

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

NEWS NOTES

H. M. FUNCHES, EDITOR

Mrs. Johnson of Selma, Ala., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Calvert Smith.

The members of the 20 Century Club report a jolly time at their Hallo'e'en party Saturday night.

Roosevelt Will Enter the White House

Roosevelt will enter the White House according to the contest "Who Will Enter the White House?" sponsored by the Mothers' Board of Tabernacle Baptist Church on Oct. 30. Miss Clara Shaffer, who represented the Democratic party, or Roosevelt, was the winner in this contest. The Republican party was represented by Miss Lavada Tramble.

The contest was under the supervision of Mrs. Ida Giles.

Mrs. Ola Nicholson has returned to Omaha.

Mrs. Lizzie Payne and Mrs. Williams visited in the Charles Wilson home Sunday.

Clarinda Has the First Negro Political Organization

October 26 saw the organization of the Negro Republicans in Clarinda, Iowa, at a meeting in charge of Mr. John Adams, Omaha, and Mr. D. M. Nixon. This group is the first Negro political organization to be formed in that city.

Mrs. Hammonds, who has been the guest of Mrs. Tillie Reese, while attending the Christian Science Association, left Sunday for her home.

Loving Four Quartette Now At Tabernacle Baptist

The Loving Four Quartette, which recently closed a successful meeting at Benlah Baptist Church, Omaha, last Sunday. This group will remain there for some two weeks.

Rev. W. J. Spiers, Jr., preached at Pleasant Green Baptist Church, Omaha, last Sunday. The afternoon service was in charge of Tabernacle's Junior Church.

Miss Lenora Poston and Mr. Ward Walker were the dinner guests Sunday of Miss Bessie Reynolds and Mr. Clyde Gordon.

Mrs. Della Lewis who has been an invalid for several years, shows no improvement.

Mrs. Lillie Mills left Tuesday for Chicago where she will make a short visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. Ward Walker entertained at cards Sunday night honoring Miss Lenora Poston, Omaha.

Mr. David Emery left Oct. 27 for Los Angeles, California, where he will begin his new run.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Holliday of Omaha visited Mr. and Mrs. Bud Nevins Saturday.

Bethel children had a joyous time at a Hallo'e'en party Friday night at the home of Mrs. John Mills.

Miss Eddiestedn Seals, former Council Bluffs girl, visited in Lincoln Monday for the purpose of looking over that field with an eye toward establishing business there. Miss Seals recently completed a beauty culture course.

Mrs. Fannie Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Williams and Mrs. Katherine Ford attended the Sunday afternoon services at Pleasant Green Baptist Church.

Miss Opal Harris has returned from a visit in Omaha and Fremont, Neb.

Council Bluffs Girls In Car Which Kills Man

Miss Doris Thomas, 1503 S. 9 St., and Miss Imogene Person, 1212-17 Ave., were two of the passengers in the Manuel Parker car Sunday, Nov. 1, which hit Frederick E. Hawkins, 2318 N. 22 St., Omaha, on 24th St., resulting in Hawkins' death.

Mr. Walter Herndon was taken ill while riding a bus enroute to Oskloosa, Ia., where he was called by the illness of a relative.

EDITORS VOTE FOR CONSTRUCTIVE NEWS

New York, Nov. 7 (C)—A poll conducted among the newspapers recently by Calvin's Newspaper Service on Crime News and General News of a Constructive Nature, showed nearly all the editors voting for Constructive News with a minimum of crime news. The editors were asked to check on: 1. Those favoring reports on as much crime news as possible; 2. Those favoring a minimum of crime news and more general news of a constructive nature. Newspapers sending in their vote for choice No. 2 were the Arizona Glan, Christian Review, Florida Tattler, Philadelphia Tribune, Washington Tribune, Boston Guardian, Wyandotte Echo (Kansas City, Kans.) Northwest Enterprise (Seattle, Wash.), Tampa Bulletin, Oklahoma Independent (Muskogee), Cleveland Eagle and Waco (Texas) Messenger.

IL DUCE WARNS HE WILL FIGHT TO HOLD ETHIOPIA

Rome, Nov. 7 (7)—Premier Mussolini boasted on Tuesday that Italy will defend the Ethiopian conquest against all enemies. "The March on Addis Ababa was the logical consequence of the March on Rome," Mussolini declared, recalling that sixteen years ago he led the Fascists party on a triumphant march on Rome when he seized the government.

BISHOP COLLEGE SENDS DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN METHODIST UNI. MEET

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 7 (C)—Bishop college of Marshall was represented last Sunday at a meeting of the North Texas Area Council of the YM and YWCA at Southern Methodist university by Mrs. Dora H. Anderson, Prof. H. N. Hughley, Mrs. Sadie Hughley, Mrs. Harriette Sawyer, Alonzo Huff, C. Adair Holliday, Gentry Simmons, Heman Oliver, James Dillard and Allan Banks.

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Heroism of the American Negro

By John Mills

The American sons of Ham, the American Negro has always been loyal to his country in time of peace and in time of war. He has played a conspicuous part in all of the great battles of his native land.

The valor of the Negro was first brought to the attention of the world in what is known as the Boston Massacre, which occurred on King's street in Boston, Mass., Mar. 5, 1770. Captain Preston, with the king's soldiers, appeared on King's street to enforce a decree of the British Parliament. The appearance of the soldiers infuriated the citizens and a mob, led by Crispus Attucks, a runaway Negro slave, was fired upon by the soldiers. Attucks was the first one killed; thus, he, a Negro, being the first martyr for American Independence. A monument was erected in Boston in memory of the patriots who fell, with the following epitaph commemorating the first martyrs for American Independence:

"Long as in freedom's cause the wise contend,
Dear to your country shall your fame extend
While to the world the lettered stone shall tell
Where Caldwell, Attucks, Gray and Maverick fell."

At Bunker Hill, we see Peter Salem, an ex-slave, fighting side by side with white soldiers, and when Major Pitcairn mounted the redoubt and shouted, "The day is ours," the gallant Salem poured the contents of his gun into the Major's body. Salem was presented to George Washington as having been the hero who performed that feat. At the storming of Fort Griswold, Major Montgomery was lifted upon the walls of the fort by his men, and called upon the Americans to surrender; the answer was given by John Freeman, a Negro soldier, who pinned the Major dead to the earth.

James Freeman, a Negro Bridge-water, participated in the erection of the fortifications on Dorchester Heights, under the command of General Washington which the next morning so surprised the British.

Thus we get a few glimpses of the heroic efforts of Negroes in those early days of white American oppression, helping to get American Independence. The Negro worked so hard and fought so valiantly that it attracted the attention of the British to such an extent that Lord Dunsmore issued a proclamation stating that since the colonists were so eager to abolish a fanciful slavery in a dependence on Great Britain, he would try to see how they liked the abolition of real slavery by setting free all of their Negroes. It must not be forgotten that Negro slavery flourished in the colonies at that time, and this threat meant to the colonists from their viewpoint a dire calamity.

Lord Dunsmore, who was in Virginia, promised freedom to all the slaves who would come on his side; this invitation was accepted to such an extent that the colonists tried their best to stop the alarming desertion of the Negroes, they detached a strong force to check Dunsmore in his course, but the Americans were checked at "reat Bridge," the bridge over the Elizabeth river, was made impossible; some of the works were defended by Negroes; thus showing that the oppressed will turn against the oppressor if given a good opportunity.

The next heroic efforts of Negroes in fighting for this country was at Lake Erie in the War of 1812. The cause of this war was

May Oust Professor For Dining With Ford

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 7 (C)—

The University of North Carolina was asked on Wednesday to discharge Prof. E. E. Ericson, who is said to have attended a dinner for James W. Ford, Communist candidate for vice president of the United States, recently. The plea was made by Dr. Roy W. McKnight, president of the Mecklenburg chapter of the U. of N. C. Alumni Ass'n, who said after being informed that Prof. Ericson had been present with other white persons at a dinner in Ford's hotel suite after he had heard Ford make a speech in public: "I believe a university professor should enjoy the right of freedom of speech and liberality of thought as a matter of fact, it is his duty to do so, but when a faculty member's conduct and philosophy of life become so opposed to American traditions, especially to southern traditions, as to be offensive to the sensibilities of the thousands of alumni and to the taxpayers of the state then it is time for the university administration to start a general house cleaning. I can see no place in the faculty of the University of North Carolina for such an individual, nor can I understand why the administration permits and apparently condones such offenses against the conventions of the people of the state and the thousands of alumni of the oldest state university in America."

"Porgy and Bess" Songs Heard in N. C.

Winston Salem, N. C., Nov. 7 (C)—

"Strawberry Woman" and "Prayer for Bess," two songs from the opera, "Porgy and Bess," were heard at the Winston Salem Teachers college recently when the Eva Jessye choir appeared in recital. The songs were sung by Helen Dowdy, dramatic soprano, a principal in "Porgy and Bess" when it was on Broadway, and also had a part in the opera, "Four Saints" in 1934.

through the Negro when the crew of the British ship Leonard took Ware, Martin and Streken from the Chesapeake and pressed them in their own service. These Negroes were then recognized as citizens of the United States, and this act of the British was sounded as the key note and rallying cry of the war.

The battles on Lake Erie are the most memorable naval battles ever fought with the British. It was in this war that America showed her naval supremacy. The crews on the ships at Lake Erie were partly made up with Negroes, there was not a vessel whose crew in part was not made up of Negroes. In this war, the Negro gave some valuable service to his country, and on the 18th day of December, 1814, when General Jackson review the Orleans, he eulogized the Negro for troops under his command at New his bravery.

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IN PROTEST TO LYNCHING WOMEN WEAR MOURNING

New York, Nov. 7 (C)—Another dramatic blow was struck at lynching last week as six veiled and silent women, dressed in mourning, picketed the Biltmore hotel last week in which was located the Democratic headquarters. The pickets refused to tell what organization was sponsor for the protest. They made no effort to distribute literature, but wore placards which carried such legends as "Sudden Death. Lynching Continues in the Democratic South. F. D. R. Says Nothing," and In Memoriam. Sixty Lynchings under the New Deal."

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PAPER GETS OUT SPECIAL EDITION

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