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Housing Conference-Tailored For Minority Low Income

by Lynda
Walker-Webster

Minority and Low-Income tenants and property owners are urged to attend the Community Housing Conference, Friday evening, December 1, and Saturday, December 2.

Friday evening, the

conference will begin at 6:30 P.M. at Washington Irving Jr. High School Auditorium (16th & Carpenter). It will continue on Saturday morning at 8:30 A.M. at the downtown Holiday Inn (6th & Day St.)

Keynote speaker for the two day conference is HOMER C. FLOYD of

Harrisburg, Pa., Executive Director for the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission. Mr. Floyd will speak during Saturday's luncheon.

On Friday evening, special guest speakers will be 1) Jesse Milan, Deputy Director of the Office of Regional Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, H.U.D., Kansas City, Mo. Mr. row", and 2) Micheal Mayor of the FUND For an O.P.E.N. Society - Philadelphia, Pa. addressing "The Re-segregation of America".

The workshops are tailored for the lay person as well as for individuals working in the area of housing. The

workshops are as follows:

No. 1 - Housing Rehabilitation: This workshop will focus attention to rehabilitation as it relates to Block rehabilitation, loans and grants for rehabilitation, individual vs. project rehabilitation, and will include resource persons from non-profit housing agencies financial institutions, etc.

No. 2 - Neighborhood Revitalization: This workshop will relate to: Insurance availability in revitalization areas, vacant lots, financing, housing abandonment, tax policies, rebuilding Inner City, with resource persons available to answer questions.

No. 3 - Landlord - Tenant Rights: Having problems / concerns? Resource persons will be available from the Legal Aid Office to discuss and address issues relevant to the subject.

No. 4 - Energy: Issues such as: Inadequate insulation and weatherization, consumer advocacy, utility rates, conserving energy, will be discussed with resource persons from I.P.A.L.C.O., C.U.R.E., Red Rock Community Action Program, Capitol View Housing.

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Housing
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Homer Floyd



Jesse Milan

NCO Of The Year Award To Satterfield

Technical Sergeant Stanley H. Satterfield, a member of the 132nd Tactical Fighter Wing Air National Guard Unit in Des Moines, was recently awarded for being the Non-Commissioned (NCO) of the Year.

Stan has been in the

Army, Navy, and Air Force; a total of 11 years. He has been in the Guard for the past four years. His present job at the Guard is Base Retention NCO in which his duties are to conduct meetings, keep statistics on discharges, interview and counsel. Stan has six

campaign ribbons, one received for meritorious service.

As a civilian, Stan is an Equal Employment Specialist at the Post Office. He lives on the east side of Des Moines, is married, and has three daughters, the eldest is also in the

Guard. Stan is now attending night school at Drake University getting his Masters Degree in Public Administration. As for his hobbies, he says he doesn't really have any except to "play golf once a year and bowl every few months."

The NCO of the Year

Award is an annual award. Each of the eight units nominate an NCO. Military records and community contributions are factors that the board of officers take into account.

Even though Stan
NCO
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Beverly Allan—Pleasing People In Personnel

Spotlight

By Peggy Spates Johnson

Many women complain of intruding, unkind, haughty or nerve

wracking in-laws. I was blessed in this department with a group

of splendid and exceedingly pleasant relatives by marriage — especially my sister-in-law, Mrs. Beverly Allan.

Bev, as we call her, is also the dedicated and hardworking personnel director at the Iowa Development Commission. Bev has been at the IDC, which encourages concerns to come and explore the opportunities in our state, for the past three years.

She came to the Commission after being referred by Cora Douglass, then Governor Ray's administrative assistant for minority affairs.

Bev told me male chauvinism is the biggest challenge in her job. She "... is trying to bring them (men) around to deal with women and to realize women can function on

the same level as males." She is currently the only female administrator working with 3 male supervisors.

There are 3 other black women in her office and she directly supervises four others with 48 individuals in all in the personnel department. She was also very happy that she has maintained a good working relationship and excellent rapport with her male co-workers.

I questioned her on the opportunities for women at the IDC. "They are great" she enthusiastically answered. "If a woman shows potential, the opportunities are unlimited. There are divisions such as industrial development where it would be tough for a woman to go but she could do it."

How did she specifically get into personnel work? It

seems she was asked to write the affirmative action plan which she worked on for 6 months with CEATO (Concentrated Employment ACT - a government sponsored function) and then was asked to go into personnel because of good vibes and hard work.

Bev's educational background includes receiving an AA degree from Area XI a couple years ago and she hopes to receive a BA from Drake in Political Science and Psychology in June 1980. She told me Del Van Horn was her boss at the Commission and she described him as "... an outstanding boss, you know where he's coming from but you can in turn, let him know what you don't care for; when he disagrees we discuss. He's also come a long

way with minorities — he's an advocate of urban potential and that's a good beginning."

As far as upcoming projects, Bev is disappointed that she can't lure more minority men into the IDC. "I like to have minorities but they are hard to find. You have to go South and I don't have the funds. Unfortunately few blacks here majored in agricultural pursuits or journalism or statistical research. I recruit the few universities around the state and of course black community people. I just wish I had the money to go South for black engineers — private enterprise can pay much more than state agencies so that's where they go."

When Bev isn't toiling at work she loves

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THE EDITORIAL PAGE

VIEWS and REVIEWS

by Allen Ashby

The shocking news from Guyana took just about everything else off the front pages. I guess that just about every person who has expressed an opinion wonders why, and how. How could one person gain such control over a group of people as large as that group?

Some say it was the old human search for the end of the rainbow and that just about everybody wants to find a place where their troubles are no more. But if you think about the people who have influenced large numbers of people, the Jones story is no surprise. He moved up in politics because politicians are always looking for votes and Jones could deliver them.

Reminds me of the old ward bosses getting out the

vote in crucial elections. Then we had just escaped what might have been a worse thing than Jonestown because we didn't have television in the thirties. What if Hitler had been able to appear on television? He would have swept millions up in his anti-Semitic, anti-black rhetoric all over the world.

You don't believe it? Did you ever realize how many people were getting up at five in the morning to hear the man speak and lots of them didn't even know what he was saying. They had to wait until the newscasts or the papers to learn what was said.

Hitler had a tremendous following in Germany and lots of Europe. Millions of soldiers and civilians died because they believed in what he stood for. We Americans went over there to fight for democracy, and Hitler's troops were just as determined to preserve their way of life.

I don't doubt for a minute that if there had been a camp similar to Jonestown, and Hitler had chosen to commit suicide, that most of the people in the camp would have gone along with him. And we would be wondering why.

When you think of people like Jones and listen to the rhetoric of groups like the Ku Klux Klan and similar groups, Nazis and even some of the extremists such as people in different sides of the

abortion and ERA battles, you can see how this extreme culture can lead one. Who could have thought that all of those people were going to follow that man as they did?

This ought to make some of the people who claim to be against the things some of the extremists stand for get out and vote against them, or else who knows what or who will be next.

I have watched the episodes of Kalonji Saadiq in this latest shooting spree on "the near north side". So he is in jail under heavy bond.

I always thought that the purpose of bail was to insure that the defendant would appear for his hearing. Now I don't know Saadiq that well, but I would bet real coin of the realm that he will be at his hearing if they let him go on his own recognizance. And I don't think he is guilty of killing anybody.

The law might associate him with the killing because he was there, but I have to believe his story that he went to mediate, because that is his bag. One thing is certain. Kalonji Saadiq never has a dull moment.

I don't know him as a friend or such, but I have to believe that he didn't kill anybody. This is my personal opinion.

Thoughts and Comments

By James B. Morris III

The Peoples Temple

A number of interesting stories have arisen over the last week or so. On the home front, Kalonji Saadiq was arrested and held as a suspect in the murder of a young white girl allegedly shot by one of three men who forcibly entered a house.

But comment on this case, at this point in time when not all of the facts have been revealed, would be totally inappropriate. Further, my pleas for

public input in the nominating process of the Des Moines Branch of the NAACP seem to have been totally ignored, so further comment would be unnecessary.

And the proposal for a juvenile delinquency project in the Oakridge area, which would employ delinquent children of the area to do repair work in the complex was debated by the Polk County Board of Supervisors without a final decision as to county funding being made. But until a decision is reached, one way or the other, as to the future of the project (which at least in theory is a basically good idea) and more information is about it, there is little I could add to what has already been publicized. As usual, I will look elsewhere for my topic for the week.

One cannot help but be affected by the superficially senseless mass suicide by over 900 American members of the 'Peoples Temple' religious sect who had established an agricultural colony in the jungles of Guyana. The mass suicide was allegedly triggered by the ambush slaying of a California Congressman (who was in the process of

investigating the cult) and four members of his party on a nearby airstrip from which they were preparing to depart.

Jim Jones, the white originator and leader of the cult, apparently ordered the slayings of the Congressman and his party and, after learning that there were survivors of the attack, the mass suicide.

Jones was said to be a brilliant organizer and extremely effective preacher who patterned his style after that of Father Divine (a popular black fundamentalist minister of past decades) by prompting the cause of the poor and attacking the 'establishment' for ignoring the plight of American blacks. His 'church' members, largely black, elderly and poor, were attracted to him by his work in helping poor people get jobs, opening soup kitchens and establishing other facilities for their care and survival. So why suicide?

I think that the answer is Jones himself. Although he espoused an essentially Marxist philosophy which manifested itself by his work in caring for the underprivileged and elderly, it would seem that appearances may have been deceiving. At the same

Kalonji Saadiq

Speakin' Out



I'm happy to report that I survived the Des Moines City Jail for almost forty hours without becoming a victim of police brutality. Of course, it may have been because they released their frustrations beating at least two other people.

I saw both of them after their beatings and heard one of them being beaten in the elevator, then dragged by his feet past my cell, which was an isolation cell on the second floor (commonly referred to as St. Louis). The one I heard beaten was a young man whose only crime was that he was intoxicated. Both were White.

How can so many brutal inhumane men be allowed on the police force? What type of training do they receive that turns them into insensitive machines? Why do the judges they appear before overlook their cruises and their blood-stained faces and clothes? When will the citizens of Des Moines wake up to the fact that police brutality is a common occurrence? These questions still remain unanswered for me after almost ten years.

No wonder I have a "Walking Tall", "Billy Jack" complex (smiles). I have seen the authorities abuse their power and citizens of this community many times (myself included). This also the reason why so many people, Blacks in particular, distrust and dislike the police. Even the law abiding citizens of the ghetto are aware that the disproportionately high number of police in our areas are not concerned about us but are there to keep tabs on us. They do not mingle with the people or try to get to know them, but remain in their cars, parked on empty lots

observing the behavior of the animals in the jungles created by oppression and centuries of social injustices.

I will never forget one night when three officers came into Roberts Lounge at 11th and University during a dance contest. The crowd was urging the dancers to "get down" and there were sounds of oooh, oooh, and par-tay. The dancers were sweating and the women suggestively touched the men's bodies. The officer in charge looked around, shook his head in disgust and motioned for the other officers to follow him out. It looked so much like the great white hunter's negative attitude towards the intricate, symbolically significant moves of native African dancers.

Yes, for me the perennial still remains: Who will police the police? In 1972 a plan was formulated by the then active Community Action Committee. It entailed the establishment of a community based citizen's complaint center, where people could report instances of police brutality and misconduct. The center would also serve to recruit minority officers.

The idea is still feasible and in light of the fact that most people of today are oblivious to police brutality it is more necessary than ever.

One thing is for certain, the Black community must have input into the selection of the new police chief. We must push for a man of understanding. I can't think of a local man who would fit the bill. By the way when is the selection going to take place? Is anyone from the N.A.A.C.P. reading this article? If so, please bring the point up at the next meeting.

Now before I close I would like to thank whoever from the Post Office that anonymously dropped the novel at the jail for me. Also I would like to express my thanks to all the people who have called my mother to express their belief in my innocence and support for me. I assure I am innocent and your trust is well placed. I have just received my first letter of support and would appreciate it greatly if the readers of my column would drop me a couple of lines. One thing can be said about my being in jail and that is I now have plenty of time to write my column and no excuse for not doing so.

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A Female Focus On The Issues

Peggy Spates Johnson



In the November issue of Essence magazine, a young black female writer was bemoaning the lack of black involvement in Hollywood produced films and TV programs. No blacks outside of the actors involved wrote or produced "Roots" as an example. She met with unqualified resistance and hostility on the Universal studios lot during her years there. She watched herself and other black creators' projects go down the drain. Any film which made blacks look good, intelligent, strong and competent seemed to get shelved.

As one producer told her (off the record, but in honesty) "... give me Amos and Andy anytime — whites are laughing AT blacks in situation comedies NOT with them. They don't want to see blacks in dramatic shows, they (whites) release their tensions and frustrations laughing at blacks."

Ugh. If Hollywood has no regard or feelings for the black man and woman — why do we continue to

shell out our hard earned money to view its usually low quality films and pump up their TV show ratings each week by tuning into the boob tube?

A major case in point is Norman Lear's "All in the Family". Supposedly Lear is a social and political liberal, who has created such shows as "Maude", "Good Times", "What's Happening?" and "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman" to satirize the mass mind — particularly bigotry and prejudice.

Unfortunately many viewers who are indeed racists themselves, find the character of Archie Bunker one they can sympathize and relate to rather than pity because of his ignorance and right wing politics.

This brings me to the main case in point today. When I first heard of Carroll O'Connor's (another

liberal I hear), easy chair from "All in the Family" being sent to the Smithsonian Institute as a 'national archive' I laughed it off. Then in a discussion with a friend, Bobretta Williams, the underlying seriousness of the situation was brought to my attention.

Why preserve an article belonging to a lower middle class racist — even if he is a fictional character meant to show the stupidity of stereotypes and discrimination? There are many other items, particularly symbols of minority culture that could have been enshrined in the Smithsonian.

As a card-carrying and dues paying member, the Smithsonian has an unhappy contributor on its hands and probably one who will no longer be a member after this year.

Library News

The Public Library can help residents to locate correct addresses for their Christmas cards and packages. The Library has directories for most U.S. cities over 25,000 and for almost all

Iowa towns and cities. A phone call, 283-4919 (Library Directory Service) may provide the address you need, although new and changed listings are not available. The Directory

Service telephones can go to the Main operate 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 8:00 to 5:00 Friday, and 9:00 to 5:00 on Saturday. If you have a lengthy list of addresses to check, you

Library at 100 Locust and use the directories there.

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J. B. Morris THE PEOPLES TEMPLE

time he was publicly preaching against racism, the Vietnam conflict and in support of the rehabilitation of drug addicts and prostitutes, it appears that he privately was preoccupied with sex and the power which it, when used as a tool or weapon, could bring him.

Religion, it appears, was little more than a vehicle to affect the type of social changes which he foresaw and as a means to satisfy his personal thirst for power and increase the wealth of his church. Jones imbued his followers with the idea that he was the earthly manifestation of whatever deity they held to be sacred and demanded tribute from the members of the church in various forms in accordance with that status.

Perhaps his alleged narcotics addiction was responsible for the state of paranoia which is said to have dominated his thoughts and acts at the end of his life, but, in any case, he, by that time, had convinced his followers that should he die, they should follow.

Perhaps the fact that he shot himself rather than to drink the poison which took the lives of over 900 of his followers is indicative of the feelings of superiority which manifested themselves in his behavior at the end and his desire for a place in history motivated him to take his followers into death with him, but that is something that we, looking at this man and his movement from the outside, may never know about.

It would seem that Jones attracted the numbers of black and other followers which he did by the time and money which he invested in their welfare and comfort during an earlier time in his career rather than by mere deceit. He spoke out against the people, institutions and practices which blacks were most concerned about and was willing to personally involve himself in their plight.

Although many, especially the elderly, may have donated what few physical possessions and items of value which they had to the church, they presumably did so out of respect for Jones and the ideals he publicly presented rather than as the result of mistake or deception. The length to which many people today are willing to go to guarantee the welfare of the church of which they are a member perhaps is not a fair concept to compare with the situation of the Peoples Temple, but the similarities are obvious.

These blacks were drawn to Jones and his organization not only by the religious appeal, I think, but also (and perhaps more) by the programs and facilities which his church undertook and financed for their benefit. The fact they were willing to die for and with him is indicative of their acceptance (perhaps not an unreal or unprincipled acceptance) of the idea that he was a 'god' of a sort and that life, without Jones to lead them, was impossible.

Although the conditions at the Jonestown settlement may have been more unsettled and difficult than those of their prior environment, the fact that they seemed willing to voluntarily take the poison would indicate the sort of allegiance to Jones and his church which has been seen so rarely in human history.

Rather than to deride Jones and his Peoples Temple for the conduct of its membership, this mass suicide provides a rare opportunity for us to understand how and why such a closely knit and well structured social, economic and political organization could exist, prosper, and quickly dissolve. The fact that Jones may have had serious

physical and mental problems which affected his thought and act at the end does not distract from the fact that the residents of the Jonestown colony (black or white) routinely practiced such a mass suicide and, under his direction, voluntarily carried it out.

Although the area where the suicides occurred was supposedly surrounded by armed guards there was an absence of evidence that members had been physically compelled to drink the poison and it is interesting to note that only three bodies were found which had been shot. In short, it would seem that, on the basis of the evidence already uncovered and

publicized, the more than nine hundred who did drink it did so voluntarily with full knowledge of its probable effects.

This man and his organization, should not be universally condemned but studied for the loyalty of the membership which Jones inspired, whether he may have been right or wrong in his conduct, is an example of what people can and will do for a person or idea they cared for and about.

Jim Jones may have been hopelessly insane by the time of his death, but the loyalty which his work with the poor and disadvantaged created should be an example to us all.

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In Our Own Image is an introduction to humanities course that surveys visual arts, music and dance, and theatre, with emphasis on the process of making aesthetic judgments on fundamental information on each art area and on human potentialities.

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3 credits

the social page

Folks and Strokes



Edna Griffin

If you find the recent Guyanna tragedy beyond understanding and bizarre, consider the almost unnoticed bit of information in a White House document leaked to the N.Y. Times in October of this year and confirmed in an announcement Nov. 11th by Charles F. Schultze, President Carter's economic advisor.

Schultze announced that the Administration will request a cutback of more than \$12 billion dollars in funds for "non-defense" purposes: education, health care, and other vital social programs. These cuts

will be presented to Congress as necessary to protection of the American people in event of war.

The secret leaked to the N.Y. Times is a plan to evacuate cities instead of building a network of fallout shelters. The second part of the plan consists in preparation of a network of "command posts" to oversee efforts to restore vital services in fire-stormed, destroyed cities.

This master plan implies that defense in a nuclear war is possible. Discussions in the Pentagon, I have read, include acknowledgement that millions of Americans will be killed. The only question at issue is how many are expendable.

Warnings are pouring from the scientific community that there is **no defense** in nuclear warfare and its effects for generations on the population. Such a war would begin and end in a matter of **minutes**, we are warned. The Pentagon would have us forget SALT (Strategic Arms Limitations Talks) as important to real national security. Can it be possible the American people are being carefully introduced to the idea that war is the only solution to the problems affecting our economy?

There seems to be a growing suspicion of those who scream about the Russians taking over the world. Weapons on both sides capable of destroying the world make peace the most important condition for survival of every American.

I think the Guyanna tragedy is a chilling example of official government lack of regard for the poor. The casual attitude of the State Department toward the requests for help in finding relatives in Guyanna is an example. Why were Social Security agents not concerned by uncashed social security checks, uncashed by a large number of people no longer in the U.S.? To what extent was the Guyanna project an experiment in behavior modification? Who knew enough about the situation to warn Congressman Ryan? These are questions in need of honest answers and explanations. I seem to remember Guyanna as a training base for pilots preparing to invade Cuba. There is more than we are reading in the papers. What about that collection of passports found at camp. It's the child victims that leave me unravelled!

Soul...

Food and Thought

Aldeen Davis



Since starting this column, Soul — Food and thought, I have been asked a number of times, "What is Soul Food and what is the purpose of the column?" The purpose of the column is to bring out the part American Negroes have played and the contributions he has made to America's culture, as for "Soul Food"; it is compassion food — greens from the root and meat of vitals and marrow.

Culinary genius of the slave mother applied to overlooked odds and ends made it unique.

Food in the cabin was often greasy and starchy and always repetitious to the point of sometimes being repugnant, but the wise and patient mother would chide her complaining children with, "Hiest yo'mouf 'hit keps' yo' body an soul togedder, don' 'hit?" At which the children would bow their heads over their bowls and mumble, "Yes'm." Father looked admiringly at this woman — *extraordinaire* — suddenly ashamed of his bottled up resentment, and think as he finished his cup of chicory "My God! my God! there has to be a better day — a day of jubilee."

Louise Beavers, Hattie McDaniel and Ethel Waters were depicted as the perfect composite of the house slave and cabin mammy, not by choice but because there were no other outlets for their talents. Hollywood wasn't ready to accept the total woman in a black skin during the early days of pictures. These

and other pioneers blazed the trail by accepting stereotypes for the future Diana Ross's and Carrolls' and Lena Horne's and Ruby Dee's.

Soul Food cookery developed into a cuisine from the need for economy, simplicity, and creativity in an attempt to camouflage what one was eating things like — Tripe, part of the stomach (beef or pork), Mau stomach lining, sweet breads pancreas, cocks comb, bone marrow, lungs, lites, feet, organs (heart, kidney, etc.) and the king of all soul food — chitterlings, the large intestines.

Tripe: Clean and cut into small pieces soak in salt water overnight. Maybe cook as a stew with lots of spices, or dipped in an egg batter and fried.

Chicken Heads: Fry slowly until golden brown, and thoroughly done. Pile high in a wicker bun basket. Serve with plenty of "home brew". The correct way to eat this delicacy is to crack the heads for the tiny morsel of brain lay hidden within.

Princess Oziel Chapter No. 9 Holds Election

Worthy Matron, Verona Cheatom; Worthy Patron, Lawrence James; Associate Matron, Raoulyn Perry; Associate Patron, Frank Burks Jr.; Treasurer, Ruby Wilson; Secretary, Emma Williamson; Assistant Secretary, Dorothy Collier; Conductress, Beatrice Devan; Associate Conductress, Dorothy Taylor; Lecturer, Mary

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Evelyn Carter; Alternate Officer, Georgia Add; Pianist, Alma Morris; Mary Parker, Evelyn Carter and Bessie Matthews.

September 28, 1978 — 25 year pins were presented to Sister Emma Williamson,

October 26, 1978 — Mrs. Elaine Hughes was initiated in the Chapter.

Reporter Jane Brown

Prince and Princess Of Christmas To Be Crowned

The annual "Doll Show" sponsored by the Parliamentary Law and Culture Club will be held December 10th, 1978, at the Pioneer Columbus Community Center. The address of the Center is 2100 S.E. 5th Street. The time of the show will be 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Seven children will be in the contest. The pictures and names of these contestants will be

in next week's Iowa Bystander. The names of the parents will also be given in the next issue.

All Des Moines parents and children under 10 years of age are invited. Let us count you.

President,
Mrs. Lois Hunt
Secretary,
Mrs. Oradell Henry
Program Chr.,
Mrs. Leona Webb

ROAD RUNNERS BOWLING GUILD

The Des Moines Roadrunners Bowler's Guild is sponsoring a mixed doubles tournament.

The tournament began last weekend, but interested participants can still compete for the prizes, this Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 & 3, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Bowl-O-Mat Lanes, East 14th and near Euclid.

Entry time begins at 11:00 a.m. and bowling

times each day are 12:00 and 2:30 p.m.

Entry fee is \$12.00 per couple, the pay-off is based on 50 entries or more.

The following cash prizes will be awarded: \$100 1st place, \$65.00 2nd place, \$40.00 3rd place, \$20.00 4th place, and \$12.00 5th place.

Open competition. All bowlers welcome.

Humbard Acting In LA

Brenda Humbard of Los Angeles has good news for all of you of Des Moines. She is currently doing some bit parts in several movie plays again while still seeking for a BA degree in Business Administration.

She recently had been chosen to play a bit part as a reporter and bridesmaid in the

"Streets of New York" at the college she attended in Santa Monica, CA., in which her other talents such as designing the scenery and costumes for the play were used.

Just last week she received a call from one agent to come play the character bit part as a Muslim visitor of the new T. V. production Roots II

which will air in Jan. of 79. Look for the ending scene when Malcolm X gets assassinated, she'll be in the crowd as a Muslim visitor.

She's the oldest daughter of Mr. Robert D. Humbard and Mrs. Johnnie M. Humbard of Des Moines and granddaughter of Miss Jimmie Wolfe also of Des Moines.



Brenda Humbard

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All Around The Town

Peggy Spates Johnson

Is Gary Coleman a midget or just the most precocious, effervescent and talented black child star since Rodney Allen Rippey or Frankie Lyman? This is a question I've heard circulating among black viewers of NBC's new sitcom "Different Strokes". Every Tuesday evening at 6:30 we get the pleasure of watching 2 solid little

actors do their stuff.

The scripts vary from week to week in quality but Conrad Bain, Gary Coleman, Todd Bridges and Charlotte Rae seem to bring the stalest lines to life.

The premise is a rather shaky one — a very rich aristocratic WASP loses his black maid to the grim reaper and he is left to care for and raise 2 little hipsters

from Harlem's ghetto. The resulting cultural and social upheaval of two differing life styles colliding makes up the usually funny business.

I doubt if a rich WASP could become so liberal, so sensitive and so caring for two little black boys so soon but the script writers call on Bain as Drummond to do just that. Miss Rae is the scatterbrained maid of

the household (this time she is a Caucasian) and is a truly fine comedian — and a refugee from Norman Lear's defunct "Hot L Baltimore" series.

Bain likewise comes to "Strokes" as a supporting character from "Maude" — he also is a talented performer.

But again it is little Coleman who steals the show every week — he is indeed a cute kid. I hope Hollywood doesn't destroy his sense of reality nor that he becomes a has been at say, age 13.

Some blacks have complained about the format — again we see black children with no black parents around — no cultural roots. Instead these minority youngsters have been befriended by a white male representing a benevolent WASP culture — a sort of great white massa figure.

Whether the writers had this in mind or not the show triumphs in spite of itself. As an example Tuesday nights show centered on the theme of biased and highly verbal IQ entrance exams administered to blacks and how in reality intelligence is not measured but how much of WASP society has been instilled in black kids and with kids from Harlem — this is very little.

So they score poorly on standardized tests written by whites using Anglo Saxon culture as their basis. Good point — liberals outside of education should be made aware of this when the Jensens and the Shockleys use the university community as a cloak for their

institutionalized racism.

At any rate — this is one of the very few shows on commercial TV I watch. Tune in if you care to check it out some Tuesday evening.

Next week — a review of the one man play "Thurber" starring William Windom at CY Stephens in Ames.

MRS. LOLA REEVES HONORED

Mrs. Lola Reeves was honored on her 85th birthday, Sunday, November 19th, at her home with an open house celebration given by her daughters, Mrs. Idella Cushingberry, Mrs. Celest Flanigan, of the city and Mrs. Lenna Ewing of Altadena, California. It was a beautiful affair where she was greeted and honored by many friends and neighbors at her home during the afternoon.

Mrs. Ewing who made a surprise visit on Friday before to be present for the occasion made it an extra special event for her mother and sisters. She returned home on Tuesday. Lenna is the wife of R. D. Ewing, also formerly of Des Moines. They have three children, Andre, now serving in the Army; Erika and Payton at home.

Erika was crowned Miss Wesley on November 10th at the 1978 Debutante Presentation sponsored by the Wesley United Methodist Church, Los Angeles. She was the recipient of a scholarship.

Black YMCA 125th Anniversary

This year marks the 125th anniversary of YMCA service to black communities and YMCAs across the United States are joining in the celebration, Jock Johnson, executive director of the Urban Branch Y.M.C.A. released plans for the Des Moines branch today.

"The first YMCA in the world established to serve black people came into being in 1853," he said, "seven years before the Civil War and 10 years before slavery was officially ended in the United States."

The principal founder was a freedman, Anthony Bowen, who

with a group of friends organized the "YMCA for Colored Men and Boys" in Washington, D.C. in August 1853, just nine years after the world's first Y was founded in London.

"Here in Des Moines, a banquet is being planned to mark this historic event," Johnson said.

"The founder of the world's first Y for black people, Anthony Bowen was an unusual man," continued Johnson. "Born a slave, he was the first black man to become a clerk in the U. S. Patent Office."

Bowen first heard of the YMCA from a white co-worker who was a

member of the Board of the year-old Washington YMCA. With black people barred from membership in any organizations of the day, Bowen decided that a "black YMCA" was needed. For many years, this Y was known as the Twelfth Street Branch but in 1972, the name was changed to the Anthony Bowen branch in honor of its founder and first president.

Johnson pointed out that although all YMCAs are now open to all races, there are, because of housing patterns, 139 in the United States with predominately black membership and leadership.

The YMCA swimming team has begun their practices, with their first meet on Saturday, December 2nd against the Boone YMCA. The meet will be held at the North High School pool. For those boys or girls that would like to compete for the Y on this year's swim team, it's not too late to enroll. There are eleven scheduled meets planned for this winter. The water is warm and so is the welcome for those interested in some winter water fun.

International relations is a future objective for the YMCA — and the Urban Branch hopes to take the lead. In recent weeks the YMCA has been discussing the potential of setting up some sort of relationship with YMCAs around the world. Because of a friendship recently developed with Kenya's YMCA National General Secretary Joel Kinagwi, Jock Johnson, Des Moines' Urban Branch Executive Director, has taken a special interest in the project. Jock and Joel met at a regional executives' workshop held in Dallas, Texas this past month. Both have promised to keep in contact because of their common interest in each other's country, and hope to reunite one day in Nairobi or Des Moines.

SHAPE UP THE Y'S WAY — IT'S A GREAT IDEA!

"With a combined professional staff of over half a million people, these 'black YMCAs' still represent one of the largest community-based institutions for black people in the United States," stated Johnson. "And although these separate YMCAs were created out of necessity not choice, they have proved to be excellent training grounds over the years for future black leaders."

Johnson cited as an example Atlanta's black Butler Street Y, where former Des Moines Urban Director, Al Collier is executive director, is created with greatly influencing the lives of such men as Whitney Young, former head of the Urban League; Julian Bond, Georgia Congressman; Andrew Young, and Martin Luther King.



Urban YMCA News

Urban YMCA wrestling program has started - with 30 kids enrolled to date. The program helps kids with their basic wrestling skills and fundamentals,

while keeping them in condition for several meets that are planned throughout the winter.

The program is instructed by Vince Lewis, a man with both high school and college experience in competitive wrestling. The class meets on Wednesdays from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9:00 - 12:00 noon. For further information, call the Y at 288-0131.



Joel Kinagwi, YMCA National General Secretary of Kenya, with Jock Johnson, Des Moines YMCA Urban Executive Director.

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The Church Page

MAPLE STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, Dec. 3, Rev. Parrish will deliver a "Communion Sermon". Communion will be served. The Senior Choir will be singing.

The Gospel Choir will have their regular Request Night service on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 5:00 p.m.

The Deaconess Board will sponsor the Gospel Harmonettes in a Musical Service on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 4:00 p.m. Sis. Lucy Willis, Pres., Sis. Ruby Cooper, Program chairperson.

Usher Board No. 2 will present Caesar Smith as their guest speaker on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 4:00 p.m. Caesar, who is a member of the St. Paul A.M.E. Church, is a 20 year retired major in the U.S. Army. He is also a graduate of the Univ. of Nebr. Plan to attend. The Maple Street Young Adult Choir will furnish the music.

The Annual Sunday School Christmas program will be held on Sunday, Dec. 24, at 5:00 p.m. Everyone, especially the parents, are urged to attend and support our young people. The annual Church Christmas Party will be held following the Sunday School program.

Shirley Talbert would like to meet with a representative from each Auxiliary, concerning calendar dates, on Friday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the church. This meeting is very important and your help and cooperation would be appreciated.

KYLES A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

Saturday, December 2, the Senior Usher Board will have Ham and Chicken Dinners. For deliveries call 288-2391. You may come by the church and have your dinner there — 907 15th St.

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. Children and adult classes are being taught. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, December 3, will be "Old Camp Meeting" day at Kyles. Devotions will begin at 10:30 a.m. Worship service will be at 11:00 a.m., with Pastor Williams in charge. Holy Communion will be served. The Senior Choir will sing. The church family will join in a Potluck Dinner following service.

Our sick and shut-in members are: Sisters Margaret McGregor, Lutheran Hospital; Frances Turner, Edna Morris, Ozella Moten, Jimmie Wolfe, Georgia Sparkman, Katherine Mullen, Ruby Nesbitt, and Brothers George Turner, Arthur Flanagan and George Hardy.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND PARTY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15th AT KYLES
More details at a later date.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

Each Wednesday at 7 p.m. is Prayer and Bible study.

Sunday, December 3rd, at 6 p.m. the Pastor's Aid Club will sponsor "It Could Be

You". Sister Regina Smith is President, Sister Mary Hawkins Chm.

The 68th anniversary of Union Baptist Church will be observed Sunday, December 10th, at 4 p.m. Chairpersons are Sisters Regina Smith and Ruby Wilson.

Our known hospitalized sick is Brother James Cooper, Brother Cleo Morrison was recently released from Mercy hospital.

Think about it — "DO THE VERY BEST YOU CAN AND LEAVE THE OUTCOME TO GOD".

MOUNT HEBRON CHURCH

On Sunday, Dec. 3, Rev. Alex Crawford will install the J.M.H. officers.

Sunday afternoon New Friendship Church of God in Christ will be rendering the music. Mrs. Louvenia Jones, choir mother.

On Dec. the 10th, at 7 p.m. Mount Hebron will be presenting the Old Ship of Zion. Mrs. McCeil Clinton will be the narrator. Mother Porter, chair lady.

On the third Sunday in Dec. the Sunday School will be presenting Youth on Parade at 4 p.m. Rev. Dondal Bolden, Supt., Sis. Becky Shields chair lady.

Sick and Shut-ins: Mother Love, Mother Lillian Williams, Sis. Jenny Patton and Bro. Williams Thompson in Mercy Hospital; Bro. Charles R. Walker.

You all are invited to come out each Wednesday night for our soul touching Prayer

Meeting at the hour of 7 o'clock.

Rev. James Harris, Pastor
News reporter Eva Young

MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Saturday, December 2nd, the Trustee Board will sponsor a Chicken, Rib and Fish Dinner held at Morning Star Church, starting at 11:00 a.m.

For information or delivery call 243-7702 after 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning only.

Sunday, December 3rd, at 5:00 p.m. The Senior Choir will sponsor Rev. Thurman Crawford in a musical recital.

Every Sunday evening starting at 8:00 p.m. There will be an old fashioned testimonial service held from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. The public is invited.

Pastor Rev. Alex Crawford Jr.

Church Clerk, Sis. Doris Woods

NEW FRIENDSHIP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We at New Friendship sincerely hope that you and yours had a blessed Thanksgiving. But we as Christians give thanks to our Lord and Saviour everyday for all the blessings that he continually grants us.

On Sunday was Women's Day. Mother E. Alexander was in charge. The Youth Choir furnished music and Mother Alexander brought us the Word of

God.

Visitors on Sunday morning included Brother and sister J. A. Anderson and Ms. A. Jacobs of North Chicago, Illinois; Sis. Ruth Brock and Bro. A. Thompson of Kansas City, Mo. They were visiting our Pastor and wife during the holiday season. Bro. Thompson and Sis. Brock are gifted and talented musicians and our hearts did rejoice during the service as they rendered music to us. Also visiting us was Mr. D. Hamilton, a gentleman who has been helpful to our church during our move to our present location.

On Sunday afternoon, our Women's Day program was centered around the Seven Churches of Asia Minor. We had seven different speakers. They included Min. P. Singleton, New Bethany COGIC; Min. J. Woods, Prayer of Faith COGIC; Sis. M. Brown, Corinthian Baptist Church; Elder E. Bell, E. 17th COGIC; and Sis. R. Kaiser, H. Jenkins and Mo. E. Alexander of New Friendship.

The service was in

behalf of the building fund and truly it was a success. We sincerely appreciate our chairman of the Building Fund, Missionary E. Alexander for her wonderful efforts.

Prayer will be offered each Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. before Bible band. We say that a church that prays together, stays together. Come and join in our Tuesday Bible band, you are missing a treat by staying away.

On Saturday, December 2, a Chicken and Fish Dinner will be sponsored by Sis. M. Moore and Mo. L. Jenkins. On Sat., December 16, the young people will be having a Bake sale at Safeway. They are working in behalf of UNAC convention next year in Los Angeles, Ca.

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Evening Service 7:45 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal Fridays 7:30 p.m.

PRAYER OF FAITH COGIC
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Pastor Supt. Elder Eddie Davis
Asst. Pastor M.D. Eppright
Assoc. Minister Jerry Woods
Sunday School 9:00 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 COGIC
1340 E. 18th Street
Rev. Pastor Arthur Bush
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 1:30 a.m. & 8 p.m.
Y.P.W.W. 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer & Bible Study 8:00 p.m.
Thursday Consecration & Healing 8:00 p.m.

MESSIAH TEMPLE
2603 Center
Elder Jacob J. 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. 7:00 p.m.

NEW FRIENDSHIP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
1711 West 16th
Pastor Elder R. L. Daye
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

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1440 DeWolf Street
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266-8212
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
9th & School Streets
Rev. F. W. Strickland
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
BTU 6:00 p.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH
920 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

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Bishop A. B. 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
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Ph: 244-9628
Rev. T. R. Brown, Pastor
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sun. School 10:00 a.m.
Prayer Service-Wed. 7:00 p.m.

PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
1732 Walker Street
Rev. Wayland Heath, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Youth Meeting Weekly 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.

MISSION TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C.
Elder James McNear, Pastor
Assistant Pastor Minister E. Bell
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 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. 16th & Maple Street
Rev. Geo. Parish
Minister - 266-8910
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Bible Class 6:30 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.

MORNINGSTAR BAPTIST CHURCH
1150 W. 13th
Rev. Alex Crawford, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Broadcast 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

FIRST CALVARY APOSTOLIC CHURCH
2561 Onawa
Minister Georgeann Reid
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Friday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
1213 Scott 255-6333
Pastor Rev. Benjamin W. Jamison 277-9269
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Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH
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Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.

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Youth Fellowship 6:30 p.m.
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Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service Wed. 7:30 p.m.

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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 Fellowships 5:30 p.m.



Look, Therefore, To This Day

By
Lynda Walker-Webster

Let's Try Celebrating CHRISTmas This Year

Our families' are probably one of the greatest things in life that we take the most for granted. As we emerge from Thanksgiving, which is probably the most popular of family holidays, and move into the Christmas holiday season, how very blessed you are if you have a family to share these very special days with.

...And, a family is not only those that are related through blood, ... but a family can be anyone that

you love, and love being with. A communion of the heart, soul and mind. The ultimate fellowship.

The yuletide season is now upon us. It should first and foremost be the time of year when we acknowledge the birth of the Christ child. The same Christ child who as a man, 33 years later was crucified for our sins, but rose again, ... just for us! We acknowledge His death and resurrection on Good Friday and Easter, respectively.

At Easter time we get caught up with Easter Bunnies and "frilly frocks". At Christmas time we are so caught up in Santa Claus, decorating Christmas trees, shopping and "boogie-ing" that I truly believe that there are many people who glide right past the season without even giving serious thought that this is a most holy and sacred holiday. Some may not only give it serious thought, but no thought at all. Only in terms of receiving gifts.

This is not to say that I do not believe in enjoying all of the festivities and traditions that accompanies Christmas, but I firmly believe that primary acknowledgments of the season should come first.

We have strayed so far away from so many things that were truly "good things" ... things that made us happier and to be truthful, emotionally healthier!

The week between Christmas and New Year's Day is better known as "Party Week". It is the week that some folks enter into on Christmas Eve (if not before), and do not emerge from until the night of

New Year's Day.

I would like to think that as human beings dwelling in the house of today, we are able and capable of returning to recapture some of those "good things" of yesteryear.

Whatever happened to those very touching, candle-lit Christmas programs held at church on Christmas Eve (the eve of HIS birth)? Well, for starters, around the time that such a program would normally begin, the shopping centers are still open and the masses of folk are doing that infamous last minute shopping. For seconds, we might be needing to stay home to finish wrapping those last minute presents, finish up our last minute baking, and preparing the food to eat on Christmas Day.

....I say "TIME OUT!!!!"

We have indeed taken the CHRIST out of CHRISTmas!

There should be intervals through the Yuletide season when we "cease fire", and come to the grips of reality, that we are here to praise and give thanks to an Almighty God for giving us such a gift in the form of His son.

Wouldn't it be fun, warming and loving to return to those days when we took life, its' meaning, and such things as CHRISTmas as though we really believed in it.

What do you say? Shall we try it this year?

be sponsored by the Young People on New Year's Eve at midnite. There will be special out-of-town guests and many good singers from the city. You will be hearing more about it in the future.

Keep praying for New Friendship because we want to be a beacon light on the West Side of Des Moines for men, women, boys and girls to come to Christ.

Remember: CHRIST IS THE ANSWER.

ORALABOR THE MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

The Des Moines Harmonettes will be in a Gospel service every third Sunday of the month with other talents of the city at 6:00 p.m. starting Dec. 17, 1978.

In Oralabor The Spiritual City of Friendship asking all to join us that will in the name of the Lord.

Pastor, Rev. H. Simmons

WORLD COMMUNITY OF AL-ISLAM IN THE WEST

On Sunday, Nov. 26, the message came from Chicago via telephone hook-up. We were privileged to hear the Honorable Wallace Deen Muhammad.

Annie Cavil visited the Masjid and we were very pleased to have her.

Tuesday evening is 'community nite', 7 p.m. Friday afternoon 12 p.m., "Jumah prayer."

Bilalian news available at Mid-City Library and downtown library; and can be purchased at 1430 University at 12 p.m. Fridays or at the regular meeting 1 p.m. Sundays. Or call 282-4450, 282-0040.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

We will be having chicken and chitterlings dinners starting at 11 a.m. Number to call for order is 255-4286.

Mission meeting at 7 p.m. every other Thurs. Mission meets this Thursday.

Dec. 10 the church is invited to Quincy, Ill.

Senior choir practice Wed. at 7:30 p.m.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Speak well of everyone if you speak of them at all.

Rev. F. B. Green,
Pastor
Ozell Williams,
Church Reporter

THE SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

This Sunday, December 3, 1978 Rev. B. Jamison will preach and the Senior Choir will sing.

Last Sunday Rev. Jamison brought us a very inspiring message taken from the 24th Chapter of Job, 13th verse. His topic "Rebelling Against the Light."

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

The Prayer Service on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

The Church Business meeting on Saturday Dec. 2 at noon. The Deacons will meet at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. James C. Lockett, from the city, was a visitor last Sunday.

FROM THE PASTOR:
THEY ARE OF THOSE THAT REBEL AGAINST THE LIGHT; THEY KNOW NOT THE WAYS THEREOF, NOR ABIDE IN THE PATHS THEREOF. JOB 24: VERSE 13.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH 9th and School

Joint Board met 7:00 p.m. at the church.

Wed. Nov. 29th Teachers meeting 6:00 p.m. Prayer meeting 7:00 p.m.

Giant Christmas card on display sponsored by the Corinthian Deaconess Board. This card is a way of sending greetings to the membership. Asking everyone to support it. Patron \$1.00

Appreciation from Corinthian Missionary Dept. to Dr. Julius Connor & Dr. Walter Riley for the fine program they presented Tuesday, Nov. 21 at the church. Dr. Connor presented test to help determine the degree of physical fitness. Dr. Riley presented slides on the anatomy of the heart, also discussion on the heart bypass surgery; also on the Negro Medical Association (N.M.A.)

Corinthian is proud of Dr. Connor and Dr. Riley, and also to Dr. Fred Strickland. Idella Cushingberry, President.

Two Corinthian teen-agers have reigned as Miss Gateway Queen — Miss Ernesta Lee Manson, daughter of Rose Marie Webster, 1157 10th was 1977 Gateway Queen.

Miss Janice Rife, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Rife, 1148 17th is the '78 Gateway

Queen. Janice also was the first black to reign as a Roosevelt Homecoming queen. Congratulations Janice from the entire church.

The granddaughter of Mrs. Bertie Hayter, 1409 16th, was chosen queen of Little Miss Black Des Moines Pageant. She won a TV set, trophy and a trip to New York next year. Kelley Bonwell is one of the young members of the church ... and the church sends congratulations to Kelley. She is the daughter of Tamarra Bonwell. The pageant

was held Sunday, Nov. 26th at the Fort Des Moines Hotel.

Corinthian is establishing a library and we are seeking all types of reading materials. Anyone that has books to discard is asked to contact Mrs. Jerome Southers, at 282-8484. You know how essential it is to be able

to read and to help do this, we need BOOKS.

Installation of officers will be held the 4th Sunday in December after morning service.

We send out prayers to all shut-ins. Corinthian is a church that cares and shares.

Rev. F. W. Strickland,
Pastor

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St. Paul AME Fire

Rev. Lewis Grady was attending an Inter-Church Workshop in Newton when he was summoned back to Des Moines to face a very sad reality, a deliberate fire had been set at St. Paul A.M.E. Church on 1201 Day.

When Rev. Grady arrived on the scene he was greeted by several St. Paul members and the fire marshalls had the fire under control.

The secretary's office, his office, the choir room, with the choir robes, the main entrance and several valuable historical documents were destroyed in the fire — documents dated 60 years and hand written were destroyed.

Rev. Grady could not approximate the exact amount of damage, but stated the damages

incurred were in the thousands.

"The church is in complete order," stated Rev. Grady, in a recent interview. The church will need a new paint job, new supplies and new carpeting. The church office is temporarily being housed in the home of a member, Mrs. Dorothy Campbell.

Rev. Grady expressed his sincere gratitude to those churches and individuals who had been assisting in the renovation of the church.

Bro. Marsh Houston is chairman of the rehabilitation committee and Bro. Larry Carter is chairman of the fund raising drive committee. Various programs have been initiated to help raise funds to defer some of the items that insurance will not cover.



Rev. Lewis Grady

CHURCH SERVICES FOR ST. PAUL AME
Worship services for St. Paul A.M.E. Church will be held in the church basement Sunday, December 3.

CCI-Seniors Transportation

On Saturday, Nov. 18 members of C.C.I.-Seniors and about 40 seniors who use Model Cities transportation vans, met with Mr. Tom Brandt of Neighborhood Development, Mrs. Betty Jackson of the Model Cities Senior Citizens Center, Mr. Lewis of the Model Cities Board, and Mr. Kenneth Riedel of the Polk County Department of Social Services, to clear up confusion regarding the possible closing of the Center and the transportation services provided by the Model Cities Senior Citizens Center.

Over the past few weeks people have experienced a cutback in services and have been calling the Center to

express their concern that the Center might close.

Mr. Riedel stated that the budget for the Senior Citizens Site was smaller than last year's due to overall cutbacks in social services. He said that Model Cities has been overspending each month in order to maintain basic services. In addition, Mr. Riedel said that when the fiscal year ends in June, 1979, all of the money from Community Services Administration (CSA) budgeted to Model Cities for transportation, will go to the MTA.

Mr. Brandt of Neighborhood Development stated that the City Council has tentatively approved \$18,000 from Community Development Block Grant Funds, to Model Cities Senior Citizens Center due to the Center's inability to provide basic services within the amount they were budgeted for. A "project design" must be drafted for the CD funds; this design has been written and will soon be reviewed by various city

departments, neighborhood boards and the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) for approval before it is presented again to the City Council for the final okay.

Mrs. Betty Jackson said that the Model Cities Senior Citizens Center has received continual cuts in their budget. They now provide three services, whereas they used to be able to offer seven. Mrs. Jackson reassured the group, however, that present services will continue until the end of the fiscal year next June.

Near the end of the meeting citizens expressed an interest in attending the December 18 meeting of the City Council if the project design for CD funds has reached the final stage by that time. C.C.I.-Seniors are planning a follow-up meeting to consider how the kind of personal services provided by Model Cities Senior Citizens Site, can continue to operate once this service is provided by MTA.

CCI Meeting On School Issues

Approximately 60 CCI WILSON PARENT AND SUPPORTERS met with Des Moines School Board members Monday night, November 20, to present their views on the district method of electing school board members.

Residents argued that a district system would:

1. Increase representation of neighborhoods
2. Increase direct representation and accountability
3. Increase grass-roots participation in

government

4. Increase Board member's involvement in the neighborhood
5. Increase Board member's knowledge of neighborhood needs, values, lifestyle

They stated that they have no representative on the School Board that they can hold accountable for School Board actions as they can hold their City Council, State Legislative and Congressional representatives accountable. They also argued that recent School Board actions do not represent their views: the closing of 8 schools in older, less affluent, or ethnic neighborhoods and the extension rather than expansion of Des Moines' traditional school, despite a R & T City - Wide poll which indicated that 80% of those interviewed favored a traditional school.

Residents requested that the School Board place a provision on the September 1979 School Board Ballot that would allow Des Moines voters to decide whether or not they want to change to a district system. Board members Binnie and Hildreth said they would support such a motion, but Board members Williams, Spevak, and Grundberg said they would not.

When questioned by residents, Williams, Spevak, and Grundberg

said they did not think a district system necessarily would be a positive change. Residents countered that they were not asking whether or not the Board favored a change, but that the Board place the question before the voters.

Residents told Board members that they also objected to the closing of Wilson and other neighborhood schools and cited the negative impact these actions have had on neighborhoods in older areas of the City. Board members refused to open the discussion on the closing of Wilson, but did agree to meet with representatives from CCI and Council members to discuss the future use of the building.

Residents do not want the building sold for commercial use, but would rather see it used for a traditional school on the East - Side or a community center. Residents will schedule a meeting with School Board members in January to discuss future use of the building.

Board member, Ian Binnie, will make a motion at the December 5 Board meeting that the question of changing to a Ward System be placed on the September, 1979 School Board Ballot. Residents will attend the meeting to support the motion.

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LOOK ON SPORTS



The other shoe finally dropped. They fulfilled Coach Bob Commings' prediction. Really, it would have been news if they had not fired him. The dismal record over the years was bad enough, but at times the team looked to be poorly coached.

But the man didn't have enough quality ball players. There were no more than a dozen players on that ninety man squad capable of playing Big Ten ball. Fellows who claim to know what they are talking about have said that the Iowa coach, whoever he may be, is hampered by not being able to recruit everybody anywhere.

One guy said that the people who contribute lots of tough to the university like to tell the athletic heads what to do. This may be just so much scuttlebutt, but I heard an Iowa grad say that last week during a conversation in which he wasn't talking to me. Do you suppose that the team could have been turned around in 1979?

From what we read, we might find out, because he man is going to battle for his job. I don't think it's the job so much as the stigma of failure that makes Commings so mad. The man obviously hates to fail, and at this job he has failed whether it was his fault or not.

People who talk about getting Eddie Robinson of rambling at Iowa can forget it. The guy would be silly to leave a place where he can just about name his own tune and is absolute boss for the situation at Iowa. Of course, it would be one hell of a challenge, but who wants that much challenge? Robinson would get some of those top flight black players who are going to southern schools, and with an adequate mixture could come up with a respectable team. But would the Iowa followers want that?

Eveshevski got his players where he found them, and seemed to have no favorites. If you look at the Iowa squads of the last years after Burns you won't find too many of them from very far away. Maybe one or two, but a very small percentage. Trying to get only Iowa players sounds fine but you have to remember that there are more football players in any of the cities of Chicago, Detroit, or Cleveland than there are in the state of Iowa.

As you look at the Iowa squad for 1978, there are about twenty blacks on it, and not more than five of them could be called top players. But that was the situation with the white players, too.

In the meantime Iowa State can sell the best Iowa high schoolers a winning program plus a possible bowl game, and have nearly first shot at the best in

the state. And Drake can nibble off a little bit and the pickings for U of I are very slim indeed.

And while we were playing the game of Will They or Won't They, the basketball season jumped right up on us. All three of the Iowa universities got some cannon fodder out of the woodwork and banged away. As one writer put it, they are pretty sure to come up with an impressive won-lost mark before their conferences races start, and they won't look too bad for the whole year. Be fun to watch the round robin between them.

And in our high school race, the experts say Dowling is one of the teams to beat. Defending champs Roosevelt will find out how everybody wants to beat the champs and I don't know if they can stand the strain or not. Maybe this time there won't be a doormat in the Metro. However, we shall see. According to the daily papers, North might come up with a fair ball club and so might Tech. But the teams to watch from this corner are Valley and Dowling.

What? Did the other guy say that? Well, make us both on the same wave length. Didn't get it out of the papers, either.

There were some fine college games over the week end, but the greatest of them all had to be the Notre Dame - Southern Cal game that was won by USC with just four seconds to play. The picture that struck me was that of Notre Dame players kneeling and standing on the field after the field goal as if they didn't believe what happened. They had played their hearts out and then to lose by such a break. I wish they had shown an instant replay of what looked like a fumble by the Trojan quarterback.

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2nd Place winner



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3rd Place winner



Kim Hinton



Dawn Lewis



Michelle Emery



Bertha Adair



Mia Williams



Monica Lewis



Mrs. Nellie Gater
Pageant Advisor

The third annual Little Miss Black Des Moines Pageant was held Sunday, November 26, 1978, at the Hotel Fort Des Moines.

After young Stevie Fields opened the program by singing, The Black Anthem, the mistress of ceremonies, Anika Nsombi introduced the host judge, Mrs. Doris Tucker and the judges, Mrs. Josephine Jones, Mrs. Jennifer Bethel Carson and Mr. Morris Johnson.

Other featured guests on the program were; Mrs. Yvonne Fitzpatrick, Irene Fitzpatrick, Mr. Dolph Pulliam, Mrs. Norma Jackson and Mr. Thurman Crawford, each one of these individuals rendered musical selections.

Also, featured on the

program was the past Little Miss Black Des Moines Yolanda Thompson and the recently chosen Gateway Queen, her court and the Gateway candidates, Ms. Janice Rife.

The Little Miss Black Des Moines candidates did more than shine — they radiated pure joy and happiness, especially during their opening introduction number when they sang, "Jesus Loves the Little Children."

They beamed with pride and innocence as they modeled their dress wear, escorted by Kevin Jackson and Marcus Emery.

Further indication that the candidates learned and profited from their seven activity sessions were displayed when each and everyone of them answered with

enthusiasm and knowledge their question, during the question segment of the program hosted by Dolph Pulliam.

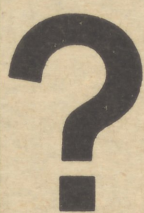
It was a very close

decision stemming from the judges, but Kelly Bonwell emerged as the first place winner and won a portable black and white t.v. set, Sue Wade, took second place and

received a cassette tape recorder, and Tionne Watkins placed third and received a year's subscription to **Ebony, Jr. Magaine.**

The candidates were

well received by the audience and a special thank you must be extended to all of the sponsors who contributed financially to the success of the program.



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Barbara Nichols, president of the American Nurses' Association, was the keynote speaker at the opening session of the 75th Annual Convention of the Iowa Nurses' Association in Cedar Rapids on October 16. As the first black president of the professional association for registered nurses, Ms. Nichols brought a sense of humor, an empathetic ear, and a great deal of enthusiasm to the convention.

Apprenticeship Opportunity Information

The Joint Apprenticeship Committee for Plasterer's Local Union No. 21 has established dates during which they will receive applications for the Plasterer Apprenticeship Program. The dates for accepting applications will be December 4-8 and 11-15, 1978. Anyone meeting the qualifications listed below may apply:

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The Committee has established that they will meet with all applicants on Tuesday evening, January 9, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. Individual interviews will be scheduled at that time.

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says, "the personal interview I had with the board was the deciding factor that led me to win the award." His attending a four week NCO academy in Knoxville, Tenn., being a member of the East School and the Base Human Relations Council, belonging to the

NAACP, the East High PTSA, the American Society for Public Administration, and having an outstanding military record, were all factors in the decision.

In speaking of the opportunities in the Guard, Stan says the Guard is "the best opportunity in the world for young people looking for directions in a career and to make extra money."

Barbara Nichols Heads ANA

Reprinted from the American Nurse, official newspaper of the American Nurses Association.

By Shirley Fondiller

Increasing the membership of the American Nurses' Association and providing for nurses with diverse interests are among the major goals enunciated by ANA's new president Barbara Nichols.

Although concerned about differences among nurses within the profession, Ms. Nichols acknowledges that diversity can be a strength. "Not all of us can—or should—think alike," she says. "We need to recognize these differences, build bridges and find a viable means whereby all of nursing can unite to deal effectively with the more important health issues."

And what does she see as the critical issues facing nursing?

"We must resolve quickly and with more specificity the question of entry into the profession," she replies. "Although the convention gave us a sense of direction, ANA needs to continue reaffirming its stand."

"More clarification of the issue, dialogue and implementation should follow," she adds. "Discussions of educational preparation for nursing must move beyond ANA members because it concerns all nurses in our profession."

Another critical issue, she observes, is the need for the profession to define its role in the delivery of nursing care and nursing services. "It is essential that we become actively involved in the formulation and implementation of health

policy, particularly with national health insurance on the horizon as well as other developments of social significance."

Ms. Nichols urges nurses to function as citizens of their communities, speaking out not only on nursing concerns but on health matters in general.

Commenting on the recent biennial convention, she commends the House of Delegates on its progressive stance toward many crucial national issues. At the same time, she alludes to the lengthy deliberations on structural concerns of the association. "Although our structure is very important," she states, "we mustn't lose sight of our real commitment—focusing on professional and social programs that will benefit the public and patient care."

Natural Progression

Ms. Nichols characterizes her rise to the ANA presidency as "probably a natural progression" of her involvement in organizational work beginning with the district nurses association. Gradually she expanded the scope of her activities to encompass more statewide participation.

In 1969, she became president—elect of the Wisconsin Nurses' Association, WNA president in 1970-72 and a member of the WNA Board of Directors until 1975. She was elected to the ANA Board of Directors in 1974, also serving as a member of the ANA Committee on Committees, 1974-78;

chairperson, ANA Committee on Honorary Awards, 1974-78; and trustee of the American Nurses' Foundation.

"As I became involved at each level of the association, I tried to discern the different offices and scope of responsibility," comments Ms. Nichols. "All along the way there was growth and this helped to produce greater refinement of my professional and social skills."

In addition to her nursing activities she held offices in numerous other organizations and has been accorded many honors from distinguished groups.

ANA's president considers one of her strengths the ability to work well with groups and to facilitate discussion. This self-appraisal comes as no surprise to her colleagues who view her as a dynamic, warm young woman of boundless vitality and strong conviction.

While growing up in Portland, Maine, she had decided at an early age to become a nurse. Two factors, she admits, influenced that decision. "First, I was inspired by my Aunt Maude, a public health nurse. The other factor relates to my ethnicity," she continues. "Historically, nursing has been a profession where black women could work with dignity and pride."

Leaving the hometown behind she went to Boston and received a diploma in 1959 from Massachusetts Memorial Hospital School of Nursing (now called New England Medical Center).

Practicing nursing full-time while continuing her education, she earned a B.S.N. degree from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland (1966), and a M.S. degree (1973) from University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Combining Careers

Twelve years ago Ms. Nichols joined the staff of St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center in Madison. She has words of high praise for her

employers and their generosity in "giving me the opportunity throughout my career to participate in my professional association."

She plans to retain her present position as director of hospital-wide inservice education (for all employees) at St. Mary's. Until last August she held a joint appointment as assistant professor, University of Wisconsin.

Although arrangements have been made for her employment situation, how does President Nichols expect to manage her home life with a busy career and a major new commitment?

"I have several support systems," she states, "including an understanding husband who has always encouraged me, my mother, and four alternating baby sitters who have been with me for seven years."

Barbara and Larry Nichols have three children—9-year-old Nichelle and 8-year-old twins, Kent and Karl. "There is no family deprivation," Ms. Nichols stresses. "The children are very flexible. When I'm away, however, I call home every day!"

Symbol of Hope

As chief standard-bearer for her profession, Ms. Nichols indicates that one of her goals will be to uphold and promote ANA's egalitarian policies.

"The fact that I am black should represent a symbol of hope, demonstrating that any nurse can aspire to the highest post in nursing regardless of race, religion and so on."

Looking forward to her term of office, she offers this comment: "These are exciting times to be president, but they are also critical times in view of the decisions to be made that will affect our profession's future."



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Around The State

Keokuk

Ora Bates entered KAH East on Monday, Nov. 13. He had suffered a broken ankle about six weeks ago in a fall from his bicycle.

Mrs. Fred Herald and Mrs. Opal McCutcheon, of Milwaukee, Wis., are in the city spending time with their father and brother, Elroy Galbreath Sr. and John Galbreath, patients in KAH East.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Clark spent the weekend of Nov. 11-12 in St. Louis, Mo., guests in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. LaMonte Clark.

A very large turnout for 11:00 a.m. service at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church on last Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Dale Laster delivered the message. Visitors attending the service: Mr. and Mrs. Homer L. Boyd and Darius Williams of Ft. Madison, Ia.

Thurman Fields, who has been a patient at KAH East the past two weeks, was transferred to the hospital in Iowa City.

Mrs. Mary Wallace spent the weekend in LaGrange, Mo. visiting friends.

Mrs. Martha Nelson, of Des Moines, will spend the Thanksgiving Holiday in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Lottie Heywood, and with other relatives and friends.

At the city council meeting Thursday, Nov. 16, Mrs. Mary Majors was appointed to the Community Development Agency for a one year term. Mrs. Majors will also serve a term of one year as a member of the Board of the Historical Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scott Jr., became parents of a son born Thursday, Nov. 16, at KAH West.

Jeff Turner, son of Mrs. Freda Turner, is another of the numerous elementary school pupils pictured in the evening paper from time to time. Jeff was pictured in the Saturday issue along with his pets, two small puppies.

Ms. Vickie Scott, a student at WIU in Macomb, Ill., spent the weekend in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scott Sr.

Guy Parsons and Steve Robinson left on Friday last, motoring to Los Angeles, Cal. They were accompanied as far as St. Louis, Mo., by Sp. 4 Maribeth Parsons and Aaron, who will plane to Kaiserlautern, Germany, where Sp. 4 Parsons is stationed.

John Galbreath died at his home Thursday morning. A complete obituary will be in next week's Bystander.

Clinton

Second Baptist Church
438 4th Ave., North
Pastor Rev. H. L. Turner

Sunday school - 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.

On last Sunday, Rev. Robert Green delivered the morning message, with Rev. Lionel Davis bringing the Altar Prayer and reading of the scripture. Rev. Turner was unable to be with us last Sunday. Sunday, Nov. 26, at 3 o'clock Sis L. James and Sis. Lucille Armour will sponsor the Finance Day Program.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, at 3 o'clock, Sis. Julia Howard, Church of God and Christ of Davenport, Iowa, will be one of the guest speakers for this four Gospel Program sponsored by the Mission Dept., Sis. Irene J. Seals Chairman.

Beware of all covetousness: for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions. — Luke 12:15 (RSV) — Pray for the sick and shut-ins everywhere.

Reporter Sis. Helen Coleman

CLINTON

Second Baptist Church, 438 4th Ave., North, Pastor Rev. H. L. Turner.

Last Sunday Rev. Turner delivered a very inspiring message using as his subject, "I'd Rather Burn than Bow", which means I'd rather burn for the Lord, Our Savior, than to bow to man or any type of foolishness; it was very touching. Altar call prayer by Rev. R. Green and scripture reading by Rev. L. Davis, with Dec. Maud James and Dec. Charlie Coleman leading the devotion service.

On last Sunday evening our Finance Program was successful, Sis. Leatha James and Lucille Armour Chairmen. We at Second Baptist were very glad to have Rev. Johnson of Moline, Ill. and Rev. Curry of Rock Island, Ill.

On Sunday, Dec. 10th, 3:00, the Mission Dept. will sponsor a program with Sis. Julia Howard, speaker of the First Church of God, Davenport, Iowa, Chairman Sis Irene Seals. Everyone is invited to attend the program.

We at Second Baptist ask you to remember the sick and shut-ins everywhere.

Beginning Sunday, Dec. 1, at 7:00 p.m., Second Baptist will start having evening worship. Communion will be served the first Sunday

night of each month by Rev. Turner.

Bro. Doc James the father of Dec. Maude, and G. V. James were taken to Mercy Hospital in Clinton. By 8:00 he was resting a little better. Pray for him.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Sunday evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Reporter Sis. Helen Coleman

CULBERSON NAMED NURSE OF THE YEAR

Ruth Culberson of Clinton, Iowa, was recognized recently as nurse of the year by the 6th District of the Iowa Nurses Association. She was recently recognized at the 75th Annual convention of the state group in Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. Culberson is involved in many community organizations as well as her professional organization. She is a member of Bethel Methodist Church, Easter Star, Housing Commission for low income, elderly and handicapped of Clinton County and Clinton County Association of retarded citizens.

Mt. Pleasant

Second Baptist Church, 407 West Saunders St., Rev. W. A. Smith, pastor

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Prayer Meeting and Bible Study will be changed to 7:00 p.m. Saturday during the winter months.

Sam Crewe of Fairfield, Iowa was a guest at Second Baptist Church Sunday.

Miss Josie Campbell was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCane and family Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Finder and Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Smith were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Dawson on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. Glenwood Tolson and Jacqui Tolson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dawson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa on Thanksgiving Day.

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, Nov. 26. Fort Madison seems to have enjoyed a very nice Thanksgiving day. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. John

Valentine had dinner at Holiday Inn. Mrs. Stella Harper had son, George Harper Jr. and family from Quincy, Ill., and her son, Robert Harper and family of Burlington, in her home for dinner. Mrs. Helen Wyatt had her mother, Mrs. Mollie Rudd, Mrs. Lurena Woods, Mrs. Gail Clinton in her home for dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pope and Mrs. Annie Toliver went to Keokuk to her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Bates for dinner. Mrs. Ella Lee Johnson sent my dinner by her husband, T. Johnson. Dessie Burt. All on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23.

A Prayer to God
Dear God, help me in my feeble way to somehow do something each day to show You that I love You best and that my faith will stand

each test, and let me serve You every day and feel You near when I pray. Oh, hear my prayer, dear God above, and make ME, worthy of YOUR LOVE.

Mrs. Mollie Rudd, Mrs. Stella Harper, Mrs. Tom Marsh and Mrs. Dessie Burt were among 37 senior citizens who went to Des Moines on a chartered bus to see Holiday on Ice. We went in the snow storm and returned home with no accidents.

OTTUMWA NEWS

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AHTNC) Nov. 16 — Capt. Jon S. Laurich, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Laurich, 113 Lincoln, Ottumwa, Iowa, recently participated in GALLANT EAGLE 79, a joint readiness exercise at Eglin Air Force Base,

Fla.

More than 25,000 troops from all four services and the Army and Air Force Reserves and National Guard participated in the month-long exercise.

Laurich is regularly assigned as commanding officer of Headquarters Company of the 3rd Brigade, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky.

He entered the Army in January 1972 and was commissioned through the ROTC program.

The captain received a bachelor's degree in 1971 from Iowa State University, Ames.

His wife is with him in Kentucky.

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Music

The African brought with him his gift of music, song and dance, which gave to most of the New World a certain rhythm and flexibility to everyday living. The most popular dances of the Americas as the tango, machiche, samba, mambo, cha-cha-cha, meringue, cake-walk, charleston, jazz, rock-and-roll, are all of Black origin, Leonard Bernstein, eminent New York conductor, on television broadcast, January 2, 1959, mentioned some of the great modern composers who have been influenced by black music, especially jazz, as Stravinsky, Ravel, Darius Milhaud and Hindemith. A popular American composer who was greatly so was George Gershwin.

The basis of the liveliest expression in the amusement life of the United States is Negroid. The black singer on the plantation with his guitar; and the black peddler, basket on her head, singing out her wares, were very welcome before and after the Revolution. James Parton said of the black street singers of Franklin's time, "What a debt we owe to the jolly, amiable, irrepressible, indispensable Negro. All but the tradition of jollity would have fled the country long ago but for him. He is a broad grin on the face of the country."

Black musicians were first in popularity in colonial days and were used at balls and parties in the great mansions of the South. Advertisements for runaways or of slaves for sale tell of the skill of some. One advertised for sale in 1760 said he played "extremely well on the French horn." Some runaways were said to have taken their violins or other instruments with them. Sy Gilliat, slave of Lord Botetourt at Williamsburg, was violinist at State balls. Robert Scott, a free black man, with his wife and three gifted sons, played for Jefferson and entertained for LaFayette when he visited Monticello.

The Confederacy, as was shown, provided special sums for black musicians to cheer its men. Black singers were very popular also in the Union Army; also New England had some successful black music teachers of whites.

Most noted of all the slave musicians was Thomas Bethune, "Blind Tom" (1848-1908) greatest untaught pianist, and improviser in the recorded history of mankind. All the gift of music with which blacks are said to be endowed seemed to have been poured into

him with an incredibly lavish hand so that to may he seemed more like a miracle than a man.

Born blind and unable to read or write, he could set to music any sound he heard — the wind, the waves, the roar of the ocean, the ripple of a brook, the songs of birds. He created an immense sensation in Europe. Vast crowds turned out to hear him.

For his master, Colonel Bethune, he was a veritable gold mine. In one London season alone, he made \$100,000. Musical experts tested him. One report, signed by sixteen of them, said, "Whether in his improvisation or performances by Gottschalk, Verdi, and others, in fact under every form of musical examination — and the experiments were too numerous to mention in which he showed a capacity ranking him among the most wonderful in history."

Something To Think About

David Robinson

One said, "Those who have observed him most closely and attempted to investigate him most fully, pronounce him a living miracle, unparalleled, incomprehensible, such as has not been seen before and probably will never be seen again."

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John Law, a professor of music said, "I may say without the slightest exaggeration that Tom's execution of all kinds of music from the classical works of Beethoven, Bach, Mendelsohn, and others down to the simplest plantation melody of the sunny south is unsurpassed by that of the best professional performers of the day."

"He would invite any member of the audience to

play any piece of music unknown to him and would at once replay it with utmost accuracy, however intricate or elaborate."

"As an additional proof of his remarkable powers, he gives recitations in Greek, Latin, German, French, Spanish, imitate the Scotch Bagpipe, the music box, the American stump orator, in short, any sound he can hear."

His press notices were the most lavish possible. The Dundee (Scotland) Advertiser said in 1866, "The extraordinary prodigy gave two performances yesterday and on each occasion the powers displayed by him were so marvelous as to verge on the miraculous. History affords no parallel to Blind Tom. His ability would be marvelous even if he had his eyesight; when it is considered he is blind, it is beyond measure strange."

Unless ones sees or hears him play he is unable properly to understand the extent of his ability. Test him how you may, he never fails. His memory is as miraculous as his unusual powers and he plays over a piece he has never heard with infallible exactitude. Yesterday, several gentlemen went to the platform and played over pieces and during the time they were so occupied it was amusing to witness Tom's contortions of his body and his movements generally. He swayed himself; his eyes rolled; his fingers twitched and he seemed like one possessed. On being allowed to seat himself at the piano, he repeated from memory the various pieces played to him..."

The Orchestra of London, July 4, 1866, said, "His execution of the most difficult music is a perfect marvel." The Manchester Guardian, September 24, 1866, "To give in writing anything like an accurate description of him is utterly impossible. The fingers fly over the keyboard and he seems like one possessed. Did not Shakespeare conceive this being when he describes Caliban with the magical sound in Prospero's island?"

He could play two distinct tunes at the same time while singing a third in an entirely different key and time, which said the Philadelphia Press, December 29, 1865, "implies a three-fold exercise of the mind at the same time. No amount of skill or practice by any mind can accomplish that." The Albany (N.Y.) Argis said, "As an exhibition of incomprehensible genius excelling in its simplest manifestations we never saw the performance of this prodigy equalled."

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Wednesday prayer and Bible study - 7:30 p.m.

Redemption Missionary Baptist Church will worship with Bethel, December 3, 1978 in the afternoon. Rev. Harmon Webb is pastor.

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Sunday worship - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening services - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday prayer meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Thursday outreach - 6:30 p.m.
Friday Bible study - 7:30 p.m.

On December 2, 1978 in the afternoon, Redemption will worship with Bethel A.M.E. Church, Rev. Smalls, pastor.

A special "Appreciation Day" will be given honoring Sis. Marilyn Jenkins at 7:30

p.m., Sunday, December 10, 1978.

The annual Christmas program will be given, December 24, 1978 at 4:00 p.m.

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Sunday worship - 12:00 p.m.
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Tuesday Bible study - 7:30 p.m.
Friday prayer service - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday morning prayer - 10:00 a.m.

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1027-6th St. S.E.
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Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday service - 11:45 a.m.
Sunday evening - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday prayer and Bible study - 7:30 p.m.
Friday YPWW - 7:30 p.m.

New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ

631-9th Ave. SE
Bishop Hurley Bassett
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday worship - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday service - 7:30 p.m.
Friday Church service - 7:30 p.m.

Bishop and Sis. Bassett have returned from attending the

International Convocation in Memphis, Tennessee. The attendance this year numbered 41,000-42,000 delegates. Before returning home they motored to Atlanta, Georgia to visit their daughter, Carolyn. They also visited their son Roland in Clearwater, Florida.

The annual musical sponsored by Evangelist Patricia Bassett will be Saturday night, December 2, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. Local and out-of-town guests are expected to appear. Come and bring a friend and enjoy an evening in song praising the Lord.

New Jerusalem will be broadcasting over station KOJC-FM Sunday, December 3, 1978, from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

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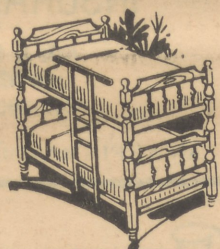
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White Southerners Plead For Justice For Wilmington 10

Approximately 100 white Southerners, recognized leaders from 11 states, called on President Carter in a letter this month to act in behalf of the N.C. Wilmington 10.

The letter said, "Many of us who are white are convinced that our future, the future of our region, and the future of our country are seriously affected by the treatment accorded

these, our Black fellow-citizens".

Four North Carolinian churchmen initiated and circulated for signatures a letter addressed to Governor Hunt which failed to get a reply more than a year ago. The recent letter to President Carter explains that reduction of sentences fails to address a great injustice. The specific action requested of Pres.

Carter is that he instruct the Justice Department to join the Wilmington 10 in their appeal to the Federal Court to set aside the Wilmington 10 convictions and grant new trials because major witnesses against them have acknowledged their testimonies were false and because of numerous trial errors.

In announcing the appeal to Carter, Rev. Finlator and the other

initiators of the letter noted that all of the ten defendants except the Rev. Ben Chavis are free on parole. Rev. Chavis will be eligible for parole in 1980.

The Southerners continue in their letter to the President, "We are among the many, many white people in the South who had hoped and believed that our region had moved beyond the day when Black people could be persecuted

because they worked to achieve full human rights. We know that you also share our hope that this is so.

"The conscience of this nation and of the world is disturbed by this case. Our national and regional church bodies are disturbed. All of us need to be freed from the terrible burden of the universal

judgment that comes upon us because of the imprisonment of these men".

The initiators and circulators of this letter to President Carter were Rev. W. W. Finlator, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, N.C., Rev. Collin Kilburn, Director of Social ministries, N.C. Council of Churches, and Prof. Daniel H. Pollitt, University of N.C. Law School.

Hunt Confronted On Issue

Gov. Jim Hunt, Charlotte, N.C. about to make a campaign speech following a banquet, was confronted by thirteen civil rights activists who presented him with a pile of letters urging freedom for the Wilmington 10 and the Charlotte 3. The young activists knelt before the podium in silent prayer.

The Charlotte 3 were given sentences of 25, 20, and 10 years respectively on a trumped up charge of

burning a stable in 1968. The Wilmington 10 are nine Black men and one white woman sent to jail during civil rights activities in 1971.

"We were hoping that our prayers to God would help the governor to find it in his conscience to say something about the Charlotte 3 and the Wilmington 10", the group's leader, the Rev. James Barnett, said after the speech.

Benjamin L. Hooks
Executive Director, NAACP
NEW DAY BEGUN



Decency Triumphs in Philadelphia

While advising Philadelphians to "vote white" on election day, Mayor Frank Rizzo at the same time arrogantly predicted that 40% of black voters would cast their ballots for a charter reform which would have permitted him to run for a third term next year. As it turned out, though, blacks went to the polls in record numbers on election day; a miniscule four percent cast their votes for the charter change, thus assuring the measure's defeat by a two to one margin.

Due to Rizzo's devious tactics, the Philadelphia charter reform issue drew national attention. His tireless campaign — in white wards only — to assure himself a third shot at the mayoralty pitted him not only against local black residents but also against white businessmen, civic and religious leaders and a host of others who had become tired of his vitriolic verbiage.

Consequently, it was no surprise to the NAACP and many others who had worked to defeat the charter reform measure that the final results ran close to the two to one margin of defeat that had been predicted earlier.

Next came the frosting on the campaign. On election day, an estimated 20,000 people, mostly blacks, were delayed or prevented from casting their ballots because between 200 and 400 voting machines broke down. After the polls had closed, the district attorney's office received complaints that at least 10 voting machines had not registered a single vote during the day.

Another complaint alleged that a city official had moved voting machines from one polling place to other locations without informing voters the Monday evening before elections.

When the polls closed that night at 8 o'clock, thousands of blacks were still in long lines outside polling stations. Many others were in police stations seeking authority to vote.

The subsequent arrest of one city official and investigations by law enforcement agencies, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was the clearest measure of the national disgrace that the Philadelphia elections had become.

Having demonstrated welcomed unity, blacks are now looking toward next year's mayoral race. They

had turned out in especially large numbers, and chosen issues and candidates carefully, as their ticket - splitting indicated. Among organizations helping to achieve these results were the NAACP and the United Black Front, which led voter registration and get-out-the-vote drives. One particularly encouraging development was the unity that the black and Puerto Rican communities displayed as they forged a coalition to defeat the charter reform question.

The dilemma that blacks now face, though, is whether they can remain united long enough to avoid the threat of destruction in next year's mayoral election. Clearly, the danger now is not from without but from within their own ranks.

The excitement of victory and the joy of discovering their own strength was well earned. They were presented with a clear issue that would not only have been harmful but also humiliating. Rizzo flaunted the charter reform issue before blacks as well as whites, Puerto Ricans and everyone else.

The city responded in kind and demonstrated that its reputation for "brotherly love" does not include those who would fan the flames of racial division. It is now up to the black community to translate this commendable victory into a long - range program for developing appropriate and long overdue political muscle.

ECKANKAR SEMINAR

"ECKANKAR: A Way of Life" is the theme for a two - day seminar at the Hotel Savery on Saturday and Sunday, December 9th and 10th. The Saturday morning program which starts at 10:00 will be free, and include a showing of a documentary film on ECKANKAR. The Saturday afternoon, evening, and Sunday morning sessions will be highlighted by creative arts performances, a showing of the movie "The People of ECK", and performances by the guest speaker Dr. Richard Collins — a touring classical jazz pianist. Tickets are available at the door.

The event is being sponsored by the Des Moines ECK Center to acquaint the community with ECKANKAR teachings. For more information call 279-8412 or 276-9644.

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The property upon which the said work is to be done may be inspected with the assistance of a Construction Specialist from the Department of Urban Development, Division of Rehabilitation on December 4-8, 1978, at above address.

All bids must be sealed and submitted upon Urban Development Bid Proposal Documents which may be obtained at the Department of Urban Development, Rehabilitation Division, 102 East Grand, Des Moines, Iowa. Said documents contain a work sheet which specifies all work to be bid upon.

All Bids must be received in the Department of Urban Development Rehabilitation Division located at 102 East Grand by December 15, 1978 at 9:00 A.M., at which time all bids will be opened and reviewed. The Department of Urban Development will recommend that the owner of said property accept the lowest acceptable bid. However, the City reserves the right to reject all bids.

CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA
By Lewis V. Pond, Director
Urban Development

Dated Nov. 20, 1978

Published in the Iowa Bystander on November 23rd and November 30, 1978.

Auxiliary Doll Sale

Goodwill Women's Auxiliary, a volunteer support group for Goodwill Industries, is having a Doll Sale featuring collector and newer dolls Saturday, December 2nd, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Goodwill East Retail Store, 2550 E. Euclid.

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Black History Minutes

by Connee L. Bowman

(Minutes from Black History recently included a series on Harriet Tubman, Conductor on the Underground Railroad. Her real life adventures in surviving life as a field slave, escaping slavery and returning to lead fugitive slaves to freedom was remarkable. NBC TV network has selected her as the subject of one of its winter specials.

Cicely Tyson, distinguished Black actress who played in the movie, "Sounder" and the TV film, "Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman" will appear as Harriet Tubman in an NBC special called "Look For a Woman Called Moses". Her talent and integrity as an actress is well known. She should bring strength and warmth to the role of Harriet

Tubman. Watch for Cicely Tyson to appear as Harriet in a "Woman Called Moses".) ELIJAH MCCOY (1843-1929) (Inventor)

Elijah McCoy lived much of his life during the "machine age". Prior to his ingenious efforts machines with moving parts were being developed and used but a certain efficiency was lacking. The most important element of the "machine age" was the development of steam energy to be used to make other machines more effective — often with complicated moving parts. Elijah McCoy introduced the concept of machine lubrication which would lessen the wear and tear on machines caused by friction.

Elijah McCoy, Black inventor was born in 1843 in Canada. His parents had been fugitive slaves from Kentucky. His interest in machines and various tools began when he was a young boy. He loved to watch men as they worked around and with all types of machines. Elijah came to the United States shortly after the Civil War. He obtained work in a machine shop near Ypsilanti, Michigan. Around 1870 he began working on the problem of lubricating machinery while it was still moving.

By spring in 1873 he had resolved the problem of being able to lubricate machinery while it was in motion. He had managed to develop a small oil-filled container which had a stop cock. The

stop cock could be used to control the flowing of oil to the inner parts of a moving machine. The halting of machines during a work process for lubrication was no longer necessary with McCoy's invention. He continued his efforts to lubricate various types of machinery and equipment. Eventually he developed 23 different types of machinery and equipment. In addition to this he invented the ironing table, lawn sprinkler, steam dome and the dope cup. His intensive efforts enabled him to establish the Elijah McCoy Manufacturing Company in Detroit, Michigan.

Through the company he continued to develop and sell his inventions. His monumental efforts

resulted in his being able to obtain several new patents each year for several years.

His patent associated with the lubrication of machines became very popular with major industries which used heavy equipment. People began inspecting new equipment and then asked if it had the "real McCoy". The expression came to be widely used as part of our American language system. American industry has benefitted greatly from the work of this mechanical genius who was a self-educated man and the son of fugitive slaves. Remember Elijah McCoy, Black inventor when you hear the expression "real McCoy".

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Charity and understanding
Love is, what I am doing for myself and with you
never too demanding.

Because, I have reason nonesuch in being, I
realize that in reality, we all must face the moment
when God's Judgement reigns.

Because, I have found, the state of not being a
person and/or thing of no importance.

Because noneplus is nonesense, absurd and
trifling.

Written by
Edward Lamont Dial

Spotlight

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bowling and traveling —
particularly in the
sunnier climates.

The Allan family is a
happy and attractive
group. Bev's husband,
Raymond shares her
bowling enthusiasm and
has also been a welder

Housing

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federal housing
programs to determine
whether they can be
modified to be more
supportive of
neighborhoods and also
on the analysis of the
displacement issue.
Administrative
regulations; community
participation will be
addressed.

No. 6 Legal
Assistance: Legal advice
regarding housing
problems will be
provided.

We urge homeowners
and tenants alike to
attend this conference.
The conference
registration fee is \$3.00
for the weekend, and
\$5.50 for lunch on
Saturday.

See you there!

at the John Deere works
in Ankeny for 20 years.
Bridgette Strothers, her
lovely eldest daughter,
age 18, is majoring in
pre-law at Simpson
College.

Carl, 17, star
quarterbacked for
Hoover this year and
hopes to attend the
University of Iowa next
year. The youngest
daughter Lynn is a
powerhouse of energy
with baseball,
gymnastics and the
clarinet, a few of her
many activities.

Bev's late father, the
well known and hard
working Edward Maupin
did much for minorities
in his capacity as
Director of Area
Outreach securing union
jobs for blacks. Mrs.
Doris Maupin, her still
young and dynamic
mother is currently a
Teacher Associate in the
Des Moines school
system.

As far as goals for the
future Bev lists her
degree; she wishes to
pursue an MA degree in
public administration
and possibly go on to a
bigger state agency in
personnel. For the next

four years with Govenor
Rays' administration
recently re-elected she
plans to 'hang in there'
in her present capacity.

She'd like to see her
children get through
college, but "... they
have to set their own

goals — I'll just be there
if they need me" was
Bev's sound philosophy.

Any advice to young
black women graduating
from college today? Bev
answered, "look over
your area well and find
where the money and

potential is — have
hussle and be
AGGRESSIVE — stand
up to men and do not be
afraid. Be on top of
things — be there at
work when you shouldn't
have to be ..."

Bev's advice seems to

have paid off for her as
she continues to rise on
the ladder of success and
we wish this busy and

intelligent woman all the
success she so richly
deserves.

Black Folk In American Civilization

ROSA PARKS: CATALYST OF A MOVEMENT

On December 1, 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama, the stage was set for the beginning of a movement that would have both national and international results. The necessary ingredients for this human experiment included one fatigued seamstress who had been simply fed up with a dehumanizing system of regimented human relations; an archaic system of racial segregation designed to protect what few remnants of human bondage that could still be retained in the land of liberty; and finally a bus that carried both black people and whites — maids, housewives, yardmen and businessmen — but in racially segregated seating areas.

Born February 4, 1913 in Tuskegee, Alabama to Mr. and Mrs. James McCauley, Rosa Parks grew up in an extended family consisting of her mother, a younger brother, and her maternal grandparents. Her grandparents had been slaves prior to the American Civil War. Her grandfather told Rosa and her brother stories of how in Alabama (as was true for all of America and the world) elements in the community were set on keeping black people IN THEIR PLACE. However, the old man appears to have been a defiant individual.

At eleven years of age, Rosa was sent away to Montgomery to attend a private school with an integrated faculty. Before finishing high school, she was married to Raymond Parks, a barber. Around 1943, she joined the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Often she has been troubled by the patterns of racial restrictions black people were confronted with in Alabama. But on December 1, 1955, she was simply one human being who was just tired — tired of being told where to sit! tired of being denied economic and social opportunities because she was black! tired of staying IN HER PLACE! tired of being denied her human rights! So when ordered to get up and give her seat to a white man, she refused and was arrested. On several fronts, it was decided that something had to be done.

So, on December 5, 1955 it was done. A historic meeting was called at the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church. The recently called pastor of this church was Martin Luther King, Jr. From here on, the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott became history and ushered in the Second American Reconstruction Era.

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Howard James Jones

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The Money You
Spend at These
Stores Stays
Here in Des Moines

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SHERMAN'S
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2627 - E. University

No Games—No Stamps—No Gimmicks—The More You Buy, The More You Save

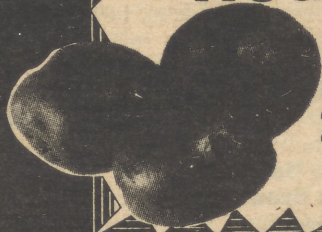
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Toilet Tissue Pak **69¢**

Delta
Towels **39¢** a Roll

Cabbage lb. **19¢**



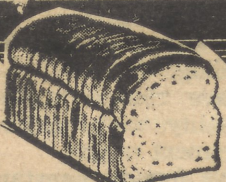
Mrs. Grimes
Chili Beans
19¢



All Purpose
Red Potatoes
20 lb. **99¢**



Family Pak
Pork Chops
lb. **\$1.29**



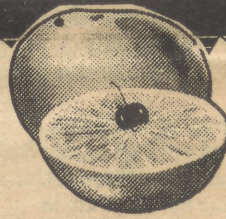
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Buttercrust Bread
3/\$ **1.00**
1 Lb.



Chicken of the Sea
Tuna
6.25 oz. **59¢**



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25¢ Off Label
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