

'PERSECUTION IN NATIVE LAND'

Urge President To Take Action

Capital Close-Up From Washington

BY CONSTANCE DANIEL
A GOOD CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL!!

"Clear It With Clarence"

Washington, D. C.—Word from the Civil Rights Bloc on Capitol Hill, last week, was "Clear it with Clarence." Checking the offices of the four sponsoring co-chairmen—Representatives Adam Powell, Jr., N. Y., Charles Diggs, Jr., Mich., James Roosevelt, Calif., all Democrats, and Republican Hugh Scott, of Penna., for information on the Dec. 9 "strategy meeting" of the bloc, we got nowhere fast, except for polite insistence that Mr. Clarence Mitchell would be able to supply all information. Mr. Roosevelt's office was beautifully candid. . . . No, Mr. Roosevelt was not at the meeting. He was in California. No, no one from his office attended. "Why not call Mr. Clarence Mitchell? After all, he originated the idea, and he's in charge!"

The one exception to the rule was Mr. Scott's office, where the idea prevails that a Congressman who publicly sponsors an action is supposed to know something about how it is operating. Mr. Scott sent a statement and two representatives to the meeting. Mr. Powell, also absent, sent a lengthy statement. Congressman Diggs was the only co-chairman present. Others present were Mr. Mitchell, Congressman Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.), Judiciary Committee chairman, Richard Bolling (D., Mo.), Congressman Edna Kelly (D., Calif.) and Charles A. Vanik (D., Ohio).

Right to Vote Discussed

Discussion among the few present (another meeting is scheduled for January) centered around proposals for legislation guaranteeing all citizens the right to vote. Suggestive legislation on the matter is being prepared for later consideration. It is unlikely that "the bloc" will attempt to introduce or support one or more omnibus bills covering all civil rights action, which would include such controversial proposals as a compulsory FEPC.

Hugh Scott's Message

Co-chairman Hugh Scott, seven-term representative with an enviable civil rights voting record, sent a message to the meeting, saying that he

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Youth Narrowly Escape Icy Plunge into D.M. River When Car Spins on Bridge

Plans for Christmas almost came to a tragic end last Sunday evening, when five young persons narrowly escaped a 60-foot plunge into the icy Des Moines river Sunday night after their car knocked a hole in the concrete railing of the University avenue bridge.



Police said the car, driven by Samuel Montjoy, 21, of Waterloo, smashed into the bridge with such force that a 12-foot section was knocked off and into the river.

Officers said the car then spun around and the front of the car

Institute on Human Relations Jan. 9-10 At Drake

The annual Des Moines Institute on Human Relations—a public forum devoted to strengthening human relations in the community—will be Jan. 9 and 10 on the Drake University campus.

Speeches, panel sessions and informal workshops are planned to discuss elimination of prejudices and discriminatory practices.

The Institute will be sponsored by the Des Moines Commission on Human Rights. Co-operating are the National Conference of Christians and Jews and more than 25 other organizations representing business, industry, labor, churches, schools and civic groups.

Started in 1946, the Institute is open to the public.

Herman Long, Nashville, Tenn., director of race relations, Congregational Christian churches, will speak. He is immediate past president of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials.

Another speaker will be Dr. Erwin Sobel, St. Louis, Mo., of the department of economics, Washington University.

struck the railing again. The car bounced off the railing and back into the street. Police estimated the distance to the river at this point as 60 feet.

None of the five in the car was injured. They included Stephen Walton and Theodore Graves, both of Waterloo, Eloise McElroy, 1525 Stewart street, and Sharon Smith, 844 Thirteenth street.

Making Xmas Plans

According to Miss McElroy, who is one of the secretaries in the office of the Iowa Bystander, the group of young people had been to her home Sunday evening making plans for Christmas.

"We were on our way to get a Christmas tree so that we could come back home and spend the evening decorating it."

"When the accident happened, our car was not going more than the required speed limit on the bridge. It slid on a piece of ice."

Miss McElroy said she did not get excited until after the accident happened and now she has left the business of trimming the Christmas tree to another member of her family.

Montjoy told officers he was driving west on the bridge and lost control of his car on icy pavement as he attempted to pass another car.

"The first time we hit the railing I thought we were going over for sure," Montjoy said. "When we hit it again a big piece of the railing just dropped into the river."

About an hour after this accident, Sheryl Ann Spora, 18, of 2919 State street, was injured at the same location on the bridge when the car in which she was riding was struck from behind by a semi-trailer truck.

She was treated at Iowa Lutheran hospital for right shoulder injuries.

Escape Plunge Into Icy River on University Bridge



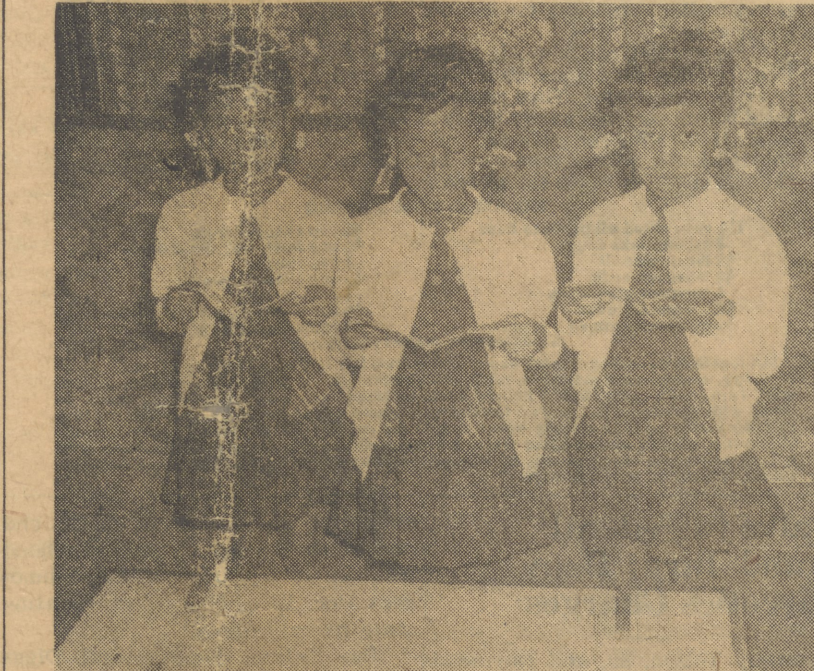
Five persons escaped possible death or serious injury Sunday night when their car spun away after knocking this hole in the concrete railing of the University avenue bridge. Police estimated the drop to the river at this point at 60 feet. (Photo Courtesy of Des Moines Register.)

Congressman's Attack on 'Porgy and Bess' Tour Late

Washington, D. C.—(CNS)—A Congressman from New York—Ralph W. Gwinn, a Republican, issued a rather belated blast last week against the sending of "Porgy and Bess" overseas under our cultural exchange program.

Stated Gwinn: "I have just learned . . . that Congress voted \$685,000 to send "Porgy and Bess" to some of the capitals of the world as one of the top choices of American culture. I doubt if 10% of the members (of Congress) knew of such an appropriation. I never dreamed that I was

Triplets Sing of Santa 'Coming to Town'



Zelle Kay (left), Zola May, (center), and Zeola Fay, triplet daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hickman, 1156 Ninth street, this week have been singing the Christmas songs and telling each other, "you had better watch for Santa Claus is coming to town" on Saturday night.

Three Christmas stockings will hang on the fireplace at their home on Christmas Eve.

The little girls who had asked Santa Claus to bring them each a

Can't Find Enough Good Jazz Bands To Send Overseas

Washington, D. C.—(CNS)—Just as the State Department gets excited about sending good jazz bands overseas as ambassadors of American culture—then they find that most top bands are tied up. The State Department had counted on Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, Count Basie only to find they are booked solid and couldn't possibly be avail-

able for the Department's deadline of January.

So far only Dizzie Gillespie can make the trip and he would go with a big band. It seems, too, that Stan Kenton has a few dates in January open. Both groups could get to Turkey in time.

Of course, if the State Department would take lesser name they could get several crews ready for January. But they're looking for big names and the big Negro names are all working months ahead.

No Better Xmas Gift Than The Bystander

left. Detectives said the apartment had been ransacked.



Two Men Tie and Rob Blind Woman

A 55-year-old blind woman, living alone in an apartment at 819 Ninth street, was robbed of \$13 and a wrist watch Monday night, police reported Tuesday.

Miss Christine Mickles said two men had knocked on the door and asked to use her telephone. She refused to let them in.

She said the men then forced their way in. One of them knocked her to the floor and threatened to choke her unless she told where her money was hidden.

They left after tying her hands and feet with a pair of her stockings.

Miss Mickles said she was able to free herself shortly after the men

Say 'People Bewildered And Dismayed at Silence' Of Federal Government

New York—President Eisenhower has been urged to call upon Congress in his State of the Union message, "to take favorable action on pending civil rights bills, especially those protecting the security of the person and the right to vote freely."

In a letter to the President, made public here Dec. 15, on the 164th anniversary of the Bill of Rights, Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, cited the "series of murders and wave of economic terror" in Mississippi and elsewhere in the South and asked the President to "recognize and denounce" these conditions in his message to be delivered next month at the opening of the second session of the 84th Congress.

Murders Cited

The letter, dated December 9, called attention to the murders of Rev. George W. Lee, Lamar Smith, Clinton Melton, and the attempted murder of Gus Courts, all in Mississippi since May 7 last. "No punishment has been meted out to the perpetrators of these crimes by the law enforcement machinery of Mississippi," Mr. Wilkins asserted.

'Gift-Lift' to Mississippians

Los Angeles, Cal.—A "Gift Lift" to Mississippi left here Tuesday when two large boxcar-type trucks were dispatched to the all-Negro town of Mound Bayou, to be distributed to Mississippians in 350 communities, caught in the economic squeeze of prejudiced whites.

The project grew out of a plea by Dr. T. R. M. Howard, president of the Mississippi Council of Negro Leadership, during speeches here.

At the suggestion of an NAACP volunteer worker, Mrs. Ruth Johnson, an appeal was launched for toys, food, clothing and money, and all these have been coming into the NAACP office from kind-hearted Angelinos.

Protection for the trucks has been asked of the FBI in a wire dispatched this week to J. Edgar Hoover by the Los Angeles branch NAACP which is sponsoring the "Gift Lift."

left. Detectives said the apartment had been ransacked.

"We make this request" for action, the NAACP leader reminded Mr. Eisenhower, "not only because you are the President of the United States, but also because you have repeated on several occasions your belief that there should be no second-class citizenship in our country."

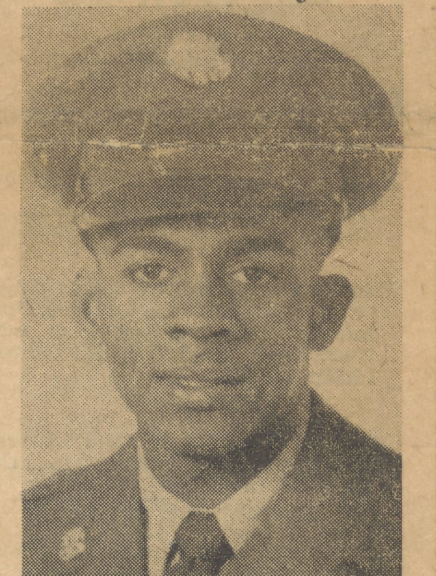
Amend the Laws

Mr. Wilkins expressed the belief that "if present limitations or technicalities in the federal civil rights laws are being construed so as to leave these citizens open to murder and economic thuggery, the present laws ought to be amended and strengthened by Congress. The Department of Justice should be given the necessary additional authority and administrative machinery to do the job."

The Lee and Smith murders and the shooting of Gus Courts, the NAACP spokesman said, were politically inspired inasmuch as these men

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Pvt. Allen L. Martin Home for Holidays



ALLEN LEE MARTIN

Pvt. Allen Lee Martin of Fort Hood, Texas, is spending the Christmas season here with his wife and family, Mrs. Johnetta Martin, son, Michael, and daughter, Kem, at 912 Fifteenth street; and, his mother, Mrs. Thelma McClain, of 1010 Tenth street.

Private Martin who has been in the military services for eleven months, is a member of the band in the army's 4th Armored Division.

Sues New York's Anti-Bias Group for Not Recognizing Pan-American 'Jimcrow'

New York — (CNS) — When the State Commission Against Discrimination didn't agree with Wendell A. Jeanpierre that he was discriminated against because of his race as he sought employment with Pan American World Airways, Jeanpierre took his case to the State Supreme Court.

This is believed to be the first petition of its kind filed which complains that the New York State's watchdog of civil rights had acted "improperly and illegally" in dismissing a discrimination charge.

A former war veteran, Jeanpierre says he applied as a flight steward with Pan American in December

1954 and was asked such questions: "How will you cope with racial discrimination?" and "Why don't you seek some other employment."

He complained to the commission and says they tried to persuade him to seek employment elsewhere.

On October 13, the commission ruled "the evidence is insufficient to warrant a finding that you were rejected because of your race or color."

Only twice before has the commission rulings been challenged and then by an employment agency and a swimming pool against whom the commission had ruled.

This is the first time a Negro has challenged the commission in court for refusing to determine that there was discrimination. The hearing is set for December 30.

The next meeting will be Jan. 6 with Mrs. Ella Mae Burke, 1169 Tenth street, president. Mrs. Clara Wade is reporter.

Xmas Tree Program At Mt. Olive Church

The Sunday School of Mt. Olive Baptist church will hold its annual Christmas program Saturday evening, Dec. 24, at 7:45 o'clock.

Crocker Conservation Club Kiddies Party Saturday Afternoon

The Crocker Conservation Club will hold its annual Christmas party for tots 2-8 years of age Saturday, December 24, 3 p. m., at Crocker Branch YMCA.

Santa Claus will be present to pass out gifts and candies. Movies will also be shown on the program.

Members of the Conservation Club will serve as hosts.

Walter Lee Irvin's Life Saved; 'Victim of Gross Miscarriage of Justice'

New York — Had it not been for the intervention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Walter Lee Irvin, Groveland rape charge victim, "would have been long since dead" and the Governor of Florida "would not have had to request the Pardons Board to commute" his death sentence, Thurgood Marshall, NAACP special counsel, said here Dec. 16.

Mr. Marshall's comment was in refutation of charges against the Association made by Gov. Leroy Collins on Dec. 15, in announcing the commutation of Irvin's sentence to life imprisonment. The Governor said that "one of the circumstances that makes handling of this case more difficult is the participation by this organization (NAACP) because of the bare fact the defendant is a colored man rather than a careful evaluation of the circumstances and his guilt or innocence."

Statement 'Shocking'

While expressing appreciation of the Governor's action in recommend-

ing the commutation and of the support of "the good people of Florida who backed Irvin's plea for clemency," the NAACP lawyer said he was "shocked to read the public statement of Gov. Collins which follows the pattern of other southern officials in using the NAACP as the whipping boy for the repeated injustices against "Negroes in the South."

The Governor, he asserted, "is completely in error in every statement concerning this organization. Under our rules we . . . enter cases only where there is injustice solely because of race and color and where there is the possibility of establishing a precedent which will help insure due process of law for all without regard to race."

Thorough Probe Made

The NAACP, Mr. Marshall pointed out, "made a thorough and complete investigation of the circumstances surrounding the alleged crime before entering the (Grove-

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Cards of Thanks and Memoriums

Expression of Appreciation

We wish to express our deep appreciation to the many friends for their kindnesses, courtesies and expressions of sympathy extended to us during the illness and at the death of our beloved daughter and mother, Mrs. Lillian Edmunds. Especially do we thank the Revs. John E. Hunter and Lovell Johnson, Mrs. Joburness Kelso and Estes and Son Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lola Hardwick, mother; Arthur John Edmunds, son; Mrs. George H. Williams, daughter; Mrs. Ruby Brown cousin.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank Rev. George Parrish, Elder Moore, Odd Fellows, Mrs. Joburness Kelso and Estes & Son Funeral Home for their kindness extended to us at the death of James Henry Thompson.

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I would like to thank Rev. Geo. Parrish, Hawkeye Lodge, Rose Temple 33, Drill Team, Antlers Guard, Purple Cross Nurses Unit and the Maple St. Baptist church and also Estes & Son for their kindness extended at the time of death of Evelyn Redd Bettis.

CARD OF THANKS

I received my radio (the second prize) given in the Iowa Bystander subscription contest and like it very much.

CARD OF THANKS

The clothes dryer (the first prize) which I won in the Iowa Bystander subscription campaign was a welcome article which was promptly shipped to my mother in Hope, Ark., for a Christmas present. Thanks, Mrs. Ethel Greenlee

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ORIGINAL NOTICE In The District Court of the State of Iowa in and For Polk County

TO: CANZELLA MILLER, Defendant. You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the clerk of the District Court of Iowa in and for Polk County the petition of the plaintiff herein claiming of you an absolute divorce on the ground of desertion in that you have absented yourself from him for a period of more than five (5) years.

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Dr. T. M. R. Howard Denies Flight from Mississippi Home

Mound Bayou, Miss.—Dr. T. M. R. Howard, a leader in the fight for Negro rights, said Dec. 14 he has sold his home and farm land for almost \$200,000 but denied a report he is fleeing Mississippi because of threats against his life.

The 47-year-old Negro doctor said he plans to spend more time in Washington, D. C., and New York, N. Y., next year than in Mound Bayou because he is president of the National Medical Association.

He admitted threats had "a lot to do with my selling the place," but he said he has no plans to move from Mound Bayou.

Howard said he is keeping property valued at about \$100,000, and will remain surgeon-in-chief of Friendship Clinic.

Waterloo, Iowa

BY MISS LADY FORD Waterloo, Iowa.—The Union Missionary Baptist church will hold its annual Christmas program Saturday, Dec. 24, at 7 p. m. Pageants and recitations will be rendered by the Sunday School and BTU to tell the Christmas story.

Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, the Antioch Baptist church will present its Christmas program. The children will give recitations.

The Youth Department of the church will present a pageant during this program. The intermediates will furnish the music. Solos will be sung by Elizabeth Moton, Carole Dunn, Helen Reed, Anna Nichols, Jim Jackson and Virgil Carr.

Mr. Chester Lee Polk and Miss Dora Lee Hollingsworth will be married Dec. 25, 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Gospel Temple Church of God in Christ. The Rev. T. J. Jordan, pastor of Union Missionary Baptist church, will perform the ceremony.

The reception will be held in the church parlor following the ceremony.

Dec. 22, the youth choir of Union will present a pre-Christmas skating party at 7 o'clock at the Blackhawk Roller-drome.

Antioch Baptist church will visit Union Missionary Baptist church Christmas Day for the sunrise service.

The Men's choir and Antioch's choir will furnish the music for the

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Ida Wooten and James Wooten and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 21, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 4 Block 4 Hawthorne Grove, Des Moines, Iowa. 1/2 Lot 6 and all Lot 5 Block 4 Hawthorne Grove, Des Moines, Iowa.

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Margaret Patrick and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 17, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 1, 2, & 5 Market Add., Des Moines, Iowa

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to George R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1951, thereon; that the undersigned George R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Mamie E. Templeton and Party in Possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 1, Block 11 Larson Place, Des Moines, Iowa

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Mary Hawkins and party in Possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 1 Block 19 South Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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Molasses Plum Pudding For A Feast



Plum pudding matches the festive mood and menu of the holiday season. Though not a single plum in this traditional dessert, it is full of spices and dried fruits with delicate unsulphured molasses to blend the flavor medley.

Colonists, bringing plum pudding recipes from England, early added the sweet touch of molasses. Unsulphured molasses, then as now, possesses mellowness being the natural, concentrated juice of sun-ripened sugar cane.

Plum pudding can be made a day, several days, or a week before use. Remove from mold after steaming, cool and wrap in waxed paper and store in refrigerator. Then re-steam about an hour in the same greased mold before serving. Fancy molds or oven-proof casseroles may be used as containers for the pudding, and steam in a regular steamer or deep, covered kettle with a wire rack in the bottom. The trick is to keep in the steam which bakes the pudding.

MOLASSES PLUM PUDDING 1 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour 3 tablespoons sugar 3/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon soda 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon 1/4 teaspoon cloves 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg 3 tablespoons melted shortening 3/4 cup chopped nuts 1/4 cup finely cut pitted dates 1/4 cup raisins 1/2 cup sliced citron 1 egg, beaten 1/2 cup unsulphured molasses 1 1/2 tablespoons milk Sift together flour, sugar, salt, soda, and spices. Stir in nuts and fruit; mix well. Combine egg, unsulphured molasses, milk, and shortening; stir into dry ingredients, mixing well. Turn into a greased and floured 8-cup pudding mold with a high-flitting cover. Or cover with aluminum foil, or two thicknesses waxed paper; tie securely. Place on rack in deep kettle; pour in boiling water to reach the depth of mold. Cover; steam 2 hours, 45 minutes, adding more boiling water during steaming. If necessary, remove water with a hard sauce, ice cream sauce, or whipped cream, with a little unsulphured molasses added. YIELD: 10 to 12 servings.

Waive to Federal Grand Jury; Deny Narcotics Charges

Dorothy Tolson, 39, and Raymond Monroe, 27, waived to the federal grand jury Monday in a hearing before Municipal Judge Don L. Tidrick ion charges of illegal sale of narcotics.

Judge Tidrick, acting in the absence of U. S. Commissioner E. E. Poston, set Miss Tolson's and Monroe's bonds at \$10,000 Miss Tolson furnished hers.

David Marion Diggs, 35, of 1620 Crocker street, was held to the federal grand jury last Friday morning after he waived preliminary hearing when arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Poston.

Diggs was charged with two counts morning service. Rev. Mr. Jordan will preach.

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Doris Winslow Secor and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 5 Block 12 South Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To Richard Patrick and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 2 Geo. Garvers Sub. Div. Des Moines, Iowa

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To Charles Eaton, Jr., and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 Block 10 South Riverside Park, Des Moines, Iowa

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To Preston G. Webb and Susie M. Webb and party in possession. You are hereby notified that on December 27, A. D. 1954, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 21, 22 and 23 Block 6 South Riverside Park, Des Moines, Iowa.

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to G. R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1951, 1952, 1953, thereon; that the undersigned G. R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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of forgery of government checks and one count of theft of mail. His bond was set at \$5,000. He pleaded innocent Dec. 10 to charges of violating state narcotics laws.

Miss Tolson, Monroe and Diggs were among six persons arrested by police, state and federal agents in a raid Dec. 6. The others were: Donald Guy Tolson, 38, 762 Ninth street, who said he was a brother of Miss Tolson; Marguerite Ann Young, 27, of 834 Fifteenth street; and Albert Leonard Ellington, 31, of 834 Fifteenth street.

Fort Dodge, Iowa BY C. L. HOUSE

For Dodge, Ia.—Miss Shirley Ann Patterson, 1019 First street, S. W., the local agent for the Bystander, wishes all her friends and customers the very best Merry Christmas they ever enjoyed.

News was received that Mrs. Fannie Boldridge is ill in a hospital and might undergo an operation. The Boldridges are well known in Fort Dodge.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

In the District Court of Iowa, in and for Polk County

GOLDIE B. VAN CLEVE Plaintiff, vs. JOHN D. VAN CLEVE, Defendant.

To John D. Van Cleve, defendant above named, you are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now on file in the office of Clerk of Polk County District Court at the Court-house in Des Moines, Iowa, claiming an absolute divorce on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.

You are further notified that unless you appear and defend on or before Jan. 20, 1956, at the Polk County Courthouse in Des Moines, Iowa, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon as prayed in petition. Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 8th day of December, 1955.

LOUIS J. GARSH, Attorney for Plaintiff, 301 Court Ave., Des Moines, Iowa. Printed and published in the Iowa Bystander December 15, 22, and 29, 1955.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Please take notice that PAUL MANNING CHEVROLET, an Iowa corporation, is hereby authorized to transact business as a corporation from December 5, 1955, until December 5, 1975, with its principal place of business at Des Moines, Iowa.

The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to buy and sell, at wholesale or retail, new or used automobiles, motor trucks, machinery and equipment, accessories, tires and parts; also, to engage in the servicing and repair of automobiles, trucks and machinery in carrying out its objects and purposes as above described, this corporation shall have power to buy, sell, lease, rent, mortgage, borrow, barter and pledge real and personal property and interests therein, to issue and transfer or exchange bonds or debentures for money or property, and to make contracts with other persons in furtherance of the above objects and to transact and carry on such other kinds of business or businesses kindred or incidental to the lines of business herein set forth.

The amount of the authorized capital stock shall be \$500,000.00, divided into 5,000 shares of the par value of \$100.00 per share. \$400,000.00 of common and preferred stock or debentures will be immediately issued, payment for which will be received partly cash and partly in property.

The officers of the company are as follows: President, Paul T. Manning, Des Moines, Iowa. Vice-President, Marie A. Manning, Des Moines, Iowa. Secretary-Treasurer, Louis C. Bachrodt, Rockford, Ill.

These officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at their annual meeting to be held on the second Friday of February of each year and shall hold office for one year or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. One person may hold two or more offices and officers shall not be required to hold or own stock in the corporation.

The private property of stockholders shall, at all times, be exempt from liability for corporate debts of any kind, or character.

PAUL MANNING CHEVROLET BY PAUL T. MANNING, President. Printed and published in the Iowa Bystander December 22 and 29, 1955, January 5th and 12th, 1956.

Read the Bystander No Better Xmas Gift Than The Bystander

Word also comes here of the illness of Mr. C. T. Culberson of Iowa City, a highly respected citizen and well known Mason. Mr. Culberson is reported in Ward C-34, University hospital in Iowa City.

Visits Here

Mr. Orvil Greene of Detroit, Mich., father of the late Josephine Green Culps, visited here last week. Mr. Greene who was here last summer at the funeral of his daughter, to that time had not been in Fort Dodge for more than 19 years. The former Fort Dodge and his wife operate a large apartment in Detroit and he is an all-out fisherman, owns a big boat and during the fishing season around Detroit, markets fish.

Greene said, for a time after leaving Fort Dodge, he was hard to locate. He was with the Ringling Brothers Circus. While here he visited his daughter and grandchildren and had hopes of locating a relative in Waterloo before returning to Detroit. He seemed highly pleased with visiting with old friends and said the only thing that marred his trip to his old home town was refusal of some hotels and cafes to serve him. However, he said, after trying again and again the Logan Hotel here accommodated him.

Another Delay

Another delay in the murder trial of Joseph Edward Culps 30, of Fort Dodge, was announced Monday, Dec. 12, due to the fact that the mental test he was scheduled to get could not be completed in time. Hospital authorities at the Cherokee institution said it was impossible to complete the test by December date. In a letter to County Attorney Arthur Johnson and defense lawyer, Donald Mitchell, Judge Uhlenhopp, was notified and ruled the case be called for Jan., 1956 term of court. The jury trial has been postponed three times. Culps is charged with shooting his ex-wife fatally. Due to postponement of the case all jurors have been excused for the remainder of this court term.

Coppin Chapel AME church, 151 Central Ave., Rev. Nelson Pryor, pastor; Rev. LeRoy Patterson, associate pastor; Sunday School, 10:30 a. m. Next topic, "Songs of the Saviour's Birth," Mrs. Lillian Lewis, Supt. Morning worship at 11:30 o'clock. The Women's Missionary Society meets Wednesday 2 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. The annual Christmas program, gifts for the kiddies and Christmas tree, were held last Sunday evening.

Second Baptist church, Rev. Wm. Scott, pastor; Sunday School, 10:30 a. m. Mrs. Irene Fox, Supt. Morning worship at 11:30 o'clock Home Mission meeting Tuesday, monthly, 6:15 p. m. The Seeds of Kindness meets every Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Mrs. Malissa Howard is president The Second Baptist Sunday School gave its Christmas program last Sunday at a very merry afternoon gathering.

Well, folks: I really wish everyone a real Merry Christmas — C. L. House.

Quick-To-Make Holiday Favorites



When every hour means so much during the pre-holiday season—make these wonderful Chocolate Crisps with no fuss or effort.

Homemade Christmas candy brings a great deal of pleasure to all—young and old alike. However, candy-making is sometimes a tedious process which can take up many precious hours of your pre-holiday time. Well, now you won't have that problem to face—nor a messy clean-up job either—when you make these speedy simple candies. Chocolate Crisps are prepared so quickly and easily that even the youngsters can turn out several batches in one afternoon. And you need only two ingredients—candy-making chocolate and candy-coated puffed wheat—to make three dozen crispy candies.

French Cocoa Balls, also quick and easy, are a soft, fudgy type of candy made with a new sweet cocoa mix. They can be rolled into various shapes with many attractive variations such as chopped walnuts, ground pistachio nuts, toasted coconut, etc. Economical, too, when every batch makes three to four dozen French-type chocolates.

CHOCOLATE CRISPS

1/2 package (4 squares) candy-making chocolate 2 cups candy-coated puffed wheat

Heat chocolate over boiling water until partly melted. Remove from water and stir rapidly until entirely melted. Add candy-coated puffed wheat and mix well. Drop

from teaspoon on waxed paper or press into greased 8 x 8 x 2-inch square pan. Cool until firm. Makes 3 dozen clusters or squares.

FRENCH COCOA BALLS

1/2 cup 4-in-1 sweet cocoa mix 4 tablespoons butter 2 tablespoons milk 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar (about) 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Combine cocoa mix, butter, and milk in saucepan. Place over low heat until butter is melted. Cocoa mix is dissolved, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Add 1 cup of the sugar and the vanilla, mixing well. Blend in remaining sugar gradually until mixture is stiff enough to knead with fingers. Knead for 2 or 3 minutes. Shape mixture in 40 small balls, and roll in breakfast cocoa.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS: As we approach the end of another year, we are mindful of the favors our friends and neighbors have done for us. It is our wish that your holiday season may be a most enjoyable one and that the new year which lies just ahead will bring you health and happiness.

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Where to Attend Church in Des Moines

Corinthian Baptist Church
9th and School Streets
REV. NORMAN R. OLPHIN, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
B. T. U. 6:00 P.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.
Prayer Service Wednesday 8:00 P.M.

Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church
1732 Walker Street
REV. WAYLAND HEATH, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Service 11:00 A.M.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

St. Paul A. M. E. Church
12th and Crocker Streets
REV. JOHN E. HUNTER, Minister
Sunrise Prayer Service Sunday 6:00 A.M.
Church School Sunday 9:30 A.M.
Church Service 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.
Prayer Service Wednesday 7:30 P.M.
Youth Fellowship 8:30 P.M.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
S. E. 4th and Scott Street
REV. H. R. FIELDS, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Service 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:45 P.M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 P.M.
Friday Pastor Missionary Aid Society 7:30 P.M.

East University Church of God in Christ
ORDER OF SERVICES
E. 17th St. and University
OVERSEER LOUIS H. FURB, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Youth Service 8:00 P.M.

Maple Street Baptist Church
E. 16th and Maple Street
REV. GEO. PARRISH, Minister, 6-8910
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Bible Class 6:30 P.M.
Evening Service 7:30 P.M.
Prayer Service Wed., 8 P.M.

Kyles Temple A.M.E. Zion Church
908 W. 15th St.
REV. J. R. REESE, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Service 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.
Prayer Service, Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

Union Baptist Church
E. UNIVERSITY AT MCCORMICK
REV. SEYMOUR GAINES, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:45 P.M.
Prayer Service Wednesday 7:45 P.M.

St. John Baptist Church
2740 MAUDY STREET
REV. JOE GAINES, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Service, Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Burns Methodist Church
311 CROCKER STREET
Rev. H. W. JAMES, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Youth Fellowship 6:00 P.M.
Evening Vesper 7:30 P.M.
Prayer Meeting, Wed., 7:30 P.M.

Bethel A.M.E. Church
1526 East University Avenue
REV. LOVELL JOHNSON, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
A. C. S. League 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study and Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Interdenomination Mission
1343 MCCORMICK
REV. W. A. ROBINSON, Minister
Bible Class 9:45 A.M.
Preaching 11:00 A.M.
Christian Endeavor 6:00 P.M.

Christmas Dawn Service at St. Paul

Annual Christmas Dawn services with Holy Communion will be held Sunday, 6 a. m., at St. Paul A.M.E. church, 12th and Crocker streets.

At the 11 a. m. services Christmas morning, baptism will be held. Music will be offered by the Chancel choir, the Men's chorus, Singleton's Youth and Gospel choirs.

Tree Program Friday
Friday, 7:30 p. m., annual Sunday School Christmas Tree program will be given.

Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, Watch Night Service will begin at 9:30 p. m., when a song service, sermonette, meditation and prayer will include the service.

No evening service will be held Sunday, Dec. 25; and again, on the evening of Sunday, Jan. 1.

Early Xmas Morn Services at Union

Early morning Christmas services, at 6 o'clock, will be held at the Union Baptist church, where the Rev. R. P. Palmer will deliver the sermon.

At 11 o'clock, Christmas morning, the Rev. Seymour Gaines, pastor, will conduct the regular services.

The Sunday School will present a Christmas program at 10 a. m.

Medical Research



These patients at Bellevue Hospital, New York, are making their contribution to medical research against tuberculosis. They are part of a nationwide study on prevention of crippling tuberculous meningitis which usually develops when children under five are infected with TB. Funds raised in the annual Christmas Seal Sale of the tuberculosis associations are being used to aid this research.

2 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT
Help Fight TB



Sing for Polk County Jail Inmates



The above Harmonettes singing Group completed a holiday series of Thanksgiving and Christmas services for the inmates of the Polk County Jail Wednesday evening, December 21 when they rendered Christmas service in song.

Once Upon a Time, Christmas Had Foes, SUI Library Records Reveal

Iowa City, Iowa—During flurried preparations for family Christmases throughout the nation, it may seem as if the Yuletide has always enjoyed legal, religious and popular status. Yet records in the State University of Iowa library reveal that this wasn't always the case.

The General Court of Massachusetts ruled in 1659, for instance, that "anybody who is found observing, by absence from labor, feasting, or any other way, any such days as Christmas day, shall pay for every such offense five shillings."

Ignored Observance

This mandate against the celebration of Christmas was repealed in 181, but many of the nation's religious groups continued to oppose it or to ignore its observance. Even as late as 1855 the New York Times reported only half of the city's churches open on Dec. 25 and accepting the day as a Holy One. For many theologians were inclined to note certain pagan origins of the holiday—for instance, in pre-Christ-

mas Britain, Dec. 25 was celebrated as Modranecht, or the "Mother Night," and the ancient Roman Saturnalia were midwinter festivals of feasting and gift exchanging.

Recognized in 1870

Legally, it wasn't until 1870 that Christmas was recognized by Act of Congress, although 33 states, beginning with Alabama in 1836, had already made the day a legal holiday. Iowa's legislature was 26th in this respect, setting the day aside in 1862.

Just to show how times have changed, contrast that early Massachusetts court ruling with one in 1936 by Judge M. A. Musmanno of the Allegheny County Criminal Court of Pennsylvania. Citing doubters of Santa Claus as being "in contempt of court," Judge Musmanno declared that "Santa Claus is not a figment of the imagination. He is actually . . . the symbol of kindness . . . the token of smiling charity . . . the badge of all that is cheerfully benevolent in the makeup of man"

MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday evening, the Rev. James Harris of First Baptist church of West Des Moines preached. Rev. George Parrish will preach Sunday, Dec. 25, at 11 a. m., from the subject, "Why Not Make Everyday Christmas?"

Thursday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m. pastor and senior choir will be guest at Kyles A.M.E. Zion church. Friday at 7:30 p. m., the Rev. Wm. Fields will be ordained as minister.

Sick and shut-ins: Mesdames Clara Houston, Louise Simmons, Ora Baker, Fannie English, Ruth Forrester, Bessie Lawson, Lucy Herd, Bessie Cunningham, Messrs. Lawrence White, Boradlawns General hospital, and Ben Dant, Veterans hospital.

EVANGELISTIC MISSIONARY CHURCH IN CHRIST

The Children's Christmas program will be Saturday night, Christmas eve.

Services will be held Sunday morning and evening, at the church which is located at 1340 E. 18th street. Meetings are held on Tuesday and Thursday. Elder Euric Fountain is leader; Rev. M. J. Cranshaw is national mother

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

"The Name of Jesus," was the subject chosen by the Rev. H. R. Fields for his sermon last Sunday morning. The Senior choir had charge of the music. The Rev. T. Pack, assistant to the pastor, preached at the evening hour.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell are the parents of a son born Dec. 17. Mrs. Campbell is a teacher in the Sunday School. She is a cousin of Mrs. A. N. Anderson of Mt. Olive.

The Sunday School will hold its annual Christmas program Saturday evening, Dec. 24, (Christmas Eve) at 7:45 o'clock.

Mrs. T. Bailey, Sr., was selected president of the East Side Mission Society for the sixth year

To Aid Widow of Slain Mississippian

Glendora, Miss.—Three white men have offered aid for the widow of a slain Negro.

And a \$1,000 check from the National Council of Churches is in the mail for Mrs. Clinton Melton, widow of a service station attendant. He was killed Dec. 3 by two shotgun blasts fired by a white man, Elmer Kimbell, who is in jail under a murder charge.

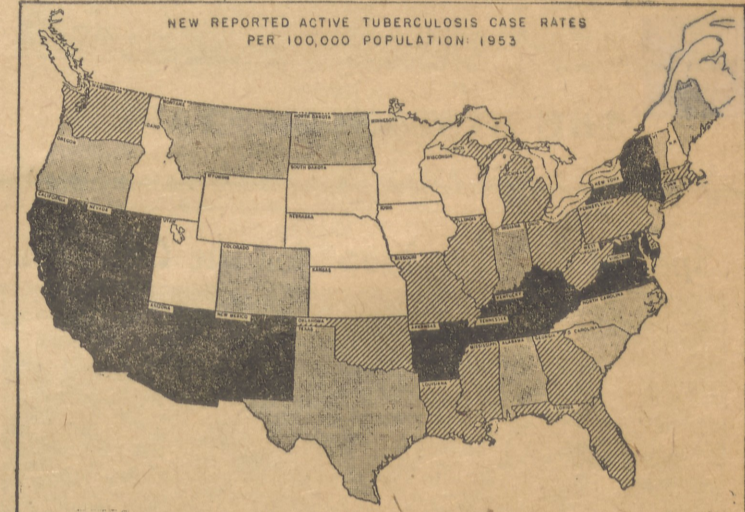
B. W. Sturdivant, a planter, has said he will build a three-room house for the widow and four children, and Sturdivant's son he will donate \$200. Dr. W. C. McQuinn, Glendora, offered the mother a job at his clinic.

Governor Harriman Swears in New Cabinet Members



New York—Governor Averill Harriman is shown with Dr. Robert C. Weaver, (left) former Deputy Housing Commissioner who was sworn in as State Rent Administrator and Mr. Charles Abrams, (right) former State Rent Administrator, who was sworn in as Chairman of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination. The ceremony which took place in Gov. Harriman's office, Thursday, December 15, was significant because Dr. Weaver will be the first Negro to become a member of a Governor's cabinet.—Key-stone Photo.

TB Case Rates



In the states shown in white, the new reported active tuberculosis case rate is under 30.0 per 100,000 population; in dotted states, 30.0 to 44.9; in diagonally striped states, 45.0 to 59.9; in states shown in black, 60.0 and over. The case rate for the United States as a whole is 52.6. Although the TB problem varies from state to state, the germ that causes TB knows no geographical or political boundaries. TB anywhere is everybody's problem. With Christmas Seal funds, the tuberculosis associations fight the spread of TB in communities throughout the United States.

SWEET POTATO TREAT



Your friends will talk for weeks about this toothsome dish once you give them a taste. A delicacy we owe to the Southland, Sweet Potato Treat is so easy to make you'll want to use it as a standard companion piece for your favorite ham recipes.

- 6 medium sweet potatoes
- 2 bottles Dr. Pepper
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 box marshmallows

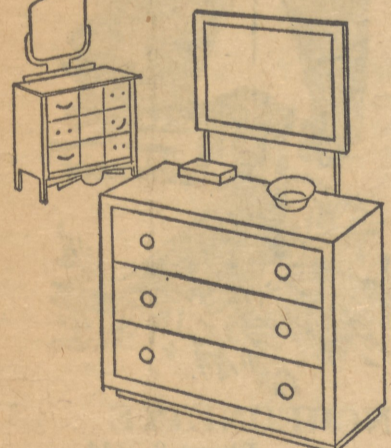
Pare and slice sweet potatoes lengthwise into half-inch strips, filling casserole which has been well-buttered. Pour Dr. Pepper over sweet potatoes and dot with butter. Dust with cinnamon, top with 8 or 10 marshmallows, and bake one hour in 300 degree oven.



Handy Jim's
FIX-UP TIPS
For the Home

Freshen Old Furniture
MUCH old furniture still is useful, but its appearance is against it. Yet, it's too good to give away and not old enough to be considered antique. What can be done? A bit of ingenuity and effort will transform an old dresser into a thing of modern beauty — and at small cost. Note the "before and after" sketches of the same dresser. There's quite a change!

In general, removal of the gingerbread from the dresser is the first step in the renovation. A re-



cessed wood base, instead of legs, does much to modernize the piece. Most likely, the top has been scarred. Easiest cure is the addition of a panel of Masonite Tempered Presdwood, 1/2" thick. This then may be primed and painted. Alternates might be black Presdwood, or Leatherwood, a textured hardboard. One of the gay plastic-surfaced hardboards would be suitable, too, as they are resistant to stains and cigarette burns. Various colors and patterns in Marlite are available. Matching material, if needed, may be used to re-cover dingy-looking drawer fronts. Standard 1/2" Presdwood is excellent for replacing cracked drawer bottoms and dresser backs.

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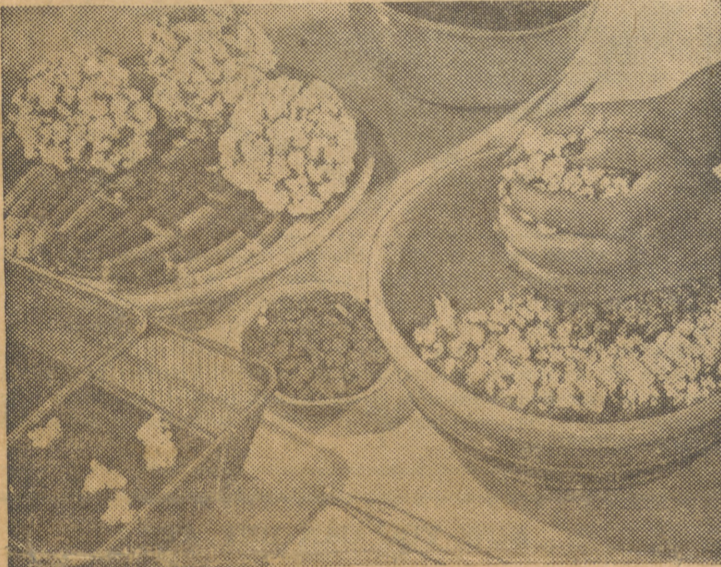


SEASON'S GREETINGS



THE BYSTANDER STAFF

Special Holiday Treat for the Children



IT'S A CONSTANT SOURCE OF AMAZEMENT to see the small fry pack away a gigantic holiday dinner . . . and then tackle extra treats like these popcorn balls. Here's an easy recipe that makes a big hit:

- MOLASSES CHOCOLATE STUDED POPCORN BALLS**
- 3 quarts popped corn
 - 1 cups real New Orleans molasses
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 2 teaspoons cider vinegar
 - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 5 tablespoons shortening
 - Chocolate bits

Pick over popped corn; discarding all hard kernels. Combine real New Orleans molasses, sugar, water, vinegar and salt; cook slowly, stirring constantly, to 260° F. (or when a small quantity dropped into cold water forms a hard ball). Remove from heat; add vanilla extract and shortening, stirring only enough to mix. Pour over popped corn, stirring until well-blended. Grease hands. Shape popcorn mixture lightly and quickly into balls, incorporating several chocolate bits into each ball while shaping. Cool. Wrap into waxed paper. Makes 28-30 balls. (ANS)

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION
To Richard H. Pavlick and party in possession
You are hereby notified that on December 17, A. D. 1952, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 3, 9, 10 Market Add. Des Moines, Iowa
was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to George R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1951, thereon; that the undersigned George R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.
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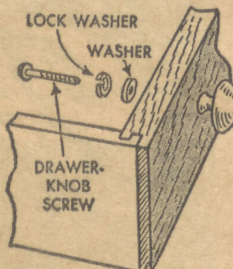
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To Elbert Gilmore, Lena Gilmore and party in possession
You are hereby notified that on December 17, A. D. 1952, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit:

Block 5 South Riverside Park, Des Moines, Iowa
was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to George R. Scott for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the years 1950, 1951, thereon; that the undersigned George R. Scott is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.
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Keep Drawer Knobs Tight

USE of a lock washer can keep a knob screw on a drawer from turning, according to *Popular Mechanics*. The special washer should be placed between a flat washer and the head of the screw. If it is located against a wooden



surface, it will sink into the wood and lose its locking ability. The same principle can be applied to keep wooden knobs tight on the lids of pots and pans.

Crocker Branch Busy with Xmas Activities for Youth

James F. Dixon, executive secretary Crocker 'Y' announced that this will be a very busy week at the branch.

Thursday, December 22, a Christmas party for all the Boys Clubs was held.

Friday, December 23, 10 a. m., the holiday Game Room tournaments will get underway with approximately 60 boys competing in table tennis, pocket billiards, and shuffle board. The tournaments will continue through December 30.

Friday night, 8 p. m., a teen-age Christmas social will be held at the branch. Activities will consist of dancing, T.V., games, and movies. Saturday afternoon, December 24, the Crocker Conservation Club will hold its annual Christmas affair for youngsters 8 years of age and under. Approximately 100 are expected to attend.

Campaign Short

Paul L. Wilson, general chairman of the 1955 Crocker 'Y' Membership enrollment program, reported that this year's campaign is still 15% short of the established goal of \$1600

and the chairman requests that all members whose dues are payable before the first of the year please make every effort to pay by Friday, December 30. For additional information on the membership program call Crocker 'Y', 3-5611.

Attend Funeral of Father in K. C.

Mesdames Olga Hill and Willetta Carter and Mrs. John Bibbs, attended the funeral of their father, T. J. Bibbs, in Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 14. They were accompanied there by their aunt, Mrs. Georgia Add.

Attend Rites for Mrs. Lillian Edmunds

Out-of-town persons here for the funeral of Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, director of Wilkie House, held last Friday at St. Paul A.M.E. church, were: Mrs. Ruby Brown, of Detroit, Mich., cousin; Mrs. Florence Law and Mrs. Emma Kirk of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. Jean Washington of Gary, Ind., and Mr. Alfred Williams, son-in-law of Mrs. Edmunds.

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Elect Robinson Head Of North Star Lodge



FRANK ROBINSON

Installation of officers for North Star Lodge No. 2, F. & A. M. will be held Thursday evening, January 5, beginning at 8 p. m. in the Masonic Hall.

Newly elected officers are: Frank B. Robinson, worshipful master; Appointive officers are: Ralph Parker, senior deacon; Arthur L. Duke, junior deacon; Herbert Hawkins, senior steward; Guy Morris, junior steward; William Walker, chaplain and Roy Conner, Tyler.

The installation services will be conducted by E. L. Randall, R. W. Grand Lecturer of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Iowa and retiring Master of North Star Lodge.

Biggles Admits Holdup

Police reported last Friday Rose Bud Biggles, 25, who gave his address as 919 School street, admitted in a written statement that he robbed the A & P supermarket at 1817 University avenue Dec. 9.

Approximately \$50 was taken in the holdup that occurred a few minutes before the store closed.

Innocent Plea

Biggles pleaded innocent Friday to a charge of robbery with aggravation at a hearing before Municipal Judge Howard W. Brooks. He waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the grand jury in lieu of \$10,000 bond.

Biggles also pleaded innocent of carrying a concealed weapon and of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He waived to the grand jury on both charges.

Charles Peguese, senior warden; Charles Peguese, senior warden;

Driving Charge

Biggles was arrested about 8 a. m. Thursday by Patrolman Charles Jordan Donald McGee, junior warden; Joseph Scott, treasurer; and Harold Welch, secretary.

dan and Henry Duver at Seventeenth and Crocker streets on a drunk driving charge.

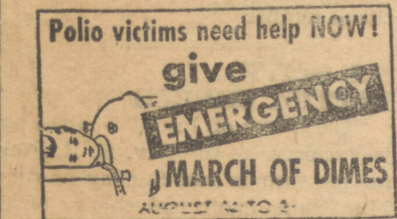
Police searched his car and they found a .38-caliber revolver under a

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Any Participation by Child in Festivals is Important to Create Feeling of Equality

"we just never bother to celebrate birthdays—our children know we love them."

I wonder. Granted that it takes time and work to celebrate a birthday, something happens to the small child when he or she is the center of attention with all the family singing, "Happy Birthday to you."

It is also true that it takes so very little to make a child happy.

Any participation by the child in festivals — birthdays, Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day, Valentine Day — is important, for the child gets the feeling of equality that participation with his parents in a cooperative endeavor



pillow. Questioning by Detective James Allen and Paul Thomas led to the robbery confession officers said.

At Pawn Shop

Biggles said the gun used in the holdup was purchased at a pawn shop here in 1954, police said. Biggles said he parked his car at Seventeenth street and University before the robbery.

He told police he ran south from University through an alley after the holdup and then came back to University to get his car.

Al Ferin, assistant manager of the A & P store, and two employees picked Biggles out of a police lineup Friday morning.

Help Fight TB



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gives. Getting ready for a family celebration unites the family in an endeavor that is bigger than any one member of the family. They unify the family, for when we laugh and work and play together getting ready for a festival, we have thought and worked for something beside ourselves.

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Coming at stated intervals are the common festivals and special days, some going back in their origin hundreds of years—Hallowe'en, Christmas, New Year's, Valentine Day, Easter, May Day, just to mention some outstanding ones.

And just as the literature of the race identifies a child with his own particular race, so does the festival contribute to the identification of the child.

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The Betrothal of J. Dawson



THELMA JEAN DAWSON
Mr. and Mrs. Matt C. Dawson announce the betrothal of their daughter, Thelma Jean Dawson, to the Rev. John E. Cameron of Nashville, Tenn.

The announcement was made Dec. 7 at a reception at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Smart, where Miss Dawson's twenty-first birthday and her parents' thirty-eighth wedding anniversary were honored.

Rev. and Mrs. N. R. Olphin and Mr. Edward Mease were special guests.

Miss Dawson is a graduate of Argyle High School (Consolidated) near Keokuk, Ia., where she was born.

She is a member and Sunday School teacher at Corinthian Baptist church; and is employed as a stenographer at Younkers Store here.

Mr. Cameron is a son of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Cameron of Hattiesburg, Miss.

La Belle Societe Has Christmas Party

La Belle Societe had a Christmas party at the home of Miss Gloria Wesley, 1179 Eleventh street, Dec. 9. The evening was spent in playing games, story-telling and caroling. Prizes were won by the Misses Helen McDonald, Shirley Maxwell and Betty Evans. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Misses Wesley and Connie Ashford. An exchange of gifts was held. Miss Betty Jones is reporter.

Hold Party for Crippled Children

The annual Christmas party for Crippled Children, nursery school, operated by Easter Seal Society, was held Wednesday morning, at the Easter Seal Treatment Center.

About 75 children from Boy Scout, Girl Scout, Cubs, and Brownies were on hand for caroling, games and entertainment.

NAACP Branch To Meet Dec. 27

The Des Moines Branch of the NAACP will meet Tuesday, Dec. 27, 8 p. m., at Willkie House, 900 Seventeenth street. All annual reports will be given to close the year's work of 1955.

The Oscar Glasses Here For Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Glass and family of New York are here spending the Christmas with his mother and family of 1517 Second avenue.

Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Entertains at Xmas Party

Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority entertained last Saturday night at a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford L. Bayles, 951 Seventeenth street.

Out-of-town guests were: Miss Anne Wilson of Atlanta, Ga., a student at Iowa University, and Mr. Lawrence Burke; and, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown of New York City. He is a student at Coe College and she is doing graduate work at Iowa University.

Other guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brewer, Jr., Mrs. Adah

Daughters of Isis Entertain Husbands At Traditional Pre-Holiday Dinner

The Daughters of Isis, Zeid Court No. 50, entertained their husbands Saturday, December 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Clinton, 1190 Tenth street, a noble and daughter.

The traditional turkey dinner was served by the following members of the entertainment committee: Mesdames Helen McCraven, Jessie Newcome, Naomi Perkins and Ellaree Clinton, chairman.

They were assisted by the hostesses, Mesdames Birdie Mae Hogan, Willa Mae Stanton and Louise Ware.

For entertainment, pictures were shown of the 1955 Isis Convention in Detroit, Mich., and a trip to California by Mrs. Winnifred Sharp. Games were played and gifts were exchanged.



Personal Touch
By **MARIE ROSS**

Unusual are some of the Christmas cards and gifts that have reached my desk this season.

Among the cards is a collection of real flower petals from Jerusalem, pasted on a pretty card, with the title "Flowers from the Holy Land."

This Christmas card was sent by Mrs. Lee Berger, a Kansas City Union Station nurse, who secured her greeting cards last summer while visiting the Holy Land and other parts of Europe.

A Christmas scene from Germany, entitled "Frohe Weihnachten" came from a Des Moines friend, Mrs. Edith Webber of Radio Station KWDM, who penned, with her season's greeting; "I bought my Christmas cards in Europe last summer."

Mrs. Olin Cooper of 1112 Eleventh street, sent a tiny gift box, that had tinkling sounds inside, when I shook it.

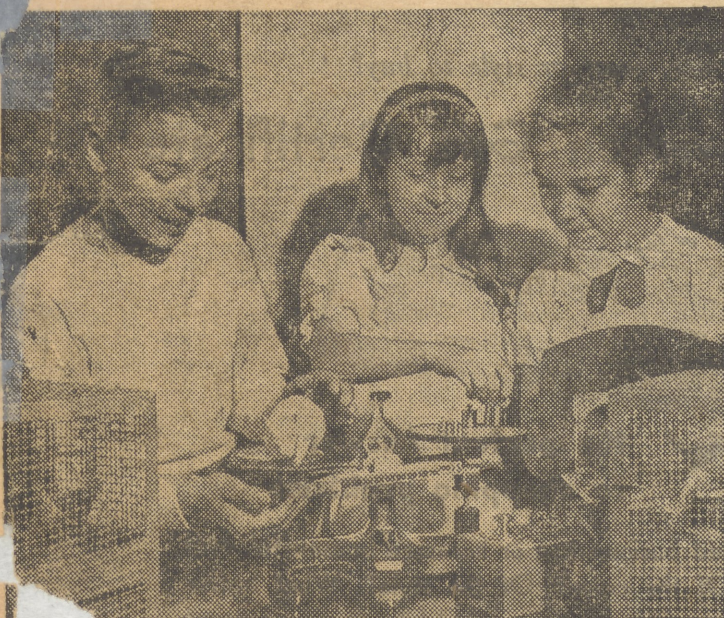
Upon opening the box, I found silver earrings, a pair of tiny tinkling bells, decorated with carved figures of dancing Orientals.

The gift came from Mrs. Cooper's daughter, Mrs. Gwendolyn Fowler, who sent it from Saigon, Viet Nam, along with other gifts to friends in Des Moines.

"I'll be there with bells on," I have said many times. But now, you will be able to hear them ring; for, the little bells of the Orient will be on my ears.

I'll add them to my earring box which includes a pair of cameos on blue Wedgewood, in Danish silver

Diet for Health



That a proper diet does for Mr. Mouse's weight teaches importance of nutrition. In cooperation with the local associations conduct programs to build good habits and ward off disease. The Christmas Seal Sale, source of funds for the program, is being conducted from November 16.

Johnson and Mr. Branham Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wimberly, Rev. and Mrs. Lovell Johnson, Atty. and Mrs. Luther T. Glanton, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fant, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Peavey, Dr. and Mrs. Lewis James, Mrs. Joan Bullock, Mrs. Catherine Atkinson and Mr. Richard Williams.

The members of the sorority were assisted by Miss Carol Anderson, junior hostess. Carols were sung; a recording of "The Christmas Story," played; and, games and gifts completed the evening's entertainment.

Other guests included: Mrs. Mable M. Mason, deputy of the Desert for Zeid Court of Iowa, Marcus McCraven, Zeid Court Deputy of the Oasis for Zeid Temple of Des Moines; Mrs. Julia Pierson, illustrious commandress of Zeid Court; and the following nobles and daughters, Ira and Helen Wyatt, William and Mable Weathers, Eustace Ware, Frank Hogan, Georgia Jones, James Newsome, William Clinton and Messrs. Paul Perkins and George Mason.

Daughters of Isis members who are ill at home are: Mrs. Myoredyeen Rhone, Mrs. Thelma Clark and Mrs. Bessie Lawson.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 26, at the Masonic Hall.

rings, from Mrs. A. A. Alexander, last summer, when she was First Lady in the Virgin Islands.

The hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping is now in the last lap; and, if the Weather Man lets it get warmer and the temperatures stay up to around zero, Christmas shoppers will jam the downtown on Friday and Saturday.

Seems like, long time ago, before Christmas got to be such a booming business, people got more enjoyment out of doing their shopping and getting their gifts ready. There was not the hustle and bustle, the hurry and scurry, the push and shove.

Relatives and friends went to their cupboards, their storehouses, their closets, trunks, chests for their gifts.

Times have changed; and the types of gifts that used to be treasured, are seldom given.

When Mrs. Mary Franklin, of 1012 Tenth street, presented me a jar of special apple jelly she had made, just for a gift, I thought how fortunate I was to be remembered by her.

When Mrs. A. J. Bland of 915 Grove made a batch of pre-Christmas hot rolls, wrapped a package for me, there came a deep feeling of appreciation, just to know that she was giving from the depth of her heart.

Mrs. John Guess, 1157 Twelfth street, had a piece of pottery that had been in the family for nearly a century. It was a beautiful piece that I admired. She presented it to me as a gift; and, I know I am a lucky person to have her as the giver and the pot, a treasured gift.

All along, I have been wondering what I could use for gifts—out of my cupboards—something that would be appreciated or treasured.

Remember how beautiful the roses were in Iowa last May and June? And, Mrs. George Franklin, a rose specialist, had dozens of rare varieties.

Well, it seemed such a pity to let all of the luscious-looking pink, red, yellow and white petals fall to the earth—unadmired.

So, I didn't let all of them fall. I collected boxes of rose petals, mixed in some blossoms of honeysuckle and violets and dried them in boxes of sand—which preserved the colors, shapes, and fragrance.

Following a "Rose Jar" recipe, from the Orient, the petals were sealed in jars with salt for weeks; then worked up with spices and seasoned for weeks; then oils were added. And, what a fragrance the en-

D. M. Silhouettes Fete Kappa Husbands

The Des Moines Silhouettes entertained their Kappa husbands at a pre-Christmas cocktail party, Saturday, Dec. 18, at the newly decorated home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Adams.

The refreshment table was decorated with a colorful holiday centerpiece of tall white candles surrounded by green cedar boughs and silver bells, further embellished by a white satin ribbon bearing the inscription, "Des Moines Silhouettes." The evening was spent in cards and conversation.

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Modernistic Club Members Feted

Mrs. Thelma Cruse and Mrs. Clara Miller entertained the members of the Modernistic club and their friends at a Christmas party, Dec. 13, at the home of Mrs. Cruse. Games were played and gifts exchanged. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Mary Hardaway, 1128 Eleventh street.

Voguettes Have Christmas Party

The Voguettes met Dec. 2 with Mrs. Juanita Brown of 1119 Eleventh street, and completed plans for the Christmas party, which was held Dec. 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Carter of 1060 14th street.

Secret Pals gifts were received and the pals' names revealed. The guests were husbands and friends of the members.

The next meeting will be Jan. 6 with Mrs. Evelyn Carter, 1060 Fourteenth street.

Miss Cecelia A. Suyat Bride of Thurgood Marshall, NAACP's Legal Defense Director

New York — Thurgood Marshall and Miss Cecelia A. Suyat were married here Dec. 17 in a quiet, simple ceremony, attended by only a few relatives and close friends.

The marriage took place at 4 p. m. in the parish house of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 215 West 133rd street. Father Shelton Hale Bishop, Rector of St. Philip's performed the ceremony.

The bride was given away by Roy Wilkins, NAACP Executive Secretary. Mr. George E. Hilton, an old friend of the Marshall family, was the best man, and Miss Marilyn Mayekawa was the maid of honor.

The marriage climaxed a short courtship. It is the second marriage for the bridegroom and the first for the bride.

Following the ceremony, a small reception was given for the newlyweds at the home of George E. Hil-

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She has tendered her resignation to become effective January 1, but will remain on the job until a new secretary has been chosen.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Initiated By Delta



BARBARA CRUTCHFIELD
Iowa City, Ia.—Over the recent holidays, Miss Barbara Crutchfield of Boydton, Va., was initiated into the Gamma Xi chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority of Omaha, Neb. She is a junior in law school at the State University of Iowa.

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Delores Calvin Sees Many Stars; Says Joe Louis 'Leaving Many a Glamour Girl Behind;' Sugar Ray, 'A Hot Item'

New York — (CNS) — UNFASHIONABLE STARS: It must be the new fad among stars to dress as inconspicuously as possible. For instance, Eartha Kitt came into the 42nd St. Post Office wearing her mink coat, of course, but no makeup—not even lipstick and a plain scarf hat that gave her such a drab appearance no one recognized the glamorous star.

Over at Child's Restaurant Marilyn Monroe wore a man's baggy sweater and dark glasses—all hiding her well-known curves and easily recognized face—but no one said a word to Marilyn. Then there was Eddie Bracken shuffling along Broadway in run down shoes and the attributes of a fellow just getting by. As we say, it just must be a new craze—look as bad as possible and have some peace.

Sugar Ray Robinson is a hot item —so much so that his showbiz mgr. Joe Glaser is now submitting Robinson's life story for a motion picture deal. Just think, three weeks ago it wasn't worth a plug nickel. Now a scenario on the up-down-up Robbie is really something.

Cab Calloway doing his fourth week at the Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas before Dick Haymes arrives... has his whole crew down under —Australia to you. Larry hopes to do as well as some Negro stars have there.

That wonderful Louis Armstrong is just getting honors right and left these days. He stays in the news breaking records in Paris and behind the iron curtain. Ed Murrow's timing on Louis was perfect when this week he had him on "See It Now". But then Murrow has a sixth sense for timing and has such good luck picking a much discussed personality for his shows.

Lena Horne won't wait for "Queen of Sheba"—she's that busy. That seems a shame for it's such a good writer that's working on the play for a Broadway showing. Moreover it should be what Lena has waited for all these years. Writer Samuel Raphaelson—of many hits—is going on with the work for lots of Broadway producers have expressed interest in it.

Capitol Records gave Duke Ellington his contract back so ungraciously. The Duke had long been in odds with Capitol for they insisted that he do just albums and he wanted to branch out on single releases. Instead of complying with him, they let him out. So the Duke will be shopping around for a new company, and he can get one.

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Frankie Sinatra wrote his pal Sammy Davis, Jr., a charming letter for promotion purposes when Sammy recorded the song "The Man with the Golden Arm" from Frank's new flicker of the same name. This is the song Frank owns but decided to let Sammy go ahead with it because of his terrific schedule.

Leonard Sillman's New Faces — which gave Eartha Kitt her chance at stardom—coming to New York in March after its tryouts on the road. Model Harlean Harris — a pretty young thing—is on January Ebony's cover and the Holiday cover of Beauty Trade—the only magazine for the Negro Beautician. You would never know it was the same girl—she looks so different for both.

Joe Louis leaving many a sad glamour girl behind as he takes Rose Morgan of Rose Morgan's House of Beauty for his bride. One lovely who was rumored constantly to be his second wife is crying her heart out. But as another wise woman stated: "Men don't marry glamour girls. They want a woman who will make them a good wife."

Atty. Eddy Heads Willkie Board

Attorney John Eddy, of 665 Forty-sixth street, has been elected president of Willkie House, 900 Seventeenth street, at the organization's annual meeting.

Eddy takes office Jan. 1. He will succeed Mrs. Kenneth MacDonald of 3420 St. John's road, retiring president.

Other Officers
Other officers chosen included: The Rev. John E. Hunter, pastor of St. Paul's A. M. E. church, vice-president; Mrs. Edward Glazer of 5506 Woodland avenue, secretary; James B. Morris, Jr., of 955 Seventeenth street, treasurer.

Board Members
The following new board members were named:

Morris; Mrs. David Kruidemier, Jr., of 2345 Park avenue; Frank Eyerly of 231 Fort-second street; Mrs. Charles Smith of 1613 Lyon street; Mrs. Harold Morrow of 2912 N. Union street; Mrs. E. Ware of 1442 University avenue; Mrs. Robert Whelan of 632 Fortieth street, and William H. Brenton of Dallas Center.

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MRS. LILLIAN EDMUNDS

Christmas seasons have their joys and sorrows, some of which come unsuspectedly. The latter is particularly true in the death of Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, executive director of Willkie House.

As the public looks at Willkie House, the thought of Mrs. Edmunds comes with it for as a worker in the old Community Center, later the Negro Community and now the beautiful well equipped building it is today, the long hours she spent in the evolution of the institution stand as a monument to her efforts.

Mrs. Edmunds was a community minded public servant for while her particular job was that at the center, she gave of her time, money and effort to many worthwhile projects in the city.

Always in a jovial mood, always busy, she did much to encourage many youngsters to forge ahead and accomplish something in life. As a good citizen, she was a shining example for both young and old to follow.

The times we live in make no man indispensable. But there does linger in the minds of all of us a happy thought of those who have made a contribution to the community. Certainly Mrs. Edmunds did this and her works stand as a monument in Des Moines.

CHRISTMAS MEANS MORE THAN CHARITY

If Christ lived on earth today as a human being, he would not be happy over what is going on in the Holy Land where he labored almost two thousand years ago. In fact, he would not be happy over the turmoil which divides Communist and non-Communist nations, for even though he lived and died for peace on earth and good will toward men, such does not exist today.

However, he would be encouraged that man is working for that goal and in spite of imperfections, in spite of set backs here and there, progress is being made.

As we come to the Christmas season commemorating the birth of Christ, it should emphasize in our minds and hearts the significance of the celebration and serve as a reminder to move closer to the things for which it stands.

It is not enough to exchange cards and presents and to enjoy the activities which Christmas brings. It is easy to do that. It is easy to give charity to the unfortunate. But the recipients of charity deserve more than charity. They deserve and want to be men and women blessed with the dignity accorded every other man; they want equality in their daily life as well as before God. Too many do not have this in mind as they dispense Christmas charity.

What is true among individuals is true among nations. And it is this lack of charity among nations which keeps the world in turmoil year in and year out. That's why the Israelites and Arabs are battling each other today; that's the cause of the cold war between Russia and the West today.

But like our diplomats who are working to adjust differences between nations, each in his private life can encourage them by adjusting their differences with their neighbors; by living in peace and harmony. And if we do this, each community will be a better place in which to live and we shall be well on the road to peace on earth and good will toward men.

SENATOR BYRD

Senator Byrd of Virginia announced last week that he approved and would vote in the election January 9 for the bill to change the educational system in Virginia.

The measure is designed to circumvent the Supreme Court school segregation decision.

Senator Byrd is influential both in the senate and his state. He is of the old political school who still is willing to stay in office by appealing to the prejudices of the rabble.

It is a pity that such men can manage to keep in control of things when their every utterance is contrary to the ideals of democracy we preach at home and abroad.

Capital Close-Up BY CONSTANCE DANIEL

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was "aware of the importance of this proposed coalition of legislators who have a definite and deep concern about present social and political trends in the southern part of the United States." Referring to "the unsolved Till case" and "new unsolved Mississippi murders," Mr. Scott declared:

"Any thinking person . . . with a conscience and a spirit of fair play, realizes that America is weakened from within by this new pattern of

Message to Congress

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"had registered to vote and had urged their people to do likewise, despite pressures and threats designed to prevent them from voting."

In addition to murder, Mr. Wilkins reported to the President, "the despicable weapon of economic pressure is being used to prevent colored citizens from exercising or attempting to exercise their citizenship rights. In Mississippi, parts of Alabama, and in South Carolina, according to verified reports Negro Americans are being discharged from employment and denied credit for homes, businesses and farms because they have asked for their rights as American citizens, including the right to vote and the enjoyment of non-segregated schools as ordered by the United States Supreme Court."

Whites also Intimidated

"This campaign of intimidation has been extended to those white people who have hesitated to use the drastic and reprehensible tactic of forcing their Negro employes to choose between second-class citizenship and loss of livelihood.

"Under this terrorization, not even religion has escaped. A Negro minister who gave leadership to efforts in South Carolina in behalf of civil rights has had his church burned and has had to flee for safety to New York. A white minister in South Carolina whose parishioners include the Governor and a federal judge has had to resign his pulpit because he differed with the Governor on the segregation issue. In Louisiana, a Negro priest assigned to a parish by his bishop was 'persuaded' by local law enforcement officers not to say a mass at a church which included white parishioners."

Rebellion

The people, Mr. Wilkins continued, "are bewildered and dismayed at the silence and apparent impotence of their federal government in the face of what is, to all intents and purposes, a rebellion against the United States Constitution and its guarantees to American citizens. The rebellion is in the open. The defiance is vocal and overt. The methods—murder and economic intimidation—are beneath decent and honorable combatants in any controversy short of actual warfare."

Asserting that the state governments have failed to protect the people, Mr. Wilkins asked the President: "Where shall they turn for relief from intolerable persecution in the states, counties and towns of their native land?"

Conspiracy Charged

The evidence indicates, the NAACP leader concluded, that there is "a widespread conspiracy extending over certain southern states to deprive Negro Americans of their civil rights. The states are supposed to protect those rights, but when they fail to do so, when law and order breaks down or is subverted in wholesale fashion, the federal government, unless it wishes to abdicate, would seem bound to step forward and protect the rights of citizens of the United States.

"If these colored citizens were foreigners within our borders, or if they were American citizens abroad, the federal government would use all its powers in their protection. It is incredible that it cannot so act in the existing circumstances."

violence against a group of its citizens. . . .

International Prestige Lessened

"We know that our international prestige is lessened daily, particularly when the Democratic candidates for President refuse to raise their voices in condemnation of the Southern wing of their party which has condoned these vicious practices." He pledged personal and official assistance toward the enactment of corrective legislation which guarantees "to all citizens their constitutional right to vote."

Adam Powell's Statement

Congressman Powell, who left muttering newsmen looking for a widely-announced press conference which did not materialize, sent a statement to the "strategy meeting" announcing his appointment of Dr. Marie Wood (Univ. of Ala.) "to work on this project in cooperation with Clarence Mitchell," and listed the names of 15 Congressmen "who have been suggested as the Key Regional leaders." Listed (without State or party identification) were: Richard Bolling (D. Mo.), Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D. Mich.), John W. Hoeselton (R. Mass.), Chet Holifield (D. Calif.), Augustine Kelly (D. N. Y.), Eugene McCarthy (D. Minn.), Samuel McCConnell (R. Penna.), Thos. Pelly (R. Washington), Edna Kelly (D. N. Y.), Byron Rogers (D. Colo.), Harrison

HEALTH FOR ALL

TOO STOUT FOR TB

For many years, Verdi's "La Traviata" has been one of the world's most popular operas. Nearly every famous opera house presents at least one performance of this masterpiece each season. Yet when the opera was first produced, more than a century ago, it was not a success; in fact, it was a "flop."

Taste changes and often the public needs time before it accepts a new work of art. But music historians tell us that one reason for the opera's initial failure was that the leading role was sung by a soprano who was very heavy indeed.

"Traviata" is based on a French novel whose heroine is dying of tuberculosis, the same novel on which the famous Garbo movie, "Camille," was based. In the original production of the opera when the stout heroine coughed and languished, displaying the well-known symptoms of tuberculosis, the audience laughed.

But was this so absurd? Are all TB victims thin and wasting away?

Is it impossible for a stout person to have TB? The answer to both questions is "No." Although a general run-down condition increases susceptibility to TB, and loss of weight is a very common symptom of the disease, the germ that causes TB does not spare the robust. Anybody can get TB, and the lungs of heavier persons can accommodate the germ just as easily as those of thin persons. Moreover, some persons can suffer extensive damage to their lungs and remain stout.

If you happen to look hale and hearty, it would be foolish to consider yourself automatically immune to TB. There's only one sure way to know: get a chest X-ray—at regular intervals. If the X-ray had existed a century ago, undoubtedly it would have saved the lives of many of the "healthy" people in that first-night audience who laughed so heartily at the fat tuberculous heroine.

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Wood was not available, anywhere.

The Blue Waters of Caneel Bay

The New Yorker then disclosed that he was taking off, as of last Tuesday, for the Virgin Islands, where the full Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs would begin hearings on the 17th (last Saturday), with a view to giving the Virgin Islands Commonwealth status, and getting Uncle Sam "out of the business of colonialism." His own role as a Committee member, said Mr. Powell, would be to sound out public opinion on a Commonwealth bill for the Islands, which he plans to introduce in Congress "on January 1."

Meantime the Insular Affairs folk will have met around the fabulous white sand beaches and sparkling blue waters of Caneel Bay, on the Island of St. John—Jostville, smallest and least populated of the three principal Virgins. This is the island on which Laurence Rockefeller acquired title to some 5 thousand acres for the establishment of a national park, embracing two-thirds of the island. A bill creating the park is awaiting Congressional action, which would automatically go out of the window, with the establishment of a Commonwealth. Caribbeans are heavily represented in Pastor Powell's New York church, and it is understood that he has substantial investments in the Virgins, where property values have jumped from \$25 to a thousand dollars an acre in some areas.

Commonwealths and Appropriations
Many Virgin Islanders, at home and in the States, are leery of Commonwealth talk. They point out that on the matter of electing a governor, the same purpose would be unlike the Philippines or Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands economy cannot, for a long time to come, if at all, support a Commonwealth. Commonwealth status, they point out, would eliminate U. S. appropriations, such as that of \$400 thousand recently made for an airport. All told, native islanders with whom we have talked hold a distinctly dim view of Commonwealth effort for the Virgins. But they would like some modern schools, some waterworks, and a delegate in Congress.

Six Years to Save Youth
For six years, the NAACP worked intensively to save the youth from alleged rape of a young white housewife in the electric chair for the wife in the summer of 1949. Irvin was one of four Negro youths originally charged with the crime. Ernest Thomas was killed by a deputized mob during the rioting before the trial. On Sept. 3, 1949, Irvin and Samuel Shepherd were convicted and given the death sentence. Charles Greenlee, then 16 years old, was sentenced to life imprisonment. Because of the reign of violence which was precipitated in the Groveland area after the woman made her accusation, the atmosphere of hostility in the courtroom, and the provocative role of press and radio in the area, NAACP attorneys at that time sought a change of venue and postponement of the trial. This was denied. An NAACP appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court brought an order for a new trial for Shepherd and Irvin.

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L. U. Graduates Start Newspaper in St. Louis

Jefferson City, Mo.—A newspaper which started as the dream of three Lincoln University (Mo.) journalism graduates during their student days recently became St. Louis' newest publication.

Publishers of a tabloid paper called the St. Louis News are William P. Russell, Willis E. Pursley, both graduates of the class of 1949, and Floyd Edmonds, who received his journalism degree in 1950.

Formed in 1950

As students at Lincoln, the trio made plans for a weekly newspaper to be published in St. Louis. In 1950 they organized and incorporated the Stock was sold and the company has operated a job printing business for the past five years.

During this period, the young men bought equipment and paid off plant indebtedness. Now published three times weekly, the St. Louis News is eventually to become a daily.

Two other Lincoln journalism graduates are co-partners in the new venture. They are Otis N. Thompson, 1950 graduate who is now with the Moss Kendrick public relations organization in Washington, and Mrs. Lela Knox Shanks, a Denver housewife.

Mrs. Shanks, graduated from Lincoln in 1949, worked on St. Louis newspapers for two years before moving to Denver. Thompson was assistant city editor of the St. Louis Argus for five years.

Williams (D. N. J.), Charles A. Vanik (D. Ohio), and Sydney R. Yates (D. Ill.) Congressman Scott was the only co-chairman not included in this group.

"201 . . . Names Will Not Be Revealed"

Mr. Powell also announced that "A bloc of 201 Representatives whose names will not be revealed" would be "ready to go into action as soon as Congress opens," he named, as a first goal, early action to give the Justice Dept. greater power in areas where civil liberties have broken down. Some members of the Powell-Mitchell bloc would like to know who the 201 are, what they represent, and how they were selected.

Clearing with Clarence

Having first cleared with the sponsors, we attempted to "clear with Clarence," but he was out of town. His secretary knew nothing about it. His assistant, Francis Pohlhouse, former Justice Dept. employee, was researching at Justice, and Dr. Marie

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Irvin's Life Saved

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land) case. One of the lawyers from this office along with two Florida lawyers, one of whom is white, made an on-the-spot investigation shortly after the alleged crime. They were seriously handicapped in their investigation by the complete breakdown of law enforcement machinery in the county involved, resulting in rioting and a posse killing. Despite all of this they were able to get the true facts in the case. We also used the services of several well-known private investigators, including one from Florida. As a result of this investigation, we were convinced and are still convinced that Walter Lee Irvin and others charged with the crime are completely innocent."

Moreover, the civil rights lawyer declared, the NAACP had arranged to have "a scientific study of public sentiment in the area" made. Everything was done to secure justice for Irvin and "at the same time to bring law and order to Lake County, Florida, for the best interests of the people there, and by the people we mean persons of both races."

The commutation, Mr. Marshall asserted, "in part at least vindicates our original position that Walter Lee Irvin is innocent and the victim of gross miscarriage of justice."

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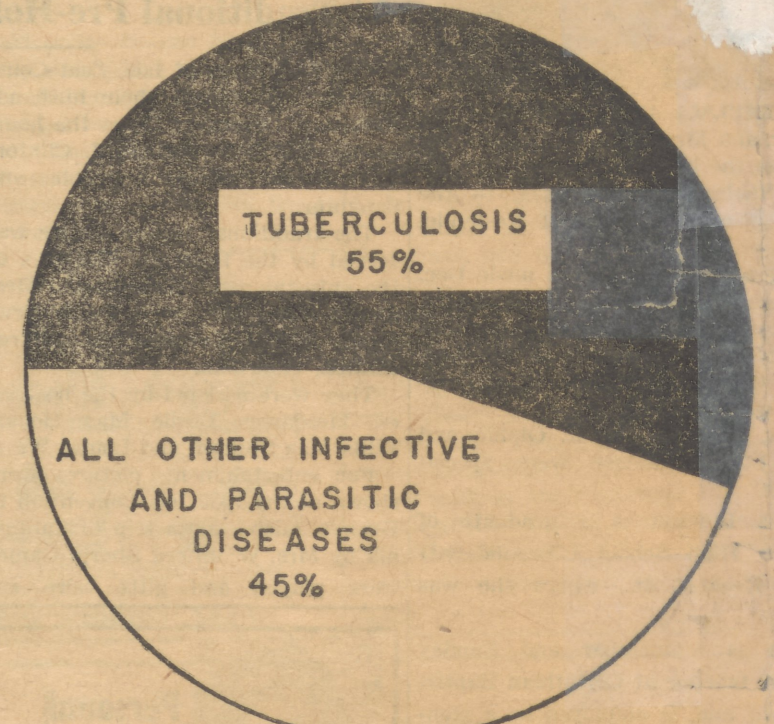
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TB—The Killer



Tuberculosis kills more people than all other infective and parasitic diseases combined. Deaths from these diseases are estimated at 31,000 in the United States during 1954. Of these, 17,000 were caused by tuberculosis. The voluntary tuberculosis associations are now conducting their annual Christmas Seal Sale to raise funds for the prevention and control of TB.

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