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Spotlight

Carolyn King: The Message In Gospel Music

Sis. Carolyn King, a well known gospel singer, throughout the state of Iowa and surrounding states, explains "I feel the message in the music I sing and I enjoy expressing God's Good News to fallen man

through song."

Sunday, October 1, 1978 at 7:00 p.m. King will be the featured soloist in a concert, "Magnify the Lord," at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Combined Choirs and special guest the

Corinthianaires of Corinthian Baptist Church.

King is an active member at Shiloh, she is the Minister of Music, Vice President of the Senior Choir, Sunday School teacher and she is one of the children choir supervisors.

She is the past president of the State Youth Department; Iowa Missionary and Educational Baptist State Convention, presently supervisor of the Starlight Band.

King believes in furthering God's message in any way possible, which is one of the reasons why she formed the combined

choir at Shiloh. "This represents a spiritual coming together of dedicated Christians," explains King.

The thirty voice choir and musicians have appeared on KCCI TV and presented a concert "O Give Thanks," last year. The choir will appear in this Sunday's program.

Sister King an ardent Bible student, feels that by praising and glorifying God through song, the message in the music may fall on an attentive ear ... a soul may be strengthened and/or some lost soul

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Sis. Carolyn King

Logan Neighborhood Festival

The Logan Neighborhood Development Board invites you to their Fall Festival Carnival - Bazaar - Bake Sale on Saturday, Oct. 7, 1978, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Games - Door Prizes - Skate Board Contest

Cake Walk Bring your garden vegetables - fruits - clothing - Whatever. Buy - Sell - or Swap.

Meet your candidates that are running in your precinct for the October 21, 1978 election.

All candidates welcome.

Minimum Competency Testing—Good Or Bad?

by Connee L Bowman
Part IV (conclusion)

(In the previous article the legislation extent for minimum competency testing was reviewed. At least 31 states have already begun legislatively mandated action for minimum competency testing)

In order to deal effectively with the emotional issue of

minimum competency testing — we must consider some questions of implementation and policy. The development of proficiency in the basic skills, state assessment of minimum competency and testing of survival skills are all aspects of the "back-to-basics issue". Legislative and public interest has continued to

grow towards the need to consider minimal competency standards in our schools. More than half of the states have begun some official action (legislative mandate) — Iowa has not proceeded this far. A bill was defeated in the legislature last Fall

which would have required high school seniors to "pass" a competency test in order to receive a high school diploma. There is still considerable interest and movement towards minimal competency testing among legislators, citizens and

others.

Reverend Jesse Jackson, Director of PUSH (People United To Save Humanity) does not even want to discuss minimum competencies. He has developed a high school program called EXCEL. (It is a push for excellence in education)

He has gone on record as calling for a "declaration of excellence" for Black students. He believes we need to avoid so much educational compromise in our schools and press

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Langston Hughes COP Tryouts

Try-outs for the next Langston Hughes Company of Players production is open to the public. They will be held Monday, October 16, 1978, at 7:00 p.m. Tiny Tot Auditorium.

Eight male parts and six female parts are needed for the satirical

comedy A DAY OF ABSENCE by Douglas Turner Ward. The play will be directed by Ann Downey. Committee sign ups will also be held that

evening for Production Publicity and Ticket committee. Call 243-2525 for further information.

Notice To All Writers and Contributors

The deadline for all news for the Bystander is Wednesday at noon. All news must be received by then for Thursday's newspaper.

The Iowa Bystander will not return pictures through the mail. Contributors are encouraged to pick up the pictures at the Bystander office as soon after publication as possible.



Stevie Fields, 13, plays the part of Gabriel, a young black slave, who misses his parents, wants to go to church and yearns to be free in the musical

SHENANDOAH, directed by John A. Robinson, on current run at the Des Moines Community Playhouse until Saturday, September 30, 1978. Stevie is the son of Mrs. Margaret Fields of Des Moines.

Photo by Webster

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

IEWS and REVIEWS by Allen Ashby

I don't know too much about the troubles of Rhodesia and South Africa, but as I interpret them, it seems that the blacks there want to have a share in the governments. And, since the whites have all the power and most of the military strength, they don't want it that way. So they made deals with some of the blacks in Rhodesia to take over their part of the government in a certain length of time.

But this deal concerned the few blacks who seem to have prospered under things as they are, and left out the rest of them who are expected to go along

with the program. And now that they don't want to do that they are denounced as troublemakers. But, let's say the situation existed here in America. Indeed it did at one time. You remember in the sixties whenever blacks rose up, there was a meeting of the leaders; i.e. people who were prominent citizens and who were supposed to represent the blacks.

And I heard the angry young blacks asking how those people could represent them when they didn't relate to the youngsters in any way, didn't live in the same neighborhood. So I would guess that is the way it is in those countries in Africa. No doubt there are some leaders among the militants who are as sharp as anybody else. But they don't get noticed as Smith & Co. deal with the moderates. Nobody wants to see bloodshed, but it would seem that the group that composes the majority of the blacks should be taken into consideration, and not branded as guerillas.

They have been fighting because they have believed that is the only way they are to achieve independence. I don't know how it could be done, but I would think the Smith government would make

some sort of effort to get those representatives to the bargaining table. Instead he seems to rely upon the moderates to sell his program to the people in the outlands. But that is par for things where blacks are concerned.

Here the people who made the least waves were consulted when there was or is trouble, and those leaders are expected to sell the program that is worked out to the masses, and often that is the first contact these leaders have with them. Here some of the radicals got themselves elected to offices, and others went to jail, but they attracted attention and made people realize that radicals have brains too.

And, I bet that in Africa, as well as in America you have blacks who have it made and who don't want the boat rocked. They are the ones who will try to sell the program, and maybe it might be a good one. But how do you approach someone you haven't been dealing with and try to convince him that you are on his side? I certainly am no expert on African affairs, but it looks as if the people who want peace in both Rhodesia and South Africa have their work cut out for them.



Thoughts and Comments

By James B. Morris III

Bits And Pieces

Due to a dearth of interesting and important news stories this week, I thought it appropriate to write this week about some of less noteworthy items which appeared in print or on the television screen. These are stories which, although attracting my interest for one reason or another, didn't seem sufficient of themselves to provide a basis for lengthy comment. Rather than totally bore you with the sometimes long and often muddled output of my somewhat less than idle mind, I will try to be brief.

Another painful yet familiar situation has arisen in the City of Des Moines' plan to tear down some or all of the housing in the Walnut Hill area to make way for the future Urban Campus for the Des Moines Area Community College, office buildings, and multiple-family dwellings. The residents of that neighborhood, many of them elderly and/or disabled, complained not only about the changes in the city's position as to the status of it over the past

20 years or so, but also about the inequitable effect of removal on those who wish to remain. I am unsure about the composition of the neighborhood (as to whether it contains a higher proportion of elderly or disabled residents than most), the serviceability or repairability of the housing there, or the adequacy of the compensation the residents will receive if their houses are taken, but it seems clear that someone or some group is going to suffer regardless of what course of conduct is eventually taken. There was a recommendation made by the city's Urban Renewal Board to leave some of the houses in place, although the residents access to them would be quite restricted. Regardless of whether all of the housing or most of it is removed, the elderly and disabled residents are going to be displaced or discomforted in some way. Whether the city chooses to act in that neighborhood or in another some resident or residents undoubtedly will not get the justice which they expect or think they deserve and are likely to object. I can sympathize with their complaints and their sincerity, but I have seen instances of similar renewal activity in black neighborhoods where the same types of objectives have been made, but little in the way of publicity or relief was forthcoming to those residents either and they simply had to adapt to those changed circumstances. The many black elderly and disabled residents who formerly lived in largely dilapidated housing on West Ninth Street, south of University Avenue have had to adjust their lives to meet the changes and I think these current objectors will have

to do so as well.

Representative Richardson Preyer (Dem. N.C.) made the statement, in discussing the House Assassinations Committee's investigation of the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King on the CBS program 'Face the Nation', that ... "there is evidence which, if it checks out to be credible, would show a conspiracy in that case". He continued, in response to inquiry, that it would be difficult to prove the existence of the conspiracy (as opposed to a criminal association) without the help of the confessed killer, James Earl Ray. The key he said, was the status of Ray's finances, which would seem to me (and has been to others before I think) to be the most obvious point of inquiry. For some time after his release from prison and before the King assassination, Ray travelled extensively without the seeming finances to do so, and travelled in several foreign countries for about a year after the killing before he was captured. Is Representative Preyer's statement a significant new development?

As I mentioned earlier, others have questioned the financial resources and connections which Ray drew upon to elude capture by the authorities for nearly a year after the slayings. It would seem obvious to me that Ray had help from some group or individuals both within and without the United States to evade capture as long as he did. But nothing in Preyer's answers indicates that the evidence he mentioned was new or previously uninvestigated. Similar comments were made by those who investigated the King assassination shortly afterward, but no one

Kalonji Saadiq

Speakin' Out



THE CHANGING TIMES

1978 has been the most significant year in my life since 1969. The events of this year will determine the course I will follow for perhaps the next decade. I am sure that in the years to come I will interpret the events of 1978 as a spiritual experience, for I have been most profoundly affected. In fact I have been deeply moved.

In 1969 I was beaten up, blown up, and locked up right here in Des Moines. I was profoundly affected. I interpreted the experience of that year as a challenge to test my courage. I was to uncompromisingly uphold my principles at all cost, even in the face of death. The climate of the late sixties and early seventies dictated that I should be brash, bold, arrogant and inflammatory when confronting the "system"; and mild, meek, and humble among the "masses". I was to challenge the "power structure" whenever the opportunity presented itself.

The demise of U.C.B.C. (the project to establish a Black radio station) was the first sign. It clearly indicated the present inability of Black folks in Des Moines to work together. Next came the confrontation with a street gang. I knew all of them and had been in jail with most of them. I was deeply hurt because by the nature of my experiences I was "one of the gang". I was also hurt because by their being "street people" they were part of my clout;

some of the people that pledged to turn Des Moines out if the authorities ever hurt me. Next a "brother" who is like myself; on the path of spiritual enlightenment beat me out of almost \$200.00. This occurred at a time when I was unemployed and had no source of income. Two of my financial accounts were thrown in jeopardy. I have tried my best to maintain a fairly decent credit rating. The last sign, a semi-major one, occurred about two weeks ago when this "brother" stole my customized 10 speed pegasus with a cassette sound system. It was my only means of transportation. The bicycle is so well known that I discovered who stole it in a matter of hours. Unfortunately, I had to go on the "brother's" job and put the fear of God in him.

There were numerous smaller signs; such as the appearance of my first gray hair, but all of them point toward the fact that it's time for me to undergo

a change.

The major thrust of my activities will be economic development in the Afro-American community. I will still be politically active; speaking when I am called upon, but the inflammatory rhetoric subsides. I will begin to work with the city on areas of common concern. I will begin to address such issues as affirmative action, and the city's mismanagement of community development funds.

The challenge of the late sixties and early seventies was to maintain my radicalism; to fight for the cause of the downtrodden and dispossessed. The challenge of this period is — can I be anything other than radical? Can I be moderate enough to work to change the conditions of the aforementioned?

Some consider me a leader, I have considered myself as perhaps a representative. The time has

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Come To The Fair

Church Women United will sponsor a Social Action Fair at St. John's Lutheran Church, 6th and Keo on Monday, Oct. 2, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This is an effort to communicate to our area what is being done and what else can be done to make it a better place to

live.

We are asking any and all Social Action groups and committees to bring things they have made (sewing, knitting), posters depicting their projects (banners may also be used). Groups wanting to participate are asked to come

anytime after 9:00 a.m. to set up their displays. Help will be on hand.

All people are asked to bring 'white elephants', baked goods, plants, homemade candy (which will be sold), proceeds going to Church Women United Social Action Projects. There will be a knitting corner for those wishing to learn to knit caps and mittens for school children. Instructions and patterns available.

Coffee and snacks will be served all day.

Smouse students will give a puppet show at 1:00 p.m.

McCombs Junior High Chorus will give a musical at 3:00 p.m.

Oakridge children will sing - 6:00 p.m.

Dinner served with reservation with Hellen Wilken 5:30 p.m. Phone 243-0059.

For further information call Gladys Burkhead, 255-6666.

Paper Drive

The Red Cross Youth Council will hold a paper drive on October 7-8, 1978, at the Hy-Vee Parking Lot at 1300 East Park Avenue. The proceeds from this paper drive will support service projects for the deaf, handicapped, and underprivileged in the Des Moines area. Please

save your newspapers for us!!!

(For further information please contact Janice Young at 243-7681.)

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Editor

The New Iowa Bystander
140 4th Ave.
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Dear Sir:

We are planning a reunion of the men who served aboard the U.S.S. Osterhaus D.E. (destroyer escort) 164 during World War II. With the help of newspapers and postmasters we have located 181 men but we are unable to locate the following men whose last known addresses were in your area:

Raymond A. Gilbertson
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We would appreciate it very much if you would print an article in the New Iowa Bystander about the reunion and the need to know the whereabouts of these men. If anybody has any information please contact:

Raymond Farris
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Highland, Indiana 46322
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THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS BITS AND PIECES

could prove anything. I have previously been critical of the House Assassinations Committees recent investigations because I thought the types things they were investigating were largely trivial and pointless. If his statement is based on newly discovered solid evidence which is ultimately proveable, then I would be willing to support continued investigation of this sort. But if his statement is not based upon substantial or other newly discovered evidence, but done perhaps to rally public support for the Committees' continued efforts, then my earlier criticisms will stand. So long as the current investigations are confined to the rehashing of old evidence without reaching what I think are the ultimate questions (who and why) to be answered, then any money spent is wasted.

come to test myself to see if I can bear the yoke of responsible leadership.

The economic conditions of the Afro-American community in Des Moines is going to be the criteria I use to determine success or failure. If I am not leadership material the economic status of Afro-Des Moines will remain bleak or get worse. If I am a leader, then certainly I should be able to significantly affect the economic status of Afro-Des Moines in a positive manner.

Des Moines has around twenty thousand Black people. Yet the streets in the Black community in Des Moines are as mean as the streets of any ghetto with more than a hundred thousand Blacks. Two major factors contributing to this situation are the economic instability and political backwardness of the Black community.

I believe it is possible to change the economic conditions in Afro-Des Moines. The most vital element involved in economic advancement is developing the capacity of Afro-Americans in Des Moines to work together by pooling our talents, ideas, and limited resources. This is necessary if the other elements are to be obtained.

We must begin to develop the lines of communications (one reason a radio station is so important) in the Black community to expand political awareness. Communications and political awareness are necessary prerequisites to economic advancement. For instance, we should be aware of what Community Development Block Grant Funds are for and when and how to obtain them. The Black community in Baltimore was able to benefit from C.D.B.G.F. monies because they organized and formulated a plan. Surely we have among us the expertise necessary to accomplish the same for Afro-Des Moines.

I am anxiously awaiting the opportunity to confront this new challenge. I find it as exciting as the challenge of the late sixties.

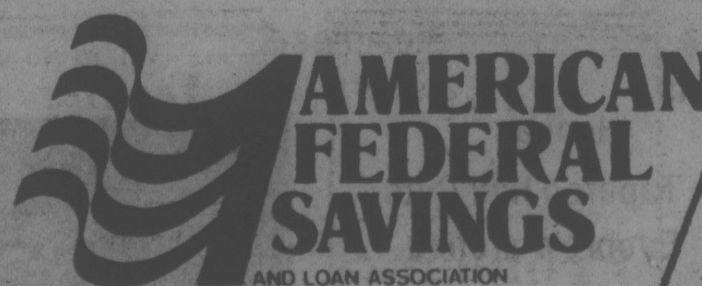
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Whitehead Receives Bowling Award

The Des Moines Bowling Guild Roadrunners of Central States Bowling Guild, Inc., recently traveled to Minneapolis, Minn., to participate in the annual tournament of the Central States Bowling Guild. As a part of the tournament festivities the Jack Adams Memorial Award is presented in commemoration of the pioneer Jack Adams.

This year the recipient of that award was Mrs. Emily Whitehead, 1531 McCormick Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50316.

Emily, mother of 13 children was cited for the work that she has done with young bowlers in the city.

Emily's involvement with young bowlers began in 1970, as she entered her son in a Summer Bowling Program at Thunderbird

Lane where she offered to assist with the other children in the program which has continued to date.

During this first year Emily specialized with the 5-6 year olds. Her success prompted her to try 4 year olds. The only requirement was that they be able to hold and roll a bowling ball down the lane. She really had to work in this endeavor. Picking up and delivering kids when parents could not do this, calling to remind parents, loaning parents money for bowling fees so that the children could qualify for a "perfect attendance" patch, coaching and keeping scores. In pursuit of personal excellence, she attended all available seminars and training sessions for coaches and in 1975, she earned the rating of

Certified Bowling Coach.

In 1976, a local television station contacted Emily's "home bowling house", Thunderbird Lanes, seeking material for a special show on children's bowling. Coach Whitehead was chosen by the establishment to work with the TV staff. She put together a multi-racial team of white, black, and Mexican 5-8 year olds carrying averages of 90-100. Bowling on TV for the first time and against older competition, Coach Whitehead's team came away the winner. In 1976, she became the head coach for Thunderbird Lanes and still serves in that capacity at the present time.

Constantly seeking ways to encourage and reward the children for

their interest in bowling, Emily got the idea of refurbishing old trophies, adding new name plates, and using these for frequent rewards for outstanding feats during the bowling season. Friends donated trophies and the bowling establishment paid for plates and engraving.

Now, the children receive an award for such feats as picking up difficult splits, high games, high games over average, etc. In addition, Emily also furnished twelve "traveling" trophies for the 1st Place Teams of the 1977-78 Junior League Season to be on permanent display at the bowling establishment, with pictures of the winners. Each year new winners will appear and new names will be added to the plates.

Emily created a "King & Queen of the Season Award" so that coaches may select the boy and girl who has best exemplified all-around sportsmanship, bowling skill, bowling courtesy, lane deportment, etc. In spite of this seemingly all-consuming interest with children's programs, Emily has continued her own personal bowling pursuits and has faithfully maintained her membership in the long-established Tri-Hard Womens League for more than sixteen years. She is a charter member of the Des Moines Bowling Guild Roadrunners of Central States Bowling Guild, Inc., and serves on the Social Committee.

Emily Whitehead

Family Centered Childbirth Education Association Meeting

The Family Centered Childbirth Education Association of Des Moines is holding its General Meeting Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center School of Nursing Auditorium.

Featured will be a film, "Pregnant Fathers" dealing with the father's role in

pregnancy and birth.

Also featured will be Dr. R. S. Shires of the East Des Moines Family Care Center who will discuss the importance of the father in pregnancy, birth and childrearing.

The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information contact Patty Beckwith at 280-8738.

Hawkeye Elk News

Hawkeye Elks Lodge No. 160 and Rose Temple No. 33 invites you to share our tidbits of news and information.

The Lodge will be sponsoring a men's softball team. All men interested please contact Odell Jenkins or Bud Collins at 266-9269 or attend the first meeting Tuesday, October 2nd, 1978 at the Lodge Hall at East 14th and Walker across from East High School.

Parents, get your children ready we are going to sponsor a Drum and Bugle Corp. This will be under the direction of Ronald Brewer and James Davis. Watch this spot for further information.

Rose Temple No. 33 met September 22nd and we began to make plans for some special activities. All daughters who were not present try to join us October 13th, 1978 at 8:00 p.m. for our next meeting. Activities to look forward to:

Saturday, September 30, 1978, 9:00 p.m. to 1:00

AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion Auxiliary Lincoln Post No. 126 will meet Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at the hall - 1625 Washington.

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Mrs. Laura Warden,
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Friday night, October 6, 1978 - Fish Fry. Fresh spaghetti, cole slaw or salad. Hours: 4:00 p.m. Till? Sponsored by Rose Temple No. 33.

October 8th, 1978

Hawkeye Elks Lodge No. 160 meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Attention all Brothers and Daughters: We will turn out for Memorial Services Sunday, October 8th, 1978 - 10:30 a.m. at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 501 - SE 4th.

Our Sick and Shut-Ins: Bro. George Hardy - Rm. 673 Mercy Hospital. Bro. Lafe Fowler - at home.

Daughter - Wanda Gibson - at home.

Daughter - Mae Shetworth - Americana Medical Center.

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Soul... Food and Thought

Aldeen Davis



Alex Haley started a new American pastime ... that of tracing our roots. County court houses and library staffs found themselves dusting off forgotten archives, and newspaper files were reopened to help the curious find "from whence they came". While this proved fascinating to many, it was frustrating to most blacks. Let's face it, how many blacks would be able to avail themselves of such expert "experties" as Haley?

Traveling across three continents, checking sailing times of slave ships, checking latitude and longitudes, wind velocity, and son on. No; blacks, by in large, have to settle for what is at hand, which is precious little. Starting with the family bible and proceeding from there to, perhaps, records found in the Freedmans Bureau, or the depositors in the Freedmans Savings and Trust Company's manmission of endentured papers.

If you were lucky you may learn the port of entry your ancestors arrived, in which case you could check the insurance company of North America with which many slave ships were insured. Another

recommended source is the Mariner Museum of Newport News, Virginia.

The search for many blacks' roots is further complicated, because upon gaining their freedom many adopted their master's names or that of a hero, Lincoln, Douglas, etc. Take heart, all is not lost, another possibility, is the slave collar. These collars were inscribed with the owner's name and that of the slave. These too, can be found in museums throughout the south. Branding records, are another source. Slaves were branded in Africa with the identity of the slave ship, and again with that of their master upon arrival. While these records are far from complete they sometimes can be found in mouldy courthouse basements.

While breeding was a social embarrassment, to the south it was nevertheless done and breeding records listing national background, condition of health, how many children were sired and by whom, are helpful. Share cropping records can verify residence and colored labor unions; from 1869-1874. While it is difficult for the black man to trace his roots, there are many other interesting roots — roots that all can enjoy regardless "from whence he came".

The late Euëlle Gibbons aroused some interest in feasting from nature's wilds but the knowledge of the slave mother was unsurpassable. She knew what could be used for medicinal purposes and what would make a tasty dish. The spring and the fall would find her gathering, Mullein for tea that would help tired swelling feet and legs, and the "Heart Dropsy". Cooked Barefoot root mixed with salt and lard made a salve for the "rheumatiz". Mayapple

Root good to work the bowels. Jerusalem oats, for worms, and a tea brewed from Tansey, or Hazel root was good for "womanhood trouble".

The children could hardly wait for the Day Lily to burst through the ground snipping off the first sprouting stalks so mother could cook them much like one would asparagus, then later prepare the blossoms like fritters; and with fall the dried green buds of these lilies can be used in soups and stew.

Even more enjoyable was the cattail, the green spikes cooked and eaten like corn on the cob, while the golden bloom spike pollen can be added to oancakes and perhaps eaten with elderberry wine, or mulberry syrup. Try these fritters for your next Sunday brunch: Make a very thin pancake batter. Leave a little stem on the blossoms of either the Day Lily, Squash blossom, or Elderberry blossoms. Wash and dip face down in the batter. Fry stem up in a small amount of fat until crisp. Sprinkle lightly with salt and serve with hone.

Milkweed: While the pods are young, before the silk and seeds have started to form, boil in a small amount of water, season with salt, pepper and butter and serve as a side dish with roast or steak. They are also good in stews and soups.

The queen of all herbs and a longtime favorite is the Dandelion ... with a dual purpose ... spring tonic and a tasty vegetable.

Greens: There are as many "recipes" for the proper mixture of greens as there are cooks. Down south, "We uns git a sight o' dandelions...they're so tonic an' plum good for yore liver." "Then git a right smart o' wild lettuce, seeds o' tender young poke shoots, some wild mustard, slick dock, lamb's quarter, a few sprigs o'pepper grass, some tips o' wild elder, a passel o'watercress, and one wild onion for the flavor. "If there is a early garden, thin out the best, get some radish and turnip tops, tame mustard, a few leaves from the horse - radish plants and a few little crinkly hearts "out n the pie - plant".

It takes about a peck of fresh greens to make a hearty mess. Now, "worsh 'em til they're cleaner than clean .. sort an' pick an' peerr fer bugs and all sich as that, and then worsh agin. Put on to cook in a big iron pot in abot' a quart o' water. Season with heavy bacon, or smoke hog-jowl, or maybe a hambone. Simmer until tender done. Lift out onto a big platter, season with salt and pepper. Place slices o'hard cooked eggs aroun' platter."

Now to top this meal of greens off, it is said, one should serve Cornbread with cracklings, 'taters in their jackets, scads o'butter, wild onions and good cold buttermilk. Sorghum molasses or homemade apple butter on the side won't hurt anything either.

NOTE: The correct way to eat greens and cornbread is to pinch a small amount of corn bread between the thumb and forefinger, taking a small amount of the greens in the process.

MORE TO COME!

Gov. Ray Hosts Retirement Party For Williams

Mrs. Helen S. Williams, 1108 10th, Des Moines, Iowa, was given a surprise retirement party by Governor and Mrs. Robert D. Ray at beautiful Terrace Hill, the Governor's residence.

August 31st was her last working day. Governor and Mrs. Ray

expressed thanks and appreciation for Mrs. Williams' service of 10 years, and is considered a member of our family. Mrs. Williams was presented Samsonite teal blue luggage with rollers, Mrs. Ray remembering her trip to Dublin, Ireland last year.

The Governor's Executive Staff, Mrs. Ray's staff, Guards of Terrace Hill, friends and neighbors, made a very warm and happy retirement party for Mrs. Williams, as the Governor stated — the second history - making event given at Terrace Hill.

Mrs. Williams joined the State in 1955 as a cook at the old Governor's Mansion, 2900 Grand Ave. She plans to enjoy her retirement at home with her mother, Mrs. Guy and her son Bobby.



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The Church Page

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Sat., Sept. 30, there will be a rib dinner given by the brotherhood. Number to call for order is 255-4286. Angel Choir practice Sat. at 1 p.m.

Missionary meeting every other Thursday at 7:30.

Rev. Betts and his congregation will be our guests to start off our Pastor's anniversary. The service starts Oct. 8.

Thought for the week: He that dwells in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God, in Him will I trust.

Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings shall you trust: His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

You shall not be afraid for the terror of night: nor for the arrow that flies by day.

Rev. Fred B. Green - Pastor

Ozell Williams, church reporter

"HAY-A-SALAD DAY" all the salads you can eat for the donation of \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12 on Wednesday October 4, at 5:00 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church 520-31st Street. And then join us in the sanctuary for evening prayer meeting.

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

"We've Come This Far

By Faith — Learning on the Lord," echo the words of inspiration, as sung by the Senior Choir before the morning message was delivered by Pastor Ralph Jones. Speaking from the Book of Job, Pastor Jones' theme was "Meeting Obstacles With Faith."

We all have hardships, trials, and tribulations, in other words things we view as obstacles. One can be religious about anything, i.e., going to work on time, polishing your car, buying a new dress, etc. Job was a religious man who feared God. God in turn caused Job to prosper in every way — plenty of land, money, food, shelter, and clothing for his family. His most precious treasure was a good wife and children.

However, Satan whom is forever busy, full of jealousy, steps in the midst of all of Job's blessings. The Lord saith unto Satan, "which cometh thou?" Satan was lounging around in the midst of the children of God and his reply was, "I been going to and from earth."

Satan was aware of the gifts God had allowed Job to receive. God gives Satan a chance to doubt Job's trust and faith in God. Bad news hit Job three times in one day, not giving Job enough time to steal away and talk to God and not enough time to compose himself — when it rains it pours.

Satan caused Job to question accusations from friends after his children were burned and his cattle were driven away.

One should never curse God, where He leads — follow, even when the path gets rough, continue to follow and pray.

If you want something in your life — continue to pray, for one doesn't know what tomorrow brings, but it is clear who holds tomorrow — "He holds the whole world in His hands."

Meditate: Worry can have a positive perspective. It can prove that I really am interested in a friend or a person God has given to me, or that I really care about a situation. Knowing what to do with that worry is what's important.

If I turn my worry into faith, my faith can be as strong as my worry was. One prayer does more good than many times that amount of time spent worrying. I need to pray for the faith necessary to control or overcome worry. To make the most of my worry, I have to turn it into faith in God to work everything out.

Thought for Today: Rom. 1:17; The righteous will live by faith.

ORALABOR MI. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

On the 1st Sunday, Oct. 1st, the service of My Lord and I will be at 4:30 p.m. All soloists will be ministers and Deacons. The narration by Sis Luvenia Jones.

We welcome everyone that will come and get a blessing from the Lord in words and song.

Sponser Bro Isan Jones, Pastor Rev. H. S i m m o n s

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH HISTORY

A Memorial Research Committee of the Union Baptist Church is involved in compiling historical information about the Church and its members.

Anyone having such information covering the years from 1912 to the present and willing to contribute it, please contact:

Delores Clayvon at 265-1954, Mary Parker at 266-3662, or Herman Wadsworth at 266-7768.

All documents, photos or news stories submitted or loaned to the Committee will be returned to the owners.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Thomas's sermon subject last Sunday morning was, "A Man That Disturbed A City." The New Creations and Angel choirs sang.

Prayer services are held each week at 7 p.m. Our known hospitalized sick is Brother James Cooper at Broadlawn.

Schedule of services in Appreciation of Rev. H. I. Thomas and Families. Eleven years of service at Union Baptist Church: Sunday, October 1 at 6 p.m.: Rev. H. R. Fields and members of Mt. Olive Baptist; Rev. F. B. Green and members of Macedonia Baptist.

Monday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 p.m.: Rev. George Parrish and members of Maple Street Baptist; Rev. Guy Sanders and members of Community Baptist.

Tues., Oct. 3, at 7:30 p.m.: Rev. Benjamin

Jamieson and members of Shiloh Baptist; Rev. T. R. Brown and members of Our Saviour Baptist.

Thurs., Oct. 5, at 7:30 p.m.: Rev. F. W. Strickland and members of Corinthian Baptist.

Friday, Oct. 6, at 7:30 p.m.: Rev. Jesse L. Williams and members of Kyles A.M.E.

Sunday, Oct. 8, at 4 p.m.: Rev. James Harris and members of Mt. Hebron Baptist; Rev. Alex Crawford and members of Morning Star Baptist.

Anniversary Committee: Leonard and Clara Wade and The Board of Trustees.

Think About It: "GOD ANSWERS PRAYER"

MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH

Saturday, October 7, at 6:00 p.m. there will be a general Business meeting. All members are urged to attend.

Sunday, October 8, Holy Communion will be served at 11:00 a.m. services and also installation of officers for the new year 78-79.

Thought for the week: 100 Psalm:

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord, He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into His gate with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.

For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

Our sick and shut-ins are Mother Love at West Park Care Center; Jennie Ruth Patton, Mercy Hospital.

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MESSIAH TEMPLE

"Judgement" was the subject of Evangelist Zora Reed's message

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MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH S.E. 4th & Scott Streets Rev. H. R. Fields, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Evening Service 7:45 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Fridays 7:30 p.m.	PRAYER OF FAITH C.O.G.I.C. 121 1/2 W 20th Pastor Sept. Elder Edith Davis Asst. Pastor H.B. Eppright Assoc. Minister Jerry Woods Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Service 11:15 a.m. Evening Service 8:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Service 8:00 p.m. Friday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.	EVANGELISTIC MISSIONARY C.O.G.I.C. 1200 E. 10th Street Rev. Pastor Arthur Bush Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 1:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Y.P.W.W. 7:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m. Tuesday Prayer & Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Thursday Consecration & Meeting 8:00 p.m.	MESSIAH TEMPLE 280 Center Elder Jacob A. Reed, Pastor Order of Services Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal Sat. 2:00 p.m. The Book of Acts 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.	NEW FRIENDSHIP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST 1711 West 18th Pastor Elder R. L. Dye Sunday Services Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Church Worship 11:30 a.m. Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m. Weekday Services Tues. & Fri. 7:30 p.m. Thursday 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal	TRUE BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 1400 DeWolf Street Rev. Earl Wiggins, Pastor 255-4212 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Bible Class 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.
CONVENTION BAPTIST CHURCH 10th & Scott Streets Rev. F. W. Strickland Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.	MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH 520 31st Street Rev. F. B. Green, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service 11:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30 p.m. Saturday Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.	CANTON MISSOURI SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. H. L. Turner, Pastor Bertie Nickerson, S.S. Supt. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. 2nd and 4th Sundays	HEAVENLY TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST 2110 Carpenter at 21st Des Moines, Iowa Bishop A. R. Carter, Sr., Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m. Bible Band (Tues.) 7:00 p.m. Evening Service (Thurs.) 7:30 p.m.	Our Saviour's Baptist Church 1555 Des Moines Street Des Moines, IA 50316 Ph: 244-9528 Rev. T.H. Brown, Pastor Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sun. School 10:00 a.m. Prayer Service Wed. 7:00 p.m.	
PIELMINE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 1722 Walker Street Rev. Wayland Smith, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Youth Meeting Weekly 7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.	MESSIAH TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C. Elder James McLean, Pastor Assistant Pastor Minister E. Bell Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m. Evening Services 8:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday Nights 7:30 p.m.	MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH E. 10th & Maple Street Rev. Gen. Fyfe Minister 255-0200 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Bible Class 6:30 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.	MORNINGSTAR BAPTIST CHURCH 180 W. 10th Rev. Alex Crawford, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Sunday Broadcast 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.		SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 1813 Scott Pastor Rev. Benjamin W. Jamieson 277-6200 Order of Services Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH 1800 East Capitol Street Des Moines, Iowa 50319 Rev. James Harris, Pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.	UNION BAPTIST CHURCH "The Friendly Church" E. University at McDonald Rev. Henry Thomas 250 McDonald Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Evening Service 7:45 p.m. Prayer Service Wednesday All Day	ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH 200 S. E. Henry Rev. F.W. Strickland Church School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Youth Fellowship 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p.m. Pastor phone 255-0215	NEW BETHANY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST 18th and Hamilton Pastor Andrew E. Johnson Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Sunday Youth Service 6:45 p.m. Sunday Evening Service 8:00 p.m. Mid-week Service Wed & Fri 7:30 p.m. Everyone Welcome	KYLES TEMPLE AME BROTHERHOOD CHURCH Rev. Jesse L. Williams, Pastor 807-45th Street Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11:30 a.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service Wed. 7:30 p.m.	ST. PAUL AME CHURCH 1201 Day Street Rev. Lewis E. Grady Church School 9:30 a.m. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Vespers Service 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Wed. 7:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship 5:30 p.m.

Look, Therefore, To This Day

By
Lynda Walker-Webster

Accepting A Failure

Achieve! Accomplish! Work! Endeavor! Always go forward! Never backwards! Succeed! Never Fail! Because society isn't geared to failure! And who wants to be labeled a failure???? We're programmed for success! There is no margin for failure. For to fail in the eyes of society is to stand naked and definitely ashamed, head bending low before the entire world, for them to look, laugh, and

perhaps confirm what they "knew" would happen all along.

Well, for my money, that's a bunch of dried up prunes. There is nothing wrong with failure when you have given all that you could have given. One should not be ashamed of admitting that one has failed, when you KNOW good and well that that failure is not a total reflection of you, your character, or your destiny.

There may be many reasons for failure that are factors that are totally independent of you personally. The timing. The place. Circumstances. Personality conflicts. Etc. Etc. Etc. But you see, there should be no difficulty in dealing with a failure, when you can truly label it a "failure". A situation can only be a failure when you have truly tried. When you have given it your best shot. Or when you have given more than your share of the shot.

You can't say that you are failing in life, in a relationship or a situation when you are not trying. When you are not trying, then I throw it into a couple of completely different categories, ...ballparks known either as negligence or laziness.

Even an under-achiever can succeed. And a great over-achiever can certainly fail. 'Cause if you're not trying, you have got to be feeling pretty empty and unnecessary. If you are indeed trying, frustration and depression may be ever present. But, God can deal with those things. That is if you can spare the time to deal in a little prayer and meditation.

We as individuals are not necessarily the key, or the reason for the failures that we encounter. There should always be a satisfaction in knowing that you have done the best that you could possibly have done. When you have done that, you have got to receive a little comfort within.

....And, if you haven't given your all, and you are able to acknowledge that in dealing with the reality of your failure...it should certainly help you to realize that the next time, your trying should perhaps be even more concentrated and meaningful.

The words of a very lovely and favorite hymn seem to keep floating through my mind as I write

"...If when you give the best of your service He'll understand, and say, 'Well Done!'"

last Sunday as Messiah Temple joined together to hear and understand the Word of God. She spoke of the judgement of self that each of us must do honestly. We cannot judge ourselves if we do not open our eyes and see our faults for what they are, sins, then we do not repent of them. They will testify against us in the last judgement, according to the Word of God. Even to sin of pride in never being late for an appointment will come up against us in the last days.

Sunday school is at 10:30 with worship services at 11:30. Prayer meeting is every Wednesday evening at 7:00.

REMEMBER: Those sins that we refuse to see now will be the ones to send us to everlasting torments.

Reverend Jacob Reed, pastor.

OUR SAVIOUR BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday at 11:00 Services Mr. Bill Boyd Sr. and Ms. Kimberly Boyd will be baptized by the Pastor, Rev. T. R. Brown. Holy Communion will be served by the deacons and the Pastor. The Messiah Temple will be in fellowship. The morning message will be delivered by The Rev. Jacob Reed, Pastor of Messiah.

Our Saviour's Baptist Church enjoyed the fellowship of The New Bethel Church of Manly, Ia. A very dynamic message was delivered by the Pastor, Rev. Richard Townsell.

Sunday morning the Church Covenant will be read. (correction) The Elder Earlon Bell, who delivered the Sept. 17th 11:00 message is the Junior Pastor of the East 17th Church of God In Christ. He preached on "Don't follow the crowd".

Our Saviour's Baptist Church, Pastor and Choir will be at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Oct. 15th for Mens' and Women's Day, at 3:00 p.m. Rev. H. R. Fields is Pastor.

HOLY GHOST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Women's Convention at the Mother Church East University Church of God In Christ was a pleasant September treat for the women of God who are endeavoring to increase their effectiveness in soul winning and perfecting the body of Christ. Sunday School was a place of joy with the gifted teaching of Evangelist Geneva Johnson. Everyone seemed to receive inspiration and information from the teaching of the subject "Expressions of a Disciplined Life" — 1 Thessalonians 1:2-7 and II Peter 1:3-7.

Bishop Johnson made the dynamic remark that every saint should be "a City set on a hill." Let your light shine with expressions of patience, virtue, knowledge, patience and temperance.

We were very glad to see Patricia and Mable Johnson and their new baby sister. We were also glad to see Elder Robert Haynes brothers and Mother Opal Starling's grandchildren, Gaylin and Nicki.

Elder Haynes preached Sunday morning from Matt. 11:28 to 30 — Bible Study Tuesday evening 8 p.m. Wed. Children's Choir practice 7:30 and Evangelistic Services Thursday evening, 8 p.m.

Come to any of these spiritual and bring the sick or sad. Be refreshed and saved to help save others and lift Jesus up!

Bishop O. J. Johnson, Pastor

KYLES A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

Saturday, Sept. 30, the Senior Usher Board will have an Ice Cream Social beginning at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come by the church and enjoy the refreshments — hamburgers, cones and other good foods will be served.

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. Adult and Children's classes

are being taught.

Sunday, October 1, 1978, devotions will begin at 10:30 a.m. with Morning Worship following at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Williams will deliver the message and serve Communion. Music will be sung by the Senior Choir.

Friday, October 6, 1978 at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Williams and Senior Choir will be at Union Baptist Church for the Anniversary Services honoring Reverend and Mrs. H. I. Thomas.

Sunday, October 8, the Senior Choir will present the Pageant "The Old Ship of Zion" with Sister McCeil Clinton as narrator. Plan to attend this highly spiritual service; one that you will want to bring the entire family. Come early and be a part of the Devotional service.

Saturday, October 14, the Senior Usher Board will have a Bake Sale at the Safeway Store, E. 14th and University, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Our Sick and Shut-In members are: Brothers: Arthur Flanagan, George Hardy, Sisters: Ozella Moten, Katherine Mullen, Edna Morris, Georgia Sparkman and Jimmie Wolfe. **REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT-INS ALL OVER THE WORLD!**

MAPLE STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, Oct. 1, Reverend Parrish will deliver a "Communion Sermon". Communion will be served. The Senior Choir will be singing.

The Gospel Choir will have a Request Night Service on Sunday, Oct. 1, at 5:00 PM. Contact any member of the Gospel Choir to request your favorite song. The public is cordially invited to attend and hear a message in song.

On Sunday, Oct. 8, following Morning Service, the Senior Usher Board will have a Bake Sale. Your patronage would be appreciated.

The Senior Choir will present the "Feast of the Seven Tables" on

Sunday, Oct. 8th. Plan to attend this feast. Many delicious foods will be served. You may get your ticket from any member of the Senior Choir. Sis. Myrtle Powell, Senior Choir Pres. We are in the process of setting up a Food Pantry. Food donations are needed on a continuous basis. Contact Sis. Lucy Willis for more information.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

This Sunday October 1, 1978 Rev. B. Jamison will preach and the Senior Choir will sing.

Last Sunday Rev. Jamison brought us a very fine message taken from the 14th Chapter of Job, 4th verse. His topic "Out of Nothing, Comes Nothing."

Prayer Service Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m., the pastor is asking the Deaconess Board to take part in the service.

The Bible Study on Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

The Youth Church will

begin on Sunday October 8, 1978 at 7:30 p.m.

This Sunday evening at 7:00, Sis. Carolyn King will be in a Recital "Magnify The Lord."

Also appearing the Shiloh Combined Choir, the Corinthianaires, and Mr. Dolph Pulliam.

FROM THE PASTOR AND HE SAID TO THEM ALL, IF ANY MAN WILL COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS DAILY, AND FOLLOW ME. LUKE 9:23.

lived in Des Moines 48 years. A retired coal miner and maintenance worker, he was a member of the Calvary Church of God.

Survivors include his wife, Lee; two grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

Estes and Son Funeral Home was in charge of funeral services.

Youth Center

Come join us for a Fall filled with judo, karate, boxing, basketball and much, much more.

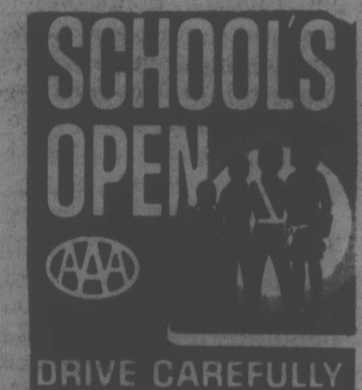
For more information on any of the activities, call the YMCA Youth Department at 288-0131 Ext. 223.



ALFRED GUY

Services for Alfred Guy, 94, of 1164 Fourteenth Place, who died of a stroke Sunday at Mercy Hospital, were held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Calvary Church of God. Burial was at Glendale Cemetery.

Mr. Guy was born in Muchakinock in Mahaska County and



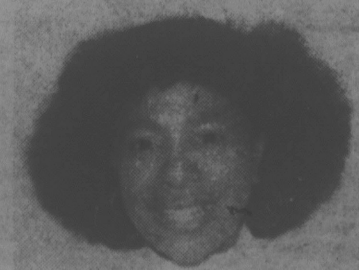
"MAGNIFY THE LORD" - CONCERT

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NEW DAY BEGUN



Health Care: Right or Privilege

The long-awaited national health insurance program guidelines recently announced by President Carter can best be described as a piecemeal cure for a raging, national epidemic. The disease, of course, is spiraling health care costs.

The NAACP appreciates the Carter Administration's public recognition of the existence of a health care problem. Americans today are paying far more for less than what they receive in health care. According to the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress, total spending on health care rose from \$3.5 billion in 1929 to \$12 billion in 1950 and now a projected \$200 billion this year. In less than a decade alone, health care costs have nearly tripled.

The principal contributor to these rises have been hospital costs, which have been increasing at a pace far greater than other prices. Doctors' fees have also been climbing very rapidly.

At the same time, fully 24 million Americans have no insurance coverage at all, while another 20 million are inadequately covered. For these and other people, therefore, the alternatives are unpleasant. Unable to afford preventive health care, they must wait until their illnesses are so severe that seeking medical attention is unavoidable. Many face bankruptcy when finally forced to enter a hospital.

The present hodgepodge of private insurance, both group and individual, medicare and medicaid have proved woefully inadequate for the nation's needs. Several aspects of President Carter's proposal are therefore intended to correct such weaknesses as extensive duplication of hospital services, unneeded

The Daughters of Des Moines held their Annual Two Year Social Function with a successful DISCO '78 at the Hyatt House.

Members of the club, l. to r. Mrs. Ella Thomas,

Mrs. Dorothy McCurn, Mrs. Gretchen Hamlett, Mrs. Darlene Woods, Mrs. Barbara Robinson, Ms. Maxine McNair, Mrs. Erma Carr, Mrs. Bamie Thompson, not pictured Mrs. Donna Shade and Mrs. Edna Prince.

surgery and to place a damper on skyrocketing health care costs.

We feel, however, that what President Carter giveth with the left hand, he taketh away with the right. By also proposing to link full implementation with the inflation rate and to phase in the program gradually, beginning as late as Fiscal Year 1983, Mr. Carter would build into his health care program a no-fail self-destruct system. Such a system would be doomed to failure.

The NAACP therefore opposes the Carter health care proposal. Instead, we call on Americans to express their support for the program outlined by Senator Edward Kennedy and which has the full backing of the AFL-CIO, the United Automobile

Workers and other organizations that are truly concerned about the national health care problem.

The Administration is needlessly increasing the complexity of an already complex situation by tying health care to the nation's economic health. We all agree that both need improving. But why increase the scope of the problem by intertwining both.

Let us therefore not concentrate on these crucial issues as separate entities lest we devise a cure that turns out to be worse than the disease itself. A comprehensive, workable health insurance system that covers every American in need is long overdue.

The least that the President can do now is to provide the leadership that is required to get Congress to enact appropriate legislation.

Richardson Speaks At St. Paul AME

Bill Richardson, 40 and candidate for State Representative of the 62nd House District addressed the enthusiastic congregation of St. Paul AME Church on Youth Day, Sunday, September 24, 1978.

Bill told the congregation that if elected he would seek the input of the voters on pending legislation. He would not represent any special interest groups, would work with the other legislatures, not against them.

He would not be

arrogant because he was not raised that way. That he would be out in the district meeting people, exchanging ideas with them — but mostly listening.

Richardson went on to say he would like to set up a task force to work on District 62 needs and priorities.

The task force will be made up of good men and women from the District and will meet on a regular basis. Richardson said that during his talks with people of the District in the past 6 months their

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As a comparison, Bill told the congregation that during his last 15 years of work he has maintained a 99.89% — his opponent 75.6 during the 77-78 session.

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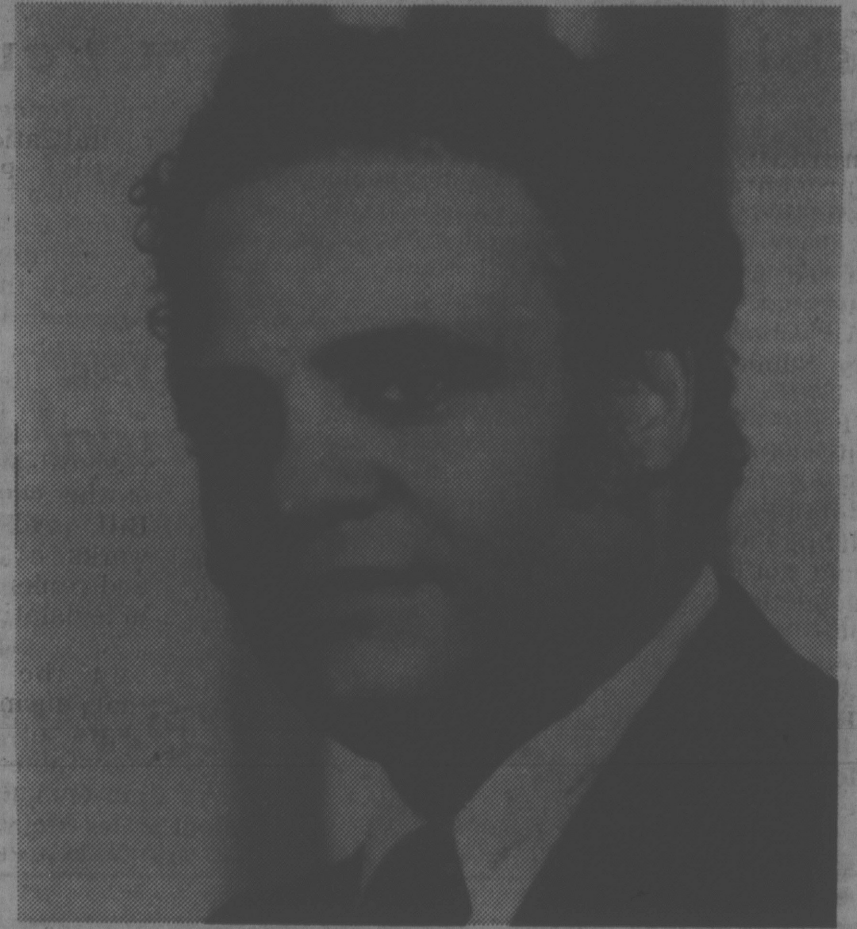
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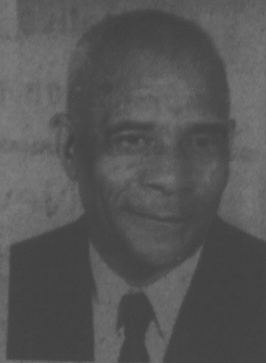
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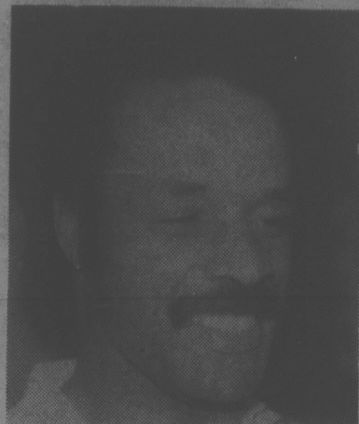
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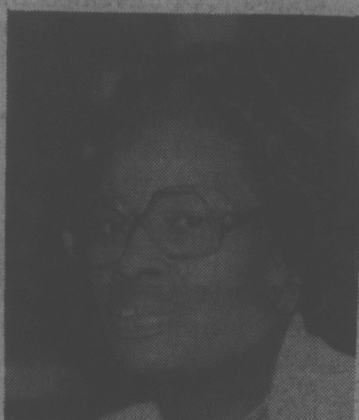


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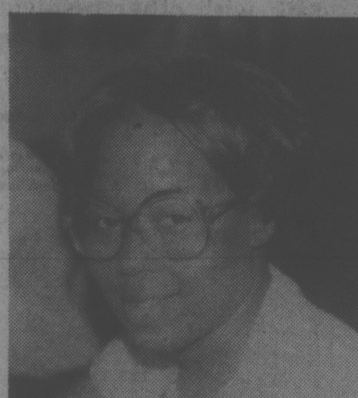
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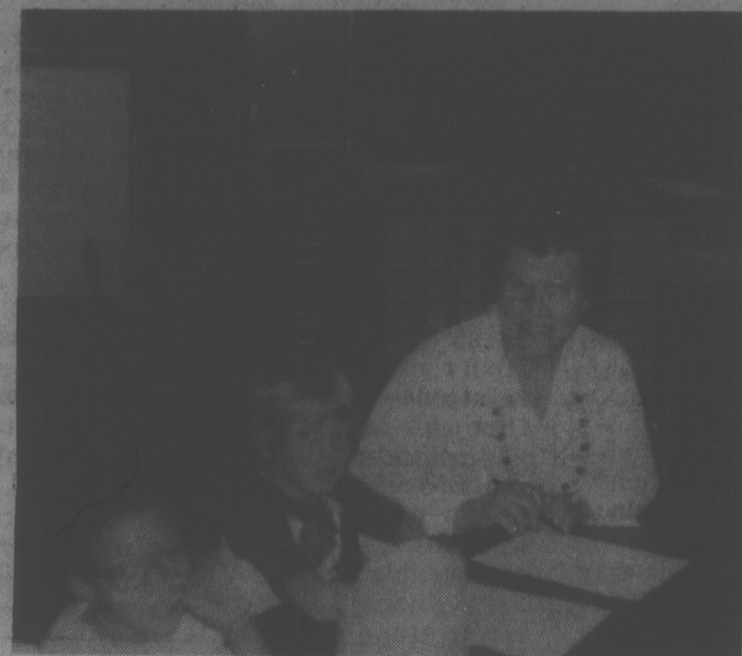
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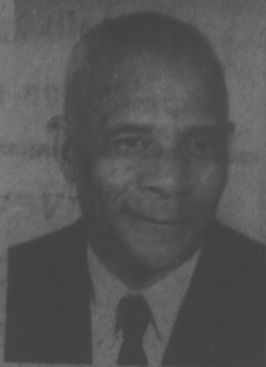


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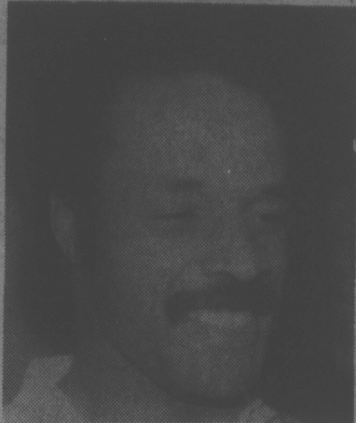
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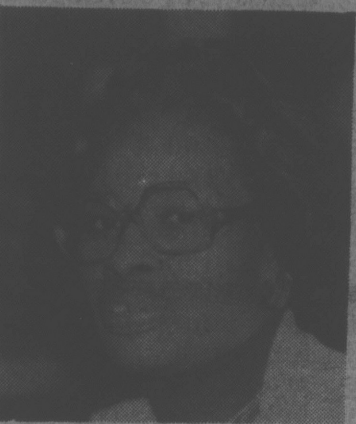


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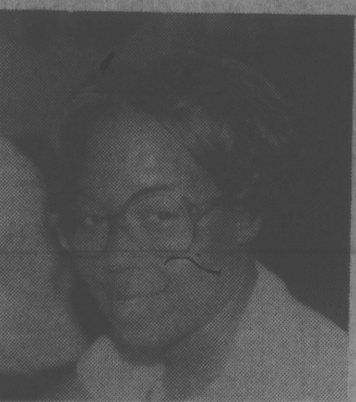
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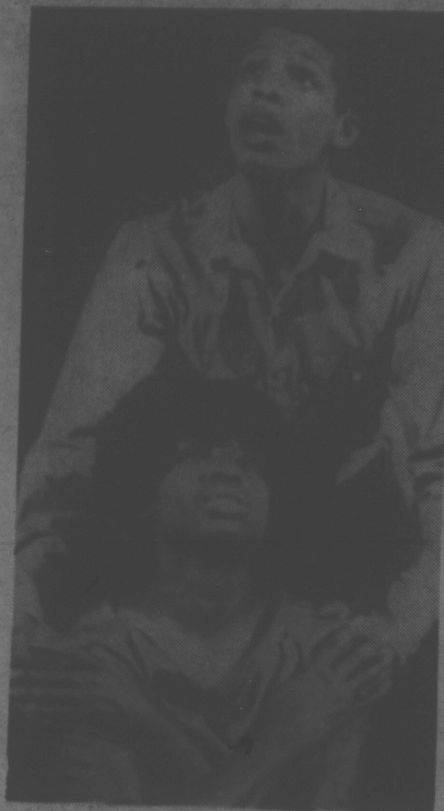
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Career Planning For Employed Minority Women

By Kimberly G. McElroy
Enrollment for the course, Career Planning for Employed Minority Women, is still being accepted through Drake University's Community Career Planning Center for Women (CCPCW).

WORLD TRAVELERS

The first program in the World Travelers of Des Moines series will be a slide presentation "Top of the World", Thursday, September 28, at the Art Center.

The free program will start at 7:30 p.m. and will be presented by Charles A. Dutt.

This program is one in the series of presentation for 1978-79. The program series is presented as a public service by the Des Moines Art Center and the Department of Community and Adult Education of the Des Moines Public Schools.

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CCI Meets On Insurance Redlining

Members of CCI met with Barnhart of Employers' Mutual, Killion of Iowa Fair Plan and Hagar of the Iowa Department of Insurance, last night, September 21, at Moulton Elementary School.

CCI members called the insurance representatives to the meeting to discuss the problem of homeowner's insurance. In the past months residents have faced cancellations, rejections, rate increases, and non-renewals of their policies.

CCI members made several requests of the insurance representatives.

Barnhart of Employers' Mutual refused to disclose information regarding cancellations, rejections, and non-renewals because he said this was not public information.

He also refused to allow Mrs. Gavin, to review her file to see why her application for insurance had been denied.

He did agree to offer homeowner's insurance to all areas of the City regardless of the location, age, or structure (brick or frame) of the house.

Killion of Iowa Fair

Plan refused to recommend to the Iowa Fair Plan Board to:

Immediately offer the same rates as conventional insurance companies.

Immediately offer "full coverage" at the same rates as conventional insurance companies, or

Place a consumer representative on the Iowa Fair Plan Board, because he stated that they would not take action on these recommendations until a decision had been made on pending federal legislation.

He also refused to arrange for members of CCI to attend the next Iowa Fair Plan Board meeting, but did suggest that CCI members attend the Board's annual public meeting in December.

He also refused to give CCI members the following information:

The percentage of increase in the number of Fair Plan policy holders since its adoption by the Iowa Legislature.

The number of claims per zip code paid by Iowa Fair Plan, (i.e. dollar amounts and number of individuals) since its adoption by the Iowa Legislature, but did not reveal the names of Board members and the names of the companies they represent.

On the basis of Mrs. Gavin's and other's complaints, members of CCI requested that Hagar, of the Iowa Department of Insurance, investigate Employers' Mutual, Iowa Realty Insurance Agency, and Iowa Fair Plan. He claimed that,

although Mrs. Gavin had reviewed a rejection statement from Employers' Mutual, he would not investigate unless CCI revealed the name of the agent who had contacted her (see attached Statement).

Mrs. Gavin presented substantial evidence at the meeting which clearly raised the question of insurance redlining; the geographic location of her home on 7th St. appears to be the primary factor for her denial of insurance coverage. Despite this evidence and complaints voiced by other residents at the meeting, Hagar refused to investigate.

Members of CCI plan to continue to push for an investigation and to talk with other residents who have had problems insuring their homes.

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Summer Intern Involved In Youth Work

Kenneth D. Ferguson
 been involved as an
 Administrative Assistant
 Summer intern for the
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 as a Volunteer
 Advisor working
 the Polk County
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 al weeks ago he
 instrumental in
 ing a meeting of
 involved in 4-H
 ams with Governor

Ferguson has had a
 interest in helping
 improve communi-
 between youth
 those involved in the
 mental process.
 has worked with the
 Treatment Center
 was an
 administrative assistant
 the Urban Alcohol
 program.

Ferguson believes that
 many people don't
 realize that the 4-H
 program is concerned
 with urban problems. It
 is not just a rural based
 program. It is a viable
 alternative for youth
 who desire to become
 constructively involved
 in services and projects.
 Youth who want to help
 improve the quality of
 community living will
 find opportunities for

service in the 4-H
 Program.

The main purpose of
 the county 4-H program
 is to carry out
 educational programs in
 the areas of home
 economics, agriculture,
 4-H and youth,
 community resource
 development and public
 affairs. The goal of the
 youth program is to
 provide a variety of
 experiences for youth
 that will: enhance
 self-awareness, teach
 human development,
 develop leadership skills,
 teach citizenship,
 encourage community
 development, increase
 awareness of different
 life styles, and enhance
 the development of adult
 youth relations.

A citizenship short
 course and the Career
 Exploration Project
 were highlights of the
 4-H Program. Anyone
 wishing to obtain
 specific information
 about current 4-H
 program activities may
 contact coordinators,
 Larry Harris, and
 LeGrant Anthony and
 Bobby Jones at the Polk
 County Extension
 Service at 284-4158. It
 is located at 3612½-2nd
 Ave. in Des Moines.



Kenneth Ferguson on the extreme left with Gov. Robert Ray and several 4-H program participants. Mr. Ferguson was extensively involved with youth programs in the 4-H organization and now works as an administrative assistant in the state department of revenue.

Persons in the picture with Kenneth Ferguson are: Front: Debbie Norway, Tamera Diggs, Laurna Hansen, Kim Greiner, Dbbie Booth, Bert Moody. Back: Diana Bishop, Sonya Stewart, Garner Houston, Grep Hobel, Bobby Jones and Larry Harris.

Wilson To Speak At Utility Management Conference

An appearance by
 Margaret Bush Wilson,
 Chairman of the NAACP
 National Board of
 Directors, will be one of
 the highlights at the 31st
 Annual Utility
 Management Conference
 October 2 and 3 in Des
 Moines. The Conference,
 which will be attended by
 around 300 management
 and supervisory
 employees, is sponsored
 by the eight investor-
 owned utility companies
 doing business in Iowa.

Mrs. Wilson has been
 active in the field of
 human rights since her
 youth, following in the
 footsteps of both her
 parents. In private life
 she is a practicing
 attorney in St. Louis.
 Her subject will be:
 "Energy Availability
 and a Growing
 Economy".

Those attending the
 conference will hear two
 days of presentations on
 various phases of the
 energy field and
 management
 development. The
 speakers include utility
 industry executives and
 specialists in bioethics
 and management
 development.

There will also be a
 panel discussion by chief
 executive officers of
 some of the sponsoring
 utility companies.

Speakers besides Mrs.

Wilson include William
 McCollam, Jr.,
 President, Edison
 Electric Institute; Dr.
 John Cummings,
 Manager Solar
 Programs, Electric
 Power Research
 Institute; Dr. Margaret
 Maxey, Associate
 Professor of Bioethics,
 University of Detroit;
 Robert V. Price,
 Executive Vice
 President, National Coal
 Association; James
 Morrison, Vice
 President, Lawrence
 Leiter & Company; Hans
 Maciej, Technical
 Director, Canadian
 Petroleum Association;
 and Dr. Merle T.
 Welshans, Vice

President, Fianance,
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The panel of utility
 company executives will
 be moderated by John
 M. Lewis, President,
 Iowa Utility Association.
 Panelists will be Duane
 Arnold, President and
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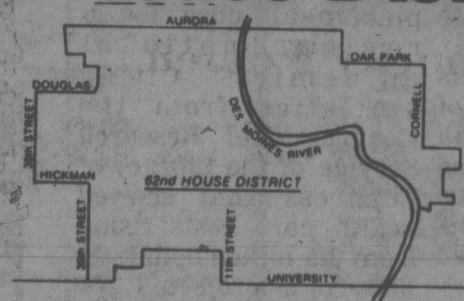
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Million Dollar Grant and Changes In Teacher Corps

Drake University in cooperation with the Des Moines Public Schools has received a \$1 million grant for a newly structured Teacher Corps program from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The Teacher Corps program — the only one in Iowa — has been operated by Drake and Des Moines schools for several years, but recent legislation has brought changes.

According to Dr. Jack R. Jones, professor of education and director of the Teacher Corps, funding has been changed from two to five years with certain criteria to be met each year of the grant. The expanded program seeks greater involvement of citizens from the target areas in planning and executing the program. The emphasis has also

been changed from a single school to a program encompassing an entire feeder system of elementary, junior high and high school.

The "feeder" system includes the Edmunds/Jefferson elementary schools, Callanan and Brody junior high schools and Tech High School.

Teacher Corps focuses on schools serving relatively low-income

families. The purpose of the program is to enhance the educational experience of the students, coordinate programs from elementary through junior high and high school, and involve students, parents, citizens and educators in all aspects of planning and executing the project.

Jones will represent the resources at Drake University in administration of the Teacher Corps project. A policy board composed of Dr. Alfred Schwartz, dean of Drake's College of Education; Dr. Dwight Davis, superintendent of Des Moines Public Schools and a person yet to be elected as chair of a Community Council will direct the efforts of the program.

Members of the Community Council are to be elected by October 31. Efforts are underway to identify prospective council members to stand for election from among parents, residents and agency persons from Willkie House and homes of Oakridge.

"Teacher Corps is a training and personnel development program to help educators improve their competence in dealing with students from diverse cultures," said Jones. "The

program seeks to aid teachers, identify students with special problems, diagnose their needs and prescribe learning activities to meet those needs. We have a greater emphasis on personnel development now over the pre-service training common to former Teacher Corps activities.

"In order to facilitate the initial planning process for the new Teacher Corps program, we will have a compressed planning conference at the education center of Springbrook State Park Oct. 2-5," said Jones. "We will take 80 people to Springbrook for this four-day conference. They will represent students, teachers, parents, residents and area agencies as well as Drake University and Des Moines school officials during an intensive series of meetings designed to develop the goals of our program."

The five-year Teacher Corps program is broken into four phases: The first year is the developmental year with the creation of the policy board, and Community council, and identification of needs. Years two and three will be devoted to operational activities including pre-service and personnel development. The fourth year involves incorporating procedures and programs developed thus far into the regular programs of the feeder schools. The fifth year goal is to adapt program features for use by other schools, institutions of higher education and other educational agencies.

Health Plan Failure

NEW YORK — NAACP Executive Director Benjamin L. Hooks announced his organization's support of the Kennedy health bill in a strongly worded statement that took issue with some of the points of a measure presented by President Carter.

Mr. Hooks said, "what President Carter giveth with the left hand, he taketh away with the right. By proposing to link full implementation with the inflation rate, and to phase in the program gradually beginning as late as Fiscal Year 1983, the

President would build into his health care program a no-fail self-destruct system. We feel such a system would be doomed to failure."

The nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization leader said that at best the Carter

guidelines were only "a piecemeal cure for a raging, national epidemic." Citing statistics from the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress that showed health care costs rising from 3.5 billion dollars in 1929 to a projected 200 billion dollars in 1978, Hooks said, "24 million Americans have no insurance coverage at all, while another 20 million are inadequately covered."

"The NAACP therefore opposes the Carter health care proposal. Instead we call on Americans to express their support for the program outlined by Senator Edward Kennedy, which has the full backing of the AFL-CIO, the United Auto Workers and other organizations that are concerned about the national health care problem."

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King is a member of Church Women United and has instructed Bible study classes, she enjoys teaching from the Book of I Thessalonians (5:1-28).

Living in Detroit, King was a member of St. James Baptist Church where she sang with the 90 voice Adult Choir, making concert appearances at the Ford Auditorium, and Cobo Hall, Detroit; and they also toured Cleveland, Ohio, Nutley, New Jersey. Sis. King has given several recitals in Illinois and Iowa; she has sung with the National Baptist Convention U.S.A. Convention Choir, and also has made several solo appearances.

King attended the University of Iowa and Drake University majoring in English and Spanish. She is the mother of two daughters, McCeil and Kelli King who will perform an Oral interpretation of "The Creation," by James Weldon Johnson, during Sunday's concert.

King is corresponding secretary and a member of DeltaSigma Theta Sorority; Willard PTA and she is a past piano teacher. King has appeared in several plays at the Des Moines Community Playhouse, "Finian's Rainbow" and "Green Pastures."

She and her family also made an appearance in the movie "Cold Turkey," directed by Norman Lear. King is employed as professional legal secretary and word processing center administrator. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George W. Clinton.

"Putting it all together," Sis. King says "yes, there is a message

in the music, a message in the song. Let the message light your path with hope and truth.

For a Christian to hope is to be confident that he will get the eschatological gifts; the resurrection of the body, the rich heritage of the saints, eternal life, glory, in short salvation of self and neighbor.

The basis of this hope is God himself, his love, his invitation with the power, truthfulness, fidelity in implementing the promises declared in the written word, and in the gospel message, promised fulfilled in Christ's person. The hope is therefore not illusory, since the gifts it expects are in the future, faith is its prop, charity is its food.

Hope's excelling source is the Holy Spirit, greatest of all the eschatological gifts and in part already conferred. And because hope is built on justification through faith in Christ, it is rich in confidence, consolation, joy and is a thing to be proud of. The sufferings of the present time cannot dismay it, these cannot compare with the glory to come, on the contrary, they sustain it, giving it a constancy, that tests, and fortifies it.

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who sent telegrams,
condolences, resolutions,
sympathy cards, floral
selection, donated cars,
food, gifts, those who
visited the funeral home
and attended the funeral
services. All expressions
of sympathy and
services rendered to our
family during our
deepest loss are
appreciated. Thank you
and God bless all of you.

Signed by: Mrs. Laura
Warden, Elonzella B.
Henderson, Blanche E.
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Daniels, Robert L.
Daniels, Theodore
Daniels, and their
families.

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Honorary Pallbearers,
Estes & Son, Union
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Larry Cooper, Ladies
who helped at home,
Tiny Tots, Inc., who sent
telegrams, condolences,
resolutions, sympathy
cards, floral selections,
donated cars, food, gifts,
those who visited the
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Signed by: Mrs.
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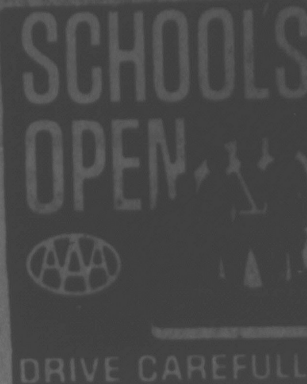
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Grady, church officers,
and faithful friends; also
officers and friends of
Corinthian Baptist. My
many well-wishers and
others too numerous to
mention. There is no way
to thank everyone for the
numerous cards,
flowers, money, and

prayers. I'm happy to be
able to sit down and
write this myself after
having fourteen months
of convalescence. God
has been so good to me
until it's almost unreal.
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Around The State

Fort Madison

Second Baptist Church had their regular Sunday morning services with the pastor, Rev. H. Davis, in charge. He delivered the morning message, Sunday, Sept. 24.

The Bates family held its annual reunion Sept. 2nd at Rodeo Park. There was a basket dinner at noon. A letter was read from Mrs. Ernest Bates Carter of Houston, Texas, who was unable to attend. Those attending were Mrs. Annie Bates Toliver, Louise Bates, George and Betty Bates, Coleman, Galesburg, Ill.; Alberta Bates, Des Moines; Mrs. Willa Sue Bates Anderson, Mrs. Eleanor M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Lola Bates Pendergrass and Mrs. Gladys Bates King, Rock Island, Ill.; Mrs. Oneida Murray, Seattle, Wash.; Rev. Wilbert and Doris Bates Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holder, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Parson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Douglass, Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Keokuk; Elizabeth Saulsbury, Evanston, Ill.; Dr. and Mrs. Frank Harper, Sacramento, Calif.; Vernon Windor, Ames; W. V. and Helen Bates Windor, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Carter, Mrs. Hattie Carter, Mrs. Lurena Woods, Mrs. Helen Wyatt, Mrs. Mollie Rudd, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard White, Albert Wilson, Joanna and Janice Beecham, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Finis Webster, Theodore Clark, Mrs. Charles Harris, and Stacy, Martha Beecham, Virginia Harper, Lois and Virginia Eichacker, Bernard Sangberry, James Mallory, Fort Madison.

The Magnolia Art Club met in the home of Mrs. Inez White, vice president Fri. evening, Sept. 22nd. They had a letter from Mrs. Bertha Payton, a member who lives in Chicago, Ill., also Mrs. Bernice Wilkerson, another member, who lives in Burlington.

Keokuk

On Sunday, Sept. 24, the first time since Aug. 13, Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church had a minister fill the pulpit and the membership responded admirably. Rev. Dale Laster of Fort Madison, Ia., spoke on "The Cost of Discipleship." He was assisted by Rev. Nathaniel Lee. Attendance was very good. Visitors attending: Mr. and Mrs. W. J.

Laster Jr. and son; Rev. and Mrs. Nathaniel Lee and sons, Bryon and Tony, all from Fort Madison, Ia., and Lee Simpson of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Parsos, Mr. and Mrs. Faye Reed, and Mrs. Mary Wallace attended the Homecoming in Shelby, Mo., the past Sunday.

Monique Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Jenkins, is a candidate for Little Miss B.P.W. The contest will terminate Oct. 16. Candidates will receive one vote for each penny donated.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, Mrs. Mary Majors, Mrs. Mary Wallace, Ms. Henrietta Oliver and Mrs. Cecil Bates attended a Republican Womens meeting in Fairfield, Ia.

Ms. Tammy Dobbins became the bride of Mr. Leland Robinson Jr., Saturday, Sept. 16, at the home of the groom. Rev. Emanuel Varner performed the 1:00 p.m. ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Carter and Jackie Butler, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., were guests in the Keith Carter home the weekend of Sept. 16-17.

Mr. and Mrs. Worthington A. Richardson, of Baltimore, Md., arrived in the city Monday for a short vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holder.

Mrs. Mary Majors attended the State Meeting of the 1st District Republican Women, held in Des Moines, Ia., Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 20-21. She reports the First District attained 98% of their membership goal.

MT. PLEASANT

Second Baptist Church Rev. W. A. Smith pastor Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Wed.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Dawson and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tinder spent last weekend in Kansas City, Kansas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dremus Barnett and Mr. and Mrs. William Crowder. Mrs. Barnett is a sister of Mr. Dawson and Mr. Crowder is a nephew.

Sunday was Youth Sunday and the young people were in charge of devotion. Roderick Smith and Walter Dabner were in charge of devotion and Sandra McCane led the responsive reading and Sterling Boden of Chicago, Illinois offered the altar prayer. The young people do a fine job and our prayers are with them as they continue to lift up Jesus.

U of I Conference Aims To Smooth Blacks' Transition To Graduate School

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Easing black college students' transition to graduate school programs will be the theme of a national conference to be hosted by The University of Iowa Department of Special Services Oct. 11-14.

The conference will provide information and discussion on the black person's need for equal access to graduate level education, barriers to such access, and strategies for

overcoming these barriers.

The meeting will be the Ninth Annual Conference of the National Black Alliance for Graduate Level Education, an organization of educators, students and others interested in the recruitment, financial support, retention and job placement of black graduate and professional students.

Dr. Alfred L. Moye, deputy commissioner for

higher and continuing education, U.S. Office of Education, Washington, D.C., will be the keynote speaker at the conference. William E. Anderson, graduate and professional student programs consultant, U of I Department of Special Services, is conference chairman.

Moye will speak at a luncheon at 12:30 p.m., Oct. 13.

Included on the conference schedule are panel discussions and

presentations on such topics as Post-Secondary Education; The Implications and Consequences for Minorities; Barriers to Participation in Graduate Level Education; Students' Perception of Barriers to Participation in Graduate Level Education; Strategies for the Post-Bakke Era, and the Changing Role of Black Administrators on White Campuses.

In addition to Dr. Moye, the four-day conference will feature such speakers and panelists as Dr. Leroy Bell Jr., dean of the School of Graduate Studies, Alabama State University; Robert Clayton, director of special services, American College Testing Program, Atlanta, and Dr. Robert W. Mack, director of the Office of Professional Health Careers, Jackson State University.

The conference, to be held at the Highlander Inn and Supper Club, Iowa City, is designed for anyone interested in promoting an increase in the number of minority members holding advanced degrees.

For further information, contact William E. Anderson, Department of Special Support Services, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242, or call (319) 353-7170.

Deputy Manager of Mpls, St. Paul HUD Program

Curtis C. Ewing was named Deputy Manager of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Area Office by Ron Gattson, Regional Administrator of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

Development.

Ewing, 54, joined the Minneapolis-St. Paul HUD Office in 1971 as a special assistant to the Director. Most recently, he was deputy director for the housing

management division of the office.

Ewing will be second in command to Thomas T. Feeney, who has been Area Manager of the HUD office since 1971.

A long time Minnesota resident, he is a career civil servant. Ewing joined the U.S. Post Office here in 1948 holding a variety of positions, clerical and management, through 1971.

He received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Minnesota, graduating in 1966. He was named as the Department's 1977 Civil Servant of the Year by the Federal Executive Board of the Twin Cities. He is married to the former Mildred Pandle. The couple resides in Hopkins, Minnesota.

Hawkeye Council staff during the year.

Most groups meet after school, but some meetings are held during the evening and schedules can often be arranged to fit a volunteer's working hours.

Young people would like to be members, and adults who wish to volunteer to help enrich the young people's lives, should contact a local Camp Fire leader or call the office, 244-1181, Ext. 218.

CAMP FIRE

Des Moines area young people in grades 1 through 12 are invited to join the activities and fun as members of Camp Fire, a United Way agency.

Included in the program are community service projects, crafts, nature study, games, songs, day camps, and overnight camping and summer camping at Camp Hantesa, near Boone, along with a chance to earn honor beads and special honors. In addition, special activities are planned for each age group every year—such things as special trips, play days, and conferences.

Volunteers to serve as leaders, assistant leaders, and group sponsors are also needed. Training in Camp Fire philosophy and a variety of group activities will be provided, with help available from local leaders and Heart of the

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Upcoming events at the Mid City Library at 1305 University:

Sunday Film Series on Sundays at 2:30 p.m.: On October 1st, "Brian's Song", a film of love and brotherhood; a true story of Brian Piccolo, white, and Gale Sayers, black, who met as competing backfield rookies on the Chicago Bears football team and became roommates.

Monday evening Ceramics classes are in session, 7:00 p.m. Transportation provided if needed; call 283-4593 for more information.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON SPECIAL EXECUTION

District Court of Polk County, Iowa ss.

Polk County Iowa State Bank, Des Moines, Iowa

VERSUS

Leland M. Bullock, Marjorie J. Bullock, and State of Iowa BY VIRTUE OF A SPECIAL EXECUTION TO ME DIRECTED, issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in favor of Iowa State Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, and against in rem, on a judgment rendered by said court on the 14th day of August A.D. 1978, wherein it was ordered, adjudged and decreed that the following described property be sold to satisfy said judgment to-wit:

Lot 2 except the South 54 feet thereof, in the Official Plat of the North One-half of the Southeast One Quarter and the South One-half of the Northeast One Quarter of Section 8, Township 79, Range 23, West of the 5th P.M., Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, public notice is hereby given that unless the said defendants appear at my office in Des Moines, on or before the 3rd day

of November A.D. 1978, at ten o'clock A.M. of said day, at which time said above described property is hereby advertised to be sold, and pay off the amount of said execution, with interest and costs, I will sell said property, or sufficient thereof to satisfy said Execution, with interest and costs, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court House, in Des Moines, Iowa, for cash in hand to pay off said Execution.

Bob E. Rice Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa By Nadine Hall, Deputy Published and printed by the New Iowa Bystander at West Des Moines, Iowa on September 28 and October 5, 1978.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual report of the Marr Foundation, Inc. is available, at the address noted below, for inspection during regular business hours, by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

MARR FOUNDATION, INC. 511 SW 3rd Ankeny, Iowa 50021 The principal manager is R. J. Wagener, Pres. Printed and published in the New Iowa Bystander September 28, 1978.

Black History Minutes

by Connie L. Bowman

The Johnson Products of Chicago, Illinois is celebrating its 25th anniversary by sponsoring an exhibit of portraits of great Black men. Recently a rowing of life-sized portraits of these women is opened at the Chicago Public Library. The artist for the collection is Paul Collins. Mary Church Terrell is among the 13 great

Black women represented in the collection.) Mary Church Terrell (1863-1954) A champion of women's rights She was born in 1863 in a suburb near Memphis, Tennessee, the same year the Emancipation Proclamation was issued. Mary was the daughter of Robert

Church, a former slave who became a successful businessman. His efforts in real estate netted him a small fortune. Her mother was a beautician and owned a shop. As a young child she was exposed to good music, art and literature by her parents. They were determined that Mary would have the best education possible. They eventually sent her to Oberline, Ohio to complete elementary school. She did very well and stayed there to complete high school and Oberline College. As a freshman at Oberline College she was selected as the class

poet. She served as one of the editors of the Oberline Review. When she completed her training she taught at Wilberforce University and later moved to Washington D.C. to teach in a Black high school there. She added to her educational experience by traveling and studying in England, Belgium, Switzerland, France, Germany and Italy. Her father provided the support necessary for these experiences.

She later married Judge Robert Terrell. Some years later she became the first Black woman on the Board of

Education in Washington D.C. in 1895.

She realized that she was the beneficiary of a privileged childhood and extensive educational experiences as a young adult. She had a strong desire to help improve educational opportunities for the youth of Washington, D.C. She made many personal visits to the schools and became influential in attracting outstanding teaching personnel.

Mary Church Terrell was a gifted organizer. She helped to organize the National Association of Colored Women and served as their first president in 1896. She

also helped to organize the NAACP and became a charter member in 1909.

Mary served as a delegate to various international conferences and traveled extensively speaking for racial justice and women's rights. After a fruitful life of extended service and humanism she died at 90 years of age in Annapolis, Maryland in 1954. This was just a few months after she and others had "witnessed" the United States Supreme Court Decision that declared school segregation to be unequal.

Minimum Competency Testing—Good or Bad?

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or standards of excellence.

He has developed a list of "ten commandments for schools." These include: The development of responsible adults requires community commitment. The full responsibility for learning cannot be transferred from the student to the teacher.

High performance takes place in a framework of expectation.

Vernon Jordan, director of the National Urban League has indicated that competency tests seem

to be taken in the wrong context. He is in full support of appropriate uses of tests. For example, as guides to student performances and as signals to teachers and parents that some students who do poorly may need some special help to master the basic skills. He fears that they may not be used officially for that purpose in some states. Jordan has referred to the dramatic example of Florida where high school students fail the minimum competency tests don't receive their diplomas. Thus youngster who sat through 12 years of

school become victimized by the very system that failed to educate them.

He also pointed out that schools in higher income neighborhoods fewer children who failed the tests. Schools in the low economic area and in minority neighborhoods had high rates of failure. He has pointed out that the competency testing movement is representative of a "simplistic reliance ... and a political response to citizens concern about the schools inadequacy." He suggests that competency testing introduced in the early grades and used wisely

as an instructional tool has a significant place in the educational system. When used in this manner tests become positive teaching instruments — rather than "mechanisms to label students as failures or to track them into paths of failure and push them out of school."

Jordan believe that competency tests should involve parents in a context in which the parental responsibilities are encouraged. All parents have a special responsibility to encourage success in school. They have a responsibility to teach their children to respect the school and build

their desire to learn. They must also constantly encourage their children and develop an atmosphere of high expectations. Parents have a right to expect regular assessment of their children's school performance. They have a right to expect their children to get the instruction that will build on their capabilities and provide remediation for their weakness. Jordan asserts that parents have a right to hold the schools accountable for educating their children. It is not clear to him and others that minimum competency tests implemented in the 12th grade will "fill the bill". They may turn out to be just another hindrance for minority children in the educational system. Consideration of cultural bias and racism in testing is very important. Vernon Jordan has suggested that there be an "immediate moratorium on the use of such testing programs and instead a new stress by placed on improving the quality of our children's education."

Joseph Califano, Secretary of HEW has issued some warnings concerning competency testing. These include:

Basic competency testing is acceptable only if we can remember the benefits and the dangers inherent in such testing. Cultural bias is an important consideration. Academic achievement is not the only objective of our public schools.

As the states become involved in carrying out a mandate for competency testing — some key questions are raised. These include: Who will indicate what the minimum skills should be? Should high school graduation be based just on achievement of basic skills or do we count seat time, course requirements and teachers opinions? Will the schools use ordinary achievement tests for competency testing — or will they make use of applied performance tests — such as filling out a job application? Will minimum competency tests supplement the existing statewide assessment processes? How will programs for special education be affected?

The questions and information presented above should help one to answer the question: MINIMUM COMPETENCY TESTING — GOOD OR BAD?

Importance Of Preserving History

Antoinette Simmons, a librarian for the Des Moines Public Library, spoke recently to the Roosevelt High School Afro Club, parents, friends and teachers on

The Importance of Preserving Black History." Also during the program the Afro Club presented the EBONY PICTORAL HISTORY OF BLACKS to the Roosevelt library. Mrs. Charlene Lakin, librarian, accepted the

gift.

Simmons pointed out time after time in her speech that black history is not dead or is not something merely in the past — "it's all around us now."

"It's our art, our dance, our music, our culture and our literature. You've heard of the living history farms," explains Simmons. "Well that applies to black history. Our history is definitely living and occurring

every day. Black history is an ongoing activity. Therefore it should be collected daily."

Simmons response to why we should preserve black history was centered around recent television, series "Roots." She said, "Alex Haley's ROOTS has become important in tracing ones own roots. For whites this would not be very difficult because their history has been recorded through the times in our history

books. For Blacks this would be a task, because we have been deliberately left out of the books."

The importance of blacks collecting and preserving their history becomes quite apparent. EBONY publishers need be commended for their outstanding efforts to record black history. She added that the New Iowa Bystander also serves as that purpose and needs, to be commended for its efforts.

CCI Fundraiser

C.C.I. FUNDRAISER!
WHERE: Simpson United Methodist Church, E. 26th and Capital
WHEN: Saturday, September 30
WHAT TIME: 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Citizens for Community Improvement will sponsor a fund-raiser in cooperation with these party plan groups:

Tupperware, Deco Plants, Home Interior, Toy Parties, Tri Cam Paints, Celebrity Jewelry, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Jewel Tea

Co., Bee Line Clothing and Stanley Home Products.

C.C.I. has been working on such issues as, abandoned homes, insurance redlining, Walnut Hill and the sex-related business ordinance.

Come to the fundraiser and help C.C.I. continue its effort!

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Black Folk In American Civilization

EDWARD W. BROOKE

One of the first lessons that an American politician learns is that a marital divorce can cause one's political downfall. Unfortunately, the only contemporary U.S. Senator of African descent is having to learn this lesson the hard way. Because of a marital divorce having caused him to divulge his personal finances, Senator Edward W. Brooke of Massachusetts is receiving more of a political scare than had been expected in his bid for reelection.

Brooke, the only black Republican serving in Congress, was born in Washington, D.C. on October 26th, 1919. Having finished from the public schools of the District of Columbia, he received his B.S. degree from Howard University in 1941. He went on to earn a law degree at Boston University. In between his bachelors degree and his law degree, he served five

years in the infantry division of the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of captain. In 1962, he was elected Attorney General of Massachusetts. Having been reelected to this same post in 1964, he decided to broaden his sphere. It was in part the reputation he had earned as Commonwealth Attorney General that vaulted him into the winner's circle on November 8, 1966, as U.S. Senator from Massachusetts.

Of himself, Senator Brooke has said, "people would make a big mistake if they just considered race and labeled me a starry-eyed liberal. Caution has always been my fault or my strength — I don't know which. I don't like to leap. I like to get all the facts even before I make minor decisions — and that's sort of conservative. I do look at history and precedent as a guide, but I want to profit by the past and not live in the past."

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