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## Spotlight

By Peggy Spates Johnson

# Pamyla Taylor Stewart-Communications Is Her Business

Certain Caucasian gentlemen have informed me from time to time how lucky I am to be a black woman. I satisfy two minority group quotas at once as far as business and industry and occupations go. Also fellowships for Graduate schools are supposedly begging for we dark ladies.

Then I ask them have they heard of the Bakke decision? Also due to Affirmative Action Plans black women are

supposedly taking over offices and businesses across America — but we black women know how difficult it is to climb the corporate ladder and dealing with others — jealousy, resentment of females, etc.

One successful black woman in town I wanted to talk to concerning the above situation was Pam Stewart, clerical supervisor with the motor vehicle Dept. of Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. Pam to

begin with is a good friend whose sophistication, talent, ambition and concern for people I've admired for some time. When I asked her for an interview she seemed worried that it would make her appear boastful or self centered. I assured her I'd do the bragging for her.

Since I hadn't the faintest idea what her function was Pam clarified her position. She told me that she "... handles bills that come in regarding repair and

servicing of company motor vehicles (passenger cars, vans and trucks) and makes bids on and purchases vehicles also the selling of them." Because Pam recently returned from a tour of Dallas where she received training in her new capacity I queried her about her former position before her promotion.

She told me she was a senior clerk in marketing or ISC (intercompany Services Coordination). In this

capacity she did filing, took long line orders (out of state) and tried to please these customers. Pam has been with the phone company 10 years so she has a good working knowledge of the inner workings of Ma Bell.

Because I had heard

so much concerning management training programs at the phone co., I asked Pam her opinion of the programs. "There definitely needs to be more — and more role playing situations for the participants" was

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Pamyla Taylor Stewart

## Displaced Homemakers Services

By Kimberly G. McElroy

An informational meeting on the Displaced Homemaker Services, for women who are needing to become self-supporting, will be sponsored by the Community Career Planning Center for Women. The meeting will be held at the Center at 1158 - 27th St. on Tuesday, December 12, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Who is a Displaced Homemaker?

— A person who has worked primarily as a homemaker for at least several years.

— Has relied on the income of another family member or on government assistance to support herself and/or her family.

— Has lost that source of income (through death, disability, separation, divorce, etc.)

— Has had difficulty locating a job, or locating the right job to support herself and/or

her family.

What does the Displaced Homemaker Program offer?

The Displaced Homemaker Program offers services aimed at securing employment, either through establishing a career goal or finding that right job to support a family. To do that, the program offers:

- Vocational and educational counseling
- Job information
- Support groups

— One-to-one action-oriented counseling

— Seminars on job interviews, money management and social and economic survival skills

What does the program cost?

A very small fee is charged for a 6-week program. Fee is based on income.

For additional information, please contact Pat Humphrey or Rita Kingkade at 271-2916.

## Reveals Interesting Race Relations In Small-Town Iowa

By Steve Savage,  
U of I Journalism Student

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Race relations have troubled many cities and towns in this century. But a small Iowa town, ignoring conservative and reactionary stereotypes, approached the problem differently.

Defying the norm, the Afro-American history of Manly is characterized more by integration and acceptance than by segregation and discord.

This anomaly is the subject of an undergraduate thesis by Bill Maddix, a junior at The University of Iowa, who began the research last summer.

"Compared to the rest of the country, Manly comes off as being a very progressive town," says Maddix. "Oh, sure, there were those who opposed the changes, but

more often than not, blacks were accepted and encouraged."

Maddix did not just happen across Manly — he grew up there. His research, obtained from newspapers, interviews, government records and personal letters, covers the period from 1913 to 1951. An epilogue updating the study concludes the paper.

Manly's population grew from 350 to 1,500 during those years, with blacks representing nearly 10 percent of the population.

"The blacks were attracted to Manly during World War I to work on the railroad," says Maddix. "They were hired as laborers and helpers when the Rock Island Railroad established a division point in Manly."

A bleak situation prevailed for the first

blacks who arrived for work. The black community was separate from Manly, located one mile north of town. Many lived in railroad boxcars, while others lived in 20' by 12' shanties built by the railroad.

Although one enterprising black opened a grocery store, most remained laborers, as various railroad unions prohibited black membership.

In general, blacks were treated unfairly, Maddix says. Black schoolchildren were segregated in the school lunch program. The local press depicted blacks as untrustworthy, gamblers, prostitutes and alcoholics. However the next few years marked a gradual transition toward integration and acceptance.

Segregation in the lunch program lasted only a few months.

In 1923, the new editor of the local paper condemned all Ku Klux Klan activities.

One white merchant even sponsored an all-black baseball team to represent Manly in area competition. The team later merged with

the all-white baseball team.

In the late '20s, black schoolchildren began to hold class offices and to participate in school plays and athletics.

"The black residents stood up to the local Ku Klux Klan and taught their children to be proud at school," says Maddix. "By the early

1930s they had established a respectable foothold in the community."

Although the section of town once called "Nigger Row" was incorporated into Manly proper in 1943, blacks were prevented from

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## Third World Art Expo

The seventh annual Third World Art Expo will be held on Sunday, February 11, 1979, at the YWCA, 717 Grand, Des Moines from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

This Expo traditionally provides a showcase for artists of the 3rd World which includes all peoples of color. Artists of various racial and ethnic groups present

works to the public for sale and exhibition. Entertainment and refreshments are provided and there is no fee to the artists or public. Artists prepare your collections — February 11 will be here soon!

This year's Expo includes a tribute to "Flakes" Burrell who was so richly talented. If

you have any works by "Flakes", or know someone who does, we will be proud to include them in the tribute to Flakes.

To reserve space for your own artwork or to loan any pieces by "Flakes" Burrell to the Third World Art Expo call:

Pat Miller, YWCA, 244-8961.

# THE EDITORIAL PAGE

## IEWS and REVIEWS by Allen Ashby

I wish I knew enough about high finances to be able to express an opinion about the hotel and parking ramp that the people with money are determined to build in the heart of the loop come hell or high water.

The main argument that I can understand is that the thing is supposed to bring so many tax dollars in the near future. But will the hotel revive the downtown businesses? I have to think of the stores like Walgreens and Katz drug stores on the corner of Seventh and Locust, the Montgomery Ward and Sears stores along with the many super market grocery stores. People lived in apartments downtown and shopped there, buying everything they wanted or needed.

I don't know why business fell off in the loop so the stores found it more profitable to move out to the malls. One big factor in driving them out of the loop was the parking situation. You could park your car at a meter and go in to buy an item that probably

wouldn't cost over a dollar or two. Then when you got back to your car you had a two dollar overtime parking ticket or maybe a five dollar illegal ticket.

Then the places where people lived were torn down to make room for parking ramps and parking lots, so those folks had to get away from places where they had lived in some instances for years. People cared about each other then. Maybe they do now, but there isn't time to worry about your neighbor when you have to look out for yourself.

Then I recall in the fifties before there were racial disturbances when gangs of youths cruised the streets after dark and assaulted people because they could. Often the victim couldn't get a good enough look at them to identify them, so the safest thing became to stay out of the loop after dark. I know that when I worked at night, I had a few confrontations with some of these rowdies, but was lucky enough to escape serious injury.

Now that we will have this big hotel and civic center, do you think it will be any safer to come downtown then it is now?



There are so many cases in the courts on reverse discrimination that one can't count them. So far, our august Supreme Court has managed to dance around the main issue. But they will have to come to grips with it sooner or later. From the tone of the people filing the cases, one would think that black people invented discrimination, and had practiced it on whites for lo, these many years.

They are taking on voluntary integration and we will have a decision on that before long. The Supreme Court or President Carter can stress

voluntary compliance to orders or suggestions involving racial discrimination, but they can forget it.

Nowhere in any history will you find that the dominant people have gotten off the necks of the oppressed without some kind of force being applied, from riots to court orders. Do you suppose for one minute that we would have had as much desegregation as we have if it were not for court orders?

Even equal accommodations didn't come about without a boycott by the folks in the South. Then the bars fell because groups of people called Freedom Riders went into the South and subjected themselves to all sorts of physical abuse in order to call attention to their plight.

So these people who yell about reverse discrimination really want blacks to go back to the end of the line. Saying "I didn't discriminate against them, so why should I be punished? doesn't make too much sense to a black. Sure you would like to see blacks get a fair deal, but that deal shouldn't put them on an equal footing with you.

They should be content to stay one step behind you. And I don't care if you move into a better neighborhood just so it isn't mine. One result of the Baake decision, so I have read, is the falling off of the numbers of blacks in medical schools.

This may be because schools are more or less afraid to let them in, fearing a law suit. And, thanks to Richard Nixon, we have a Supreme Court that reflects the thinking of people who want to see the forward progress of blacks at least slowed if not stopped entirely.

## Thoughts and Comments



By James B. Morris III

I have read the massive number of articles about the incidents leading up to and the background of the mass suicide by the residents of Jonestown, Guana, with great interest. In one, Jim Jones was said to have induced top law enforcement officials of Guyana to stop an impending investigation of the

settlement with the promise to influence his followers to involve themselves deeply in local politics on behalf of the ruling Peoples' National Congress party and to have them vote illegally on the side of that party in a national referendum last July.

His involvement with senior officials of the national government in order to manipulate policy on that level was said to be (and likely was) related to his political maneuvers in San Francisco, where his ability to motivate his followers to vote en bloc in elections was the real source of his power. Jones is further said to have a network of secret accounts in banks around the world totalling more than 10 million dollars. This system of accounts, protected from detection by the use of dummy corporations and other devices for anonymity, was the brainchild of a San Francisco attorney who once was a

financial advisor and aide to Jones. The money was intended, the article says, to benefit, among others, the Soviet Union and the Palestine Liberation Organization if Jones should die, and it is possible that this was so ordered by him shortly before his death.

Another article, which also appeared in this week's Sunday Des Moines Register, dealt with the reactions to these events by several Iowa clergymen in articles in their church bulletins and sermons. Cited in the article were comments by two Des Moines area pastors, the Reverend James O. Gillion of Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ and the Reverend James Kratz of the Glen Echo Christian Church. In general, these ministers seem to look to the Jonestown community as being an assortment of people who held a contrasting (to that which we understand) Christian point of view which

## Kalonji Saadiq



### Speakin' Out

#### ASSASSINATIONS. IOWA POWER, AND ME

The House Assassinations Committee which has been holding hearings concerning the murders of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King has concluded testimony concerning M.L.K.'s murder.

Nothing much was accomplished, and how could this be? After all the F.B.I. was participating in the investigation, and in many people's estimation, it was the F.B.I. which perpetrated the act. That's like asking the Chicago Police Dept. to conduct an honest investigation into the death of Fred Hampton, 21 year old Black Panther leader and fallen martyr. He was killed while in his bed, asleep, by the Chicago police.

What bothers me most is the fact that Malcom X's assassination remains shrouded in mystery, and no attempt has been made to uncover the truth. He was without a doubt the most dynamic leader to come from the "lower-class" Black masses. Both He and M.L.K. were objects of the F.B.I.'s despicable Cointelpro plan which was devised to disrupt the Black movement, discredit Black leaders, and prevent the rise of a Black messiah.

Both Malcom and Martin were messiahs. Why was there no attempt to find out "Who Killed Malcom?" Malcom was more effective internationally (though not nationally) among the developing third world nations than Martin. Malcom was killed to stifle his plan to internationalize the struggle of Black people by bringing our cause before the United Nations, thereby embarrassing the U.S.

And why not? If the plight of less than three million Jews in the Soviet Union is an international

issue, then certainly the plight of thirty million Afro-Americans merits international attention!!!

Well, the Iowa Commerce Commission is holding the final hearing concerning Iowa Power's right to shut off utilities during the winter months on Dec. 5. I really wish I could be there to speak. My last appearance, though somewhat dramatic, left much to be desired. I was cut off before I could stress how immoral and discriminatory such a policy is.

The poor and those on fixed incomes are directly affected. Remember the senior citizens that froze to death in New York? Again let me state: It is the poor that cannot afford to pay the excessively high winter rates. It is the poor that cannot afford to have homes that are energy efficient.

I do not advocate anyone welching on their financial obligation. However, I do not believe in jeopardizing anyone's health and well-being because they are unable to pay their bills. It is really ridiculous when you consider that there are at least seven months out of the year when a person's utilities could be cut off without causing much more

than an embarrassing situation and a little discomfort.

You better believe that if the Iowa Commerce Commission does not adopt a proposal to prevent the utilities companies from winter-time shut offs they are gonna have to hear from me when I get out of this mess.

Speaking of this mess. I read Mr. Ashby's comments on my situation and had to laugh when he said: "One thing is certain, Kalonji Saadiq never has a dull moment." But seriously thank you for your vote of confidence.

I have been bound over to the grand jury, despite a lack of evidence by the state. I really suspect a railroad job. But anyway I am looking forward to the trial (Jan. 4th) so that I can completely vindicate myself. The county attorney dropped some pretty insinuating innuendoes. He made a reference to the hurried statement I made before the Iowa Commerce Commission when I said "Whatever you do is justified."

He tried to insinuate that I was involved in the

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## A Female Focus On The Issues

Peggy Spates Johnson



Because so much has already been written and spoken on the tragic mass suicides and murders in Guyana I feel I can add no more except to say it is a pity that again black men, women and children are the victims of white brainwashing. 75% of the 925 human beings who lost their lives were people of color.

Blacks must learn they can't put their faith in others — no cults, sects, temples, missionaries or zealots can lead them to the promised land. Their personal, social and spiritual growth and salvation must be from within and by themselves. Hundreds of black children will not have that chance because of the weakness of their parents minds in South America a few weeks ago.

Now on to a subject that indirectly deals with children — the unborn and the right of women to

choose when and if they will indeed bring offspring into the world. In an expose last month of Chicago abortion clinics, 3 women hired by a Nader-like consumer watch group told Today host Tom Brokaw of their findings.

Poor women were being victimized daily by abortionists in these clinics. Total lack of hygiene; fast and careless work (actual races by doctors); lack of anesthesia and numerous other examples of outrageously bad medical care which had resulted in the deaths of 2 women and numerous sterilizations and hysterectomies.

If abortions were open to all consenting adults in city hospitals and these were supported by government funds to the poor this horrendous situation — in Chicago would not happen. But Congress this year did it again — a group comprised almost totally of men saw fit to legislate morality concerning women, their minds, their destinies and how they deal with their bodies.

The result of outlawing federal funds for abortions will be tragic and at least 3 fold in producing misery: a poverty stricken woman who simply can't afford another child will many times turn to a 'butcher' such as in the Chicago clinics rather than a licensed medical practitioner for a cheap abortion and kill or severely injure herself.

Secondly if she has the child there is a good possibility of her family swelling the welfare rolls — at \$150 and up a month til the child is an adult. As a taxpayer I resent this.

Last, many instances of child abuse, neglect and murder are the result of too many children in a family of poverty. Women should organize and get these self-appointed moralists 'straight' on the tragedy of children born into poverty.

Also I was profoundly disappointed when I heard President Carter this year tell the world in a press conference "... there are a lot of things that are not fair in life ..." and that there were many items rich people could afford whereas the poor could not. This should not apply to the expense of abortions and the recent Supreme Court ruling against federal funds for the above.

Many poor people and blacks will have unwanted pregnancies again, increasing the amount of illegal abortions, lost lives, child abuse and increased ADC loads on the American taxpayer. I have hope to see that the more liberal members of Carter's staff are upset with his cavalier and unsympathetic attitude toward the plight of poor women.

### THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

James B. Morris III

was led to destruction by a self-proclaimed messiah who represented their twisted version of God.

They were worried about the successes which cults (religious or otherwise) have had in recent years in attracting followers, seemingly based upon the 'certainty' of life which an absolute leader like Jones could supply. The blind faith which the residents of Jonestown displayed in following their leader into death was, they recognized, the result of Jim Jones magnetic philosophy and his deep concern for world peace and racial justice. These people, in seeking that sense of certainty which Jones could provide in their escape from a world they could not control, had

lost that degree of loyalty to God which would have led them to critically question their leaders' philosophy and which would have prevented their downfall and destruction.

Although details are still lacking, it would seem that such involvement would support my contention that the so-called Peoples Temple was strictly an outgrowth of a political and social philosophy; the activity of the sect and its leader was not as some contend the secular manifestation of an inherently religious movement, but rather was the "religious" expression of an essentially social and political movement.

The mass suicide was, I think, representative of the fact that the leadership of the cult (Jones) had decided, for one reason or another, that the social

and political utopia which they sought was no longer achievable. There has been nothing publicized to date which would lead me to believe that the religious beliefs teachings of the sect, such as they were, were anything more than a means to acquire the raw materials necessary to create and sustain such a society. The ambush slayings of Congressman Ryan and four members of his party on an airstrip near the settlement was motivated, in my opinion, by a conclusion on Jones part that he could no longer effectively enforce his philosophy upon sufficient numbers of his followers to make such dreams a reality.

The members of this sect were those the flashier cults (like the 'Moonies') ignored — those who were not so young and those who did not have such an extensive and available financial background. It was composed of individuals who, I think, looked to Jim Jones not as a god in the formal sense, but as the embodiment of those principles and qualities which those residents most admired.

It was those same principles and qualities which attracted them to Jones and his movement in the first place, and it was threat of losing his leadership which inspired them to join him in death. Those who committed suicide following the unsuccessful ambush were not 'murdered' as some have claimed, although it can be so when someone is influenced (by force or otherwise) to kill himself or herself. They died as a result of their dedication to a philosophy and the physical manifestation of it rather than a 'defect' in their religious beliefs or their view of the world.

death of an innocent girl and that was my brand of justice. After he made reference to my comment on justice he said, "Officer, was Teresa Streeter not a human being?" Really! How melodramatic!

Had he been more familiar with my politics he would know that Teresa Streeter, a poor oppressed white girl was "one of my own", a part of my constituency.

I would like to convey a message I received from Freddie Clark, also wanted in connection with the shootings.

Comrad - Brother Kalonji,

I hope that this short kite finds you in good health and high fighting spirits. I'm O.K.

I have done all that is possible except turn myself in to prove that you are in no way wrong, but we both know how the fascists work. Keep strong, as I know you will, and your righteousness shall prevail.

Take care my brother, and know that you have my most profound revolutionary love and regard.

A Luta Continua (the struggle continues)

Freddie

P.S. Always remember: "In an unjust state, the only place for a just man is jail."

Even though we are no longer in "revolutionary" times and I have abandoned "revolutionary" philosophy and tactics, I wonder if Freddie's quote will prove prophetic. I have been punished for my innocence so many times.

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## Parliamentary Law and Culture Club Doll Show

The members of the Parliamentary Law & Culture Club will have their annual "Doll Show" at the Corinthian Baptist Church, 9th and School Street. The time will be 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday December 10, 1978.

There are six contestants in the "Prince and Princess"

contest. The boy who brings in the largest amount of money will be crowned the prince of Christmas and the girl who brings in the largest amount of money will be crowned the princess of Christmas. All contestants will get a gift.

The contestants are Ahmad Johnson, son of Mrs. Georganne

Johnson; Tia Barber, daughter of Ms. Berdean Peeples, Kendall Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harrell,

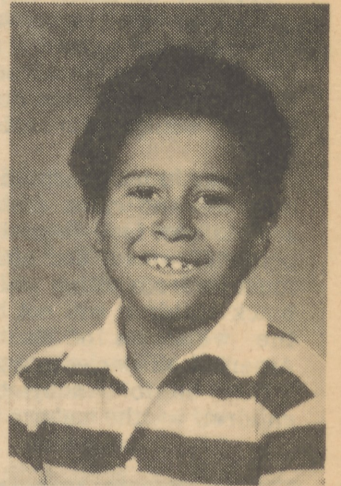
Dena Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe E. Cox, Jr., Andrew Gillespie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gillespie, and Shellanda Reed, daughter of Ms. Margaret Reed.



Tia Barber



Dena Cox



Andrew James Gillespie

## President Of Chicago State University To Speak At Alpha's Founders Day

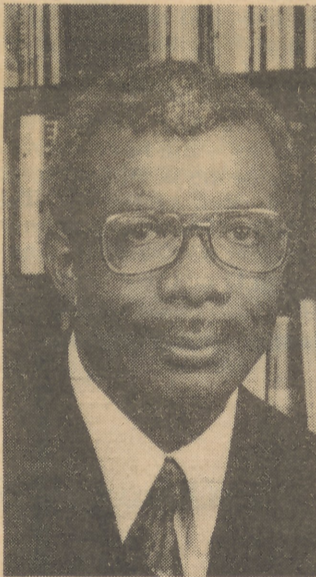
Dr. Benjamin H. Alexander, President of Chicago State University, will be the featured speaker at Alpha Phi Alpha's Founder's Day Program on Sunday evening, December 17 at 4 p.m. at Corinthian Baptist Church. The host chapters will be Zeta

Kappa Lambda, the local graduate chapter, and Alpha Nu, Drake University. The program is open to the public.

Dr. Alexander, one of America's outstanding educators today, has been instrumental in the development and constant upgrading of Chicago State, an urban university which appeals to many minority students. Receiving his Ph.D. in chemistry from Georgetown University in 1957, Dr. Alexander has served as the Chief Research Chemist for the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Research Chemist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Assistant to the Chief at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, and a member of the Academy of Science.

Dr. Alexander has earned his place in Who's Who in Government, Who's Who

in America, and Leaders in Education. The author of over 45 research papers, he holds four U.S. patents, and is a moving and invigorating speaker on such topics as civic responsibilities, science, ecology, and health care to disadvantaged people. Dr. Alexander most recently was a keynote speaker at the fraternity's national convention last summer in Minneapolis. Several of the Des Moines' Alphas heard his dramatic presentation on the "Tribute to the Black Woman" and were moved to invite him for their Founder's Day Program. The Des Moines public, especially young men and women, are invited to hear this outstanding educator, scientist, and humanitarian. The title of Dr. Alexander's speech will be "Women Now — Women Forever."



Benjamin H. Alexander

## Zeid Court No. 50

Zeid Court No. 50 Daughters of Isis, held their regular meeting Tues. night Nov. 28th with the Illustrious Commandress Dt. Barbara Robinson presiding.

Plans were made to entertain the "Imperial Commandress' Dt. Anne M. Bolden of the Imperial Court Daughters of Isis.

Dt. Bolden who resides in Bloomfield, Connecticut is the newly elected Imperial Commandress which is the highest office in the Imperial Court, an auxiliary of "The Ancient Egyptian Arbic Order Nobles of The Mystic Shrine, of North and South America Inc." The Imperial Commandress serves

over the Daughters of Isis As the Imperial Potentate Serves Over the Nobles of the Shrine.

We will be very Proud to have Dt. Bolden who was invited by our Illustrious Commandress Dt. Barbara Robinson and her Court. Due to her very crowded schedule, we feel we are very fortunate.

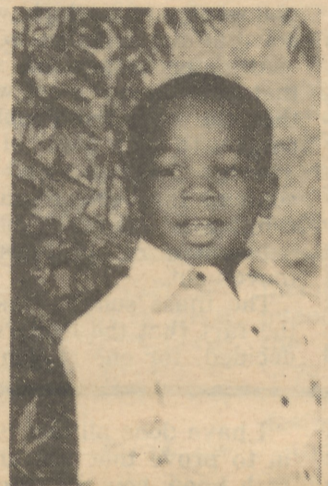
The entertainment will take place Sat., April 21st. at the Ft. Des Moines Hotel, downtown Des Moines. A banquet is being planned in her honor at which time all past Commandresses will be honored.

Dt. Ella Mae Burks and Dt. Bertie M. Hogan were reappointed Deputies of the Desert and Oasis at this Nov. meeting, the

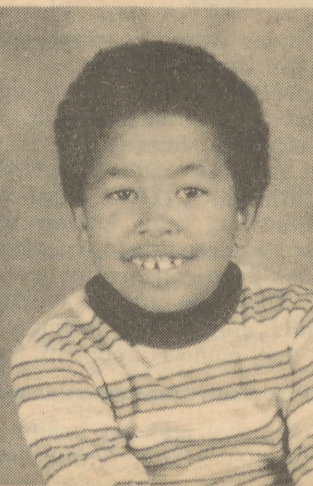


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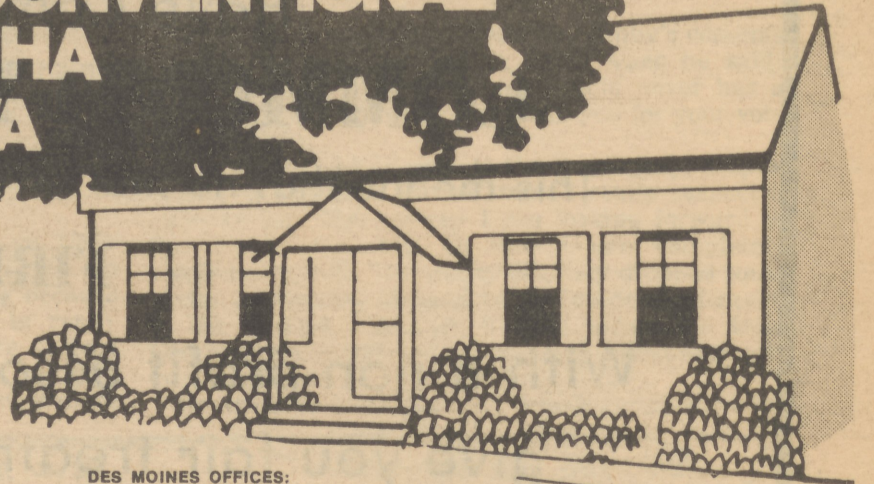
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EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

# All Around The Town

Peggy Spates Johnson

Well old man winter beat me out of two reviews last week for my readers. Although I have season tickets to both Iowa State Centers Theatre and Dance Series this year, the storms kept me from attending in Ames. The Broadway musical Side by Side by Sondheim and James Thurber's *Thurber I* starring William Windom were the two attractions I missed.

But I managed to fight the snow drifts Monday night and catch Walt Disney's 'Fantasia' a beautiful visual experience I had always wanted to see but just never did. Because Mr.

Disney was a Mormon and as you all know, the Mormon Church views black people as cursed because of our supposed descent from Ham I have tried to boycott his films. The films

themselves are well made technically but I just can't put out of my mind the fact that blacks until a few months ago couldn't even become ministers in the Utah based church.

But for this one evening I said what the heck and went to the Riviera Theatre to enjoy a good film — especially for the youngsters. Some films don't age well — "West Side Story" today looks rather ludicrous and corny in its early 60's setting and its pseudo hip slang.

But *Fantasia* over 30 years in age mirrors of the musical genius of Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra at its finest. During the film in which Disney's artists and animators have used their skills and vast imagination to set classical pieces to cartoon form, both the music and the visuals compete for your attention. Stokowski was roundly criticized at the time for working with cartoons, but the marriage of the 2 art forms has become a classic.

Some parts of *Fantasia* will appeal more to adults than children and vice versa but all segments are intriguing. Even if you don't care for classical

music (quiet as it's kept, Beethoven's grandfather was a Moor — a little soul in the classics?!) if you put your music prejudices aside for a few hours you will indeed enjoy yourself.

My favorites included the *Tocatta and Fugue* by Bach where the Orchestra itself was spotlighted; the charming *Nutcracker* suite by P. I. Tchaikovsky — complete with naked dancing

water sprites and fairies; the *Sorcerer's Apprentice* where Disney's favorite, Mickey Mouse, battles with the result of his own amusing misdeeds; Stravinsky's *Rites of Spring* in which the animators change the premise of the piece from the awakening of a new season to a historical piece of the world's and animal beginnings; Beethoven's 6th Symphony — The

Pastoral, where Disney uses mythology encompassed in centaurs and unicorns instead of the German country side as a motif.

The colors are spellbinding, the graphics and art work are intriguing and breathtaking. Unfortunately the film ends tonight. I'm sure it will return next year — so take your youngsters then — even if it is a Disney flick.

## Theodosia Court

Theodosia Court No. 5, the Royal and Exalted Order of Amaranth, will entertain the Grand Royal Matron Lady Virginia White of Burlington, Iowa on Saturday evening, Feb. 24th, 1979 at a banquet given in her honor. The planning committee met at the home of Lady Bertie Hogan and began making plans for the banquet. Reports were made at the meeting of Nov. 17th and it was voted that we would have the banquet at the Savery Hotel downtown Des Moines. The Committee on Entertaining the Grand Royal Matron are as follows:

Lady Mary Parker Chrmn.; Ladies Ellen

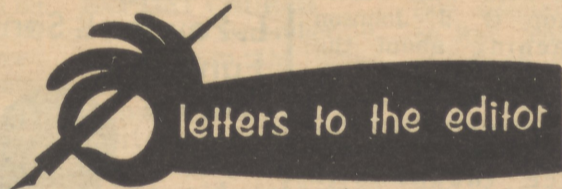
Burrell, Emma Williamson, Marzetta Burrell, Martha Wheels, Ollie Sanders, Barbara Palmer.

Other members will be asked to serve with this committee and make the final plans. Further announcements will be made in the near future.

Our regular meeting will be Dec. 21st. We have asked each member to come and bring a tray of small sandwiches or pick up foods. And also to bring a \$1.00 gift for the Christmas tree. You may also bring a guest and a gift for your guest. The Christmas Social will start at 8 o'clock. We will have a half hour meeting from 7:30 to 8 o'clock.

## Criticize Polk Supervisor Statement

TO: TOM WHITNEY,  
BOARD OF  
SUPERVISOR'S



I feel that the public statement that you publicly made by stating "the youth from Oakridge may go out and break windows so that they could get paid for them", was in very

poor taste for a man in a public office who is put there by the public to solve problems and work for community improvement.

I feel that it is probably unfair to most of Des Moines and especially to the youth in that particular community. Oakridge has had its share of bad publicity without you adding to it by making rash statements of an unrealistic nature and further enhance negativism toward citizens of this area.

Statements of this nature are like unto saying that policemen may go out and commit crimes so that they can have a job or mechanics going out and doing damage to cars so that they can have work to do. None of these things make sense and you don't either.

I hope that people will look at these type of public statements in the next election. I hope that the general public will not assume that you will go out and tear up the roads or other destructive acts so that you can have some work for the Board of Supervisors.

Ora McQueen  
1520 Mondamin  
Des Moines

## 125th Anniversary Of Black YMCA's

by  
Niambi D. Webster

In 1853 — just nine years after the world's first YMCA was born in London and two years after the idea crossed the Atlantic to America — a freed slave, with a handful of other freedmen, launched the world's first YMCA for black people in Washington, D. C.

Similar Ys followed, springing up in church basements or wherever leaders could find an empty space. Although facilities were often meager, these Ys proved to be excellent training grounds for future black leaders — people such as Martin Luther King, Jr., and Andrew Young, and locally the Bystander's own Allen Ashby and community business leaders such as Hinky Brewer, all of whom credit the Y with greatly influencing their lives.

Although segregation has now passed from the YMCA scene, 139 Ys still serve predominately black communities ... training leaders, helping people develop their full potentials, providing young people alternatives to life on urban streets.

On the 125th anniversary of the first YMCA for black people, we salute the Des Moines Urban Branch YMCA for its service to the black community, applauding not only the achievements of the past but the work today ... work which by strengthening black communities serves to strengthen the total community as well.



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# The Church Page

## ST. PAUL AME CHURCH

St. Paul held its first Worship Service last Sunday since the unfortunate tragedy of fire. The service was held on the lower level. Reverend Watts delivered the sermon. Rev. Felix Dickerson and Steward Caesar Smith, assisting. The ministers and Rev. Lewis Grady serving communion.

Official Board heard the Workshop leaders' recommendations. New Commission Chairpersons recommended and appointed were Alberta Bates, Public Relations; Lee O. Harper, Missions and Welfare. Workshops are planned for individual Boards and the general Workshop scheduled for March.

Quarterly Conference

Saturday, Dec. 9, 7:30 at the church.

Combined Quarterly Meeting for St. Paul and Bethel Sunday, Dec. 10, 3 p.m. at Bethel. Presiding Elder Smith, preaching.

Rehearsal Sunday, Dec. 10, 9:30 a.m. for the Sunday School Christmas presentation, "The Meaning of it All".

Bible Study — Wednesday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m. Mid-City Library, 13th and University.

Class Leader Council reassignments completed. Mrs. Gladys Brown, Chairperson.

Please call Alberta Bates for Church News (Bystander) 288-5446 after 5:30 p.m.

Temporary Church office — 1304 Laurel, 244-7714.

## UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Pastor Thomas sermon last Sunday morning was "Can You Pass Inspection?"

Saturday, December 9th, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. a tea will be held at the residence of Brother and Sister Lucian Wyant Jr., 1303 E. 14th Street. All proceeds will go the Union Baptist building fund. Everyone is cordially welcomed to attend. Brother and Sister Wyant Jr. are sponsors.

Sunday, December 10th, at 4 p.m. Rev. Alex Crawford and members of Morning Star Baptist church will be special guests in observance of the 66th anniversary of Union Baptist Church.

Sister Regina Smith, Sister Ruby Wilson, Chm.

Think about it "IF WE LEARN HOW TO GIVE OURSELVES, TO FORGIVE OTHERS, AND TO LIVE WITH THANKSGIVING, WE NEED NOT SEEK HAPPINESS — IT WILL SEEK US."

## THE NEW FRIENDSHIP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

The New Friendship COGIC is yet on the move for the Lord. On last Sunday, God met us in a great way in our morning worship. The power of the Holy Ghost fell, souls were made glad and were refreshed in the spirit of the Lord. God used our pastor as in the days of old, when the early church was led

by the spirit of God. When God comes in and takes control, then his people are blessed and healed of all kinds of sickness and disease. All God wants is you, to give up the world and take up the cross and follow him.

Pastor Daye's message was **THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF SIN**, Romans 5:21.

This coming Sunday, we are looking for another outpouring of the Holy Spirit, if you want or need a spiritual blessing, come and worship with New Friendship at 1317 Forest and let the power of God fall on you. O, by the way, the Holy Ghost is for you, you, and you, and as many as would want to yield to the Master. The Bible must be fulfilled. There are saints in nearly every church that are being filled with the Holy Ghost like Acts 2:4. If you can't see the change in the churches today, don't fight it. Just live so God will give you the Holy Ghost. He comes in a clean heart. Whoever heard of nuns or priests being filled with the Holy Ghost and speaking in unknown tongues; but it is happening today. OH, PRAISE THE LORD!

On Saturday morning, a breakfast will be sponsored at 1317 Forest beginning serving at 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., sponsor is Sis. HESSIE JENKINS. \$2.00. At 11:30 a.m. a CHITTERLING AND CHICKEN DINNER will be sponsored by Mo. L. Jenkins and Sis. M. Moore. Come and eat in our Dining Room or call

243-7097 for delivery.

We are praying for Sis. R. Kaiser who is recuperating at home with a broken leg. In Mercy Hospital, Bro. L. Jenkins and Sis. R. Clayton.

P.S. Don't forget that Jesus's birthday is on the 25th and you are invited to his birthday celebration.

## HOLY GHOST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Bishop O. J. Johnson, Pastor

Tuesday evening Bible Band was held with Evangelist Eugene Price in charge. Subject — Hear - What? and How? Main point was for us to refuse to hear doctrines of devils and false prophets. Take heed what you hear and always compare what you hear with the scriptures.

Early Thanksgiving prayer service was held Nov. 24, 1978, at 6 a.m. Pastor O. J. Johnson brought us a good message on "Thank Him for That", (meaning everything). We were pleased to have as our guest Mrs. Helen Lynch of Corinthian Baptist Church. Elder Price read us the history of Thanksgiving.

Friday evening Evangelistic services were held with Pastor Bishop O. J. Johnson preaching about the sufferings of Christ. Ref. Isa. 53:26. Sunday School was interesting as usual as Evangelist Eugene Price taught with authority about LOVE. Fulfills the Command-

ments Hallelujah! The question was asked — What is love? The answer came from Mother Opal Starlinger — God is Love. Sister Frazier said John 3:16 is love. Bishop Johnson said — Why love is a protecting consolidating affection from the innermost being of your heart. Look at love in the case of the woman taken in adultery. God's love spares. Jesus is a man of Love. Elder Price further stated another side of our love to Christ which is found in 1st John 5:1-3 and 4.

Sunday morning worship services Bishop Johnson preached from St. John 4:35 — Say not ye there are yet four months and then cometh Harvest? Behold I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to Harvest. Also, Luke 10:1 and Ezekiel 3:17 — There's a harvest of souls to be brought into the Kingdom of Christ. Look around you, the field is the world. People who are in all types of sin bondage. He said he would that all preachers would lift up their voice like a

trumpet, because of verse 2nd Cor. 5:10 and 1st Cor. 4:1. In conclusion, Hebrews 12:14: Follow peace with all men and Holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. Jesus came the first time to seek and to save that which was lost. He is coming the second time as Judge. It is time to speak out against men who have handled the Word of God deceitfully; Be not many masters. If our gospel is hid, it is hid from those that are lost.

Bishop O. J. Johnson


## MAPLE STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, Dec. 10, Rev. Parrish's sermon title for Morning Service will be "The Man in the Shadows". The Inspirational Chorus will be singing.

Usher Board No. 2 will present Caesar Smith as their guest speaker on

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| <p><b>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>S.E. 4th &amp; Scott Streets<br/>Rev. H. R. Fields, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 7:45 p.m.<br/>Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.<br/>Choir Rehearsal Fridays 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p><b>PRAYER OF FAITH COGIC</b><br/>131 9th WDM<br/>Pastor Supt. Elder Eddie Davis<br/>Asst. Pastor M.D. Eppright<br/>Assoc. Minister Jerry Woods</p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:15 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 8:00 p.m.<br/>Tuesday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.<br/>Friday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p><b>EVANGELISTIC MISSIONARY COGIC</b><br/>1349 E. 18th Street<br/>Rev. Pastor Arthur Bush</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday Worship 1:30 a.m. &amp; 8 p.m.<br/>Y.P.W.W. 7:00 p.m.<br/>Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.<br/>Tuesday Prayer &amp; Bible Study 8:00 p.m.<br/>Thursday Consecration &amp; Healing 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p><b>MESSIAH TEMPLE</b><br/>2543 Center<br/>Elder Jacob J. Reed, Pastor<br/>Order of Services</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.<br/>Choir Rehearsal Sat. 2:00 p.m.<br/>The Book of Acts 7:00 p.m.<br/>Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>   | <p><b>NEW FRIENDSHIP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b><br/>1711 West 16th<br/>Pastor Elder R. L. Daye</p> <p>Sunday Services<br/>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Church Worship 11:30 a.m.<br/>Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Weekday Services<br/>Tues. &amp; Fri. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal</p> | <p><b>TRUE BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>1448 DeWolf Street<br/>Rev. Ezell Wiggins, Pastor<br/>266-8212</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Bible Class 6:00 p.m.<br/>Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.<br/>Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>            |
| <p><b>CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>9th &amp; School Streets<br/>Rev. F. W. Strickland</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>BTU 6:00 p.m.<br/>Evening Service 7:00 p.m.<br/>Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.</p>                                 |  | <p><b>MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>920 31st Street<br/>Rev. F. B. Green, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship Service 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>CANTON MISSOURI SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>Rev. H. L. Turner, Pastor<br/>Bertie Nickerson, S.S. Supt.</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Worship Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>2nd and 4th Sundays</p>  | <p><b>HEAVENLY TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b><br/>2110 Carpenter at 21st<br/>Des Moines, Iowa<br/>Bishop A. B. Carter, Sr., Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.<br/>Y.P.W.W. 6:30 p.m.<br/>Bible Band (Tues.) 7:00 p.m.<br/>Evening Service (Thurs.) 7:30 p.m.</p>       | <p><b>Our Saviour's Baptist Church</b><br/>1555 Des Moines Street<br/>Des Moines, IA 50316<br/>Ph: 244-9628<br/>Rev. T.R. Brown, Pastor</p> <p>Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Sun. School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Prayer Service-Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>                                       |
| <p><b>PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>1732 Walker Street<br/>Rev. Wayland Heath, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Youth Meeting Weekly 7:30 p.m.<br/>Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.</p>                                       | <p><b>MISSION TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C.</b><br/>Elder James McNear, Pastor<br/>Assistant Pastor Minister E. Bell</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Sunday Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Y.P.W.W. 6:30 a.m.<br/>Evening Services 8:00 p.m.<br/>Tuesday &amp; Thursday Nights 7:30 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>MAPLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>E. 16th &amp; Maple Street<br/>Rev. Geo. Parish<br/>Minister - 266-9910</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Bible Class 6:30 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 7:30 p.m.<br/>Prayer Service Wed. 8:00 p.m.</p>                    | <p><b>MORNINGSTAR BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>1156 W. 13th<br/>Rev. Alex Crawford, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday Broadcast 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>FIRST CALVARY APOSTOLIC CHURCH</b><br/>2561 Onawa<br/>Minister Georgeann Reid</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.<br/>Sunday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.<br/>Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.<br/>Friday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.</p>   | <p><b>SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>1213 Scott 255-6333<br/>Pastor Rev. Benjamin W. Jamison 277-9289</p> <p>Order of Services<br/>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br/>Wednesday Night Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> |
| <p><b>MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>1600 East Capitol Street<br/>Des Moines, Iowa 50316<br/>Rev. James Harris, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:30 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>UNION BAPTIST CHURCH "The Friendly Church"</b><br/>E. University at McCormick<br/>Rev. Heary Thomas<br/>1200 McCormick</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 7:45 p.m.<br/>Prayer Service Wednesday All Day</p>  | <p><b>ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>2538 S. E. Maury<br/>Rev. Phil Tindrell</p> <p>Church School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.<br/>Youth Fellowship 6:30 p.m.<br/>Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.<br/>Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.<br/>Pastor phone 266-5755</p>   | <p><b>NEW BETHANY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b><br/>16th and Mondamin<br/>Pastor Andrew E. Johnson</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.<br/>Sunday Youth Service 6:45 p.m.<br/>Sunday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.<br/>Mid-week Service Wed &amp; Fri 7:30 p.m.<br/>Everyone Welcome</p> | <p><b>KYLES TEMPLE AME ZION CHURCH</b><br/>Rev. Jesse L. Williams, Pastor<br/>907-15th Street</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m.<br/>Morning Service 11:00 a.m.<br/>Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.<br/>Prayer Service Wed. 7:30 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>ST. PAUL AME CHURCH</b><br/>1201 Day Street<br/>Rev. Lewis E. Grady</p> <p>Ch. School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Church Service 10:45 a.m.<br/>Vespers Service 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br/>Prayer Service, Wed. 7:30 p.m.<br/>Youth Fellowships 5:30 p.m.</p>                           |



## Look, Therefore, To This Day

By  
Lynda Walker-Webster

Although it is not for sale, some folks still try to buy it. It is a very precious element, but some folks still misuse it. It is something that makes you feel very good, yet some folks are still afraid of it.

...While it is undoubtedly the greatest of all personal exchanges that we as human beings can involve ourselves in, ... it can also inflict some of the deepest and longest remembered pain.

It is not only a giving process, but it is a receiving one as well.

It is something that we need more of, ... it is LOVE!

There are so many different kinds of love that we share in our lifetime. The love that a woman shares with a man cannot be considered the same kind of love that she shares with her mother and her child. The love that we have for a very special friend is by no means the same kind of love that we have for a

special or favored object. And, the ultimate love that we should have, which is for God, cannot be compared to anything! It is a love above all other loves!

I am continually trying to understand those people who say that they have love in their hearts, yet have such problems expressing it. I don't know how often I have heard, "Just because I don't show it, doesn't mean that I don't love you", or "I just have my own way of expressing my love". What is it? Why are we so afraid? Or rather, what is the problem that seems to block the expression of love for some people?

Are we embarrassed of our own feelings? Are we afraid that to say, "I love you" as a confession of what we are holding within our hearts and minds? Are we afraid that such a confession would be a breakdown in the image that we are attempting to project to the world? Are we afraid of being hurt?

To feel love is to give love. And, to have love and not give it should be a mortal sin. To withhold love is to cheat someone. To hold back on sharing your love because you have been hurt before is wrong ..., why should anyone suffer because of someone else's wrong doing?

I say I need love. The love that I receive from my family and friends is the fuel that keeps me going. The love that I receive from above is my needs answered.

Yes, love can often be painful, yet that pain, no matter how deep, can be eradicated also by love.

Love is the most important thing in my life. The words "I love you" find no difficulty leaving my mouth. I believe in telling what is in my heart when

I feel it, ... Because we aren't always given another chance. When I say to someone, "I love you", I am giving them a part of me, and whether they are receptive to me or not, I still have given them the greatest gift that I have to give. Those three words say so much more. With love comes other elements, ... such as trust, respect, and more love.

There is so much love within us to give, ... if we would but give it. Love, if it is genuine, can break barriers and remove doubts that nothing else can. Love can make you feel as though you are the greatest person in the world. There is a capacity and a yearning to love within all of us that we are afraid to release. We want to give ourselves to others, but we often harbor impending fears that our gift of love will not be accepted, understood or reciprocated. But, I feel that it is worth the chance that we must take. Life is filled with chances, and love is certainly worth that chance.

To know that you love someone is such a good feeling. To know that you are loved gives you such a degree of warmth and honor.

Eric Hoffer has stated that, "It requires a considerable degree of conceit to believe that we are loved. Only certain people can give us that conceit."

So, today make someone feel conceited. If you are feeling love for them, ... tell them! Even if you've said it before, ... say it again! The words never wear out, not if they're made of the real stuff.

"Beloved,  
if God so loved us,  
we in turn  
ought love one another"  
1 John 4:11

Sunday, Dec. 10, at 4:00 p.m. Caesar, who is a member of the St. Paul AME 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 be singing.

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

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 Mapleleaf Choir will be singing. 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 is a very important meeting and your cooperation would be appreciated.

### SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

This Sunday, Dec. 10, 1978, Rev. B. Jamison will preach and the Gospelles will sing.

Last Sunday, Rev. Jamison brought us a very inspiring message taken from the 119th Psalm: 50th verse. His topic, "What Is Your Comfort?"

The Food Pantry this Sunday. Members are asked to please bring their canned goods. Mrs. Louise Brown, Chairman.

The Church Business Meeting on Saturday, Dec. 9, at Noon. The Deacons will meet at 11:00 a.m.

Rehearsal will be held

this Saturday, Dec. 9, at 1:00 p.m. for the Sunday School's Christmas Play. All children are asked to be present.

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

Prayer Service Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. The Pastor is asking the Deacons to take part in the service.

FROM THE PASTOR:  
THIS IS MY COMFORT IN MY AFFLICTION: FOR THY WORD HATH QUICKENED ME. Psalm 119: 50th Verse.

### MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. the Radio Club Committee will sponsor the Gospel Song Writer Singers in a musical program.

The old fashioned testimonial services scheduled Sunday night, will be cancelled due to the above program.

Pastor  
Rev. Alex Crawford Jr.  
Church Clerk  
Sis. Doris Woods

### MOUNT HEBRON CHURCH

On Sunday night at the hour of 7 p.m. Mount Hebron will be stepping on board of the Old Ship of Zion. Des Moines is invited to come out and get on board. There is room for many. King Jesus is the Captain. Mrs. McCeil Clinton will be the narrator.

Sunday, December 17, the Sunday School will present Youth on Parade at 4 p.m.

There will be a skating party at Skate West on the 21st of December from 7:30 til 9:30 p.m. All members are invited to try out on the skates. If you can't skate come out and have fun watching Rev. Dondal Bolden do his thing on the skates — the walls and on the floor.

Sick and Shut-Ins —  
Bro. Bill Thompson,

Mercy Hospital; Jenny Patton, Broadlawns Hospital; Sis Lillian Williams, home; Bro. and Sis. Charles R. Walker, also the daughter of Gloria Harris, Gia Harris, Mercy Hospital.

### BETHEL AME CHURCH

The Elizabeth Tolliver Missionary Society will present a program entitled "Ministers on Parade", Dec. 10, 1978 at 6:00 p.m.

We will feature ministers from various churches throughout the city in song and verse. Our special guests will be Rev. Thomas Cooper of Racine, Wisc., former member of Bethel AME and Rev. Darneau Stewart of Detroit, Mich., former pastor of Bethel AME.

Everyone is invited to attend for a real treat.

### OUR SAVIOUR BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday, the 11:00 a.m. message was delivered by the Rev. Richard Townsell, pastor of the New Bethel Baptist Church of Manly, Iowa. He preached a very soul-stirring message, "The Same Jesus." Rev. Knox, Pastor of the Progressive Mission Baptist Church of Fort Dodge, Iowa, was also a pulpit guest. Holy communion was served.

Next Sunday will be Pastor's Sunday.

Mission meeting will be Saturday, December 9th, at 4:30 p.m. President Sis. Sarah Coates urges all members to be present.

Sick and shut-ins - Sis. Luncinda Manuel, and Rev. James Calvert, both convalescing at home.

Message From The Pastor -

Some things you shall never know! "How many stars there are, in the sky, How many hairs

there are on your head, the number of sand on the seashore, and the, "Day and Hour of the coming of our Lord."

Pastor, Rev. T. R. Brown

### KYLES A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

Sunday School is held each Sunday morning from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Children and Adult Classes are being taught.

Sunday, December 10, Devotions will start at 10:30 a.m. followed by the Morning Worship service. Pastor Williams will bring the message.

The Young Adult Choir will sing.

The BUDS OF PROMISE will be presented in a Pageant Saturday, December 16, at 5:30 p.m. at the church. The Young Women are having a Christmas Party on the same date later in the evening.

Our Sick and Shut-In members are: Brothers: Arthur Flanagan,

George Turner, George Hardy, little William Thompson, and Sisters: Frealy Garrison, Georgia Sparkman, Edna Morris, Katherine Mullen, Jimmie Wolfe, Frances Turner, Ozella Moten and Margaret McGregor.

The N.C.Y.A. (Youth Meeting) will be held December 27, in Pittsburg, Pa.

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# ALLEN ASHBY with a LOOK ON SPORTS



The basketball and the football seasons are scrambling for space in the news, and will be until Jan. first. While Iowa University is looking for a new football coach, Iowa State U. is looking for some football players. They lost a slug of players to the quarterly grade system, and won't be at anything like full strength when they tangle with Texas A&M. The quarterly system of grading is tough on athletes.

Take football for instance. A fellow who could make it with the grades if he didn't have any interference, and in a semester grading will become a casualty in the system at Iowa State. One has so much time on the football field, and not everyone can make it with the books and practice for his sport. In a semester grading one can fall behind in his work and make it up in the off season.

But at ISU there isn't any off season especially for footballers. And the professors don't care who comes up before them for these tests. Then some fellows are just not inclined to bear down as hard in the classroom when they are drilling for a varsity sport.

In some schools a fellow might get by for a while until he can catch up, but with the quarterly exams coming on the heels of a football season, ISU was lucky to have lost no fewer than they did. Maybe the guys left will get fired up and play over their heads. They had better.

It doesn't seem as though the school lost so many players last year or so many in one sport before, but maybe I just didn't notice the reports before. I do recall that Iowa U lost just about a whole starting basketball team to their semester exams. And that was the year they were given a good chance to finish high up in the conference. But not after that.

And now comes the scuffle to pick up the number one rating. If Penn State gets by Alabama, they will have an eleven and 0 mark and will deserve the honor. But, if the Lions stumble before the Tide, what happens? Alabama and State will have ten and one records. And so will either Southern Cal or Michigan. And USC beat Alabama.

So who do you give the vote to? There will be Oklahoma with a ten and one mark if they get past Nebraska, and I happen to think they will. So you will have Alabama, Penn State, Oklahoma and USC with identical records. And don't forget that the

Trojans beat Bear Bryant in his own ballyard. If they played a roundrobin, those four teams would probably end up beating each other, so why not give each a piece of the national title. But, again, if Penn State dusts Alabama, there can be but one unbeaten, untied team in the nation, so they will have to be the top.

And here at home we will have a little suspense in our Metro basketball race. In spite of what the experts say, it looks as if the metro title is up for grabs. The thing may not be decided until almost the last week. As the first few games are played, nobody has a clear cut margin over the rest. Dowling is picked and so is Lincoln, but one has to reckon with Hoover and maybe this might be the big year for Tech.

They won a couple and looked pretty good doing it. Be lots of fun watching this race and trying to pick out a winner. The girls race seems to be cut and dried. It looks like East all the way barring unforeseen happenings. I remember last year when one fellow said that the winner of the East - Ankeny game in the district or sub state meet would become the state champs. And who won it? Ankeny. It is a long haul to go through a whole season tabbed as the top team as Hoover found out last year. We hope East can handle the pressure.

Haven't had any scores lately because there aren't enough football or basketball games reported so I can get them to make up a list. But when the cage games get underway for good, we will have the scores. Here are a few. Football — Florida A&M 31, Grambling 7. Virginia Union 21, North Carolina A&T 6.

Basketball — Howard 80, Shaw 77. Lincoln 81, Culver-Stockton 64. Morris Harvey 70, Virginia Tech 66. Southern 122, Barber-Scotia 85. Central Arkansas 80, Wiley 60. Dillard 98, Ark. Baptist 83. Morgan State 88, Virginia State 77. Wright St. 103, Wilberforce 73. Langston 62, USAO 61.

## Race Relations From page 1

buying land by George L. Bosworth. A founding father of Manly who owned a large amount of real estate in town, Bosworth stipulated in deeds dating from 1917 to 1958 that only Caucasians could purchase his land. His son, LeRoy, continued the practice as late as 1967.

"What really bothers me is that the Bosworth name appeals all over town," Maddix says. There's a Bosworth Street and a large park named after Bosworth, and the new library will bear the name of the Bosworth family.

Such discrimination was the exception, however, Maddix says. The 1940s saw the black minister of the Baptist church as the featured speaker at graduation exercises. A black woman became valedictorian and president of the senior class. The local newspaper started a column on black news.

And, in 1951, the predominantly white high school in Manly elected a black homecoming king and queen.

But, Maddix points out, the blacks experienced different treatment away from home.

"The woman who graduated valedictorian," he says, "was later denied entrance to an honor society at The University of Iowa — because she was black," a situation that is prevented now by the University's affirmative action policies.

This alarmed the citizens of Manly, and editorials in the local paper strongly criticized the action. Ironically, the president of the honor society at the time was a white woman from Manly. She promptly resigned her position, denouncing the society for its racial decision,

Maddix says.

"LeRoy Dunn, the young black homecoming king, home on a college break, remarked to his former football coach that he had 'never known racism' until he left Manly," Maddix adds.

This illustrates one of the general issues Maddix addresses: "By definition, small towns are considered conservative, reactionary, but this isn't always true, especially in this case."

One other issue Maddix explores concerns whether blacks and whites can live side by side.

"Can we overcome this race problem that still exists today?" he asks.

Disproving the myth about small towns, Maddix adds, "Manly several years ago solved the problem, on many levels."

Maddix admits that it's difficult to say how Manly solved the problem. He suggests the small-town setting, the school integration and the close working conditions all contributed to the

situation.

Yet during the past three decades, the black population has experienced a high attrition rate.

"Many of the blacks who returned from the war tried to get jobs, not as laborers and helpers as their fathers had been but as brakemen and as switchmen," says Maddix. "But the local railroad unions denied blacks membership."

Consequently a large number of blacks left Manly seeking employment or education.

"A remarkable proportion of those who left went on to earn B.A.s, M.A.s and Ph.D.s," Maddix adds.

Virtually all of the blacks residing in Manly today are retired. The churches of Manly, including the all-black Baptist church, joined to construct a low-cost retirement home for all senior citizens.

"My goal, as I see it, is to unravel the tangled web of race relations in Manly," says Maddix. "Ideally, my study will provide much-needed insight into the problem of race in America, and possibly

give hope to those who are not sure that different races can live side-by-side, as friends and neighbors, not as enemies and aliens."

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# What Is Kwanza and The Seven Principals of Blackness?

By Niambi D. Webster

Kwanza is not a game of chess, backgammon or considered "non-standard," English. Unlike the Fourth of July, Veterans Day, Halloween, Washington's Birthday, Valentine's Day, etc., Kwanza will not rob your pocket book, buying this, giving that and expecting something.

Kwanza is not going to your local or community library to look up the word in the encyclopedia to find out that it is an African disease that kills all white folks born with brown eyes.

Kwanza is not a time for black folks to get together and "party hardy-- and gossip about whose old man was sneakin' with who, it is not, I repeat, it is not a time when black folks get together to plan the overthrow of the world — for only God can do that — nor a time for us to meet and pass the "weed".

Kwanza is not a time for the radio stations to broadcast it's coming, or for newspaper editors to advertise it's gaiety, nor for T.V. producers to bill together, singer/actress Diana Ross, comedians Nipsey Russell and Richard Pryor, in a show about Kwanza in order for all the blacks in the community to watch it and learn about this great celebration. Publicity is not needed if you're serious about your "black" identity and proud of your ancestry and are willing to share in the fruits that you and your family have been blessed to have for another year.

Now that you are aware of the "nots" of Kwanza; that it is not a game, nor a proclaimed national holiday; it cannot be found in your standard dictionary, you can't find it in the latest tupperware or Princess house party book, and it won't be advertised on t.v.

Kwanza is a Swahili word, meaning first. Kwanza is an African celebration reflecting the

joys and blessings of the year. Kwanza is a time of the year when people come together to make joyful noises giving thanks for a successful harvest, hunt or to project good health or educationally discuss accomplishments of the year, while enjoying the blessings of living and working together for our Nation. Now before you turn the page searching for the funnies, deal with the thoughts just projected.

First impressions and initial comments received by varying individuals who "speak fork tongues": they ("fork tongues") tell me first and foremost that they're not Africans and question why they should be forced or coaxed into celebrating Kwanza. I, generally kind, and rational, knowing how to hit home, remind them that there is a God somewhere whom we have neither seen and whom Michelangelo and ancient Greek philosophers pictured to be white. I believe in God, I have not seen God, but I feel His spirit and I have seen how He can change a persons life.

Second impressions from individuals ("fork tongues") were: "well then, why celebrate Christmas, the birth of Christ?" Again my reply is simplistic X-Mas — I use the symbol X-Mas because I dare not relate a once religious holiday with the paganistic ritual of gift buying and money hungry capitalist by adding additional insult to "Our Father" whom is already angry with all of us for celebrating His birthday so calamitously.

Kwanza brings it all back to the gift of sharing and giving, because we have a common bond which binds us all together — our African origins, if nothing else — Kwanza implores us to extend thanks to almighty God for allowing some black families across the world to continue to nurture

and prosper in the fruits of the land.

Kwanza is traditionally celebrated the day after Christmas, December 26 through January 1 and during each celebration is the traditional lighting of seven candles one for each of the Nguzo Saba — The Seven Principles of Blackness:

1) Umoja / Unity - To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.

2) Kujichagulia / self-determination - To define ourselves, name ourselves, instead of being defined and spoken for by others.

3) Ujima / Collective Work and Responsibility — To build and maintain our community together and to make our brothers and sisters problems our problems and to solve them together.

4) Ujamaa / Co-operative Economics - To build maintain our own stores, ships and other businesses and to profit together from them.

5) Nia / Purpose — To make as our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.

6) Kuumba / Creativity — To do always as much as we can, in the way we can in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than when we inherited it.

7) Imani / Faith — To believe with all our hearts in our parents, our teachers, our leaders, our people and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.

Seven days out of 365 days of the year have been set aside to reflect upon the past and work together on solving the problems and acknowledge the achievements of the future and restore the pride we all once had in ourselves, our families and our Nation.

As an oppressed people held back often times because of the thoughtless deeds we comitt against each other, in addition to the bigotry and racist attitudes held by our neighbors, we must at least, one time out of the year set aside our petty jealousy and disagreements, leave at home our "black power" attitudes and come together for the betterment of our race and the community in which we live.

Continued next week

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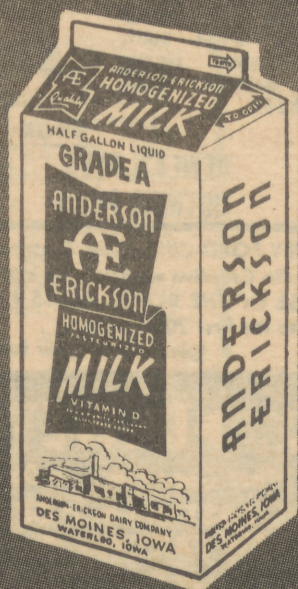


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**THE REVENUE ACT OF 1978**

The tax bill that was finally passed by Congress and signed by President Carter has positive long-term implications for the economy and the stock market, in our opinion. The voluntary wage and price guidelines recently announced by the President are unlikely to affect materially the longer-term positive implications that we foresee from the new tax bill. From an economic standpoint, the 1979 tax-cut bill, may well be the most constructive piece of legislation enacted in the last 15 years. Particularly significant, in our view, is that a coalition of groups with varying interests recognizes for the first time in many years that savings and investments are prerequisites for economic growth and increasing employment.

Unlike other tax bills in recent years, this bill provides some favorable incentives to business and some tax relief for middle income households who tend to save some portion of their income. Although the Administration hopes that the bill will help to keep the economy from going into a recession next year, its greatest benefit to the economy and the stock market can be expected to develop over the long run. Under the new law, the nation's tax bill will be reduced by about \$18.7 billion in 1979. Taxes paid by individuals will be lowered by \$12.7 billion; corporate taxes, by \$3.7 billion; and capital-gains levies, by \$2.2 billion.

Among the specific provisions that should have an important bearing on the course of the economy and the stock market in the years ahead:

1. Beginning in 1979, the top rate on capital gains for individuals taxpayers has been cut from 49% to 28%, and the lowest rate on such gains has been reduced from 7% to 5.6%. Moreover, as of November 1, 60% instead of half of an individual's long-term capital gain, will be exempt from regular income taxes. The current alternative 25% rate on the first \$50,000 of gains is to be repealed on January 1. But the excluded 60% of gains as well as one other preference item - excess itemized deductions - are to be subjected to a new alternative minimum tax, starting in 1979.

2. The maximum rate on corporate income will be lowered from 48% to 46% next year. Income tax rates for small corporations, which have been paying 20% to 48% on income less than \$100,000 have been reduced to 17% to 40%.

3. The 10% investment tax credit, which was scheduled to drop to 7% in 1981, has now been made permanent. Also made permanent is the \$100,000 limit, which was to drop to \$50,000 in 1981, on used property eligible for the credit. Under the new law, the tax liability that can be offset by the credit will rise to 90% of the amount exceeding \$25,000 by 1982. In addition, as of November 1, the investment tax credit, which heretofore was used for machinery and equipment, has been made applicable for the

rehabilitation of industrial and commercial buildings that have been in use for at least 20 years.

4. The effective top rate on capital gains of corporations has been reduced from 31.125% to 29.67%.

5. Income taxes paid by individuals have been reduced. The personal exemption has been raised from \$750 to \$1,000 for each taxpayer and dependent. The higher exemption replaces the existing personal tax credit, which equals the greater of \$35 for each exemption or 2% of the first \$9,000 of taxable income. The standard deduction rises from \$2,200 to \$2,300 for single taxpayers and from \$3,200 to \$3,400 for married couples filing joint returns. The bill also provides for fewer, but wider, income brackets so that higher earnings would not push taxpayers into higher tax brackets so quickly. In addition, tax rates for each income bracket have been reduced.

We believe that the new law may actually have a negative effect over the short run. Holders who have deferred selling appreciated assets may decide to take advantage of the lower rates on capital gains. And despite the substantial cuts in taxes paid by individuals, many will find that the reductions are just about equal to the increases in Social Security taxes scheduled for 1979. Thus, the confidence of consumers may suffer as they find themselves no better off than they were before the tax cuts. On the other hand, citizens over 55 who own homes have undoubtedly been heartened by a provision that allows the first \$100,000 of profits on the sale of a home to be excluded from taxes, on a once-in-a-lifetime basis.

From a long-term point of view, however, we regard the tax bill as highly favorable for both the economy and the stock market. Particularly significant from an economic viewpoint is that the bill, by reducing corporate taxes, should foster growth of the economy and employment. The reduction in the corporate tax rate and the liberalization and extended applicability of the investment tax credit should create additional cash flow and make it possible for businesses to undertake capital projects that were previously considered to be marginal.

The benefits that would accrue to the economy by spurring capital spending have long been recognized. A 1976 study by the Congressional Budget Office showed that in the long run, growth of wages, in real terms, is determined primarily by the growth of productivity and that growth of productivity is determined by growth in expenditures for capital projects.

Rising capital spending, then, ultimately has the effect of increasing real wages; such expenditures, therefore, can also eliminate some of the inflationary pressures that result when increases in wages are not offset by productivity gains. Thus, changes in the tax law could in time also gradually help to reduce inflation. Meanwhile, increased cash flow would make it possible for corporations to maintain or increase their dividend payouts which are still at the lower end of their range for the past 30 years.

Also important is that, as a result of the sharp reduction in the capital-gains tax, it will be more advantageous for Americans who have been holding assets such as stocks, real estate, and businesses that have appreciated substantially to sell and shift to other investments that would help economic activity and boost the number of transactions to be

taxed - a development that would be healthy for the financial markets and for the economy as a whole.

Lower capital-gains rates would also encourage investors to take more risks in the financing of ventures that help the economy to grow and to own stocks.

Of greatest significance, perhaps, is that the tax-cut bill marks a major shift in tax policy - from one in which taxes paid by consumers were cut to encourage immediate spending to one aimed at encouraging capital investing in order to deal with the problem of slowing economic growth, declining productivity, and inflation. The consensus in Washington is that the tax bill is but the first step toward those ends.

Essentially, then, the new tax bill supports our expectation of a healthier market environment in the years ahead. Although in the short run it may contribute to further market weakness that could develop in response to a slowing economy early next year, its favorable implications for the long run strengthen our conviction that equities will in time begin a lengthy period of above-average returns.

Among the various stock groups, growth stocks would, in our opinion, be prime beneficiaries because a relatively large portion of their total return is made up of capital appreciation - a greater part of which would accrue to shareholders under the new tax law. The returns provided by the stocks of some of the smaller, fast-growing companies should also enable such firms to raise capital much more easily than has been the case to date. The more favorable treatment of capital gains should stimulate interest in the stock market and in time make equities more attractive, in our opinion.

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# Around The State

## Keokuk

11:00 a.m. service at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church last Sunday, Rev. Dale Laster, pastor. With the installation service scheduled for 3:00 p.m., several visitors were present for the morning service.

The 3:00 p.m. installation was very well attended. Several cities in Northeast Mo., were well represented as well as those in Southeastern Ia. Rev. Clay Taite brought the message.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Tinder are the parents of a son born November 23, at KAH West.

John W. Galbreath died Thursday, Nov. 23, in KAH East following an illness of one year. He was born June 26, 1919 in Vandalia, Mo., the son of Elroy and Effie Caldwell Galbreath. He married Frances A. Dawson Oct. 17, 1946 in Kahoka, Mo. She survives. He was a resident of Keokuk since childhood and had been employed at Sheller Globe for the past 30 years. He was a member of Bethel AME Church and of the American Legion Post 596. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U. S. Navy. He is survived by his father of Keokuk; two sons, William F. of Denver, Colo. and Brock, at home; four daughters, Mrs. Dwaine (Marita) Palmer, Indianola, Ms. Loretta Galbreath, Chicago, Ms. Lorry J. Galbreath, Mesa, Ariz. and Renita, at home; a son by a previous marriage, John W. Galbreath Jr. of Houston, Tx.; a brother, Elroy Galbreath Jr. of Keokuk; three sisters, Mrs. Lena Herald and Mrs. Opal McCutcheon, both of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mrs. Oleta Holton, Keokuk; 10 grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother, a brother and a sister. The funeral service was held Monday at 2:00 p.m. at Greaves Mortuary with the Rev. D. Eugene Johnson officiating. Burial was in the National Cemetery with graveside military services. Bodybearers were Otis Morris, Gene Stewart, Willie Dade, James Glenn, Emanuel Reynolds and Jack Holder.

The community was further saddened during the past week, by the deaths of, long-time resident, Mrs. Georgia Tucker and Thurman Fields. Those obituaries will appear in subsequent issues of the Bystander.

Spending the Thanksgiving Holiday

with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Bates, were Dr. and Mrs. Mel Bates, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Ms. Alberta Bates of Des Moines, Iowa.

Rupert Conn Jr. of Minneapolis, Minn., spent several pre-Thanksgiving days visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Conn Sr. He joined them, motoring to Rock Island, Ill., where the holiday was spent with Mrs. Mary Clay and family and Ms. Pamela Conn. Mrs. Rupert Conn Jr. and the boys flew into Rock Island where the entire family enjoyed Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burchette and daughter, of Carthage, Tx., visited relatives and friends several days during last week.

Mrs. Jewel Heywood is spending a vacation in Hot Springs, Ark., She is a guest in the home of relatives.

## Fort Madison

Second Baptist Church had their regular Sunday morning services with fellowship hour, as the pastor was ill and the weather was bad, Sunday, Dec. 3rd.

A poem:  
Let NOT Your Heart Be Troubled.  
Whenever I am troubled and lost in deep despair,  
I bundle all my

troubles up and go to God in prayer.

I tell Him I am heartsick and lost and lonely, too.

That I am deeply burdened and don't know what to do.

But I know He stilled the tempest and calmed the angry sea,

And I humbly ask if in His love, He'll do the same for me.

Then I just keep quiet and think on thoughts of peace,

And as I abide in stillness, my restless murmurings cease.

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A panel consisting of Bob Moss (Des Moines - Polk County Health Department, Air Pollution Engineer).

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# Simon Estes In Benefit Concert At Hancher December 17

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Simon Estes, an Iowa native and former University of Iowa student who has become one of the world's leading bass-baritones, will give a benefit concert for the U of I School of Music at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17 in Hancher Auditorium.

Estes' program will be "O Isis and Osiris" and "In diesen heil'gen Hallen" from "The Magic Flute" (Mozart); four songs — "Der Atlas," "Das Fischermadchen," "Die Taubenpost" and "In der Ferne" — by Schubert; "Michelangelo Lieder" (Wolf); "Perfidia All'Anglo contor me v'unite" and "Pieta, rispetto, amore" from "Macbeth" (Verdi); two selections — "Thus Sayeth the Lord" and "The Trumpet Shall Sound" — from "Messiah" (Handel); "Strike the Viol" and "I'll Sail Upon the Dog Star" (Purcell), and four spirituals — "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen," "Weepin' Mary" and "Wade in the Water" — arranged by Burleigh.

Born in Centerville, Iowa in 1938, Estes studied pre-med, theology and social psychology and sang in the Old Gold Singers at the U of I.

His voice teacher, Charles Kellis, arranged for an audition at the Juilliard School of Music in 1963 and set up a campus concert in Iowa City which raised \$267 to help send the young Estes to New York.

The powerfully built black vocalist won the Munich International Competition in 1965 and was a prize winner in Moscow's first International Tchaikovsky Vocal Competition in 1966, returning to a New York City Hall reception and a command performance at the White House.

Since then, Estes has sung more than 80 leading roles with the great opera companies of the world, making his debuts at the Metropolitan Opera in 1976 and La Scala, Milan in 1977.

Last summer, he became the first black male to sing a lead role at the Bayreuth (Germany) Festival — the shrine of Wagnerian opera — when he appeared to thunderous applause in the title role of Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman."

Other recent triumphs include a solo appearance in Beethoven's "Symphony No. 9" with the Los Angeles Philharmonic under its new music director, Carlo Maria Giulini.

Estes recently signed a contract with the

Metropolitan Opera, where he will appear as Gremlin in Tchaikovsky's "Eugene Onegin" in November, 1979. He'll soon appear in a new production of Rossini's "Moses" at LaScala and in concerts with the New York and Los Angeles Philharmonic orchestras.

Despite his worldwide schedule which is booked well into 1983, Estes maintains close ties with his family in Iowa. His mother, Mrs. Ruth Estes, lives in Des

Moines and an aunt, Cecile Cooper, lives in Davenport.

Estes, who is flying directly from Austria to Iowa for the Hancher concert, is donating his talents as a benefit for the school where his music education began.

Proceeds from the concert will be used to help support the U of I's music training

programs. Tickets, priced at \$6 with additional tax-deductible contributions welcome, are on sale at the Hancher box office. Larger contributors will be given preferential seating.

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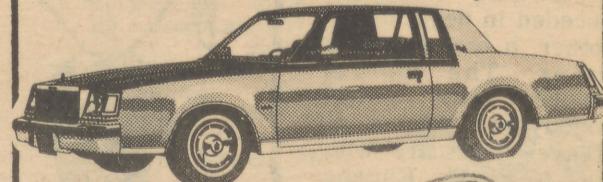
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**Theodosia**  
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appointments were made by the Imperial Commandress, Dt. Anne Bolden, and presented by the Illustrious Commandress Dt. Barbara Robinson.

Reports from all chairpersons and officers must be made at this December meeting by request of the Illustrious Commandress.

The Christmas party with the nobles was a great success and was enjoyed by all, Dt. Barbara Palmer and her committee were congratulated for a well planned party, and the food which was furnished by the Nobles and prepared by the



Virginia White

daughters was delicious. Our next meeting will be the 4th Tuesday, Dec. 26th and election of officers will be held at this time, the Commandress asks that all officers and members please be present at this meeting.

**HAWKEYE ELKS**

Last Saturday 32 persons, including some friends, bucked the storm to Sioux City. An evening of dancing to Spates and his Combo, was warming and enjoyable. Sunday a full buffet was served by the hosts, Sovoy Lodge and Eureka Temple.

State Council No. 24, Past Dt. Rulers held their election and Christmas gift exchange. Officers: Loyal Dt. Ruler: Corrine Carter, Des Moines; Vice Dt. R. Annie Pearson, Sioux City; Asst. Dt. R. Bertha Willis, D. M.; Chaplain Delores Davis, D. M.; Escort Clara Schexnayder, Sioux City; Recording Sec. Francis Hayes; Fin. Sec. Norva Jean Terrell; Treas. Bernice M. Carter; and Organist Willie Mae Rowe all of Des Moines. Installation will be at the next meeting to be held in April with Des Moines as the Host. Rose Temple No. 33 will hold their election this Friday, Dec. 8th, at 8:00 p.m. It is a must for all members to attend.

If the children are wondering about the Christmas Party, assure them it will be Sunday morning, Dec. 17th from

10:00 a.m. UNTIL NOON. AGES EIGHT YEARS AND UNDER. All children are welcome. Tickets are available at the Elks Club and they are Free.

The sick are improving. Sam Vaughn Verterans Hospital, West No. 144, Iowa City, Iowa. Mrs. Christina Carter, mother of Ron Carter, Des Moines General No. 357. Lycurgrust "Buck" Perry, Iowa Methodist (Younkers) No. 808. He is the father of Leonard Perry. The grand daughter of Dt. Ruler, Wanda Gibson has recovered from surgery and returned to school. How nice it is for you to remember those in distress.

Rose Marie and her Combo will entertain you this weekend and there will be food.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Carter and Elsie Radcliff were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Proctor and sons for a Thanksgiving and pre-Christmas visit. Included were side trips to Tenn. and Kentucky, the Ebony Fashion Show and to see grandson Dwayne play basketball at Harrisburg, Ill. where he is a college freshman.

**ISU's Christmas Festival of Music**

A Christmas cantata and a Christmas carol concert will highlight a holiday atmosphere as the 23rd annual Christmas Festival of Music, "Nowell," is presented at Iowa State University. "Hodie," a Christmas cantata by Ralph Vaughan Williams, will be presented Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 9-10, at 8 p.m. Traditional Christmas carols will invite sing-along participation for the 3 p.m. concert Sunday, Dec. 10. All three programs are in Stephens Auditorium.

"Hodie" will be performed by the Iowa State Singers, Oratorio Choir, and members of the University Chorus and the Iowa State Symphony, all under the direction of N.L. Burkhalter, ISU

professor of music. The Brass Choir will accompany the audience in Christmas carols at all three performances.

Tickets for each concert are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children 12 and under. Tickets are available at the Hub and Iowa State Center ticket offices. Proceeds will benefit the music scholarship program at ISU.

Several West Des Moines residents are members of the musical groups performing. Matthew Breneman is a member of Iowa Singers. David Gundrum, Katherine Salisbury and Darrell Wright are members of Oratoria chorus. Claudia Gates and Laura Schultz sing in the University's Stasia Sands plays cello in the University's Symphony Orchestra.

**Tawasi Club**

The members of the Daughters of Des Moines club, met with the club's president Gretchen Hamlett, on Nov. 26, 1978.

Final plans were made for the members and spouse's Christmas party to be held on Dec. 1, 1978.

The party will be a trip around town.

We will start at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wood, in Grimes; then to Mr. and Mrs. Homer McCurn and complete the trip at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zack Hamlett.

The Secret Pals names will be revealed at this time.

Club will adjourn for the balance of the year, to convene in February 1979. Erma Carr, club reporter.

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**NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID**

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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 11-21, 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 22, 1978 at 9:00 AM, 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.

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# Black History Minutes

by Connee L. Bowman

Recently, in New York, a Black history buff named Leon Brown was going through a trash pile looking for wood scraps. His sharp eyes came across a series of very old

documents of great historical significance. He recognized the name **Marcus Garvey**, the great Black consciousness leader among the papers. He immediately notified the

Schomberg Center for Research in Black Culture in the New York City Public Library. Brown had found letters, records and photographs dating back to 1920 and they provided some new information about Garvey and his New York-based Universal Negro Improvement Association.

Marcus Garvey, was a Jamaican and he set himself up as the "Emperor of the Kingdom of Africa" in Harlem in New York City. The movement

which he started eventually involved nearly 3 million Black people in America. Brown, the discoverer of the Garvey papers and documents worked out a special agreement with the Schomberg Center in New York to show the papers for 99 years. He recently left his work as an industrial psychologist for the Yellow Cab Co. to work as a full-time Black history scholar. **MARCUS GARVEY (1887-1940)** (He looked to Africa)

Marcus Garvey came

to the United States in 1916 from Jamaica. When he arrived he found a great deal of dissatisfaction and frustration among the masses of Blacks who had come North or who had been pushed to the North by the discriminating and oppressive conditions in the South during World War I. Within a few weeks he became a successful organizer and recruiter and he started the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA). Nearly 5 years later the membership had grown to about 1 million Black members.

It so happens that by 1919 American Blacks were hungry and ready for a program that would help them re-gain their long-lost dignity and respect. The Black population was becoming uncomfortably concentrated in the urban centers of the North. Here it was relatively easy to develop a mass organization. At this time even the most optimistic Black was discouraged by the bad living conditions and the extremely poor job opportunities.

### The time was right

There seemed to be an outbreak of massive intolerance of Blacks by white America. This was evidenced in the many race riots and the renewal of Ku Klux Klan activities. Many thought a fresh approach to solving "race problems" was needed. More and more Blacks were beginning to feel like the character Cassy of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." She had said with great resentment, "There's no use calling on the Lord — He never hears." In other words, they believed that serious and bold steps needed to be taken if Blacks were to obtain their full

citizenship rights. Up until this time no Black organization had attempted to really organize the Black masses. The existing "racial improvement groups" like the National Urban League and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People had not really directed its focus to lower class Blacks. They had given their attention to middle and upper class Blacks (and whites) and were dependent on them for support.

When Marcus Garvey arrived in New York from his tropical Jamaica he found the pace of American life quick and dynamic. He was already endowed with great and restless ambition and tremendous energy. However, Garvey's West Indian background had not given him much preparation for dealing with Black problems within an urban environment. As a young Jamaican, he had developed distrust and resentment towards the light skinned mulatto groups in Jamaica. They had a class superiority which was recognized by the Jamaican society as a whole. This rubbed Garvey the wrong way and he determined to do something about it.

Originally he had plans for an agricultural and industrial school in Jamaica. But this did not catch the interest of many American Blacks. However, many poor Blacks were ready and waiting for a new Black Moses. They were also ready to be led to the "promised land" and Marcus Garvey seized and sensed the mood of the times.

"Up, you mighty race," Garvey chanted and thundered, "you can accomplish what you will."

To be continued

### Spotlight From page 1

her reply. She then proceeded to lament on the difficulties in managing others on occasions.

Were there enough promotions for blacks at her company? "There could be more," Pam told me. "It is nice though to see blacks in higher positions. We have what's called a Transfer and Promotion Plan and it is very good in itself and there for the taking." Pam wasn't sure the percentage of blacks at the phone company but we both thought the number would be higher than most companies. Pam also mentioned 'Blacks in Management', a group chaired by H. Peyton — which she felt was of benefit.

How did Pam come to the phone company originally? She happened to apply 3 or 4 times before she was accepted. She told me she was at an insurance company at the time but was after good pay, good benefits and a chance to excel in the communications field. Pam went on to tell me the specific benefits the NWB: "... good hospitalization, group life; a dental plan, percentage of optical work and a stock plan in ATT. Also a telephone recreation association that offers a percentage off of events held at Vets Auditorium.

Pam is in her spare time a widely traveled young lady with Mexico, Hawaii, the Bahamas and Jamaica a few of the play spots she has visited. Europe and Africa are on her list of future jaunts with her

new husband, Clarke Stewart.

Speaking of Mr. Stewart the happy couple have been Mr. and Mrs. only since Oct. 21. "It's been fun," smiled Pam. "You mean it's been fantastic" chimed in Clarke. Their new neighborhood is Cedarwood Place and the Stewarts hope to live peacefully with the other young black couples that are helping to re-develop this area north of the freeway.

Clarke as most of you know is a licensed real estate agent with Kamber VanDorn who "... hopes to help people find happiness and homes." Pam's proud parents are Jesse Taylor employed by Meredith Publishing and her mother Jackie is a recent graduate of Drake University. Pam also hopes to further her education by taking a BA in the Communication field at Drake.

Besides traveling, cooking great gourmet dishes (I've sampled some and I'm sure they are not on my weight watchers list) is another of Pam's pastimes. Pam is also a model. She has studied extensively at the American Academy of Mannequins here; Coles Charm Cotierie;

and with Ophelia DeVore in New York.

She has modeled extensively for Younkers, other stores and concerns throughout Des Moines. She lived briefly in LA and Chicago as she made the rounds of talent agencies. But as Pam said herself "... it was rough!"

Once a month Pam also (she has a great amount of energy) works at Lutheran Hospital in admittance as Spec. 5 station 8/30th medical unit (like MASH) in the army reserve. As far as advice to young career women Pam thought to "... get into the center of things and get as much education as possible — although sometimes connections help."

Last, I asked the couple how inflationary times were treating them financially, seeing as how the middle class was rebelling with Proposition 13 like laws. "Struggle" they laughed and "... a constant budget!"

Regardless of the dollar situation, Pamyla Taylor Stewart is a young woman rich in drive, poise and a willingness to work and please. What could anyone ask beyond that?

### Life

Life, a river rushing to the sea like endless motions of flowing streams

Life, a cloud of mirages, makes believe dreams from far and distant clings  
Imagine touching our Superior being.

Life, is having a new born baby smiling, feeling on precious skin, the naked hand of nature's flesh.

Life, giving, sharing and understanding  
Learning and yearning blessed is man.

I see, I feel, also understand life is a long span to love, the answer to the untold story.

Maria Jean Jackson

## Black Folk In American Civilization

### Maggie M. Walker

Businesswoman, journalist, mother, teacher and more — all of these were hats worn by Maggie Mitchell Walker who had been born in Richmond, Virginia, July 15, 1867. This was during the era in American History known as Reconstruction. The slaves had been recently freed, and black men and black women were beginning to experiment with the various facets of something called "freedom." One of the main tenets of this concept dealt with a person or persons not having to depend upon others economically. In order to achieve this end, around the country, black people started to organize self-help social clubs that not only created social bonds but tried to give financial stability to a community that literally was penniless in a larger community that has plenty of money but still expected this smaller new community to have been able to equally compete economically, socially and politically. One of the self-help social clubs was the Independent Order of St. Luke. This one had been founded in Richmond by a small group of black men. The Order of St. Luke consisted of subsidiaries like a real estate association, an insurance company, a savings bank, a retail store, a printing plant and a newspaper. Members paid something like ten cents a week.

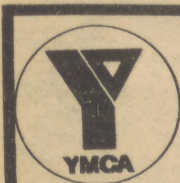
Maggie Walker's father had been a member of the Order of St. Luke. Upon his death, while Maggie was very young, her mother took up the task of paying the dime a week dues. A child who was gifted in dealing with numbers, Maggie Mitchell Walker

graduated from the Richmond Normal and Colored School around 1882. Trying to immediately break into the business world, she was rebuffed, but she did not give up hope. She accepted a job as a public school teacher at a salary of \$20.00 a month. At nineteen years of age, she married Armistead Walker and became the mother of two sons. Thereafterwards, she attended the Richmond Business College and again tried to enter the business world. Again, she met with rejection and found the only way to get her foot in the door of the business world was to accept virtually a maid's job at St. Luke for about \$8.00 a month. From here she took an organization that was nearly bankrupt with about 1,000 members in 1900 and within seven years, she increased the membership to over 20,000. Eventually under her leadership, membership in the Order of St. Luke reached over 100,000.

Continuing her formal education, she received a master's degree in business administration in 1925 from Virginia Union University. After 1925, she founded the St. Luke Bank and Trust Co. By becoming its first president, she became the first black female bank president in the history of the nation.

Bank president, former teacher, mother and wife, and for over thirty years editor of the *St. Luke Herald*, Maggie Mitchell Walker died December 15, 1934.

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### Urban YMCA News

The Sunday high school basketball league started December 3rd at the Central YMCA. Fifteen teams represent the Metro schools plus Ankeny. Each team has at least eight players along with an adult coach. Anyone with experience interested in officiating some games, give us a call at 288-0131.

Now is the time to start thinking about the winter session that begins January 8th.

Karate, judo, swimming and many other interesting instructional activities begin and run for a ten week period. There's a special interest in getting more youth involved in our karate and judo classes.

Because we have two of the best instructors in Des Moines, we hope more people will take advantage of these programs that offer excellent instruction at a low price.

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Spend at These  
Stores Stays  
Here in Des Moines

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# SHERMAN'S SUPER VALU

2627 - E. University

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

Porterhouse  
Steak **\$2<sup>19</sup>**  
lb.

Lettuce Head **39<sup>c</sup>**

Del Monte  
Peaches 29 oz. **59<sup>c</sup>**  
Halves & Slices



**T-Bone  
Steak**  
**\$1<sup>99</sup>**  
lb.

Idaho  
Russet Potatoes



10 lb.  
Bag **89<sup>c</sup>**

Flavorite

**Flour**  
5 lbs.

**59<sup>c</sup>**

Boneless

**Rump Roast**



**\$1<sup>69</sup>**  
lb.



Banquet  
**Chicken**  
2 lbs.

**\$1<sup>89</sup>**



Northern  
**Toilet  
Tissue**

4 Roll Pkg.

**69<sup>c</sup>**

**HEET**  
Gasline Anti-Freeze



3/**\$1<sup>00</sup>**  
12 oz.



Campbell's  
**Chicken  
Noodle  
Soup**

10.75 oz.

**79<sup>c</sup>**

# SUPER VALU



Jeno's  
**Pizza**  
13 oz.

**69<sup>c</sup>**

Good Thru Dec. 12th