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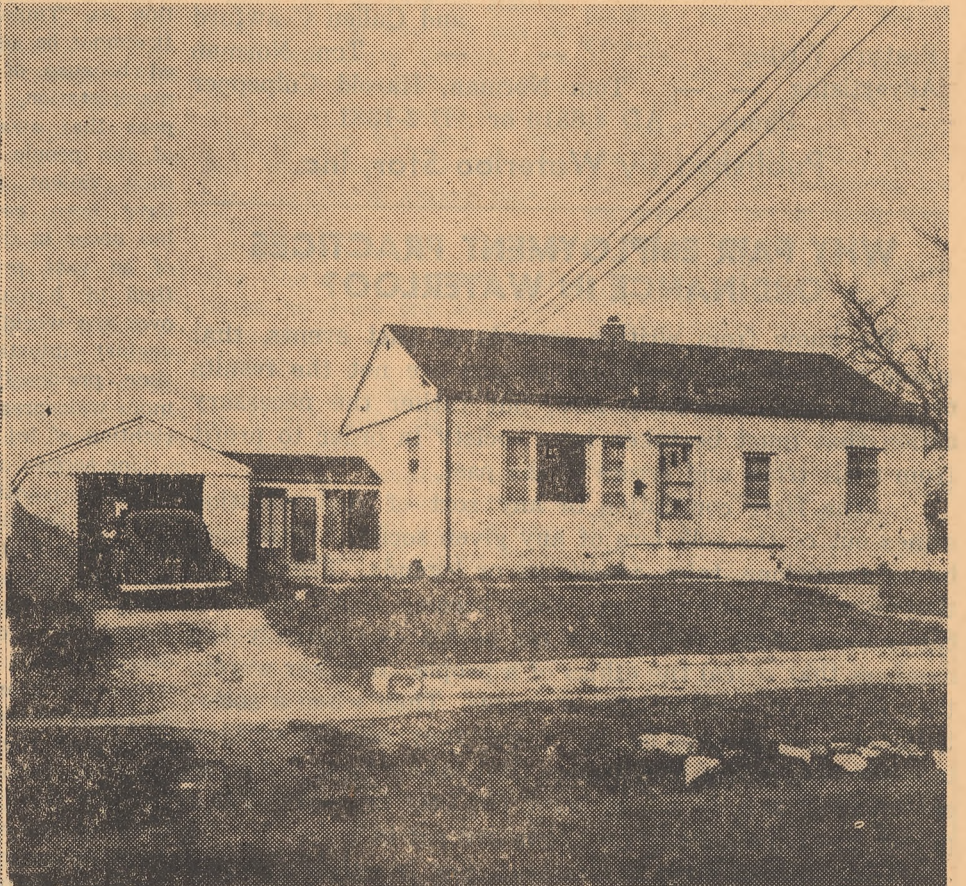
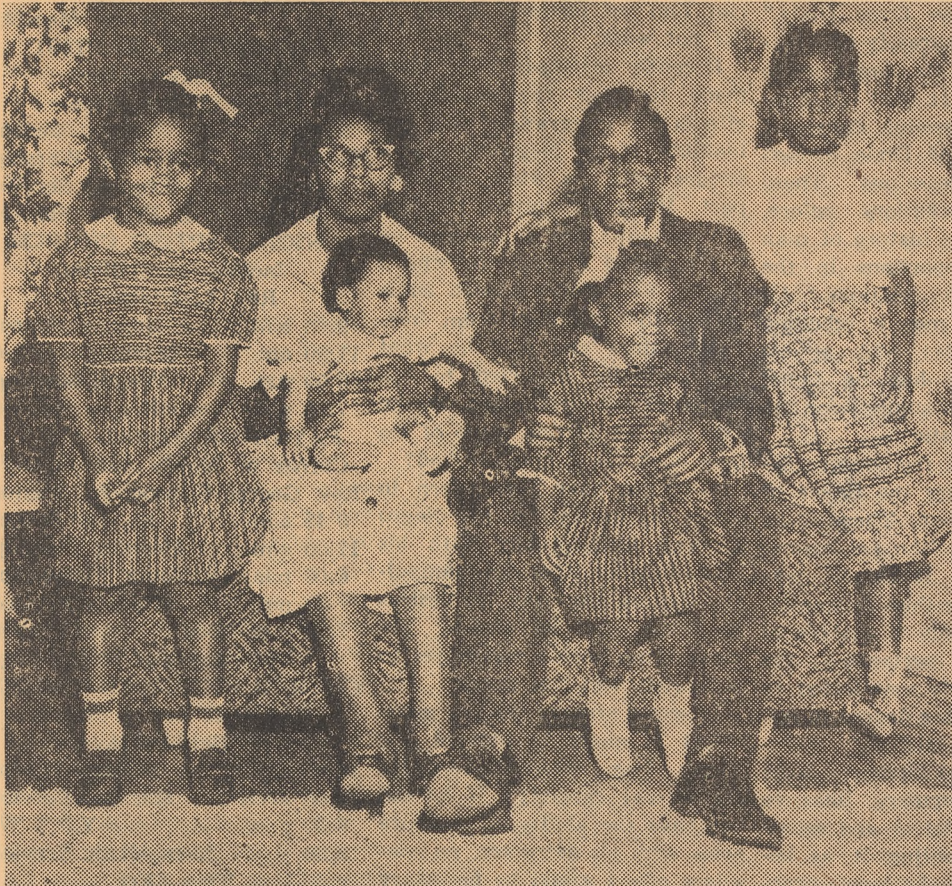
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THIS IS THE HOME THAT FAITH BUILT

Flowers are for the living as we can't smell them when we are dead, so today the Waterloo Star takes pride in giving flowers to Mr Russell Burt of 713 Cottage Street, for his long courageous fight to build a home for he and his family under some very trying and adverse circumstances that would have caused many men with a lesser degree of tenacity to give up the fight.

On August 28, 1949, Russell Burt was married to Miss Mae Eva Ceasar and in the spring of 1950 they purchased a lot at 713 Cottage Street. With the help of his brother-in-law Theimore (Skeeter) Ross and other friends the foundation was built. Immediately following the completion of the foundation rain fell unceasingly for approximately two weeks. As a result of the rain the walls of the foundation caved in. Undaunted, Mr Burt tore out and cleaned the blocks and started all over again in 1951. This time Russell was successful in completing the framework only to be forced to stop due to serious illness dealing with a chest complaint for two years. Now Russell was fighting for his life and his weight dropped from the normal 135 pounds to the low of 90 pounds. Visiting Mr Burt at St. Francis Hospital, I saw him fight for every breath and observed that he was too weak to hold a conversation without becoming exhausted. At that time I thought that Russell's life expectancy was a minimum. From St. Francis Hospital Mr Burt was sent to Oakdale Sanitorium then to State University Hospital. Doctors were baffled as to diagnosis, but finally pinpointed the illness to be due breathing excessive amounts of dust.

William W. Parker, attorney at law, and legal representative for local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was successful in establishing the claim that Mr Burt's illness arose out of and in the course of his employment. Many months and extensive work was necessary in presenting this case before the Iowa Workmen's Compensation Directors and later to Iowa State Supreme Court who handed down a favorable decision, but was again reviewed and again Mr Burt's case merited the awarding decision. This case was printed in one of the National Legal publications on Workmen's Compensation Cases. The community Acappella Choir started a fund raising campaign to aid in putting the roof on Russell's unfinished home. Russell being a member of the Acappella Choir, the whole community rallied to his cause.

In the meantime Mrs Burt was working under a strain of caring and working for her family with added worry over her husband. The load being too heavy for Mrs Burt to carry alone, she suffered from mental exhaustion. It would seem that fate was dealing a deliberate cruel blow to this small family.

Eventually Russell and his wife recovered and in the summer of 1954 the family finally moved into their new home, and Mr Burt is thankful just to have a roof over his head and doesn't worry too much over the fact that there is still some landscaping to do.

Many families have built homes in this community recently and there is no doubt that each builder or buyer has en-

countered obstacles of some kind but we know of no one who has gone through the trial and ordeals that Russell has, and we sincerely hope that no other person attempting to build or buy will ever experience the same hazards as Mr. Burt.

Besides being the father of three children Russell belongs to the Community Acappella Choir, St. Johns Lodge No. 35 of the Masonic Lodge, W.A.W. C.I.O. A.F.L. Local No. 838 and is employed at the John Deere Waterloo Tractor Works.

Without faith, hope and trust Mr Burt would have given up his fight and perhaps might not even be living today. Needless to say flowers are for the living and this truly the home that faith built.

T. S. Norman

Cosmetists Club to Have Annual Tea

The Cosmetiste Club No. 2, of Waterloo, Iowa will have their second annual tea on Sunday, November 4, at 4:00 p.m., at St. Clover Catholic Church on Mobile St. This Pre-Thanksgiving tea is given by the Beauticians of the city to show appreciation to the General public.

The program will consist of the following:

Mrs Robert Harvey	Speech
Miss Edna Cunningham	Reading
Miss Le Esther Mager	Song
Miss Frances Reasby	Song
Dr Warren Mash	Speech
Miss Elizabeth Moten	Song
Miss Naomi Patterson	Song
Mrs Drusilla Robinson	Music

Janet Norman Receives \$1,000 Elks Scholarship

Miss Janet Norman, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Norman, 741 Cottage Street, was the recipient of a \$1,000. scholarship. This scholarship was presented by the National Board of Education of the Elks. Miss Norman participated in local, state

mended by the State Board of Education of the Elks. Mr Lee usually grants a scholarship on the grounds of scholastic record and participation in the Elks oratorical contests.

Mrs Emma Turner of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who is Iowa State Board of Education secretary for the Elks and also Grand Registrar for the national body of the Grand Lodge of the I.B.P.O.E. of W., informed Attorney William W. Parker, president of the Elks State Board of Education, and trained Miss Norman for the oratorical contests, of granting of the scholarship.

Mrs Turner being the Grand Lodge Registrar, who is in the position to screen the recommendations for Commissioner George W. Lee, also carried Miss Norman's recommendation to the Grand Lodge and with her stamp of approval Mr Lee unhesitatingly granted the scholarship.

Mrs Turner, who is vitally interested in higher education for young people and has worked on the state level for a number years and been the Grand Registrar for 10 years, said, "I hope granting this scholarship to Janet Norman will be incentive to a lot more young boys and girls to enter the Elks oratorical contest and see there are some interested in helping them to further their education."



and regional oratorical contests sponsored by the Elks Educational Departments, auxiliaries of Improved Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks of the World. Although Miss Norman was not the winner of the regional oratorical contest George W. Lee Grand Commissioner of the Grand Board of Education Board has the discretion to grant a scholarship to a young man or woman that has been recom-

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WHY FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES ORDINANCE IN WATERLOO?

We know from written records of past events, that social political and economic changes are not the results of a fantastic imaginary idea, but rather the necessary action that must be taken by a society in order to profit from their trials and errors of the past.

The first conception of any sort of regimentation comes out of the folk lore of any given society. This may be superstitions, tales, traditions or legends. Then, after they are practiced so long, they become fixed customs, conventions rules of practices for people — especially the manners that reveal the ethics of a people. In other words, they become unwritten laws or mores. Then when a society is allowed to vote on the mores they become written law and established institution. But when these laws become out of date or do not serve the best interests of the people, amendments and new laws are put in force.

We feel that there is discrimination in public and private employment here in this city and such discrimination, with consequent arbitrary denial of job opportunities to large groups of inhabitants of this city, foments strife, creates unrest, disturbance, disorder and group tensions, and substantially and adversely affects the general welfare and good order of the city.

Therefore, innovations are needed. Let's all support F.E.P.C. for Waterloo!

THE EARTHQUAKE

A social revolution is taking place in these United States and in the world at large. Much has been written regarding this phenomenon and much more said; some of it good and wise but most of it bordering on the nonsensical. One writer labeled his interpretation of this revolution as "Thunder Over Dixie." It cannot be accurately so limited because of its world wide manifestation. It just so happens that awakening conscious of the people of Dixie evoked such violent reactions. There have been revolutions before, but never in the history of man of so vast proportions in the field of human relations. All over the world man is rebelling against injustices and at no time previously has he found more widespread support for the righting of injustice.

One section of the country delights in pointing the finger of scorn at the other. There is an old saying that, 'the pot cannot call the kettle black'. It was never more true than in this instance. It is only a matter of degree. Evil permeates the whole. It is only manifested to a greater or lesser degree in one place than the other.

In this United States a large part of the populace likes to think of the ethical and moral problems confronting it as being bound up in the lesser problem of integration. A problem is really made where there is no problem in fact. Integration

has been with us since time immemorial. People have integrated and will continue to integrate as long as the human race lasts. The only limitation has been in the time and place. To those who say that it cannot work, it may be said that no one to date can find an instance where it did not work.

Recently attempts have been made to show the deleterious effects of integration and the inability of the Negro to match strides with his white counterpart. Whatever culture the Negro presently has in America he has acquired if from the whites and if the whites absorb some undesirable qualities from him, these things can only be what he originally imported to the Negro in the first place. So he can only be getting some of his own back. Is it good or bad?

Statistics have been given to prove the inability of the Negro to cope intellectually with his white brother. One can manipulate figures any way he desires to prove what he wishes. Yet there is no known means yet to accurately test this thesis.

It seems strange that so much effort is made to prevent the Negro from demonstrating his intellectual capacity. If he did not have the ability to measure arms with his detractor, no conscious effort would be necessary to deter him, as everyone is limited by his own ability.

Dr. R. F. Harvey

Union Reformation Services to Be Held in Waterloo Oct. 28

Again we remind you of the union Reformation Day service to be held in Waterloo the evening of October 28.

The meeting will be held at the Grace Methodist Church. Bishop F. Gerald Ensley, bishop of the Des Moines area of the Methodist Church, will be the speaker. The choir of Grace Church and A.M.E. Capella choir of Payne A.M.E. Church, will provide special music for

the occasion. The time of the service will be eight o'clock in the evening. It is hoped that one of the largest gatherings of Protestant people in many years will be on hand to hear the bishop. As Methodists we have a special responsibility to support this program.

There is no finer speaker in Methodism than Bishop Ensley. His coming to Waterloo is an event in which every Methodist in the city should take pride.

Invite your friends of the other churches to share the service. It is an effort to rally all Protestant people on Reformation Sunday evening.

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 426 Sumner Street
 Rev. Samuel Davis, Pastor
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 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 6:00 p.m. B.T.U.
 7:30 p.m. Evening Worship
 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting
 10:00 a.m. Tues., Fri.

Prayer Meeting
MT. CARMEL BAPTIST
 202 Sumner Street
 Dr. D. O. Bell, Pastor
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 8:00 p.m. Evening Service
 7:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH
 Jackson at Shilliam
 Rev. L. J. Jordan
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Service
 6:00 p.m. Youth Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service

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 Corner of Mobile and Albany
 Rev. George Stinson, Jr., Pastor
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship
 7:30 p.m. Evening Service
 7:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
 Rev. J. C. Lewis, Pastor
 307 Shilliam Ave.
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 12:00 noon Morning Service
 6:30 p.m. Y.P.W.W.
 8:00 p.m. Evangelistic Service
 8:00 p.m. Tues., Fri.

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 R. E. Cottman, Pastor
 Corner of Douglas and Linden Ave.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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 7:30 p.m. Y.P.W.W.
 8:00 p.m. Evening Worship
 8:00 p.m. Weekly Worship
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CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
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Jones, making the Olympic team, one of the greatest honors in sports, would make Father Flanagan proud and happy, and he has every right to be.

EASTS WINS AGAIN

The East Waterloo Trojans won again at Mason City last Friday night, after a laxidassical loss to Fort Dodge. They are now back in the winning column. The game, featuring the fine running of Jim Hoosman plus good quarter backing by Dotson, was just too much for Mason City. We must mention Paul Perkins, the fine right end for East High. However, one of their star players is still limping from a bruised ankle. When he gets back into gear, East should be quite a formidable football team.

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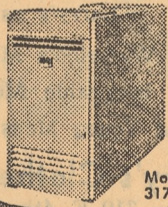
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Scores of Tan Stars In '56 College Lineups

(Continued from last week)

Another senior on the Spartan squad and likely to winning a starting berth this year is Jim Hinesly, a product of Detroit Miller High School. Hinesly overcame scholastic obstacles in summer school to regain his eligibility. Two years ago he led MSU pass receivers with 15 receptions for 231 yards.

A couple of big linemen, sophomores Ellison Kelly and Gerald McFarland, rate careful consideration by the Spartan coaches. The 225-pound Kelly, from Sandusky, O., is a guard, and the 230-pound McFarland from Birmingham, Ala., is a tackle.

Others on the team are Joel Jones, 220-pounder from Weirton, W. Va., who was shifted from end to tackle; sophomore backs Art Johnson and Shep Begay, from Flint, Mich., and Howard Neely, from Ypsilanti, Mich., and end Harold Dukes, of Detroit.

Purdue's Lundy, a 6'6", 255-pound end, should be a top nominee for All-American honors. His teammates include Mel Dillard, fullback, and Erich Barnes and Tom Fletcher, halfbacks.

Indiana has a number of tan aspirants including Delner Gales, an end, and Barry Johnson, a halfback, who are lettermen. Others include Tom Campbell and Jim Yore, backs, and Charles Dillard and Harry Tallon, ends, who are reserves from last season. Sophomore prospects are Willie Jones, James Powell and Jerome Ward, halfbacks.

There is a brother act due at Minnesota. Dick Blakely, who won a regular berth at halfback last season, and his brother, Bob, a sophomore, who rates highly as a fullback.

Northwestern has a pair of sophomore halfbacks who might crack the starting lineup. They are Wilmer Fowler, former all-Phie halfback from Mansfield, and Samuel Johnson, who won All-American prep honors while playing for Rochester, Pa.

The University of Michigan has one of the most exciting broken field runners in college competition in Jim Pace, a junior from Little Rock, Ark. The 190-pound speedster dazzled not only the opposition, but his teammates as well, in 1955. Several of his sensational touchdown runs were called back.

The Iowa Hawkeyes All-American nomination is Frank Gilliam, who was injured last year after only one game and was granted another full year of eligibility after he was sidelined for the rest of the season. Equally able on defense and offense, Gilliam is recognized for his tremendous competitive spirit. His teammates include Collins (Mike) Hagler, a halfback from Washington, and John Burroughs, another Washingtonian, who plays tackle.

Harry Jefferson, the veteran halfback from White Plains, N. Y., and Bob Mitchell, the speedster from Hot Springs, Ark., spark the Illini great running game. Another good back is senior Abe Woodson, of Chicago, who holds down the right half starting assignment. Percy Oliver, of Miami, Fla., is one of

the most underrated Big Ten players, a truly fine guard. Charlie Butler, of Hot Spring, is a letterman at end. Sophomores and reserves include Joe Bellphatt, George Brokemond, Curtis Griswold, L. T. Bonner, Fred Keys and Richard Leatherwood.

Wisconsin has a pair of fine running halfbacks in Danny Lewis and John Bridgeman. Marty Beeher, ineligible last year, returns at tackle.

On the West Coast, Drew and Roberts will be among the leading backs. Drew is labeled an All-American prospect. There is good reason. Two years ago, the 195-pound senior from Los Angeles set a new Cal record for rushing and total offense when he gained 715 yards in 77 carries, a 9.29 average.

Roberts, a rock 'em, sock 'em type player, is the first Negro to gain a starting berth on Southern California's team in more than two decades.

Drew has three teammates, diminutive halfback Nat Brazill (5'5", 145 pounds); Art Forbes, reserve fullback, and Proverb Jacobs, a tackle.

Speaking of diminutiveness, what about 145-pound Sam Wesley of the Oregon State Beavers. He led his team last season in scoring, pass interceptions and punt returns.

UCLA has the largest representation of tan talent on the West Coast. The most promising include Chuck Holloway, 162-pound wingback from Detroit; Easler Harris, 187-pound guard; Wilbert Anderson, 202-pound tackle, and veteran ends Tom Adams and Pete O'Garre.

In the East, the most talked about back this year will be Jimmy Brown, the 212-pound block-busting halfback for Syracuse. Brown is authentic All-American material and one of the best all-around athletes in the Orange history.

Another fine back is Irv Robertson, Cornell junior. Like Brown, Robertson is quite a versatile athlete and is outstanding in basketball and track as well as football. He led the Big Red backs in yardage a year ago, accumulating 103 yards in 83 attempts for an average of 6.1. His coach, Lefty James, said Robertson had the "potential of becoming the best runner I ever coached."

Other Ivy League players include Gus White, 200-pound end, and Wortham Baskerville, 170-pound halfback, both on the Brown squad; Sid Jones, a reserve fullback for Columbia, and Oliver Beaman, a reserve center on the University of Pennsylvania star.

In the Big Seven Conference, Kansas has four tan players, all backs. They include John Francisco, John Trayler, Ernie and Homer Floyd, backs from Mason, Ohio, where the Kansas Coach, Chuck Mather, once coached high school football.

Nebraska has a pair of sophomores for whom a fine future is predicted. They are Ralph Dillard, 159-pound halfback from Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and Jim English, a 215-pound tackle from New Orleans.

Two Funerals Recently At Antioch Baptist

Funeral Services were held Monday, Oct. 23rd at Antioch Baptist Church for Paul Shelton, 77, of 1003 Beech Street. Rev. Samuel Davis, pastor, officiated. Mr Shelton died at 7 a.m. Thursday at St. Francis Hospital after a lingering illness.

Born Oct. 3, 1879 in Ridersville, Ala., he was the son of Caleb and Betty Shelton. He married Bertha Ruffin in June 16, 1916, at Riderwood, Ala.

Mr Shelton who was a resident of Waterloo for 26 years was a member of Antioch Baptist Church.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs Hortense Anderson, with whom he lived, one son, Jack, Chicago, Ill., and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, eight brothers and one sister.

The body remained at the O'Keefe and Towne Funeral Home until 1:00 p.m. Monday. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

Mrs Elizabeth Brown, 77, a resident of Waterloo for 36 years died Tuesday, Oct. 16th

at 5:05 a.m. at St. Francis Hospital. She had been a patient there for seven weeks. Death was due to complications.

Mrs Brown who was a member of Antioch Baptist Church served on the Mother Board and until three years ago was an active member of several church and civic organizations. She was considered a pioneer of the building of Antioch Baptist Church.

Born Jan. 23, 1879 in Morgan City, La., she was the daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth Wright. She was married to Elias Brown Jan. 12, 1905 in Jeanerette, La. He preceded her in death Feb. 4, 1936 in Waterloo.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs Myrtle B. Reed, 146 North Barclay Street; one niece, Mrs Adeline Morrison of New Orleans, La.; one nephew, Chester Morrison of New Orleans; and one step-grandson, Mr John Webb, 330 Oneida Street.

Funeral services for Mrs Brown were held Friday, Oct. 19th at 2 p.m. at the Antioch Baptist Church. The pastor, Rev. Samuel Davis officiated.

The Kistner Funeral Home was in charge of the body. Burial yeears died Tuesday, Oct. 16th was at Elmwood Cemetery.

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The Best Things In Life Are Free

(Note from Editor: This address was delivered at the Payne A.M.E. Church on Women's Day, by Mrs Luana Franklin Clayton, daughter of Mr and Mrs Homer Franklin of 810 Glenwood St. Mrs Clayton received her B. A. degree from Wilberforce University and her M. A. from Ohio State University. She is teaching English and Literature at Jackson College, Jackson, Miss. The Text, "The Best Things in Life Are Free," is being presented in 5 series.) This is No. 2.

How often have we heard a person say: "I cover the ground that I stand on." What did he mean? He meant that he felt himself to be above reproach, that he had sterling character, and either had or demanded the respect of everyone. But is this true nobility? There are many definitions of this free thing nobility. One writer said that "nobility, without virtue, is fine setting without a gem." Plato said that "if a man be imbued with a generous mind, this is the best kind of nobility." In Corinthians I; 1:30-31, we read: "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption, That according as it is

written He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

NOBILITY IS FREE

Our next best thing in life which is giving, not meagerly or miserly or for show or praise, but just giving and forgetting the gift. We give to all of the drives, and there are many. We give to the sick and the needy, maybe. But many of us give of our time, our energy, our good fortune without expecting any return. Some of us do, but not enough of us do. And so we have two distinct classes of society—the "haves" and the "have nots." And if a large enough number of the "haves" who are secure would reach down and give to a large enough number of the "have not" we would soon wipe out much of the poverty, ill-will, frustration, and unrest.

GIVING IS FREE

Self-knowledge is a best thing in life which is free. It is found in the very center of the five. In other words, it is the core or the crux or base of all of these best things. What is self-knowledge? It is knowing one's self for what he really is. And the only test is to turn ourselves inside out to see what there is

This sounds easy. But doing it is a different matter. Try looking at yourself in the mirror eye to eye. Very few people can do it. Is it any wonder that our mental institutions all over the world are filling daily and that we can hardly pass a day picking up our newspaper to read of another suicide. Pope said that the proper study of mankind is man, and he meant that man should search himself and make a study of himself. Shakespeare talked about self-knowledge in his tragedy "Hamlet" when he has his character Polonius say to his son Laertes—"This above all; to thine ownself be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Newcomers

Mrs Vernice Bennett, her daughter, Darlene Bennett, and her son, Larry Bennett have moved here to make their home. The Bennetts are from Seattle, Washington.

Mrs Bennett and Larry reside at 319 Sumner Street. Mrs Bennett is employed as a practical nurse at Allen Memorial Hospital.

Miss Bennett resides at 224 Halstead Street. She is an employee of the Bell's Lunch Shop.

Billy Graham Urged To Take Firm Stand Against Race Bias

Chicago (ANP) — Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, world-renowned theologian at Union Seminary in New York, has urged evangelist Billy Graham to take a firm stand against racial prejudice.

"The moral dimension of the issue is very simple," Dr. Niebuhr said in a Christian Century article last week.

"It is whether the Christian recognizes the validity of the Biblical observation, 'if a man sayeth that he loves God and hateth his brother, he is a liar,'" asserted Dr. Niebuhr.

"If the issue is as simple as that the question arises why an obviously honest man, such as Graham, cannot embody the disavowal of race prejudice into his call to repentance.

"In that case he would cease to be merely the last exponent of a frontier religious tradition and become a vital force in the nation's moral and spiritual life."

Dr. Niebuhr said he considered the North Carolina-born evangelist to be "enlightened" on the race issue.

Georgia Attorney

General Seeks

Ban on NAACP

Atlanta, Ga. (ANP) — Georgia Attorney General Eugene Cook has opened a campaign to drive the NAACP out of the States.

At a special news conference last week, Cook released copies of a proposed resolution to create a legislative committee with board authority to make a detailed investigation of the NAACP and other organizations.

Cook's bill would arm the committee with power to subpoena witnesses and records and make it a misdemeanor to refuse to cooperate with the committee.

Baha'is Are for Integration

The Baha'is of Waterloo, Iowa are in accord with the statement issued recently by the National Baha'is Assembly at Wilmette, Illinois of the Baha'i position on the racial integration issue.

"Baha'is recognize that God is the Creator of all races and peoples, and therefore conflict and dissension arising from prejudice is contrary to the Divine Will.

"More than 100 years ago Baha'u'llah, Founder of the Baha'i World Faith, proclaimed the principle of the oneness of mankind. Among His writings we cite:

"Close your eyes to racial differences and welcome all with the light of oneness."

"Ye dwell in one world, and have been created through the operation of one Will. Blessed is he who minglenth with all men in a spirit of utmost kindness and love."

"The well-being of mankind, its peace and security are unattainable unless and until its unity is firmly established."

The National Baha'i Assembly points out that the Baha'i Faith arose at the beginning of a new state in human evolution when science and technology are destroying ancient boundaries separating the peoples of the world. Races and nations have become interdependent and subject to one destiny.

"The Bahai' proclamation of the principle of oneness supplies the spiritual guidance needed for understanding of this great process which is transforming the conditions of human existence. Through unity the world can attain a new and higher civilization, while the outbreak of another international conflict can cause general destruction."

Membership in a Baha'i community, participation in its worship, its activities and the operation of its elective institutions follow upon acceptance of the Faith, free from any racial or other discrimination. Baha'i schools, wherever they have been established, are open to all members. The qualities and capacities of the individual Baha'i determine his role in the community, not his race or class.

"Baha'i communities at this time exist in all the continents, with a membership representing great diversity of racial and religious backgrounds. Despite the pressure of international events, these communities are demonstrating that even today a religious fellowship can exist which represents a cross-section of the human race."

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BIRTHDAYS

Helen Louise Reed, October 20;
LaVerne Vanarsdale, October 20;
Lee Dennis Reed, October 24.

Miss Roberta Darlene Bennett, 224 Halstead St., Oct. 6th.

Miss Rosie Mae Allen, 1028 Beech Street, Oct. 23rd.

Miss Barbara Jean Garrison, 354 Halstead Street, Oct.

Gregory Porter, 332 Saxon Street, Oct. 23rd.

Mrs George Carnie, 402 Dane Street, Oct. 7th.

Pamela Kay and Jacqueline Eve Carnie, Dane Street.

Mrs Denman Phillips, 425 Clay Street, Oct. 17th.

Mrs Jesse Boyd, 217 Menges Street, Oct. 28th.

Ricky Ricardo Jones, 525 Iowa Street, Oct. 30th.

Mr Kenneth Boyd, 312 Dane Street, Oct. 27th.

Miss Annie Mary Stokes, 521 Iowa Street, Oct. 9th.

Hold Election at Payne A.M.E. Church

The annual election of officers for the 1956-57 conference year were held Monday evening, Sept. 24, at Payne Memorial A.M.E. church under the direction of the pastor, Rev. G. T. Stinson Jr.

Elected to the board of trustees were: Messrs. Harvey Fullilove, B. F. Tredwell, Jacob Brown, McKinley Cook, Mrs Zelma Franklin, James Pulley, Leonard Johnson, Eugene Holt, George Carnie, Dr. R. F. Harvey, Tommie Green, Clifford Smith, Clyde Johnson, and Curtis Austin.

Elected to the board of stewards were as follows: I. A. Harmon, Ruth Barber, Walter Owens, Leroy Sykes, James Self, James Tanner, Thomas Cole, Scott Mardis, Oma. L. Ferguson, Clarence Frazier, James Tyson, Harold Culpepper, Dave Galloway, Homer Franklin and Art Holloway.

The building fund committee is as follows: Harvey Fullilove, Chairman, Dr. R. F. Harvey, Dr. Wm. Harmon, B. F. Tredwell, James Self, Thomas Cole, Zelma Franklin, Clifford Smith, McKinley Cook, Leroy Sykes, Eugene Holt, and Clyde Johnson.

Mrs Lyda Page was reappointed Director of Religious Education Mrs Ruth Barber Sunday School Superintendent, and Mrs Cora Harvey as Youth Director.

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Society News

Mrs Rose Stinson of Chicago, Ill., has returned home after spending her vacation visiting in the home of her friend, Mrs Lee E. Franklin, 536 Sumner Street.

Mrs Franklin entertained Mrs Stinson with a dinner party, Sunday evening, Oct. 7th. Ten guests were present.

Tuesday, the Missionary Society of Payne Memorial honored Mrs Stinson. The meeting was held in the home of Mrs George T. Stinson, Jr.

Mr and Mrs LeRoy Sykes were

hosts to Mrs Stinson at a lunch in their home. The lunch was preceded by a sight-seeing tour of the city conducted by Mr Arthur Smith. Mr and Mrs Melvin Wright and Mother Mrs Robinson were hosts to a supper Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs Dan Berry were hosts at a breakfast, Friday. Ten persons were present.

Patrolman James Brown officer on the Waterloo Police Force since March 1953, was the speaker at the Ad-Loy-Ho Club held on Friday, October 5th in the home of Mrs Clarence Benjamin, 1100 Beech Street.

Mr Brown spoke on the duties and the privileges of an officer and revealed that he was finding his job rewarding because of the great possibilities in helping the youth of Waterloo. Many questions were asked in the discussion.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs David Davis.

Mrs Charlie Mae Wilkins of Chicago, Ill., spent the weekend at the Home of Mr and Mrs Lamar Harmon 306 Cottage.

Mr and Mrs Freeman Reed, 357 Bates Street, entertained guests, Mr Murphy Woods, Detroit, Michigan, and Raymond Bradley, Ypsilanti, Michigan, for four days. The guests were nephew and grandnephew of Mrs F. Reed.

Mr and Mrs Jesse Jones who formerly lived at 421 Saxon Street, are now at home at 210 Clay Street.

Mr and Mrs Griggs T. Woods, 914 Mobile Street, recently attended a Friendship Reunion of thirty years held in Chicago. Hosts for the event were Mr and Mrs Henderson Carter. Among the guests were Mr and Mrs Ray Williams, former Waterlooans now living in Cassopolis, Michigan. Thirty guests attended.

Mr and Mr Jack Seals, 310 Argyle Street, have entertained as their houseguest, Mrs Anne B. Givens and her grandbaby of Las Vegas, Nevada. Mrs Givens will leave Monday to reside in Los Angeles, Calif.

The Waterloo Womens Civic Club, more recently known as The Negro Womens Civic Club, met in the home of Mrs Watson Henderson, 806 Willow Street, on October 16, 1956.

The American Cancer Society presented the Club with their second award for service given to the American Cancer Society.

Plans were made to give a Chitterling Dinner on November 3, 1956, at the Masonic Hall. Tickets for the dinner will be \$1.25 per person.

Ruth Triplett Feted At Birthday Party

Miss Ruthie Triplett was the guest of honor at a birthday party given by her mother, Mrs Bennie Triplett at their home on 313 Quincy Street.

Pink, Blue, Yellow, and Green tapers and balloons served as decorations for the party commemorating Ruthie's fifteenth birthday. The birthday cake carrying the same color scheme was flanked by two candles of white.

Game Chairman for the evening was Doris Triplett. Mary Lou Montgomery assisted as hostess. Fifty guests attended.

Mrs Seals Returns From Month Vacation

Mrs Jack Seals, 310 Argyle Street, has returned from a month's vacation in California. Her first stop was in Richmond where she spent two weeks visiting her sister and husband, Mr and Mrs Jimmy James and an-

other sister, Mrs Mattie Bratton, a former Waterlooan. Mr and Mrs James were hosts at a party honoring Mrs Seals in which thirty-five guests attended.

Mrs Seals then visited her brother and wife, Mr and Mrs Willie Banks at Stockton. Then she traveled to San Francisco, where she visited her cousin, Mr and Mrs Tilford Gaines. The Gaines were also hosts to a party. Twenty guests attended.

Los Angeles was the final stop for Mrs Seals where she was the guest of her brother-in-law and wife, Mr and Mrs Alber Seals.

Mr and Mrs Gaylord Washington and Miss Darlene Bennett, 224 Halstead, entertained Mrs Bennett's sister, Mrs Don McQuerry of Des Moines for a day.

Mr and Mrs Willie O'Neil of Maywood Addition have returned from a one week vacation in Chicago, Illinois. They were the guests of Mrs O'Neil's aunt, Mrs Florence Jones.

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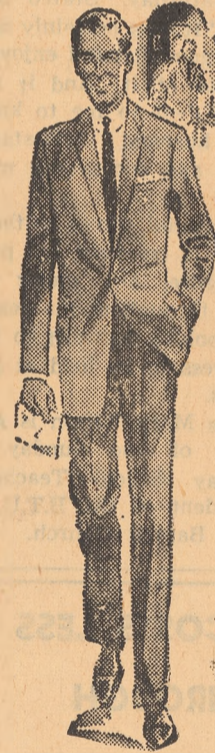
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Mary Wilson Works With Training Union Congress

In our community there is a housewife who has for eleven years performed a special service in religious work for her church and other churches here. She is Mary Wilson, a resident of Waterloo, for forty two years, who now resides at 211 Oneida Street.

Mrs Wilson, a member of Antioch Baptist Church, was appointed in 1945 to serve the music department and the publishing board of the National Baptist Sunday School and Training Union Congress which meets annually in various cities throughout the country. Each year she is in charge of the booth where music books that are to be used by churches throughout the next year and literature for study periods during the congress and also for church use during the next year can be secured.

A thorough knowledge of the books, authors, and composers has had to be at the command of Mrs Wilson who must quickly supply the needs of the 65,000 to 70,000 people that attend the congress. As the years have pro-

gressed and new books and music has constantly been released, Mrs Wilson has found little leisure time for she has had to devote sometime each week reading and checking these releases in preparation for future congresses. She has one assistant, Mrs Alberta Holmes, who helps with the issuance of supplies in the booth.

Working for the music department is a year around job for Mrs Wilson. She takes orders for the churches in Waterloo and other cities for music books. Being the only Waterlooan to attend the National Congress, she has formed a large correspondence list of people she has met during her eleven years of service.

When asked in an interview about her work Mrs Wilson replied "I get a real pleasure out of coming in contact with different people from different cities. The experience is wonderful."

Mrs Wilson smiled as she told the Star reporter of the double trip she took this year. She was a delegate to the State Sunday School and B.T.U. Congress held at Quincy, Illinois. She left Waterloo on a Tuesday, attended the congress through Thursday, returned to Waterloo on Friday and left for the National Congress at Los Angeles, Calif., on Saturday. Stated Mrs Wilson: "It was certainly a hurried arrangement but I enjoy every minute of it. And it means a great deal to me to know that my husband understands my work and encourages me to go on."

A special corner in the Wilson home is reserved for programs, literature, and music accumulated throughout the years. They are looking forward to the next congress to be held at Houston, Texas.

Mrs Mary Wilson is Assistant Supt. of the Sunday School, Sunday School Teacher, and President of the B.T.U. of Antioch Baptist Church.

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