

WE'RE LIFTING  
BETTER LIFT ALSO.

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## WALTER WEBBER IS RELEASED FROM JAIL AND DIES SUDDENLY

Wealthy Citizen Whose Automobile  
Struck and Seriously Injured Two  
Women Gives Large Cash Bond  
And Dies of Heart Failure

**OWNED OKLAHOMA OIL LANDS**  
Was Prominent in the Organization  
and Promotion of the Co-operative  
Workers of America for Commercial  
Advancement of Race

Walter Webber whose automobile struck and seriously injured two women, Sunday, October 16th, and was held in custody for reckless driving was released Monday on a cash bond of \$3,000 given by himself. That night he went to the residence of Mrs. Beatrice Harris, 2901 Seward street, a friend of many years' standing and while seated in a rocking chair talking with his hostess about the recent accident he suddenly expired. He had been troubled for some time with asthma and a weak heart, which seems to have been aggravated by business and domestic worries and the accident which he greatly deplored.

Mr. Webber was a member of the Osage nation and was born near Pawhuska, Oklahoma, about fifty years ago. As a member of the Osage nation he had an allotment of valuable oil lands from which he received a royalty from the government during his lifetime. He came to Omaha from Coffeyville, Kans., a little over two years ago. With a view and desire to develop commercial interests among the race he was one of the organizers and promoters of the Co-operative Workers of America, a corporation formed and capitalized to operate a department store entirely under the management of colored people. The grocery department was opened and conducted for several months, but has been temporarily suspended while the company is undergoing reorganization in which work Mr. Webber was deeply interested. Mr. Webber's funeral was held from the chapel of the Silas Johnson Western Funeral Home this morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. Thomas A. Taggart, pastor of Bethel Baptist church officiating. The deceased is survived by his widow, an aunt and an adopted sister, Miss Cora Webber of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

## 46 Y. M. C. A.'S IN UNITED STATES

Colored Men's Department Under Dr.  
Pesse Moorland Makes Annual  
Report

New York, Oct. 27.—The 46 Y. M. C. A. buildings for colored men in the country are worth \$2,880,500 according to Dr. Jesse Moorland, head of the Colored Men's Department in his annual year book recently issued. The reports state there are 22,999 members including men and boys. There are also 120 Y.'s in schools and colleges with 9,995 members.

## SERVICE OF COLORED WAITERS PRAISED

Under the instruction of Mr. A. T. Jordan, the head waiter at Hotel Rome and one of Omaha's best caterers, the welcome dinner to Mr. E. C. Eppley, the new owner of The Fontenelle was served. The dinner was given by the Hotel Men's Association and business men of the city at the Rome Hotel Friday night, Oct. 21. Mayor Dahlgren in his welcome address said that the service was of the best. Hotel owners and managers from four different states were present. A noted visitor was Mr. Albert Pick of Chicago, the head of the great hotel supply house. Hotel men of the city claim that the ten-course dinner was the best in every way that has been served in Omaha.

## RACE WAR ON SHIP

Tokio, Japan, Oct. 20.—Civil war between the white engineering crew and colored waiters and cooks of the steamship Hawkeye State ended in a race war on the docks.

Some two hundred men fought with hammers, wrenches, cleavers and carving knives whereupon Japanese police discreetly withdrew and summoned reserves. Before these arrived the ship's officers fearful less the sailing be delayed shot a stream of scalding water on the battle field. The fighters were separated, engineers carried on board and the ship left port.

The Baltimoreans also protested on waiting on Chinese in the dining room and threatened the steward when he attempted to enforce discipline.

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH OPENS AUDITORIUM

Large Congregations Present At All  
Services With Liberal Offerings  
For Building Fund

Sunday was a red-letter day at Zion Baptist Church when the energetic pastor, the Rev. W. F. Botts and his self-sacrificing congregation realized their long-cherished ambition of worshipping in the main auditorium of their large and beautiful church. The first service was held at 6:30 a. m., when the pastor preached and the singing was crowded to its capacity. There were five other services during the day. The Rev. Dr. Hawkins, assistant pastor of Olivet Baptist church of Chicago, preaching at the mid-morning, afternoon and evening services. Large congregations were present at all services and the offerings for the building fund were generous.

## SUCCESSFUL CATERER LEAVES \$75,000 ESTATE

James W. Hughes Makes Fortune And  
Remembers Charitable Institutions  
in His Will

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 27.—The will of the late James W. Hughes, well known caterer, filed in the Orphans' Court Monday October 17, allots \$1,000 each to his daughters, Mrs. Grace L. Murphy, Mrs. Florence Carter, and Mrs. Isabelle Clarke. The widow, Mary Hughes, is to get all of the household furniture, the income from the estate and is named as one of the executors. Howard Murphy and Jas. H. Cartar, grandsons are bequeathed jewelry.

Bequests are given The Maryland Home for Friendless Colored Children and St. Katherine's Home. The estate is not to be finally distributed until after the death of the testator's last grandchild. Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Carter, named as executors, gave a bond of \$500. The estate is valued at \$75,000.

## BALTIMORE REGISTERS THOUSANDS OF VOTERS

Enfranchisement of Women Responsible  
for Large Enrollment Which  
Totals 37,475

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 27.—With 37,475 colored voters now on the books Baltimore city has now the largest enrollment of names in its history.

Colored women were given the right of suffrage, the enrollment of colored men, which was then that to be the biggest reached the total of 16,800 voters. That suffrage has served to bring out a larger number of men can be seen in the fact that the total registration is much more than twice what it was three years ago.

The total number of men and women who registered on the three registration days was 1,495. Police census show that ten thousand or more colored men and women were eligible who did not.

On the final registration day, the Fourteenth Ward led with 144 new voters, the Seventeenth third with 80 voters. Politicians are very much pleased with the showing made in the registration and pointed out the fact that colored people of Baltimore constitute one-seventh of the total city population and the number of colored voters is also one seventh of the total number of city voters.

## TULSA RIOT CARE- FULLY PLANNED

Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 27.—Van B. Hurley, white, former Tulsa policeman, in a written confession of twenty-one pages declared prominent city officials met before the Tulsa riot and planned every phase of it. City policemen, he said, rode in aeroplanes and dropped nitro glycerine on homes of colored people, burning them to the ground.

## EX-SERVICE MEN IN- VITED TO PARADE

(By The Associated Negro Press.)  
New Orleans, La., Oct. 27.—Negro ex-service men have been requested to register for taking part in a parade Armistice Day with Louisa Ross, head of the Negro division of the Red Cross, at the Pythian Temple, Red Cross headquarters, Saratoga and Gravier streets. Members of the Grand Army, Spanish-American War Veterans, societies, clubs and other civic bodies are also invited to enter the demonstration, according to George Doyle, chairman of the publicity committee.

## CHURCH CELEBRATED 80TH ANNIVERSARY

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 20.—St. Paul A. M. E. Church, formerly pastored by Bishop W. Sampson Brooks, celebrated its eightieth anniversary last Sunday. The membership is two thousand. Rev. C. A. Williams is the pastor.

## WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HOLDS ITS CONVENTION

Representatives From Several States  
Take Part in Deliberations at Zion  
Baptist Church Which Gives  
Heartily Welcome to Visitors

## WOMEN'S MEETING IS GREAT

Harmony, Enthusiasm, Progress Dominant  
Notes of Missionary and Educational  
Conventions. Full Report  
of Proceedings

The Western Negro Baptist Association which embraces Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Nebraska and other western states is holding its annual convention this week in Zion Baptist Church. Delegates are present from several states. The convention will be in session until Sunday night and a full program will occupy the attention of the delegates.

A pre-convention program was given Monday night consisting of selections by the choir, an invocation by Rev. John Castello, addresses by the Rev. Wm. Franklin, master of ceremonies; the Rev. Ezra Duncan, secretary of city missions; the Rev. Russell Taylor, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, who spoke on "Progress of Other Denominations"; Rev. H. R. McMillan and H. L. Anderson; a paper by Mrs. A. R. Goodlet; a duet by Mrs. L. Bell and Mrs. L. Gaskins, and solos by Miss Julia Banks and Mrs. T. A. Taggart.

## WOMEN'S MEETING

The Women's Missionary and Educational Convention, which is an important auxiliary to the district convention opened Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock with devotional services conducted by Mrs. S. Bates of Iowa, Mrs. Bell Wood of St. Louis and Mrs. C. Tillman of Wichita, Kans. The formal business session was called to order at 10 p. m. by the president, Mrs. Ida Frazier Bates of Wichita, Kans. Addresses of welcome on behalf of the state, the Mission Society and the Y. W. C. A. were given by Mrs. M. H. Wilkinson, Mrs. Ada Woodson and Miss Frankie D. Watkins, respectively, to which fitting response was made by Mrs. E. T. Dean of Illinois. This was followed by a Bible Hour conducted by Mrs. Eva Hicks of Illinois. The devotionals at the afternoon session were conducted by Mrs. H. D. Kemp of Kansas City, and Mrs. A. C. Hurst of Cedar Rapids, Ia. Later in the session the president delivered her annual address. This was followed by reports of the following officers: Mrs. M. E. Goin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. S. Bates, treasurer; Mrs. W. A. Brown, field secretary; and Mrs. Wm. Smothers, statistician. A solo was rendered by Mrs. Petty of Illinois, followed by a paper, "How to Interest Children in Mission Work" by Mrs. E. J. Griffin of Omaha. At the night session the devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Mamie Johnson, Kansas City; Mrs. S. B. House, Illinois and Mrs. Lottie Wise of Iowa. "How Can a Probation Officer Best Serve the Community" was the subject treated by Mrs. M. Bledsoe of Ill. A sermon was preached by Rev. Robinson of Quindaro, Kans. Wednesday morning the devotionals were led by Mrs. M. Gee of Iowa, Mrs. J. Whidby of Nebraska and Mrs. M. Dial of Kansas. Mrs. Hughes of Illinois gave a thoughtful paper on "Women's New Need of the Gospel." "The New Feminist Movement in Relation to Our Social Welfare," was well presented by Miss Gertrude Lucas of Omaha, and "The Great Women of the Bible" by Mrs. Wm. Smothers. Temperance was the topic of Mrs. Cullars' address. Mrs. S. A. Mosley rendered a much appreciated solo. At 11 o'clock an inspiring sermon was preached by Rev. Penick of Peoria, Ill. Wednesday afternoon, devotionals were led by Mrs. Fannie Battles of Kansas; Mrs. L. V. Halm of Kansas and Mrs. H. D. Michael of Missouri. Reports of committees and routine business occupied a good portion of this session.

The Women's meeting came to a fitting climax Wednesday night with devotionals conducted by Mrs. Emma Gaines of Kansas; Mrs. L. Wilson of Nebraska and Mrs. R. Green of Iowa; a carefully prepared address on "How Can We Best Interest Our People in Foreign Missions?" by Mrs. G. R. Young of Kansas; a solo by Leroy Kelly and an address on Education by the Rev. Dr. P. H. Thompson, president of Western College, Quindaro, Kans.

## The Men's Meeting

The Convention proper in charge of the men who admit they got some good suggestions on how to run a convention

## THE WAIF.



The boy pictured here is only one of an average of ten that are turned away from Father Flanagan's Home because all the rooms at the home are filled.

A drive will start November 14th to raise \$300,000 for permanent buildings. The homeless boys are now being housed in wooden structures at Overlook Farm, the new site of Father Flanagan's Home.

## FATHER FLANAGAN'S HOME FOR BOYS

A Most Worthy And Deserving Institution Which Takes Care of  
Boys of All Races and Creeds Soon to Launch a Drive for  
Funds to Erect Permanent Building on Overlook Farm

Ministers of every creed and denomination in Omaha will be asked to deliver special sermons on "Father Flanagan's Home" on the Sunday preceding the drive for \$300,000 for a permanent building at Overlook Farm, the new site of the Home.

The drive will be launched on November 14, to last one week.

Since Father Flanagan's Home was founded in December, 1917, he has handled 1215 boys. Of this amount 34 were colored. Father Flanagan cares not for creed, religion or color.

Overlook Farm, which consists of 160 acres of fine tillable soil, is twenty minutes ride west of the paved Dodge road. The boys at present are being housed in temporary wooden structures which are now taxed to their capacity.

Because of this unfortunate condition, at an average of ten homeless waifs a day are turned away.

"Many of these cases are pitiful," said Father Flanagan. "These boys are homeless and without friends. They have no place to go, and when they are turned away, the streets and alleys and unclean hovels, where criminals are made, is their only alternative."

The new Home, to be erected with the money raised in the drive, will house 500 boys and will furnish good

school and recreation facilities for them. Useful trades will be taught. It will be a factory where good citizenship will be manufactured."

J. E. Davidson, vice-president of the Nebraska Power Co., is in charge of the drive.

"Although I am of a different faith than Father Flanagan, I am glad to be of service to the Home, for I happen to know from personal investigation that the Home is non-sectarian in policy and non-proselyting in practice. Among the boys at the Home now are representatives of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths. This Home deserves the aid of everyone."

Father Flanagan has issued an invitation to the preachers of all faiths in Omaha to come to the Farm at any time and give instructions in their religions to boys of similar faith.

The Home has been endorsed by men of every race and creed.

Don't forget the date of the drive—November 14 to 21.

Your pledge can be paid in installments over a period of two years.

When you help a homeless boy you make an investment in good citizenship.

This is your opportunity to buy the love of a homeless waif. It is an everlasting purchase.

## PENCIL SALE TO HELP CHURCH

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 27.—Ten thousand dollars worth of lead pencils are to be sold in the city this week to aid Tabernacle Baptist congregation in building their new fifty thousand dollar church.

## AMERICANS ARE SPOON STEALERS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 27.—According to W. S. Scarborough, just home from abroad, white American tourists are very unpopular in Scotch hotels because they have stolen so many spoons for souvenirs.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness during the illness and loss of our husband and father and for the beautiful floral offerings. We especially thank our neighbors and employees of the Smith Brick Co.—Mrs. J. W. Mann and family.

## Halloween Card and Ghost Party— St. Benedict Community Home, 2424 Parker, Tuesday night Nov. 1st Prizes for best dressed Ghost and best Whist player.—Admission free

## BITING BANDIT GETS HER RING IN WEST

Omaha, Neb.—"I wish I was back in Boston and had never seen Omaha! This is a wild town." So sobbed Mrs. I. W. Hewlett of Boston, as she told police how two bandits had held her up, along with a friend, and bitten the diamond from her ring.

"He said first he would have to bite my finger off," sobbed Mrs. Hewlett, "and he pressed a horrid gun to my head."

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## BOLEY RESIDENTS SHOW THEMSELVES AS LAW ABIDING

Assist Officers in Peacefully Arresting  
Degenerate White Man Who  
Had Criminally Assaulted A  
Young Colored Girl

## CITIZENS A GOOD EXAMPLE

Community in Which Crime Was Committed  
Populated Entirely By Colored  
People Whose Officers  
Make Arrest

OKEMAH, Oct. 3.—J. W. Lawrence, a sewing machine salesman of Okemah, is in jail here charged with first degree rape. Lawrence was arrested Thursday afternoon by John Owens negro deputy sheriff at Boley, and turned over to Deputy Sheriff Boots of Jeffers, who brought him to Okemah. According to Bill Seawell, assistant prosecuting attorney, who made an immediate investigation of the facts, Lawrence, after an attempt to trade sewing machines with Pearl Atkinson, a young Negro girl committed an assault on her person. The mother of the girl came into the house and found them. She compelled Lawrence to wait until the girl's father came home. Lawrence offered her some money to keep quiet.

When Atkinson arrived he forced Lawrence to drive to Boley where he related the circumstances of the assault and turned his prisoner over to Deputy Sheriff Owens. The Negro officer at once telephoned the sheriff's office to send officers to bring Lawrence to the county jail. The negroes were not content with the examination of the girl by three physicians, but insisted that a white doctor be secured to confirm the condition of the girl which was done.

A matter of general comment and commendation on the part of the people of Okemah was the attitude of the citizens of Boley in their apparent desire to allow the law to take its course after such a crime had been committed against one of their citizens. This law-abiding attitude of the citizens of the exclusive Negro town is being much commented on by the peace officers of the county.—The Tulsa (Okla.) World, Oct. 4.

## SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

BOLEY, Oklahoma, is a machine agent, a white man, raped a colored girl and was caught red-handed in the act. He was arrested by colored officers and placed in custody, the outraged and indignant people of that city being willing to let the law take its course. One can well imagine what would have happened had conditions been reversed. The colored people populate, own, control and govern this town. A degenerate white commits a heinous crime. He is not lynched, nor is there talk of mob violence. The people of Boley in their self-restraint have set a good example to other American communities and have taught a lesson that ought not to be lost.

## THE MONITOR REACHES THE COLORED PEOPLE OF OMAHA AND NEBRASKA AND HAS A WIDE CIRCULATION IN EVERY STATE IN THE UNION.

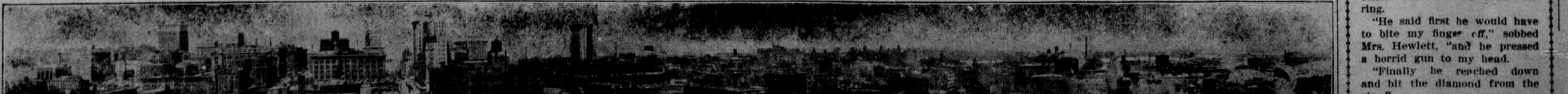
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OMAHA'S SKY-LINE