of the murder, a conviction later reversed by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

Discrepancies Cited by Defense

In jumping up the case for the defense, Raymond Pace Alexander of Philadelphia, heading the battery of NAACP lawyers defending McKenzic and Wilson, said that the testimony of state witnesses showed many discrepancies and that there was a deal of "confusion" in the case. He also asserted that due process of law had not been observed in the arrests of the six, and cited twenty individual rights which he claimed police ignored.

Asking the jury to disregard the three "confessions" which were read to them after Judge Ralph J. Smalley threw out three other "confessions" because the state failed to prove they were obtained voluntarily, the defense asserted that the men were "tortured in mind as well as body" before they made the statements. The jury was allowed to hear only the statements of Forrest and English and the handwritten statement of Cooper. Cooper's typewritten statement, plus those of McKenzic and Thorpe, were barred by the judge and Wilson never signed a statement.

WILLKIE HOUSE

(See Page TWO)

ly nothing unless the building is put to the right use. It can be a museum of pious platitudes or a factory of working people, where citizenship is made.

"The day will come when she (Mrs. Edmunds), will find red chalk marks on the walls and that day she will drop down and die.

"If the building doesn't deteriorate rapidly not from vandalism, but from the impact of tens of thousands of young bodies, adolescent bodies, it won't be used as it should be," he declared.

"I hope that this is a guarantee for a warmer community interest—for an opportunity for whites and Negro youths to get to know each other," Granger concluded.

Alexander's Work Told Alexander, widely known Des Moines contractor and chairman of the building committee, was introduced by Dr. Scales as "the man who has put in a little better than 550 hours—or three months, 8 hours a day, five days a week—on Willkie House."

Alexander, who presented the building to the board, said he was "glad to relinquish the task begun five or six years ago."

"In the whole mundane world, this could not happen but in America," he declared.

Plaque of Cowles Later. Referring to the Willkie plaque and the plaque in the Levitt memorial library, he said a plaque of Gardner Cowles, Sr., would come later. He then paraphrased the inscription to St. Christopher Wren in St. Paul's cathedral in London which Wren designed:

"If you would see Mr. Cowles' monument, look about you."

Alexander traced the history of the new center from May 14, 1945, date of the announcement of the Cowles Foundation gift.

He also praised the integrity of the Willkie House architects, Nemmers, Clark and Spooner, and the contractors, Ringling-Johnson Co., the Iowa Sheet Metal Co., and the Moore Electrical Co.

All these people have the same philosophy I have," said Alexander. "They not only want to work and build and do it well but they hope to build with some nobility."

As he handed the building keys over to Dr. C. R. Bradford, representing the board, Alexander said he was severing his connections with Willkie House after 15 years of active work.

Bradford and Mrs. O. L. Carter of the Dilettante club accepted the "magnificent edifice" with "gratitude, thankfulness and a sense of great responsibility and tremendous challenge."

Director Introduced. Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, executive director, was introduced. She asked

HEALTH FOR ALL

SUMMER DRIVING

Year after year, motor vehicle accidents head the list of causes of accidental deaths in this country. It is estimated that approximately 35,000 people were killed in automobile accidents in 1950.

Vacation days are ahead, and the number of cars on the road will increase from now until fall. While car owners no longer have ice and sleet to contend with, there are seasonal difficulties like rain and fog to create hazards of skidding and poor visibility. Another less obvious hazard, perhaps, is the "summer driver" who has to learn that "safety first" is a necessary rule for driving a car.

Anyone who drives should keep his car in top-notch condition by having it checked regularly by a good mechanic, and making any needed repairs or adjustments immediately. Many fatal auto accidents are traced to worn-out brakes, inadequate lights, threadbare tires, or faulty steering mechanisms. An extra check-up at this time is in order if a driver plans to take summer trips or week-end use of his car for drives in the country, picnics, or trips to the beach.

The signs and symbols on highways are for the safety as well as the guidance of motorists. Heeding them may well mean the difference between life and death. Any motorist who isn't certain of the meaning of all highway symbols should ask a police officer. He should also make sure what all hand signals for turning and stopping mean; using the signals correctly himself and observing them when used by other motorists.

for continued support of the center and declared:

"I can never say again that we don't have a place to seat 100 persons," she predicted.

"We're going on to bigger and better things."

The audience joined in the singing of the last stanza of the National Negro anthem, led by Mrs. Korinne Jackson, with the Maple Street Men's Chorus assisting.

A tour of the building followed and there were many expressions of delight over the \$15,000 worth of furnishings—the modernistic blond furniture and colorful upholstery and window draperies in the library and lounge.

strikingly beautiful bouquets, gifts from organizations, individuals and firms were arranged throughout the first floor. Women board members served as a reception committee.

Throughout the week the new Willkie House building is being initiated by various Willkie House clubs who scheduled the following events: Coronation ball, teen-agers; musical program by Dilettante club; Father and Son banquet by Boy Scouts; youth dance by Athletic committee, dancing classes and chorus recital and adult party.

Visitors are still touring the building which is open until about 10:30 o'clock nightly, Mrs. Edmunds said.

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Because if you—do not play fair, And keep yourself right on the square; There'll be a payoff sure some day, And you'll not like the price you'll

pay. And pay you will—you'll have no choice Unless you heed that still small voice. —Glenn A. Gallagher.

YOUR DES MOINES COMMUNITY CHEST

"THE SECOND CHANCE"

When a man has committed a crime, been apprehended by the law, and then convicted and imprisoned, many a good law-abiding citizen sits back with a sigh of satisfaction and says, "Well, that's that!" But that is by no means the end of the story, either for the criminal, his family, or the community at large. There is a new chapter when the man is released from prison.

He faces a hostile world in which he is beset by many obstacles which stand in his way toward becoming once again a self-supporting citizen. This is where the Iowa Society for the Friendless steps in. The Iowa Society for the Friendless is one of the twenty-nine Community Chest supported agencies giving Red Feather Service.

The interesting case of John W. shows how this Red Feather Service helped him face society again as a useful citizen after his release from prison.

John's case starts several years ago when John was a young, successful salesman traveling throughout Iowa. He made his first mistake one evening when a friend invited him to participate in a card game for "small stakes". Being in a strange town with very little to do, John accepted his friend's offer and joined in the poker game. At first, the stakes were small, but as the evening wore on, the stakes grew to such a point that John felt he had to keep playing to win back the money he had already lost. At the end of the evening, John realized that he had been foolish enough to not only lose all the money he had with him, but that he also

lost a large sum of the Company's money. In desperation he played many times after that in the hope of regaining his large losses. The situation became worse and John felt his only out was to pad the Company accounts and forget about trying to replace the money. It was three months later that the Company filed embezzlement charges against John when they discovered the discrepancy in his records. He was arrested and sentenced to the state penitentiary. At the end of two years, John was granted a parole under the supervision of the Iowa Society for the Friendless. The Society helped John find part-time employment and also gave him courage to face his new life honestly. Through the influence of the Society, John was told by his former employer that they would give him another chance if he would be willing to start over again at the bottom. John started over again and worked very hard to show that he was sorry for his mistake and prove that he would not fail in this second chance. Today, he is a well respected business man, he has a family and is one of the civic leaders in his neighborhood.

John has said many times that without the help he received from the Iowa Society for the Friendless he doesn't know whether he would have made the grade or not.

This Community Chest supported Red Feather Service has case story after case story of people who proved they could make the grade with a second chance and a little help.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends for their kindnesses, courtesies, expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and food extended us at the death of our beloved father, Lewis W. Strother.

The Family

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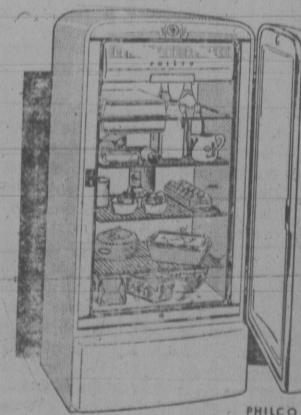
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