

## D.M. NAACP COMMITTEE VOICES OPPOSITION:

# Hits Action of Rights' Chairman

D. M. Girl to Graduate from University  
Of Iowa's School of Nursing in August



MISS MINTA LA VERNE SMITH

Miss Minta La Verne Smith, daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Cherry, 842 Sixteenth Street, will be graduated from State University of Iowa's School of Nursing in the August class. She was a graduate of East High School in the class of January 1953. (Read highlights of her interesting, active and challenging college career in a letter to Personal Touch in this edition)

## Young 'Freedom Fighters' Tell Personal Struggles In Desegregation Events

New York—Twelve hundred young persons and adults heard several "Young Freedom Fighters" tell of their personal struggles for freedom in the South at an NAACP-sponsored "Salute to Young Freedom Fighters" rally here on May 26.

The young civil rights fighters re-

### Mrs. Scales Gets Degree at Drake



MRS. E. THOMAS SCALES

Mrs. Lillian Scales, 721 Boyd Street, received her bachelor of science in education degree Monday morning, June 3, in the Drake University Commencement exercises.

Wife of Dr. E. Thomas Scales, she did her junior college work at Grand View here. Attending her graduation were their two children and six grandchildren. They are Mr. and Mrs. (Martha) Percy Zachery and their three boys and one girl, all of St. Paul, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Scales, Jr., and their two sons, of San Francisco, Cal.

## Drake University Graduate Supervisor of Music, Band In City on Lake Superior

BY MARIE ROSS

Edward Eugene Burse, Drake University graduate in the class of 1954, who for two years has been supervising vocal and instrumental music in the Superior Bay Mills Township School in Brimley, Mich., is spending a vacation here with his mother, Mrs. Edna Burse, 1439 Stewart Street.

Burse, the only Negro resident in the town of Brimley, has charge of music in the whole school system, from kindergarten through elementary, junior high and high schools. He has had about 400 students in the school, teaching vocal music in all grades, instrumental, woodwinds, brass, percussion; and directing the high school band of students and a glee club, of 40 members.

### One of Eight Teachers

One of eight teachers on the staff, Burse also is class advisor for junior high school students.

In an interview here this week, Burse revealed that he had a "very busy" year. His school band gave five concerts, which he encourages—for the benefit of the school and students—and to stimulate the community. His glee club, chorus and band played their parts in the school's recent commencement exercises.

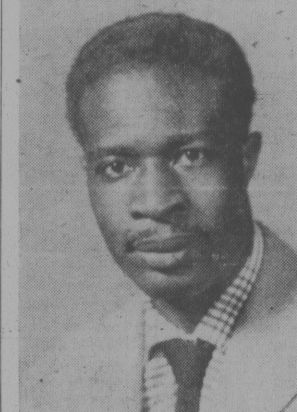
### 'Get Along'

"I get along with the town's people, the faculty and the students because—I have found that if you walk as a man, people will treat you as a man," Burse said.

"I find, being in the minority, not a handicap but a force. It is a strange phenomenon—where the single individual becomes a deciding force.

### Given Ovation

"I took the band in April to a festival in Iron Mountain, Mich., on the upper peninsula of Michigan,



EDWARD EUGENE BURSE

not heavily populated by Negroes. They did not know that I was a Negro until I got to the festival.

"I had sent in my band name and had been elected to conduct the massed bands—27 of them. When they called my name and I walked to the podium, my students started a mass applause that went into an ovation. That made a warm feeling towards me.

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## Three Negro Students On North High School's Honor Roll

North High School had three Negro students out of 31 in the top 15 per cent of the class, scholastically.

Making the honor roll were: John Cothorn, 17, 1423 Center Street; Helen Owens, 17, 1054 Sixteenth Street; and Jeannette Louise Stewart, 17, 1517 Second Avenue. (See pictures of high school graduates on Pages 3 and 5 in this edition).

## Says Eisenhower Ignored 25,000 At Pilgrimage



Mr. Chapman attended a quarterly conference here.

The Rev. Mr. Chapman said that 25,000 persons massed in Washington to demonstrate appreciation for the supreme court ruling of May 17, 1954, outlawing racial segregation.

The Rev. Mr. Chapman said Negro leaders were "puzzled and stunned" because the president "did not send a single word setting forth his interest" or otherwise acknowledge the group's presence.

## George H. Franklin Injured in Fall, Repairing Spouting

George H. Franklin, 68, of 927 Twelfth Street, suffered a broken left wrist Monday morning when he fell 13 feet from the roof of his home.

Mrs. Franklin told police her husband was cleaning out the spoutings of their home when he fell.

He was reported to be doing nicely this week at Mercy Hospital, with a severe face cut and body bruises in addition to the broken wrist.

## Reveal Death of Boy Forced To Cross Stream

Baltimore, Md.—Police and Firemen Friday, May 31, recovered the body of a 10-year-old Negro boy who drowned apparently while re-crossing a stream here at the orders of a group of white boys.

A Negro companion of the dead boy said the white youths told them "they did not belong" on the east side of the stream, and they ran into deep water as they waded back across Jones Fall.

The dead boy was William A. Thomas.

### Crossed Stream

Police said Thomas Jones, 12, told them he and the Thomas boy and another youth crossed the stream Thursday and were met by five white youths. He said he and his companions were ordered to go back.

He said that when he and the Thomas boy ran into deep water, one of the white boys swam out to help. This boy then got out of the water and used a pole to help the Jones boy out. But the Thomas boy disappeared, young Jones said.

## SUI to Graduate 1,110 Friday Morning

Town City, Iowa—Degrees will be conferred upon some 1,100 students at the State University of Iowa's spring commencement exercises Friday at 9:30 a.m. in the University fieldhouse, according to Ted McCarrel, director of convocations.

W. Howard Chase, president of Communications Counselors, Inc., of New York, and a 1932 graduate of SUI, will give the Commencement address. He will speak on "The Brink of Peace."

President Virgil M. Hancher will deliver the traditional charge to the graduates and confer the degrees. Professor Robert S. Michaelson, director of the SUI school of religion, will serve as chaplain, and William D. Coder, coordinator of conferences, will be master of ceremonies.

## Future Press Clubbers Meet Nixon



Washington, D. C.—Alan Kendrix, the youngest person attending recent annual dinner of Capital Press Club in Washington, enthusiastically meets Vice President Richard M. Nixon. After receiving the Vice President's autograph, young Kendrix calmly remarked, "My, he's just like other people." Mrs. Nixon was the recipient

## Opposes Turk's 'Defense' Of Denied Tavern Operator In Beer Permit Renewal

The board of the Des Moines branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored (NAACP), Tuesday authorized its legal redress committee to protest city council renewal of a class B beer permit for James McCoy, Des Moines tavern operator.

In the same motion, the board criticized Sam Turk's "defense" of McCoy at the city council meeting Monday. Turk is chairman of the council-appointed Des Moines commission on Human Rights and Job Discrimination.

McCoy, operator of Mac's Whistle Stop, 301 E. Fourth Street, was convicted in municipal court last Nov. 28 of violating a civil rights law by refusing in 1955 to serve a Negro. McCoy was fined \$25.

### 4-to-0 Vote

The city council previously had declined to act on McCoy's beer permit on application. It approved the renewal Monday by a 4-to-0 vote. Councilman Allan W. Denny was absent.

Mayor Mills moved that McCoy's

application be approved, after Turk spoke in his behalf.

Turk, saying he had known McCoy 30 years, said he spoke only from "my personal experience," not as the commission chairman.

### Turk Explains

Saying that he had done some investigating "on this thing," Turk explained he had talked with both Negroes and whites. He said he and McCoy have the same attitude toward Negroes.

Turk also said he would be willing to "take his (McCoy's) side" before the human rights commission if discussion of the case came before that group.

McCoy said he has served Negroes

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## Elks Junior Herd To Perform Sunday

The Junior Herd of Hawkeye Elks will give a performance Sunday, June 9, 5:30 p.m., at Twelfth Street between Park and Center Streets. The public is invited.

## Two White Men Acquitted With Applause in Bombing Of Negro Church in Ala.

Montgomery, Ala.—Two white men were acquitted Thursday, May 30, of the bombing of a Negro church.

The verdict by the 12 white jurors brought an outburst of applause from the packed courtroom.

The verdict cleared Raymond C. Britt, 27, and Sonny Kyle Livingston, Jr., 19, in the bombing of the Hutchinson Street Baptist Church Jan. 10, during an outbreak of violence which followed the end of city bus segregation.

that would give encouragement to "every white man, every white woman and every white child in the south who is looking to you to preserve our sacred traditions."

Prosecutor Thetford told the jury "we were on the very edge of racial rioting before the two defendants and two other white men were arrested and indicted for the bombings last January.

### Both Can Play

"We don't want racial rioting in Montgomery," he warned, "but if one can play the game, both can. If you turn these men loose under the evidence the state has presented, you say to the Ku Klux Klan: 'If you bomb a Negro church or home, it's all right'."

"Then the next thing you know it will be your church and your house,

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## NAACP Allocates \$10,000 To Drive for Registering Voters in Southern States

New York — Since January 1 a total of \$10,000 has been allocated by the NAACP to an educational campaign to register voters in the southern states, it was announced here May 29 by Roy Wilkins, executive secretary.

The work is being done in Georgia, Virginia and in a small section of Mississippi. A program is scheduled to get underway in South Carolina in June and in North Carolina later in the year.

### Staff Man

The state organizations of the NAACP are handling the program on the local level. Virginia is adding a man to its staff by vote of its executive committee and part of the expense will be met by a grant of \$3,000 from the national headquarters. In the intensive registration period in Georgia in March and April just prior to the election there, local registration clinics were assisted in the amount of \$2,500.

A staff man will be added to the South Carolina state organization, according to Rev. J. M. Hinton, state president, and a grant of \$3,000 will be made by the national office, Mr. Wilkins said.

The North Carolina program will be a careful one in Congressional districts and will be under the direction of Kelly M. Alexander of Charlotte, state NAACP president.

"These are purely educational, non-partisan campaigns," Mr. Wilkins said, "and will feature the giving of information and instructions to voters on how to register. No work

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## Mrs. C. H. Copeland Dies in Cedar Rapids

Word was received here Wednesday that Mrs. C. H. Copeland, wife of Presiding Elder Copeland of the Des Moines District of AME Church, died Tuesday in Cedar Rapids, Ia.





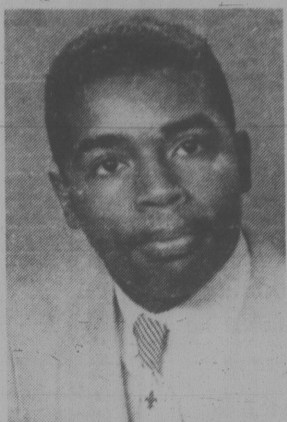


# HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES SEEKING EDUCATION, JOBS - MILITARY SERVICE

BY MARIE ROSS

**DYANNE GRAY**

Interested in a career of art is Dyanne Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gray, 1751 Walker Street. At Des Moines Technical High School, Dyanne's core area was art. During her senior year some of her work was exhibited in the Iowa Scholastic Art Show and won her a Gold Key. In 1956 Dyanne's paintings, drawings and photography were displayed in Dilettante Club's art exhibit. She won a second place award of seven dollars. She likes illustrating, sketching and all phases of art. She hopes to work this summer, then plans to continue her studies.

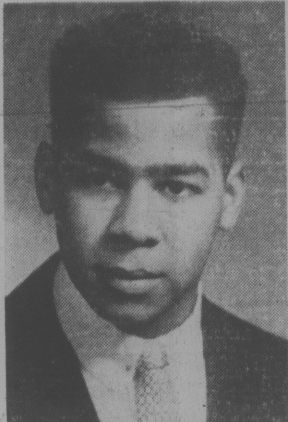
**JOHN ARTHUR COTHORN**

North High Honor Graduate John Arthur Cothorn, son of Mrs. Marguerite Cothorn, 1423 Center Street, was active in Student Council, vice president of Chembiophysics (Science Club), Home Room president, Hall Monitor, representative to Iowa Boys State and a member of the Spanish Club. He lettered in tennis and served as captain of the tennis team. His plans are to enter Michigan State University to study aeronautical engineering.

**JEANNETTE LOUISE STEWART**

One of North High School's honor students is Jeannette Louise Stewart, daughter of Mrs. Katherine Stewart, 1517 Second Avenue. Louise was an A student throughout her high school career. She was a member of Sub Deb Club, treasurer of Latin Club, president of Spanish Club, secretary and president of Future Teachers of America. She gave voluntary service as an office assistant to get experience; was active in Student Council and on Usher, Social and Senior Class Committees; and assistant Home Room vice president.

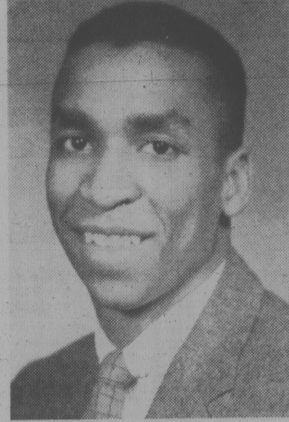
Louise was a representative to United Nations Seminar in New York under American Friends Society. She represented North High to D.A.R. Educational Program, winning a D.A.R. Good Citizen essay contest, on the subject, "Why I Cherish My American Freedom." She has time to sing with the Chancel Choir of St. Paul AME Church, take part in the United Christian Youth Movement, of which she is an assistant secretary. She has received a scholarship to Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., and plans to enter there in September. Recently she won the title of "Miss NAACP of Des Moines."

**IRVING MILLER**

Irving McPhendrin-Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Miller, 1140 Fourteenth Street, who specialized in radio and TV at Des Moines Technical High School, showed unusual leadership among his fellow students and probably participated in more extra-curricular activities in his school, than any of his classmates, his school record revealed. He served as a member of the band, the chorus, the student court, president of Student Council during his 10B semester, co-chairman of the social committee, and during his senior year was president of the senior class. In addition to these activities, Irving has been a member of the cross-country track team, the wrestling squad, and lettered in football. In January, this year, he was a representative from Tech to the Kiwanis Club. His plans are to enter in September, the State University of Iowa where he will major in electrical engineering.

**MARY JOHNSON MCCRACKEN**

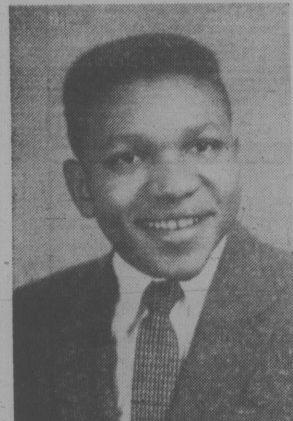
Des Moines Tech High School Graduate Mary Johnson McCracken, 1136 Fourteenth Street, chose as her core area, hotel-restaurant. She has been outstanding as a student in the hotel-restaurant department, doing her cooperative training in Younkers Tea Room, where she will have full-time employment. Mary, also was a leader in gym, a member of the Senior Class Day committee and a Red Cross representative. Her plans are to continue working, attend Drake Community College at night, then join her husband, Sylvester, who is in the military service. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, 1315 Crocker Street.

**VICTOR LEE PROPE**

North High School Graduate Victor Lee Propes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Propes, 1118 Seventeenth Street, was on the school's football and basketball teams, and won letters in track. Some of the courses which he found "interesting" were Algebra, Spanish, English and Biology. He was a member of the Senior Class Prom Committee; and, in the community, he sang with the Chancel Choir of St. Paul AME Church. He plans to work this summer, and possibly enter college in September. State University of Iowa is his first choice and Stanford University and University of California interest him. He is interested in journalism, too.

**JOYCE ANN TAYLOR**

East High School Graduate Joyce Ann Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Taylor, 1722 Maple Street, participated in Keys and Cues (Business Club), Modern Language Club, G.A.A., playing basketball and tennis, and, sang on the Spanish banquet program. During her senior year, she has been employed as a Saturday stenographer in the office of the Iowa Bystander. Prior to that was an extra typist at the Statehouse. Joyce is a substitute teacher and treasurer in the Union Baptist Church Sunday School. She would like to go to college to study to be a school teacher.

**EDWARD OWENS**

Edward Owens, son of Mrs. Garnet McBride, 1603 Buchanan Street, specialized in electricity as his core area at Des Moines Technical High School. He revealed that he has been trained to repair electrical appliances and could set up his own shop. He also had time to win a letter in football and participate in track for Tech. He acted as jury foreman at District Court Day. He has given speeches to church groups and gatherings on the United Nations. His plans include continuing as a member of the National Guard, serve six months of active duty beginning this month at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., then, go to Officers' Candidate School. Owens remembered: "I shall be forever grateful to my mother for her self-sacrifice in getting me through high school."

**RHODA MILLER**

Rhoda Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Miller, 1349 Fremont Street, specialized in the clerical Core area at Des Moines Tech High School. She worked this spring as a co-op office practice student at May Goodrell Junior High School. Her plans are to secure clerical employment. While at Tech Rhoda went out for tennis, served on student council, was a Service Club representative and a librarian's assistant. Of her success in high school, Rhoda said: "I owe to my wonderful parents."

**RHODA WELLS**

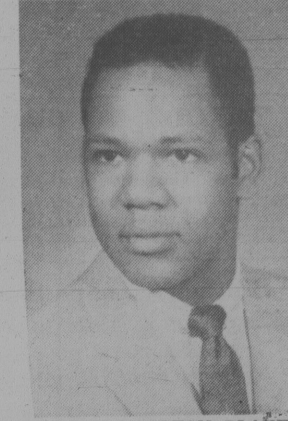
Rhoda Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wells, 950 Fourteenth Place, was active at North High School in: Sub Deb Club, Red Cross and Service Committee, Senior Class Baccalaureate Committee. A member of the Youth Group of Burns Methodist Church, she has time for the study of piano, serving as secretary of the Nathaniel Dett Federated Music Club. Recently she passed a Civil Service Merit Test for the positions of clerk, typist and stenographer, and made a score in the top 20 per cent of the class. She is a member of the Penguins Club of Willkie House. Her plans are to enter State University of Iowa to study nursing.

**LARRY G. FOWLER**

At East High School, Larry G. Fowler, 1701 Walker Street, earned two letters in football, wrestled and played baseball. He liked, also, auto mechanics and bookkeeping. Last Sunday he took unto himself a wife. He has signed up with the U. S. Marine Corps and is awaiting call. After military duty, he plans a college career. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morrow, 1160 Seventeenth Street, and Mr. L. Fowler, Jr., 1701 Walker Street.

**HELEN LOUISE OWENS**

North High Graduate Helen Louise Owens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Graves, 1054 Sixteenth Street, was active in Latin and Sub Deb Clubs, on Judicial Board, was Home Room treasurer, served on Class Night Committee. She took part in Intra-Mural sports, and made honor roll. She was a candidate for Des Moines Branch NAACP's Queen, and is active at St. Paul AME Church where she is a member. Interested in the study of nursing, her plans are to move to Chicago, Ill., and enter a hospital nursing school there. Helen made a dedication to her mother, Mrs. Mildred Graves, "For all she has done to encourage me during my years in school."

**GLENN CARLTON BLAKELY**

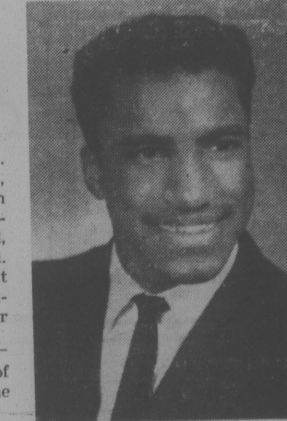
North High School Graduate Glenn Carlton Blakely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blakely, 1153 Fourteenth Place, sang in the Accapella Choir, played baseball, was Home room treasurer and served on the Senior Class Breakfast Committee. During his high school career he has been working at his father's downtown barbershop. His church is St. Paul AME; and, his plans are to go to California.

**DON BUCKNER**

Working in the Core area of electricity at Des Moines Technical High School, Donnie Charles Buckner, 1342 E. Eighteenth Street, has learned much about the operation, upkeep and repair of motors, electrical appliances, generators—and, he said he is qualified to be a lineman. He had time to serve on the Student Council three semesters; play football and letter in basketball; and, be a Hall Monitor which indicates a good citizenship record. Donnie added: "I would like to thank my grandmother, Mrs. Lotus Griffin, my uncles and aunts, for helping me through school."

**JO ANN BOLDEN**

Jo Ann Bolden, daughter of Mrs. Eddie Bolden, 1110 Twelfth Street, was a member of North High School's Glee Club, a senior representative of the history class; and, she played intra-mural basketball. A member of Corinthian Baptist Church Youth Group, Jo Ann is interested in studying for the career of a social welfare worker.

**FLOYD SHEPHERD**

Floyd Leland Shepherd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Shepherd, 1025 Thirteenth Street, whose Core area at Des Moines Technical High School, was commercial art, won an honorable mention in Scholastic Art Show, February 1956; had piece hung at Iowa Annual Art Show. He also won a letter in football, and three in track, being a member of winning state Indoor Track meet team, in the 880 Relay, 1956; and broke school record this year in the 880 relay. His plans are to work and enroll at Drake University in the Fine Arts College.

**DEVELMA HALL**

DeVelma Hall, daughter of Mrs. Vera Hall, 853 Seventeenth Street, was active in North High School's Cosmopolitan Club, Sub Deb Club, Senior Class Breakfast Committee. A member of Corinthian Baptist Church, she has been employed parttime at one of the downtown hotels, earning money to help complete her high school career. She plans to enter nurses training.

**BILLY FRANKLIN BOTTS**

Billy Franklin Botts, son of Mr. Elua May Woodley, 1428 Dixon, found the carpenter shop at East High School, one of his favorite places. There he made pieces of furniture—book ends, tables and even wrought iron furniture. He played football for three years. For a career, he has been thinking about auto mechanics.

Beverly Ann Jones, 1407 2nd Place; Mary Dean McCracken, 1136 14th; Irving McPhendrin Miller, 1140 14th; Rhoda Mae Miller, 1349 Fremont; Edward Wesley Owens, 1603 Buchanan; Floyd Leland Shepherd, 1025 13th; Harry Ernest Thomas, 1108 13th; Merma Jean Warren, 912 Crocker.

## NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

North High School—Glenn Carlton Blakely, 1153 14th Place; Jo Ann Bolden, 1110 12th; John Arthur Cothorn, 1423 Center; De Velma Hall, 853 17th; Sharon Hammit, 840 15th; Terrance Wallace Jackson, 3101 Amherst; Carol Ann Monroe, 1059 9th; Helen Louise Owens, 1054 14th; Leonard Leroy Perry, 815 Crocker; Victor Lee Propes, 1118 17th; Jeannette Louise Stewart, 1517 Second; Edward Thomas, Jr., 1108 13th; Ada Mae Triplett, 1015 10th; Rhoda Wells, 950 14th Place.

August graduates at North High

**ADA MAE TRIPLETT**

Ada Mae Triplett, 1015 Tenth Street, served as a Home Room secretary, Nurses' Assistant, was a member of A Cappella Choir, Sub Deb and Cosmopolitan Clubs, Citizenship Committee at North High School. She had time to run as a candidate in the NAACP's Queen's contest. Her plans are to continue her course in stenography at American Institute of Business here. Ada paid a tribute to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brewer, "Thank you for the guidance, love and care you have given me throughout my school years. I hope that in the future I will prove myself worthy of all you have done for me. May God bless and keep you."

—Elaine Brooks, 1116 11th; Matthew Dean Campbell, 908 Laurel.

## Summer School Starts June 10 at Two High Schools

Summer school sessions at two Des Moines high schools will begin

**TERRANCE W. JACKSON**

Terrance Wallace Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson, Jr., 3101 Amherst, made the North High School's football, track and tennis teams. He was chairman of Hall Committee, vice president and treasurer of Home Room, participated in swimming and was a member of the band. Active in Corinthian Baptist Church he was a Sunday School class secretary. His plans are to enter Grand View College here in September, then go to Iowa State College. He is pondering the study of architectural engineering or laboratory X-ray technician training.

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June 10 and end Aug. 2. Classes will be at East High School and Des Moines Technical High School.

Last year, 1,236 Des Moines high school students took summer courses. Credit toward graduation or promotion is given in most courses.

Four periods will be held each weekday, beginning at 8 a.m., and ending at 12:35 p.m. Teachers will be available in the afternoon for special help.

## High School Subjects

Any high school subject offered during the regular school year, will be offered during the summer session if 20 or more pupils want to

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## High Schools Here Graduate 1,416; 41 Are Negroes

High school diplomas were presented to 1,333 Des Moines students this week during commencement exercises at seven high schools; and, to 83 Valley High School students in West Des Moines last week.

Of the 1,416 students, a total of 41 Negro graduates were in the classes.

## 14 at North

The largest number of Negro graduates was 14 in a class of 246 at East High School. Next was North High School with 13 in a class of 207. Then came Des Moines Tech with 12 in the class of 194 graduates. Valley High had two Negro graduates in the class of 82.

There were no Negro graduates listed in the classes at Roosevelt, Lincoln, St. Joseph's Academy and Dowling High.

Graduates and the four high schools are:

## VALLEY HIGH

Valley High School, West Des Moines—Russell Shedrick Elliott, 127 9th; Donald Leroy Hall, 123 11th Street.

## EAST HIGH SCHOOL

East High School—Billy Franklin Botts, 1438 Dixon; Barbara Jean Brown, 510 S.E. 15th Court; Ken-

neth, William Burnett, 813 14th; Ethel Mae Cochran, 1656 Walker; Mary Frances Dickens, 1611 Maple; Onva Leona English, 1234 Stewart; Marjorie Kathryn Williams Ewing, 1519 Scott; Larry G. Fowler, 1701 Walker; Shirley Faye Fulbright, 1406 Fremont; Beverly Ann Johnson,

1526 E. 19th; Joyce Taylor, 1723 Maple; Lou Jean Taylor, 1400 E. 17th Court; Bobbie Marie Thompson, 832 16th.

## DES MOINES TECHNICAL HIGH

Des Moines Technical High School—Donnie Charles Buckner, 1347 E. 18th; Barbara Ann Carter, 1245 15th; Robert Calvin Dixon, Jr., 1044 3rd; Phillip Richard Graves, 1023 15th;



# ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS and CONGRATULATIONS

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Mrs. Olivia Williams, Secretary  
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**Anniversary Greetings**  
**E & E LINO SERVICE**  
105 East Grand Avenue

**Burns Methodist Church**  
913 Crocker Street  
Rev. H. W. JAMES, Pastor

**Corinthian Baptist Church**  
9th and School Streets  
Rev. NORMAN R. OLPHIN, Pastor

**St. John Baptist Church**  
Rev. Joe Gaines, Pastor  
S. E. 25th and Maury St.

**Woman's Society of**  
**Christian Service**  
of Burns Methodist Church  
Rev. H. W. JAMES, Pastor  
ALICE COOPER, Treasurer

**St. Paul AME Church**  
12th and Crocker St.  
Rev. S. M. PECK, Minister

**Maple Street Baptist Church**  
1552 Maple Street  
Rev. GEORGE PARRISH, Pastor

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# HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES SEEKING MORE EDUCATION AND JOBS

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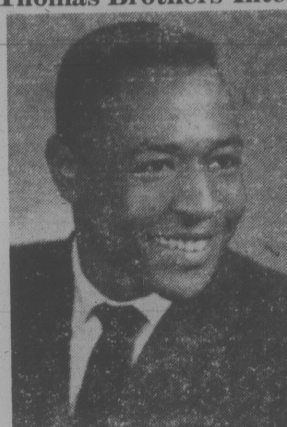


**ROBERT CALVIN DIXON, JR.**  
Des Moines Technical High School Graduate, Robert Calvin Dixon, Jr., specialized in cabinet making as his core area. In athletics he ran during his sophomore year on the one-mile and two-mile state championship teams. He won honors in one-mile and two-mile relays as a senior. In September, Bob plans to enter Iowa State Teachers College. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dixon, 1004 Third Street. He has been employed at Savery Hotel.



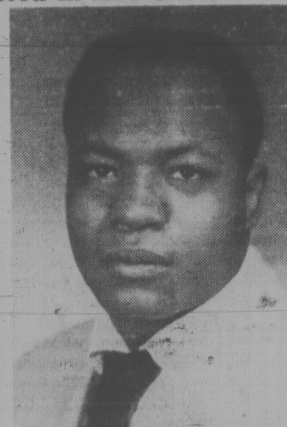
**MARJORIE WILLIAMS EWING**  
Marjorie Kathryn Williams Ewing, daughter of Mrs. Anna Williams, 1519 Scott Street, was active at East High School in concert and marching bands, Girls Glee Club, Keys and Cues, Booster, and Future Teachers Clubs. She participated as a PTA and banquet hostess, in the Honor Assembly and as a Monitor. She is planning to work a-while as a typist, then join her husband, James Ewing, at Lake Charles Air Force Base, in Louisiana.

## Thomas Brothers Interested in Art Careers



**HARRY ERNEST THOMAS**  
Edward, Jr., and Harry Ernest Thomas, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas, 1108 Thirteenth Street, received diplomas this week in different high school commencement.

Edward, Jr., North High School graduate, participated on Cross Country Track team, outside of his regular studies. He said he is interested in the study of art and during his high school career never had time for it. He was busy working after school at a grocery store. He plans to enter the Air Force then try to find time to be an artist. A member of the Elks Drum and Bugle Corps, he has taken many

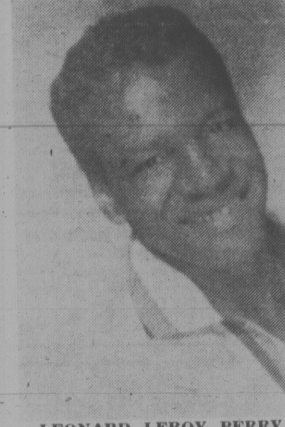


**EDWARD THOMAS, JR.**

trips to other states. Harry Ernest, a graduate of Des Moines Technical High School specialized in art, winning awards of Scholastic Gold Key, sponsored by Younkers; placing in the National Scholastic Contest at Pittsburgh, Pa. His work hung in the Des Moines Art Center. He also won three letters in track, taking part in 880-yard and two-mile relay team three years. He broke Oskaloosa Relay's record; ran in mile medley; won a letter in football. He plans to work this summer and join the U. S. Marines in the Fall. After service he wants to enter State University of Iowa to study art.



**MERMA JEAN WARREN**  
Des Moines Technical High School Graduate Merma Jean Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Clarence Warren, 912 Crocker Street, was on co-op program during her senior year, working as a secretary at Iowa Methodist Hospital, where she will continue as a regular employee. Her core area was clerical work. She also was a member of the Service Club. Her plans are to take training for a position as a medical secretary—and to be married in July. She is a member of the Church of God and Saints of Christ.



**LEONARD LEROY PERRY**  
Leonard Leroy Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Perry, 815 Crocker Street, was active in the Boys Glee Club and played baseball on the sophomore team at North High School. He is a Junior Elk, member

## Pictures May Be Published Next Week

Graduates, high school and college, whose pictures do not appear in this edition, may have them published in the next issue of the Bystander. Phone AT 8-1904 for Picture Editor or bring picture and information to the office. Some students did not have photographs in time for this edition.

## Summer School

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take the course. Enrollments will be completed in each of the five Des Moines high schools by May 16. Driver education courses will be offered at both schools to pupils who will be 16 years old by Sept. 3. Seniors will be given preference. Adults may enroll on a tuition basis. An office machine course will be offered only at Tech.

of the Bugle Corps. His plans are to become a machinist.

## Mary E. Wood, Former Des Moines Woman, Appointed New Executive of Buffalo, N. Y., YWCA

Buffalo, N. Y.—Miss Mary E. Woods has been appointed executive director of the Young Women's Christian Association, the board of directors announced here recently. She has been acting executive director since the death of Miss Alice C. Butler, Feb. 14.

Miss Wood came to Buffalo last September to become associate executive director. She had been executive director of the Southwest Belmont Branch of the Philadelphia YWCA 14 years. Her prior YWCA experience included positions as teenage and camp director in Tulsa and Denver, and branch executive in Newark. In 1949, she was one of five delegates representing the YWCA of the U. S. at the World Leadership Conference in Geneva, Switzerland.

A native of Des Moines, Ia., she received her bachelor's degree from Drake University and her master of arts degree from New York University studied at the National YWCA Training School and did graduate work at Denver University and the University of Pennsylvania.

### 'Outstanding Citizen'

For an address on "What America Means to Me," before a group of German physicians who were studying in this country, Miss Wood won George Washington Medal. She was named Outstanding Citizen of New Jersey in 1942. She has received awards from the Philadelphia Recreation Association, Girl Scouts, Shiloh Baptist and First African Baptist Churches, Zeta Phi Beta



**MISS MARY E. WOOD**

Sorority and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

Her community service in Philadelphia included work with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, International Institute, Bureau of Child Care, Women's Christian Alliance, Health and Welfare Council. She has published articles in the YWCA Magazine, the Pittsburgh Courier, and the Journal of National Association of College Women. She is a member of the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church.

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## Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Has Many Features During May Week Observance

Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority concluded its May Week celebration with a Sunday breakfast at the home of Mrs. N. R. Olphin, after which the members went to Mt. Olive Baptist Church to attend services and hear the Rev. H. R. Fields, pastor, preach.

May Week observance began with the Job Opportunity Clinic on May 18.

Initiation services followed at the home of Mrs. Clara Bayles, for Miss Rose Guy of Waterloo, Ia., and Miss

Alexine Clement of Raleigh, N. C., both students at the University of Iowa. Local sorors participated.

After initiation a banquet followed and the group went to the home of Mrs. Katherine Atkinson, who entertained.

Out-of-town members participating were Mrs. Lemme of Iowa City, Mrs. M. Robbee, Cedar Rapids, Miss Barbara Shaw, Marshalltown, Ia., a State University of Iowa student.

Mrs. Olphin was chairman of the May Week program.

## YWCA Announces Summer Classes For Boys and Girls

Classes for teenage boys and girls are scheduled at the Young Women's Christian Association for the summer months. All classes will meet twice a week for four weeks.

A Tennis Class Ages 10-17 will meet Monday and Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. at the Wakonda Village Courts beginning June 17. Both beginning and intermediate instructions will be given Mr. Bob Bowers and Mrs. Pat Knott will instruct the class. This class will be limited to 8 people.

Mr. Jerry Richardson will instruct a Teenage Golf Class at the Woodside Golf Course Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. starting June 18. The course will emphasize putting, driving, golf etiquette, grips, swings, and basic skills.

An English Style Horseback Riding Class for Ages 10-17 will be held at the Parkway Stables at 11 a.m. Monday and Wednesday beginning June 17. Mrs. Ruth Hansen will be the instructor.

Miss Dixie Lee Diehl will instruct Bowling at Capitol Bowling Alleys,

Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 11 a.m. for Ages 10-17, beginning June 18. This class is open to beginners, intermediates, and advanced bowlers.

Transportation will be provided from the YWCA to classes. Register early as classes will be limited in enrollments.

## Rites for Francis Reasby in Lovilia

Services for Francis Reasby, 79, of Lovilia, Ia., who died Tuesday, May 28, at Johnson Nursing Home, Des Moines, were held Saturday morning, June 1, at the St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lovilia. Burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Frances Johnson of Des Moines, Mrs. Martha Carter of Glen Rogers, West Va., Mrs. Maxine Hall of Des Moines; two sons, Nathan Reasby of Waterbury, Conn., Herman Reasby, War, West Va.

Also are five sisters, Mrs. Clara Ward, Mrs. Pearl Gibson, Mrs. Rosetta Frazier, Mrs. Maude Frazier, all of Des Moines, Mrs. Louvinia Miller of Los Angeles, Cal.; two brothers, Joe Kelly of Des Moines and Cleo

## Cedar Rapids, Ia.

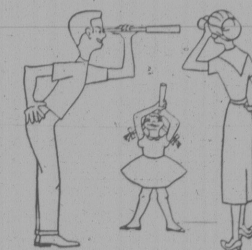
Cedar Rapids, Iowa—Mt. Zion Baptist church, Rev. Percy W. Burt, Pastor Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Julian Carlean, Supt. Morning services 11 a.m. The Mammoth Musical was held for the second time at the Veteran Memorial Coliseum at 8 p.m. Sunday, June 2. It was under the direction of Doris Akers and Dorothy Simmons of the Akers and Simmons singers of Los Angeles, Calif.

The musical was sponsored by The Mt. Zion Baptist Church Building Fund. Soloists were the Mmes. Nina Braggs, Nellie Bell, LeeEtta Harrison, Edith Atkinson, Willa M. Brown and Dorothy Simmons. The choir consisted of two hundred persons. The quartet presented two selections. It was composed of James Black, Richard Maresch, Carl Caulder and Robert Atkinson Jr. The musical will be presented in Waterloo, Iowa, Sunday June 9, at McKinstry High School, at 3 p.m. Reporter is Mrs. Julian Carlton.

Colls of Atlanta, Ga.; and, thirteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Following the funeral, Mrs. Miller, and Messrs Colls and Nathan Reasby remained in Des Moines for several days to visit relatives.

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Prayer Service Wednesday 8:00 P.M.

**St. Paul A. M. E. Church**  
12th and Crocker Streets  
REV. S. M. PECK, Minister  
Sundays: Prayer Service Sunday: 8:00 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: 5:30 P.M.

**East University Church of God in Christ**  
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ORDERS OF SERVICES  
Sunday School 9:00 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service 8:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Evening Youth Service 8:00 P.M.

**Kyles Temple A.M.E. Zion Church**  
800 W. 10th St.  
REV. J. R. REESE, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.  
Prayer Service Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

**First CME Church**  
S. E. 24th and Mary Streets  
REV. J. HENRY CLARK, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service 7:30 P.M.  
Prayer Services Wednesday 8:00 P.M.  
The Public is Invited

**Bethel A.M.E. Church**  
1228 East University Avenue  
REV. D. VINCENT STEWART, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.  
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Bible Study and Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**Quaker Meeting**  
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Sunday School at 11 A.M.  
Worship at 10 A.M.  
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### ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH NEWS

The Sunday morning sermon subject by Rev. S. M. Peck is "When the Eagle Stirrs Her Nest." Last Sunday, guest speaker was Presiding Elder Charles H. Copeland. Monday, June 24, 7:30 p.m., the official business meeting, fourth Quarterly Conference, will be held. This is the last quarter of this church year. Rev. Mr. Copeland will preside. The Hostess club will meet Tuesday, June 11. The J.O.Y. Girls will meet Tuesday, June 11, with Mrs. Gwendolyn Semple. The Monogram club meets Thursday with Mrs. Zora Ewing, 1110 University. Telephone all club news in Monday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon; CH 4-8523.

### MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Revival services will close Friday evening, June 7, Rev. George Parrish is preaching, with his assistant ministers and various choirs of the city. Spiritualists are sponsoring their third year anniversary service Sunday evening, June 9, at 5 p.m., at the church. Refreshments will be served. Among the sick and shut-ins are: Mother C. Houston, Beattie Cunningham, Lucy Hurd at Johnson Nursing Home, Ala Campbell and Julia Campbell; Mrs. Mary Moore, Broadlawn Hospital; Messrs. Major Hill in Broadlawn Hospital.

### SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The Men's chorus will practice Tuesday at 8 p.m. Friday at 8 p.m. church business meeting will be held: Rev. I. H. Harris, pastor. Children's Day program will be Sunday, June 9, 7 p.m., sponsored by the Red Circle Girls. Mrs. McChel Clinton is supervisor. Rev. Albert Fox, guest, sang a request solo, "Yes God is Real." Other visitors were: Mrs. Marcheta Butts, Mrs. Nathalia Saunders, Mr. Jacques Crump of Detroit, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Freeman of St. Paul, Minn., brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. I. H. Harris, who visited here last week. Mrs. C. A. Record visited her husband, Rev. Mr. Record in Clarinda last Sunday. Mrs. Mae Howard reentered Mercy Hospital Monday for surgery this week. The choir and pastor gave service Monday night at Maple Street Baptist Church, Wednesday night at Bethel A.M.E. Church and Thursday night at Corinthian Baptist Church. Mrs. Eva Johnson has been ill at home.

**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.

**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.

**Maple Street Baptist Church**  
E. 18th 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.

**Union Baptist Church**  
E. UNIVERSITY AT MCCORMICK  
REV. SEYMOUR GAINES, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:30 A.M.  
Evening Service 7:45 P.M.  
Prayer Service Wednesday 7:45 P.M.

**Burrs Methodist Church**  
400 CROCKER STREET  
REV. H. W. JAMES, Minister  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Vesper 7:00 P.M.  
Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 P.M.

**Interdenomination Mission**  
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**The Gospel Youth Center**  
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Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service 8:00 P.M.  
Prayer Service Wednesday 8:00 P.M.

### MRS. CUIE'S NAME OMITTED FROM LIST

The name of Mrs. Frances Cuié was omitted from the list of Poppy Day workers from the Lincoln Auxiliary of American Legion. She reported \$15.43.

### E. UNIVERSITY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

National Evangelist Mary Phillips of Los Angeles, Calif., is conducting a revival. She is an able speaker and has a gift of healing. Last Thursday evening after service the Hospitality group served a midnight repast at the home of the president, Mrs. Alma Berry. Honored guests were Elder and Mrs. A. M. Noel of San Diego, Cal.  
Pastor is Elder H. Bell.

### Council Meeting Tuesday, June 11

The Mothers Stewardesses, Deacons Council will hold a business meeting Tuesday, June 11, 7:45 p.m., at the First CME Church.

### Manly, Iowa

Manly, Ia.—Rev. B. F. Parker, spoke on the subject, "Baptism and The Lord's Supper." Rev. Parker and Mrs. Lola Rhem, accompanied by Mrs. Peggy Kipper, sang "I'll Let Nothing Separate Me From His Love." Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Marie Maddox, Mrs. Irma McGraw, Mrs. Peggy Kipper and her three children and Miss Katherine Moore, from Mason City. The New Bethel group and pastor motored to Mason City, for a Baptizing at St. John. The candidates were: Mrs. John Amos, and Veronica Ann Harper. At the evening service Mrs. Ruby Bennett was guest from Mason City.

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## District Missionary Society, Layman's And Stewardesses Convention Are Held, Presided Over by Rev. C. H. Copeland

The District Missionary Society Convention convened here May 20 to 23 at St. Paul A.M.E. Church with Mrs. Pauline McKay of Ottumwa, Ia. president, presiding. The theme was "Higher-Ground."

Features of the opening morning were a sunrise service conducted by Dr. Alice Thompson and other delegates; call to worship by Mrs. Gertrude Dabner of Fairfield and Mrs. W. A. Simpson of Clinton; altar call and consecration, Mrs. McKay, followed by organization and committee reports.

A workshop period was led by Mrs. Jeanne Morris, Des Moines. Meditation and quiet hour were at noonday conducted by Mrs. Blanche of Davenport.

Mrs. Cecil Lewis, Des Moines, vice president, presided during the afternoon session. Mrs. Lenora Downing of Ottumwa, Northwestern Conference Missionary president, Mrs. McKay led devotions. Mrs. Edith Smith sang: "God Leads His Dear Children Along." Mrs. V. D. Stewart of Des Moines was pianist. Mrs. Delores Peguese of Des Moines led the scripture and Rev. D. V. Stewart of Des Moines was soloist. Mrs. Ada Johnson, secretary, read the minutes. Mrs. McKay delivered the president's address.

### Elect Officers

Mrs. Goldie Fant of Los Angeles, Cal., past conference missionary president, presided during the election of officers.

For 1957-58, officers are: Mrs. Cecil Lewis, president; Mrs. Jeanne Morris, first vice president; Mrs. Gertrude Dabner, second vice president; Mrs. Willie Herndon, Council Bluffs, secretary; Mrs. Mercedes Stovall, Des Moines, assistant secretary; Mrs. Verla Lewis, Burlington, treasurer.

### Layman's Convention

Mrs. Margaret Robinson, district president, presided over the Layman's Convention. During the devotional period, conducted by Mrs. Dabner, Mrs. Downing sang, Mrs. Margie

### MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The Fellowship chorus of Maple St. Baptist Church of which Mrs. Arzola Dudley is directress will appear on program at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, June 9. Communion was given Sunday morning. The senior choir had charge of music. Mrs. J. R. Gray, daughter, Melvina, grandchildren, Linda Ann and Paula Jean Walker were guests in Sioux City recently with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hughes. Mr. Will Atkins will leave Wednesday for New York City. The Mt. Olive Sunday School will present its annual Children's Day program Sunday afternoon, June 9.

### GOSPEL YOUTH CENTER NEWS

Evangelist A. M. Perry, pastor, conducted regular services. Rev. O. B. Brewer preached. Guests were: Elmore Kinney and son, William L. Jr., Howard Webb and William Simmons.

### Theodosia Court Meets June 9

Theodosia Court No. 5 met Sunday, May 10, at the Masonic Temple and entertained Mrs. Leona Jordan, grand royal matron, after which she spoke. She was presented a gift. Refreshments were served.

The next regular day has been changed to Sunday, June 9, 4 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, Eleventh and Center streets, because of the meeting of the Grand Court which convenes in Keokuk.

### BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH NEWS

Vacation Bible Class will begin Monday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock daily. A parade will be held Sunday, June 9, at annual Youth Day. At 11 a.m. Rev. Leroy Cunningham will be speaker. A musical program will be given in the afternoon. A question period will be held. Rev. John I. Thomas of Davenport will preach Friday night, June 7, on the anniversary week program.

## To Honor Graduates At Banquet Sunday

The 1957 high school and college graduates affiliated with St. Paul A.M.E. Church will be honored at a banquet given by the St. Paul Sunday School, Sunday, June 9, following the morning service.

Rev. Jesse Hawkins, Polk County Juvenile Court officer, will be guest speaker Miss Ramona Houston, North High School Junior, will preside. James Thomas, outstanding East High graduate will be a special guest.

## Three OES Chapters Celebrate Annual Esther Day

Princess O'Ziel Chapter No. 9, Princess Zorah Chapter No. 10 and Olive Branch Chapter No. 32, OES, held their annual Esther Day services at 11 a.m., Sunday, June 2, at Maple Street Baptist Church, 1552

Maple Street. Mrs. R. Johnson of Princess O'Ziel Chapter was the presiding worthy matron.

W. C. Buice, past grand worthy patron of Olive Branch Chapter No. 32, gave the invocation.

Scripture reading was by Mrs. Felice Rhodes, worthy matron of Olive Branch Chapter followed by a selection from the Melody of Stars of Princess O'Ziel Chapter.

Mrs. Christina Edwards, worthy matron of Zorah Chapter gave the history of Esther for whom the day is observed. Rev. George Parrish of Maple Street Baptist Church delivered the sermon, entitled, "Courage for This Crisis."

Mrs. Osceola Sims was general chairman of the Esther Day committee.

## Baha'is To Observe Race Amity Day June 10

The National Spiritual Assembly of the American Baha'is has proclaimed Sunday, June 9, as Race Amity Day.

Baha'is throughout America will join with their friends of all races, working towards the greater fellowship and understanding that will aid men in recognizing that they are indeed of one fold under one shepherd.

In Des Moines at 3939 Cottage Grove, 7:30 p.m., Mrs. Catherine Anderson will lead the discussion on the pamphlet "Man—One Family." The public is invited.

## At First CME Sunday

Mrs. Gwendolyn Fowler, who was scheduled to attend an open house on Memorial Day, in Keokuk, Ia., given by her aunt, Mrs. Ida Byrd was notified on the preceding Tuesday that her aunt had died of a heart illness.

Mrs. Fowler, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McKinley Brooks, motored there and attended the funeral Friday.

## Princess O'Ziel To Meet June 27

Princess O'Ziel Chapter No. 9, OES, held a business meeting May 23 at Masonic Temple. Delegates were chosen to attend Electa Grand Chapter which convenes in Keokuk.

Following the meeting the entertainment committee sponsored a "Cake Walk" after which refreshments were served. The next meeting will be Thursday, June 27, at the Masonic Temple. Mrs. Rose Johnson is worthy matron; Gus Smith, worthy patron; and Mrs. Lessie Garrett, reporter.

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## Rev. Mr. Booker of Gary, Ind., to Deliver 59th Anniversary Sermon at Corinthian Sunday

"Anniversary Day" will be held Sunday, June 9, at Corinthian Baptist Church, Ninth and School, during the week of celebration of the fifty-ninth anniversary observance.

At 11 a.m., the Rev. N. R. Olphin, pastor, will speak on the subject, "The Church and Her Glory."

At 3:30 p.m., the Rev. Merrel D. Booker, pastor of the St. Timothy Community Church, Gary, Ind., will be guest speaker. Mrs. Katherine Shelton, program chairman, will preside. Music will be by the Corinthian combined choruses, directed by Mrs. Barbara Williams. Mr. Ernest Redd will play a piano solo. A brief history of the church will be given by Mrs. Vernon K. Ashford.

### Howard U. Graduate

The Rev. Mr. Booker, a dynamic speaker, is a graduate of Howard University where he took his graduate work in theology at the School of Religion. He received his master's degree in Sacred Theology at Boston University.

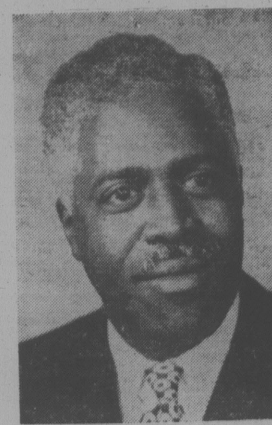
He has pastored churches in Summit, N. J., Dallas, Texas, and recently assumed pastoral duties in Gary. He served as resident chaplain of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Chillicothe, Ohio, the first Negro to be appointed full time. He has served as chairman in the Division of Religion at Bishop College, Wiley, Texas.

Youth Night program will be at 7 p.m. Sunday with Miss Carolyn Kennerly presiding. Participating will be Kyles A.M.E. Zion choir, and devotionals by the youth. The Rev. J. R. Reese, pastor of Kyles Church, will preach.

The anniversary program will close.

## Spiritualaires In Program

The Spiritualaires of Maple Street Baptist Church will hold their third anniversary program Sunday, June 9, 5 p.m., at the church. A musical program will be given.



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max with a banquet Monday evening, June 10, at 6:30 o'clock, in the church's dining room.

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## Residents in Quiet, Tree-Shaded N.J. Neighborhood Learning to Live Together

New York—As a follow-up to Redbook Magazine's article on "We Refused to Give Up Our Homes," published in December of 1955, Selwyn James has written "We're Learning to Live Together," which appears in the May 28 issue of Redbook.

James, the author, wrote the following:

Two years ago, the residents of a quiet, tree-shaded neighborhood of middle-income homes in Teaneck, New Jersey, were faced with the unexpected arrival of Negroes as neighbors.

"You'll soon be living in a Negro slum," real estate agents told nervous homeowners. "Better sell your house now while you can still get a good price for it."

For Sale signs began sprouting like crabgrass after a heavy rain. Frightening rumors caused dozens of families to sell their home for \$1,000 to \$3,000 below their true market value.

Faced with this situation, a group of level-headed young residents rallied the neighbors and halted panic sales. At a series of block meetings, the real-estate agents and went to work on the fears, doubts, prejudices, they exposed the "scare tactics" and outright misconceptions that threatened to destroy the community.

### Turn of Events

This turn of events, which I reported in the December, 1955, issue of Redbook, was a heartening example of community action against race prejudice—and a model for hundreds of other traditionally all-white communities confronted with Negro home ownership.

But stories rarely have completely happy endings in real life. Indeed, they rarely end at all. The people of this Teaneck neighborhood—white and colored—have been living together now for two years since my 1955 report. After getting over the first hurdle on the road to a friendly interracial community, they found many other hurdles before them. The conflict they were seeking to resolve has deep roots in America, and much patience, experience and understanding will be needed to eliminate it.

### Victory Over Bigotry

What then, has happened to this Teaneck neighborhood since its well publicized victory over bigotry? Are its residents still convinced that people of different races can live harmoniously together? Has panic selling recurred? Is the area indeed becoming a slum?

To learn the answers, I revisited the community and spent days talking with its residents, white and

Negro, and checking with local housing experts, real-estate agents and social service organizations. "You won't be able to say we have licked all our problems," Ed Schick, the 36-year-old homeowner who headed the campaign against panic selling, told me. "But nobody can say we have failed, either."

The truth is that Teaneck's experiment in interracial living has produced its share of disappointments and mistakes in judgment, its inner tensions, bitter arguments and broken friendships, as well as its steps forward.

### Beginning to Realize

Most important, Teaneck homeowners are beginning to realize that a single, dramatic victory over race prejudice does not solve a human problem which stems from the very beginnings of our nation's history.

Today, the community's white residents are pondering an inescapable fact. During 1956, more than 40 white families moved away, all of them selling their homes to Negro buyers. Now, about one-fifth of the 500-odd homes in the area are owned by Negroes. "Nothing has really changed," says Katherine Schick, Ed's 32-year-old wife. "We still live in a comfortable middle-class community. We have proved that Negroes and whites can live harmoniously together."

### Still Moving

"But this is what puzzles me—proof doesn't seem to be enough. Although white residents now admit that most of their former fears were baseless, they are still moving. No, they're not panic-selling as a matter of fact, they're getting good prices for their homes. They seem ashamed of what they're doing; they stop talking to neighbors who have always said they are going to stay. They even get in touch with families who've moved out to draw strength from them, I guess. What gets me is this—why have no white families moved into our neighborhood in the past year? Where are the white buyers?"

In his article James finds: Most of these remaining white families have long forgotten their worst fears—that the neighborhood would deteriorate while they watched, become shabby and littered before the year was out; that Negro owners would subdivide their homes, cramming two or three families into single-family houses, or even converting them into rooming houses for Negro bachelors; that they would allow their properties to run down,

fail to pay their taxes promptly and default on mortgage payments.

### Tour of Neighborhood

A tour of the neighborhood—which comprises homes, new and old, in the \$12,000-\$30,000 bracket—reveals it to be as well-kept, tranquil and pleasant as ever. Indeed, many Negro residents have made repairs on properties which the former white occupants had neglected, and at least a dozen Negro-owned homes show such solid improvements as new garages, concrete pathways, retaining walls to prevent erosion, new landscaping and basements converted into finished playrooms.

Public services remain unaffected by the interracial character of the neighborhood; garbage collection, street cleaning and repairs and police protection are as efficient as in other areas of Teaneck. The sharp increase in crime, the rodent invasions and epidemics which faint-hearted residents predicted have not materialized. Nor have the day-to-day irritations and resentments

many white residents expected would arise from having Negro neighbors. On the contrary, the experience has changed the racial attitudes of many remaining white families who, as recently as a year ago, never bothered to keep their prejudices a secret.

(The complete article is in May 28 issue of Redbook Magazine.)

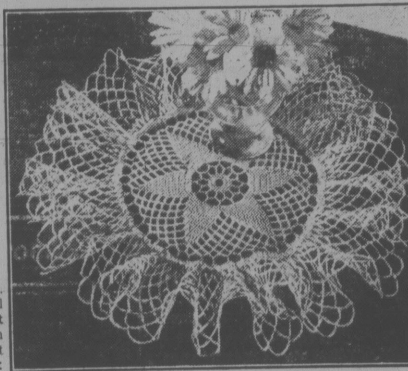


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st, \* ch 7, skip 1 dc, sc in next dc. Repeat from \* around, ending with ch 3, tr in first sc. 16th to 19th rnds incl: \* Ch 7, sc in next loop. Repeat from \* around, ending with ch 3, tr in tr. 20th rnd: Same as 19th rnd, making ch 8 (instead of ch 7) loops and ending with ch 4, tr in tr. 21st rnd: Same as previous rnd, making ch 9 loops and ending with ch 4, d tr in tr. 22nd rnd: Make ch 10 loops around, ending with ch 5, d tr in d tr. 23rd rnd: Make ch 11 loops around, ending with ch 11, sl st in d tr. Break off.

### ABBREVIATIONS

ch ..... chain  
sl st ..... slip stitch  
rnd ..... round  
do ..... double crochet  
st ..... single crochet  
sp ..... space  
incl ..... inclusive  
tr ..... treble  
d tr ..... double treble  
(asterisk) ..... Repeat the instructions following the asterisk as many more times as specified, in addition to the original.  
("Ch 5, sc in next loop) 6 times" means to make all that is in parentheses 6 times in all.

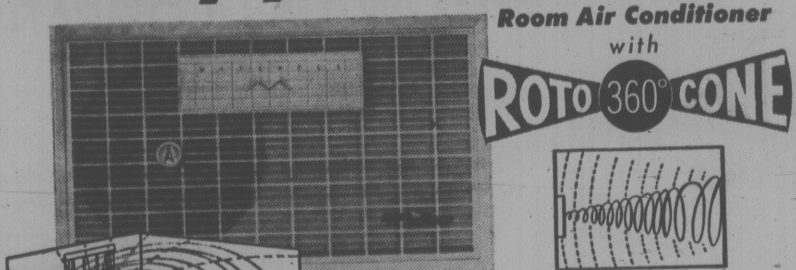
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## Personal Touch

By  
**MARIE  
ROSS**

Minta La Verne Smith, a Des Moines girl with a pleasing personality and winning ways, has gone to State University of Iowa with a will to work and make friends while earning a degree in the field of nursing. She will be graduated in the August class—and I have asked her to write highlights of her career—for the benefit of those who have a desire to go to college. Minta wrote:

"Dear Marie:  
"I don't know what it is about nearing the end of some long term activity, such as a four-year nursing program, but it finds me with mixed emotions—those of relief that the 'grind' is nearing completion, and those of regret and reluctance to leave all my beloved classmates. I'm convinced that what I've gained—the past four years has been worth the efforts of my mother, my instructors, counselors and several interested organizations. I believe that I have gained more mature ways of thinking, many lifelong friends, a better understanding of myself and better ways of getting along with others—all of these things as well as a life-long profession!"

"A chronological review of my college 'career' finds me as one of 127 freshman nursing students at the State University of Iowa in September 1953. I received a freshman merit scholarship from the university which paid my tuition for the year. I also had saved money from the two jobs I had between Jan. 1953, when I graduated from East High School, and September 1953, when I started college.

### New and Interesting People

During my first semester I stayed in a private home and worked for my room—and board by babysitting and helping with housework in the home. I would not recommend this to a student starting out in college because this situation takes you off campus making it inconvenient for a freshman who is interested in making many friends to get to all the 'gatherings' where you can meet new and interesting people.

"The semester passed quickly, and I made arrangements to live in the dormitory for the second semester during which I worked part-time as a waitress in the dormitory dining room. This job was more satisfactory, in that I was not detained from campus life.

"My freshman year was a very happy year which passed rapidly. Having the summer free from college, I applied to work in Goode Park in Des Moines as a playground supervisor. I enjoyed the summer very much and was able to save

most of my salary for the coming year's expenses.

### Merit Scholarship

"I received a merit scholarship from the University again for my sophomore year. That was a year of three memorable occasions. I was 'capped' into nursing in December 1954 in a very impressive class ceremony.

"In March 1955, I was chosen as a delegate to the National Government Seminar for Baptist college students. This included a three-day stay in Washington, D. C. and 1½ days in New York City. My expenses were paid by the Roger Williams Fellowship of my church here in Iowa City.

"During my sophomore year I worked as a full-time waitress in the dormitory. In the summer I moved from the dormitory and lived in a private home with six of my classmates. We saved some money in this arrangement by doing some group cooking when we weren't eating at the hospital.

"With the money I saved, I attended the National Baptist Student Conference at Green Lake, Wis., in September 1955. This was a wonderful week spent with hundreds of students in the study of the Bible and the history of the Baptist church.

"In my junior year, I received a \$360 loan from the University to cover my expenses for the year. In our last two years of college, student nurses receive room and board in return for nursing service given in the hospital. I also found a part-time job doing housework and ironing for a nice graduate nurse who teaches in the college. Three weeks of my summer vacation (one month) department.

### Made Discoveries

"My third year was the year when I discovered what nursing really is like. The glamour of the cap and the uniform began to wear off. I realized that each nurse is a person with faults just like anybody else. She is not always the unblemished 'angel of mercy.' I had built her up to be in my dreams. Nursing is a challenging profession!"

"The shortage of nurses is so great, that a good nurse spends much of her time in trying to do the most good with whatever help she has. There is seldom enough. I spent working on the near-graduate nurse level in the pediatrics help to do all the things you would like to do for all the patients in a hospital.

### Year of Discouragement

"The third year was a year of discouragement, fault-finding and deep depression. I hated my instructors, almost all graduate nurses, and many of the doctors, but I still loved the patients 'who just weren't being treated right.' I just couldn't understand that one graduate nurse has enough work to keep three people busy in each eight hour shift and that's why she and I both worked over-time. I didn't understand that every nurse isn't dedicated to the upgrading of her profession, but that some nurses are just 'working' because they have to help support

a family. I didn't understand that a doctor isn't adway highly skilled in every procedure he performs, and above all, that he doesn't 'know all the answers' in curing illnesses.

"On September 15, 1956, I became a senior student nurse and could wear the black stripe on my cap. This was a day of elation and pride with a final burst of energy for my 'last year.'

### Gets \$100 Scholarship

"I received a \$100 scholarship for my senior year's experiences in recognition of my financial need, scholastic record, and college activities. This scholarship was given by the Women's Auxiliary of the Iowa Plumbing Contractors Association. I was invited to attend this group's state convention in Des Moines last February. These women have been good to me and have sent gifts to me for almost every holiday or special occasion.

"Also I served as chairman of a unit of 25 girls in the dormitory for student nurses. This office gave me a seat on the all dormitory council. I always took an active part in the meetings and enjoyed them very much.

### To National Convention

"In May of this year, I was chosen as a delegate to the National Student Nurses Association in Chicago for a week. The S.N.A. Student Nurses organization sent 16 delegates. I was one of 3 representatives for the senior class. This was a highly inspirational meeting with thousands of students convened to discuss problems within our schools, better way of organizing for group activity and improving student-faculty relationships. We stayed at the Morrison Hotel and had our meetings at Conrad-Hilton Hotel, Lasalle Hotel and the Chicago Coliseum.

"I came away from this convention highly inspired and ready to 'give my all' to nursing as a new graduate nurse. There are so many different types of nursing and so many places to work. The decision is a difficult one when the time comes to plan and decide where you want to start.

"I have applied to work in the pediatrics department here at University Hospitals with the idea of paying off my loan, getting myself

conditioned to the busy life of a graduate nurse, and then either taking an advanced degree in psychiatric nursing or moving on to another area to the country for experience in other hospitals. The fact is that I am restless with ideas on my opportunities as a registered nurse and quite anxious to get started on my career, be it a long career or a sort career. Yours Truly, Minta L. Smith, Box 64, Westlawn, Iowa City, Ia."

Now don't you think Minta deserves a shower of congratulations? Send her a card and a message to keep her smiling the next few weeks until she receives her diploma. She is a daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Cherry, 842 Sixteenth Street, Des Moines. A sister, Rhoda, is attending the University of Kansas.

(More P.T. on Page Nine) !



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## DeLuxe Social Club Entertains 800 at Spring Party



The DeLuxe Social club entertained approximately 800 guests at its twenty-sixth annual spring party held Sunday night, May 26 at Val Air Ballroom. Music was furnished by the Gray Brothers Band.

Members and officers in the picture are: (left to right) Mesdames

Leslie Garrett, assistant secretary, Naomi Flynn, critic; Edna Harris, reporter, Alice Smith, Mary K. Monroe, Margaret Sorrell. The club plans a picnic in July before disbanding activities for the summer. (Frye Photo).

## Visiting Relatives

Miss Joan Blakely of Denver, Colo., and two nieces, are here visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blakely, 1153 14th Street Place, and the nieces grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hall Ratton, 1414 Fremont Street.

Miss Blakely is a laboratory technician at Colorado General Hospital.

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## Naomi Lee Hoffman and Clark Jeffers Take Holy Vows in St. Paul AME Church Wedding



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St. Paul AME Church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Naomi Lee Hoffman and Mr. Clark Edward Jeffers. Miss Hoffman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Hoffman of Madison, Va., and a niece of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Morris, 955 Seventeenth Street, Mr. Jeffers is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Brown, 2579 Onawa Street.

The double-ring ceremony took place at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, May 25 with the Rev. Stephen M. Peck officiating. Decorating the church altar were pink, blue and white Shasta daisies, white gladioli, snapdragons, and candleabra. Bows of white satin adorned the pews along the canvas-covered church aisle.

Mrs. Seymour Morrison played the wedding music. Miss Barbara Oliver, soloist, sang "O Promise Me," and Malotte's "The Lord's Prayer," during the ceremony.

### Given by Uncle

On the arm of her uncle, the bride wore a white Dutchess satin princess style gown appliqued with heirloom lace. It was fashioned with a lace-decorated sweetheart neckline, draped hipline and cathedral train. Her finger-tip veil was attached to a Juliette cap of pearls. She carried a colonial bouquet of pink roses, and stephanotis tied with satin streamers.

Honor maid to the bride was her sister, Miss Camilla Hoffman. Bridesmaids were Mrs. William Montgomery, Miss Modena Jeffers of Great Falls, Mont., Miss Billie Wilkerson of Chicago, Ill., sisters, and cousin, respectively of the bridegroom.

The bride's attendants wore identical waltz-length, princess style, gowns of mousseline de-soie over Delf blue taffeta, trimmed with bands of taffeta that encircled the bodice and formed bows in the back, sweetheart necklines and draped hiplines. Bandoaux of tiny pink, blue and white flowers adorned their hair. Attendants carried bouquets of matching color Shasta daisies.

Mr. William Montgomery, brother-in-law of the bridegroom was his

## Day Camp Begins Monday for Seven Weeks at Willkie

Day Camp will begin Monday, June 10, 9 a.m., and continue for seven weeks, for youth between the ages of 6 to 12, at Willkie House, Seventeenth and Crocker Streets. This program provides supervised activity, designed to keep children of the community constructively employed during the summer.

Registration fee is \$2.00 per child, used for transportation to places of interest, craft materials and refreshments. Each child brings his lunch, daily, and is expected to remain with the group until 3 p.m. All children are invited to participate. The Willkie House staff is in charge.

## Annual Session of IACW to Open Here Monday at Burns

More than 40 state officers and delegates will attend the fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Iowa Association of Colored Women (IACW), which opens here Sunday, June 9 and continues through June 11.

An executive board meeting and buffet supper will be Sunday at Willkie House. The session officially opens Monday morning, at Burns Methodist Church.

### Most Important

According to Mrs. Helen Wimberly, president of IACW, this session of the association promises to be a most important and decisive one in many years. In the past, IACW has been an example among women's organizations of what dedication to a cause can mean.

The purchase and maintenance of a dormitory for girls at State University of Iowa at a time when most needed, and most recently, the contribution to Simpson College's George Washington Carver Science Hall, represented foresight and progressive thinking of the club women of Iowa, Mrs. Wimberly said.

The sessions will include reports, panel discussions and other features.

## Mr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson Spend Vacation in Denver

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson, 1124 17th Street, returned Memorial Day from a vacation trip to Denver, Colo., where they visited their daughter, Carol, a student at Denver Art School, then spent three days in Kansas City, Mo.

## Personal Touch

(Continued from Page Eight)

### Foreign Students Vacations

Vacation time is here for many students—and someone asked—"How do foreign students spend their vacations in this country?"

I wrote to Ed Thompson, from Ghana, formerly The Gold Coast, British West Africa, who is doing graduate study at Iowa State College. He informed:

"Most foreign students here in Ames go to summer school during that period. I will be working full time on my thesis problem throughout the summer months. Other students take trips outside the state or just stay around."

Thompson revealed that he was one of a party of eight students who were selected by the Ministry of Education of Ghana to receive Ford Foundation Scholarships administered by the Institute of International Education with headquarters in New York.

"I did not have any say in which college to attend. I was sent to Iowa State because Ames has one of the most outstanding courses in Soils."

"For my undergraduate degree, I majored in Agronomy (crops and soils) and for my MS degree I am specializing in Soil Fertility, otherwise known in other schools as Soil Chemistry."

"I expect to return home in early April of 1958 to a job in the Civil Service or as a research scientist at the University College of Ghana."

Thanks to the senior advisors at Des Moines Tech High School, Miss Margaret Barry and Mr. Don Squires, and the Girls' Advisor of North High School, Miss Essie Wherry, for their generous cooperation in interviewing graduates and compiling information that helped to make the graduates' pages so complete.

Graduates pictures that are not in this edition still may be published.

### Get July Issue of Journal

At last I can announce that last week I received a letter from Ladies Home Journal informing me that my feature on how to use roses and other flowers for "Petals for Potpourri" and scented gifts, will be published in the July issue of the magazine.

## The Curtis Ewings of Minnesota Here

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Ewing and family of Excelsior, Minn., spent Memorial Day and week end here visiting their parents and relatives here and in Boone, Ia.

## Graduation Prom At Willkie House Friday Night

The annual Willkie House Graduation Prom will be held Friday, June 7, 9 p.m., at Willkie House, honoring all high school graduates. Those attending the dance will vote for a person to be crowned "1957 Queen of the Graduates."

Persons chosen to run for queen are: Mary Dean McCracken, Des Moines Tech High; Louise Stewart, North High; Alberta Miller, Valley High, West Des Moines; and Joyce Taylor, East High.

## Mrs. Fannie Williams Is Dinner Hostess

Mrs. Fannie Mae Williams, 1011 Sixteenth Street, entertained at a recent Sunday dinner, Mrs. Dora Reynolds and Mrs. Frances Harris of Coffeyville, Kas., Mrs. Lillia Madison of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. Marie Kiser.

Mrs. Harris is a sister and Mesdames Reynolds and Madison are cousins of Mrs. Kiser, 1106 School Street.

## Socialite Queens To Meet June 8

The Socialite Queens will meet Saturday, June 8 at the home of Mrs. L. Jordan, 1029 Tenth Street, with Mesdames Inice Cooper, Henrietta Coates and Orea Buice as hostesses. The president, Mrs. Mary Parker, is urging all members to be present to make plans for disbanding for the summer.

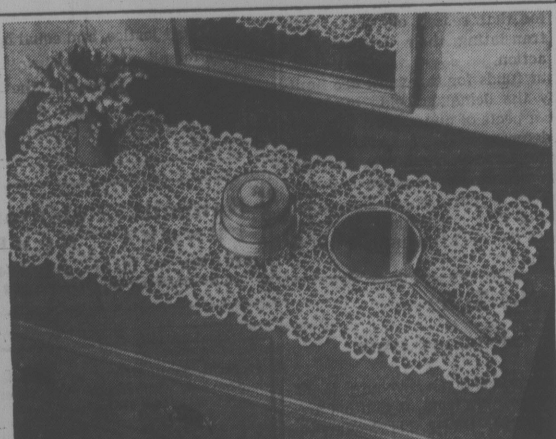
## Au Faite Club Has Memorial Breakfast

The Au Faite Club held its annual Memorial Day Breakfast May 30 at Union Park. The following guests were present: Mesdames Mabel Spencer, Ada Humbold, Dorothy Wallace, Leola McKay, Thelma Calderon. The club will disband for the summer to resume in September. Mrs. Dorothy Cherry is president.

## Mrs. Ritchey Has House Guests

Mrs. Enola Thompson Hill of Kansas City, Kas., Mrs. Lessie Ross and Mr. William Lumpkin, both of Detroit, Mich., arrived last week to spend a visit with Mrs. Wm. J. Ritchey, 1154 Fourteenth Street. Mr. Lumpkin is a brother and Mrs. Ross is an aunt of Mrs. Ritchey. Mrs. Hill is a former Des Moines resident, left Monday.

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## Enjoying a Birthday Party on Boat in Saigon



A program analyst in the American economic aid program in Saigon, Viet Nam, Mrs. Gwendolyn Fowler of Des Moines, is enjoying a birthday party given in her honor last Dec. 9, held on a boat on the Mekong River.

In the photo (from left) are: Don Soblin, Miss Ruth McEnroe, Mrs. Fowler and Mrs. Mary Jurick, all members of the U. S. staff in Viet Nam.

After two years in Saigon, Mrs. Fowler is home on vacation. She returned to the States April 30, met in New York City, her mother, Mrs.

Olin Cooper, 1112 Eleventh Street, Des Moines. They spent several days in New York City, going to the theater to see "My Fair Lady," dining at favorite eating places, visiting Radio City, attending a Prayer Pilgrimage rally, and taking in social events.

From there they went to Washington, D. C., toured the city and saw the historical sights.

Mrs. Fowler has been granted her request for reassignment to Saigon. She will leave June 24, to return to Viet Nam.

## Mrs. J. Newsome Heads Council

The Administrative Council of the OES met Sunday, June 2, at the home of Mrs. Osceola Sims with the president, Mrs. Helen T. Carter, presiding. Reports were given. Officers were elected for the year.

They are: president, Mrs. Jessie Newsome; vice president, Mrs. Gladys Brown; secretary, Mrs. Lessie Garrett; treasurer, Mrs. Felice Rhodes; parliamentarian, Mrs. Dorothy Collier, instructor, Mrs. Helen Carter; chaplain, Mrs. Mattie Woods. These officers will be installed at the next meeting, Sunday, Sept. 8, at the home of Mrs. Jessie Newsome, 1315 Laurel Street.

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## EDITORIALS

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SIXTY-THREE YEARS OF  
COMMUNITY SERVICE

When a group of citizens started the Bystander (it was the Iowa State Bystander) in 1894, they recognized the need for a medium whereby news about Negroes might be published fully and their views on topics of the day discussed adequately.

As a class paper, its growth has been geared to the Negro population in the state. However, in later years the paper has been read more widely by the public generally.

This situation prevailed for many years with respect to Negro newspapers as a whole, but as large population centers developed in many cities, these papers grew to large proportions.

In recent years, the Bystander has felt a responsibility to improve the civic and economic status of the Negro. It has been uncompromising in its support of the NAACP, and has opposed any and all types of discrimination in Iowa.

It has made friends among all groups. It has not been penalized for having pressed for complete human rights. Certainly it could not have had continuity of operation without the support of a substantial group of people of all races who realize the value of the Bystander in the community.

The management and staff are grateful to those who have, in any manner, contributed to the publication of the Bystander for sixty-three years.

HARD SLEDDING FOR  
CIVIL RIGHTS IN CONGRESS

President Eisenhower's civil rights measure has encountered stiff opposition in Congress as was expected, varying from delaying tactics to the inclusion of amendments which would nullify such a law.

Southern members, with the aid of a few weak northerners, have objected to the trial of civil rights cases without a jury. Of course, this is not unusual in quasi-criminal cases prosecuted under the Taft-Hartley Act and Anti-Trust laws. It is not unusual in cases brought for violation of city ordinances and other misdemeanors.

However, it is well understood that juries will not convict defendants for violating the civil rights of Negroes in the South. As a matter of fact, until recently the North has done little better.

Up until time the penalty for violating the Iowa civil rights law was reduced to a misdemeanor, defendants simply waived their cases to the grand jury and nothing more was heard of them. Grand juries simply would not indict.

Frankly, it is quite evident that congress continues to play politics with civil rights legislation allowing the South to call the tune.

PLAYING POLITICS  
WITH HUMAN RIGHTS

Last week, the Bystander complimented the city council "so far" for making plain to tavern owner, James McCoy, that it did not wink at violating Iowa's civil rights law.

But this week, it along with Sam Turk, chairman of the Commission on Human Rights and Job Discrimination, really sold us down the river—and deep river, at that.

It was never a legal quest that McCoy was not entitled to his license. Violation of civil rights laws is a misdemeanor and thus no legal bar to a license.

In view of the fact that McCoy had been found guilty in the Des Moines Municipal Court, it was improper to present and receive by the council statements in an attempt to retry the case and certainly by one whose job is to discourage and prevent discrimination. He said he had talked to white and colored people about the case but those people did not include the chairman of the legal redress committee of the NAACP who was involved in the case or any others concerned. Then, who were they?

There is too much of disposition to make mockery of civil rights. And that is what the council has done here. There just is no integrity in such conduct as that engaged in during the consideration of this case.

## THAT APOLOGY

The Bystander has been asked its own view on the apology Russ Van Dyke made in last week's issue.

In reply, so far, so good. But it advised him and states now that an apology should have been made on the same program over which he made the unfortunate statement.

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## Church Bombing

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because it's a sword that cuts both ways."

Thetford and Deputy Solicitor Robert B. Stewart told the jury that "Negro agitators would like nothing better than a verdict of acquittal."

## Civil Rights

"There is a civil rights bill pending in congress," Thetford explained, "and an acquittal here would do more than anything I can think of to pass that bill."

Defense attorneys John Blue Hill and John Harris argued that the verdict will "determine our very civilization and our way of life" on the south, and that it must "go down in history as saying to the Negroes that 'you shall not pass'."

State attorneys introduced evidence of signed confessions from both Britt and Livingston. The defense answered with claims of coercion, intimidation and "police brutality."

## Beer Permit Protest

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both before and after the incident that caused the charge to be filed.

**Board's Resolution**  
The NAACP resolution read that the board passed a motion "authorizing the legal redress committee to file a resolution of protest with the city council condemning the manner in which the beer permit was issued to James McCoy and his defense by Sam Turk, chairman of the Commission on Human Rights and Job Discrimination, particularly in view of the fact that a jury in municipal court in the city of Des Moines already has found the defendant guilty of violating the civil rights law and the defendant was fined by the court."

The board action preceded a "Victory" membership dinner at Willie House. Reports showed the branch now has 1,057 members, exceeding its goal of 1,000 in the recent membership drive.

## Burse in Brimley

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"Generally, wherever I go, three or four of my students are with me. Their interests in me have had a favorable influence that has effected their parents," Burse talked.

The town of Brimley, on Lake Superior, nationally known for its hunting and fishing, is a typical resort city, with a small winter population. Most of the pupils commute in school busses that bring them to Brimley, Burse said.

## Active in Community

He rooms and boards with a Canadian-Scotch family. Since he has been in Brimley, he has joined the International Lions Club in the area. He teaches Sunday School in the Congregational Church. He visits frequently with friends in Sault Saint Marie, Canada, only a few miles from Brimley.

How did he happen to go to the little town of Brimley?

"After doing a year's work on my master's degree at Drake in 1955, I applied for a job through Luton's Music Agency in Chicago, Ill.

"They gave me a list. It was late in the fall and I picked out the type of people I would like to work with. I talked to several school superintendents—and when I found one who would tell me that 'the community might be prejudiced' I passed him up because I knew that he might be prejudiced, too.

## Made Decision

"I contacted the school in Brimley, stated my qualification . . . I phoned them and when I told them I was a Negro, they said it did not make any difference. I decided before I got there that I would be treated as an individual."

About advising young Negro college graduates to seek positions in the small all-white communities, Burse said:

"It is more expedient for them to go into areas where there are not any Negroes—not with an attitude that the world owes you a living—or with a subservient or bowed-down one. When you are hired you are a teacher—and, I teach music," Burse said.

## Teaches to Listen

"I try to teach my students to understand the differences in music and its adversaries. When I first went there they favored Hillbilly. I told them 'to listen to it and decide' for themselves whether it is music—that they may enjoy it to a certain point—but should be preparing themselves for better music.

"Now, some students have gone on to progressive jazz—have skipped a

## HEALTH FOR ALL

## MONKEY BUSINESS

One hundred and fifty monkeys—all sick with tuberculosis. That was Dr. Leon H. Schmidt's problem.

In his laboratory at the Christ Institute of Medical Research in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was doing research on malaria. He had been using rhesus monkeys from India to test various anti-malaria drugs. But monkeys are highly susceptible to TB. One spring morning in 1952 Dr. Schmidt was faced with the fact that he had 150 monkeys sick and dying from TB. They were, of course, useless for malaria research. So he made the most of the situation and began research on tuberculosis.

## New Drug

At that time, a new anti-TB drug, isoniazid, had just been announced. Experiments were immediately set up to use the monkeys to test the new drug. Today the major part of the Institute's work is devoted to TB.

Right now with the aid of a Christmas Seal research grant from the National Tuberculosis Association the staff is trying to develop in monkeys a type of TB similar to that usually found in man. Ordinarily

few spans in between—and are interested in contemporary classics." Burse noted—and, he discussed the juke box repertoire of today:

## Rock and Roll

"Rock and Roll, hillybilly and the blues—all tell the same story—so continuous that it is monotonous. It's a fellow who has got a girl—or he's gonna get a girl—or he's just lost one.

"All forms of blues, hillybilly and folk music resort back to the progressions of the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Century church forms—using the tonic dominant," Burse was saying.

His mother, who accompanied him to the office for an interview, sat listening in awe.

She had just returned from Brimley where she went to spend Commencement Week with him. She attended Armed Forces Day parade where she saw and heard his band. She visited school activities, went fishing, partook of church services, dined in Canada with him and went on parties.

"Eddie," she interrupted, "you never told me all of this!"

## Behind Ballot Fight

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will be done for any political party and the campaign will be in the hands of NAACP members or in non-partisan committees of which the NAACP is a part. The grants themselves are going to NAACP state organizations in order to insure non-partisan activity.

"We believe that practical work must be done to get voters on the rolls as a matter of good citizenship and for that reason our state units are translating their determination into action.

"Our funds for this work are limited by the demands being made for other aspects of our program, and for the defense of the NAACP against the attacks made upon it by southern state governments, but we feel that increased registration of Negro voters is of first importance. Contributions to this registration fund will be welcome."

## Youths Tells

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Fred Moore of Orangeburg, S. C., related how students at South Carolina College, under his leadership, refused to buy or eat food products distributed by the White Citizens Councils after the Councils had brought about the dismissal from their jobs of large numbers of NAACP members who signed school desegregation petitions. Mr. Moore was expelled from the state college. Later he was enrolled in Allen University in Columbia, S. C.

Scrolls to the "Young Freedom Fighters," on behalf of the NAACP were presented by Jackie Robinson, national chairman of the Association's 1957 Fight for Freedom Fund campaign.

A telegram from Gov. Averell Harriman of New York State, read to the audience by Herbert L. Wright, NAACP youth secretary, declared: "If we are to achieve the God-given concept of the brotherhood of man and all which that implies for the freedom of each and every individual, we must all resolutely move forward together toward our supreme democratic goal of assuring equal rights,

ly tuberculosis in monkeys is acute and swift, unlike the chronic human disease. By vaccinating his animals with BCG, Dr. Schmidt hopes to be able to study new anti-tuberculosis drugs under conditions as nearly as possible like those in man.

## X-Ray Equipment

Valuable information on new and old anti-tuberculosis drugs has already been obtained. In learning how to manage the rhesus monkey Dr. Schmidt and his associates have become masters of an invaluable tool for the advancement of scientific knowledge.

Recently an epidemic of TB struck valuable animals in the Chicago zoo. TB specialists in the Windy City urged zoo authorities to call in Dr. Schmidt. With massive doses of isoniazid he saved the lives of many animals dear to the hearts of Chicago children.

This story is typical of medical research—usually a slow and painstaking search for knowledge, only occasionally dramatic, but always working toward better ways to protect your health.

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## SPORTS

## BY ALLEN ASHBY

The pennant races are getting tighter each day. In the national league, anyone of five teams could get red hot and run way out in front. The White Sox are giving their best supporting more reason to hope than ever. But if both the Yanks and Dodgers can stay close to the leaders with their big guns not doing much they could be awful rough when they get going. Hope we don't, but we may have another Yankee-Dodger Series on our hands.

## Tennis

This should be the year for Althea Gibson to win her big one, the American tennis championship. She could do it.

The boys have been smilingly trying to get rid of the Hilltop Open for about four years. But the gang up at the park seems to rally and come up again. Wonder if one of the fellows who has two legs on the Langston Hardaway trophy will retire this year. They better do it now because they are getting no younger.

Everett Mays says he has found the fountain of youth. Expects to play better than ever this year. If everybody works as hard as does Esther Mays, our tennis would come up.

Bob White of the Hottentots gave us an interesting experience last month. His son, Buzzy, is in the little league, but was with a team that wouldn't let him play. So Bob got the kid traded and the result is a even-handed justice, and equal opportunities for all our people."

Young people attending the rally came from points as far distant as Oklahoma. They were of high school and college age.

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From ambition's lusty drive. The pattern of our destiny Grows from the seeds we sow: When we plan for all eternity Our hearts will know, how we shall go.

—Glenn A. Gallagher.  
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Graduates from UNCF Members Colleges  
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New York, May 31—Florina Lasker Fellowships have been awarded to three 1957 honor graduates of United Negro College Fund member institutions, W. J. Trent, Jr., Fund executive director announced today.

Barbara L. Hill, a graduate of Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.; Donna M. Wood, of Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn.; and Dorothy E. Watkins, of Tuskegee Institute, Ala. have been awarded stipends to help finance their first year of study in graduate schools of their choice.

## Advance Studies

Miss Hill has chosen the University of Michigan for her advance studies in English and Literature. Born in Rosebud, Tex., Miss Hill attended elementary and high school in Wac, Tex., where she resides with her mother at 705 Orman Avenue.

A resident of Harlan, Ky., where she completed elementary school, Miss Wood attended high school in St. Paul, Minn. During her four years at Knoxville College, Miss Wood has maintained a consistently high scholastic record while working as clerk-typist in the office of the registrar. Her summer jobs have ranged from film splicing to serving as a counselor for 9-to-12-year-olds at a summer camp. Miss Wood plans to pursue graduate studies in psychiatric social work at the University of Chicago.

## Social Group Work

Miss Watkins, whose home is 177 Lemington Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., will study social group work at Western Reserve University. During her four years at Tuskegee, Miss

happy ending with young White playing all he wants to and doing all right.

Watkins consistently maintained a place at the top of her class. Miss Watkins earned part of her college expenses as a student assistant in the Tuskegee Library. On campus she served as an officer of the Tuskegee Chapter of Kappa Alpha Mu, the honorary scholarship society.

## Mason City, Iowa

Mason City, Ia.—The St. John Baptist Sunday School was in charge of Mrs. Willie Turner. Rev. Granville Williams preached 'The Lord's Supper was served Mothers of the church, Mesdames William Barnett and O. H. Burrell assisted, the minister and deacons. Sunday afternoon, Rev. B. F. Parker of New Bethel Baptist church baptized Veronica Harper and Mrs. John Amos, at St. John. Sunday evening Rev. Lyn Huff of Kelly, Iowa, spoke at St. John. Rev. Mr. Williams motored to Waterloo, Ia., to assist

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