



Miss Betty Davis, the lovely daughter of Attorney and Mrs. Charles Davis, who has been employed for the last year or so as Secretary for a Local Draft Board, is leaving in a few days for Washington, D. C., where she has been notified that her application as Stenographer has been accepted, and to report immediately at the Navy Headquarters at Wash-

ington, D. C. to begin work in her new position. Miss Davis took the examination for the Civil Service some time ago, and which she passed with a high rating. Miss Davis has longed wanted to attend the Howard University to take a Law Course. Her new position in Washington will enable her to attend Howard University, which she has already made reservations for.

Negroes of Arkansas Demand The Ballot

ARKANSAS NEGROES JARRED INTO SEEKING VOTE
Pine Bluff, Ark., Sept. 3. (AN P)—The supine manner in which Negroes in this congressional district lie down and permit their rights to be trampled on is due as much to their failure to vote as any other cause. Failure to pay poll tax and to vote on the part of the 50,000 Negro citizens in the fifth congressional district is strictly the fault of the colored people. They could vote if they chose and could name the man who represents the district in congress. While it would be improbable that a Negro could be elected, at least a liberal decent white candidate could be named.

The appointment of a white woman as postmistress in the all-Negro community of Menifee is the straw which it is hoped broke the camels back and which has aroused the citizens to the point where they may bestir themselves and pay their poll tax.

"The appointment of this postal official for Menifee is truly a blot on democracy," said W. Harold Flowers, secretary of the Committee on Negro Organizations. "The appointment was made after Negro residents had exhausted every means known to secure the appointment of one of three Negro eligibles whose names were on the qualified list as a result of a competitive examination."

Mrs. Letha E. Malone, white, was sworn in office by Prof. J. C. McDaniel, a member of the Committee on Negro organization, after having been one of the many persons to urge participation on the part of Negroes in taking civil service examinations. Regarded as a man of influence in the community, many of the residents believe that his opposition to a Negro postmaster was responsible in a large measure for the appointment of Mrs. Malone.

A petition signed by more than 250 citizens of the community, urging Congressman David D. Terry to appoint a Negro postmaster was filed after it was learned that the appointment was under the sole jurisdiction of the postoffice department, due to the fact that the salary was less than \$500 per annum. Among the signers of the petition were three white persons.

"Prior to the re-classification of the office," Mr. Flowers said, "the civil service commission held an examination, which I am informed was participated in by Mrs. Malone, only three Negroes were on the eligible list and no white candidates. A year passed before an appointment was made, and Mrs. Malone served as temporary postmistress. Even after she had taken the examination and failed to qualify, the appointment was given to her. On the eligible list were Mrs.

Sadie E. Woods, Miss Bernice Mablin, and John Rochelle. "One Sunday afternoon I waited underneath a cherry tree while Negro citizens solicited funds in the community to pay expenses of a trip to Washington where a conference was held with postoffice department officials. It was discovered that Mrs. Sadie Woods had been disqualified, leaving only two persons eligible for the office. It was stated that another examination would be held, but in the meantime, the receipts of the office had decreased and so it was necessary to re-classify the office. The appointment, when the office pays less than \$500, may be made despite the fact that there remained two Negro eligibles.

"This plain and simple case of discrimination because of color is regarded by an overwhelming majority of the residents of the community as a challenge. These citizens who now realize more than ever their own impotence in politics, are determined to do all that they can to make democracy real. Because of their interest in and support of the C. N. O. program, I have directed a campaign to bring out the vote in the fifth congressional district. The direct supervision of this campaign will be under W. L. Jarrett, Morrilton undertaker and well known CNO vice chairman. Every facility will be used to publicize to the citizens of the district and friends of democracy everywhere, this awful blot on the American way of expressing choice of persons and government rests in the use of the ballot, and we call upon every Negro citizen in the counties of Pulaski, Conway, Faulkner, Franklin, Johnson Perry, Popo and Yell to pay the \$1 poll tax fee by October. There are more than 50,000 Negro citizens in this district, and active interest on their part will yield tremendous results. Today, as never before, we must discover the real meaning of democracy first, and then help to decide whether or not it is a way of life best for all the peoples of the world."

KKK ASKS SEGREGATION OF NEGRO ACTIVITIES
Laurens, S. C., September 3. (AN P)—The unemployed extension director of the Ku Klux Klan, Fred V. Johnson, announced recently that the Laurens Klan has petitioned the city council here to pass ordinances prohibiting Negroes from congregating on sidewalks of the town and requiring them to be off principal streets by 9 p. m. They also ask that all Negro activities be confined to segregated districts. It is reported, however, that there is no record of racial discord in Laurens lately.

Segregate Stenographer At Capitol

TOWNSEND CLUB NO 11
Our Townsend Club No. 11 met Monday night, August 25, at the home of Mrs. B. B. Hawkins, 2210 Ohio St., as our regular meeting place at the Urban League Center, 2213 Lake St., was still being decorated. We did not hold our regular meeting Monday night, September 1 on account of that being a holiday but we hope to hold our regular meeting Monday night, September 8, at the Urban League Center.

Townsend Club No. 2 are holding their picnic at Carter Lake on Sunday, September 14. Everyone is invited. There will be plenty of cars to meet you at the car line to take you to the picnic ground free of charge. Don't miss it. Mr. Saville, that grand and noble speaker from headquarters in Chicago will be the principal speaker of the day. Mr. Saville needs no introduction as he is known by Townsends from coast to coast. This is the first time Mr. Saville has ever appeared in Omaha and you will miss a treat if you fail to hear his speech. Sunday, September 14, our Club No. 11 will be the hosts on that day so everybody come out and bring a friend. Let us show the other clubs just what our club can do. We are still making great progress. The steadily advancing petition is the sensation of the Capitol cloak rooms. We are going forward not tomorrow but today. Well I hope to see you at the picnic Carter Lake Sunday, September 14. All Club members are requested to bring a basket.

L. W. McDonald, President; J. W. Dallas, First Vice President; Morley West Brooks, Second Vice President; Mrs. B. B. Hawkins, Treasurer; Mrs. Edith Harrison, Secretary.

\$10,000 PAROLE JOB HAS MANY TAKERS
Philadelphia, September 3. (AN P)—Nearly everybody in Philadelphia is a candidate for the \$10,000 post soon to be filled on the newly-created Pennsylvania board of parole. Authorized by the last legislature, the board will have five members, one of whom it is hoped and expected will be colored. Each will be paid \$10,000, with the chairman getting an additional \$500.

The board will be advisory to the state board of pardons which controls the giving of paroles and pardons to persons serving long prison terms. Very reliable information obtained by the Associated Negro Press indicates that Gov. Arthur H. James, who will make the appointments, does not want to name a Negro, and has not been "sold" on the idea, but with a long-distance eye to the next elections, the Republican organization may force him to name a Negro. In addition, much interest among Negro voters has been stirred up during past weeks.

So far, most of the candidates are "politicos," who are turning heads and heaven over to get the "inside track." They are looking for the job as party reward, plus the attractiveness of the financial plum. The first listing of candidates included Raymond Pace Alexander, leading lawyer, who would seemingly lose money by taking the \$10,000 job; E. Washington Rhodes, publisher of the Philadelphia Tribune and former U. S. attorney and former state legislator; Edward W. Henry, magistrate and grand treasurer of the I. B. P. O. of Elks; Dr. John P. Turner, police surgeon and member of board of education, and Bishop D. H. Sims. Of all the candidates, very reliable information obtained by the Associated Negro Press indicates that Gov. Arthur H. James, who will make the appointments, does not want to name a Negro, and has not been "sold" on the idea, but with a long-distance eye to the next elections, the Republican organization may force him to name a Negro. In addition, much interest among Negro voters has been stirred up during past weeks.

Failed to Open Door for Business
The City Fish Market located at 2418 N. 24th St., failed to open as usual for business on Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 3:00 P. M. We were unable to make contact with the proprietor to find out what has happened.

Mr. Othello Roundtree is still ill at his home, 1918 N. 25 St.

Co Atty Files Suit

James P. English Douglas County Attorney on information of a vice squad, files an injunction suit to close the main event, 2124 N. 24th St. and the room occupied by the Roosevelt Post No. 30, 2403 Burdette St.

The occupancy of both places has been served notices to appear in Judge Sears court Tuesday, Sept. 16, to show why a permanent injunction should not be granted the County Attorney's office.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HONORED BY SCHOLARSHIPS

Miss Elsie Mallory, daughter of Miss Bertha Mallory, 2219 No. 25 Street, received a letter Sept. 8, 1941, by air mail special delivery with a scholarship to Howard University in Washington. Miss Mallory has already enrolled in Spellman College in Georgia, and regrets very much that she could not accept the scholarship to Howard. Miss Mallory wrote back by special delivery and explained the reason why she could not accept the scholarship and expressed her regrets. There is a possible chance that she may be able to use her scholarship next year.

Mrs. Bertha Mallory is very happy to say that she has three children that are honor high school graduates and students. Mr. Theodore Mallory received a Scholarship to Drake University while he is still a Junior in High School. Mr. Milton Mallory is an honor graduate of Technical High School and is taking a Post-Graduate course.

KEEP BOTTLE OPEN
"Today the most common expression we hear is 'bottle-neck,'" said M. J. Gomey of the Association of American Railroads, recently, "but the railroad 'bottle' has no neck." It is open at both ends, providing for the free flow of transportation. A "bottle-neck" can only be created if we violate the main principle of transportation—that cars must not be loaded until it is known that they can be unloaded promptly at destination.

The so-called "railroad failure" in the last war was due almost 100 per cent to the widespread use of cars as warehouses. Storage and unloading facilities were completely inadequate. The result was that cars often stood for weeks and months, waiting for their cargoes to be discharged. Had those cars been unloaded, promptly, there would have been no serious transportation problem in 1917 and 1918.

Today the railroads' plant is infinitely better than it was during the last war. For almost twenty years, the lines have been preparing and planning for precisely the sort of emergency that exists now. Their success is proved by the record. They have handled a steadily growing volume of defense orders. They have handled record-breaking crop movements. They have handled their normal freight and passenger business. They have brought gigantic quantities of freight to Eastern ports to be loaded on ships for England. And they have done all that without the slightest delay, car shortage or congestion.

The railroads, in other words, are prepared. They will continue to handle the nation's traffic with unexampled efficiency, so long as cars are unloaded immediately on arrival and freed for service elsewhere. Every hour saved in discharging railroad cars gives impetus to the defense drive. The railroads will do their part, and they ask only that shippers cooperate with them. Railroad cars are not and cannot be warehouses. The railroad "bottle" must be kept open.

John Howard Wins Oratory Contest

Atlantic City, N. J., September 3. (By Trezzvant W. Anderson for ANP)—The 42nd annual grand lodge of the I. B. P. O. E. W. is now history, and this occasion reports is slowly pulling itself together from the relentless bombardment given it by the thousands of antlered herdsman who came here from all parts of the country and held one of the biggest sessions and parades in many years.

There was little in the way of "fireworks" to enliven the sessions for the "Big Four" of Negro Elkdom were reelected by acclamation. They are Judge W. C. Hueston, commissioner of education; Judge Edward W. Henry, grand treasurer; Perry W. Howard, grand legal advisor, and Jimmy Kelley, secretary. Others who hold high posts in the Daughter Elks were also reelected: Mrs. Elizabeth Gordon, grand daughter ruler; Mrs. Buena V. Kelley, secretary, and Mrs. Elizabeth Kimbrough, treasurer, of the women's group.

All signs point to very spirited contests next year, however, when some of the high posts will go on the block, and it is predicted that from out of nowhere, apparently, J. Finley, himself, will have opposition for the grand exalted rulership for which election will be held in 1942.

The reports of the treasurer showed that the finances were in good shape, and from new legislation enacted, it was evident that the Elks plan to enter into a more vigorous civil liberties program during the next few months, for special funds were set aside for this department.

The parade was a feature, as usual, and carried participants from Boston to New Orleans and from the Atlantic coast to the Pacific. Coming from the farthest-away point was Daughter Ruler Gladys Johnson, of Evergreen Temple, at Seattle, Wash. The parade took more time to pass a given point than any in the last 11 years, despite a delay of one hour and 10 minutes in getting started, due to the delay of the grand exalted ruler in putting in his appearance. Prizes were given units from Charleston, W. Va., and first prize in oratory went to John Howard of Baltimore.

Master Melvin Arthur McCaw is expected home after having spent three eventful months in Washington, D. C., New York and the Military Academy at West Point from whence he had the pleasure of flying back to Washington, D. C. He will be accompanied home by his aunt Miss Gertrude McCaw, formerly of this city.

Mrs. A. B. McCaw, 1430 N. 22nd St., is on the road to recovery after having suffered eye, shoulder and back injury due to a fall in a local grocery store.

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The majority of their work consists in making stencils and one young woman is reported to have typed one manuscript 36 times—just a repetition of what she has done before.

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None of the girls will permit her name to be used to protest against such treatment and it is said that the condition confronting them is well known to officials of the war department who, it is believed, could do something to remedy the situation.

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Miss Mallory is a honor graduate of Central High of 1939. Miss Mallory will study English, French and other subjects.

BOY SOPRANO SINGER HEADS FESTIVA LPROGRAM

Kansas City Mo., September 3. (ANP)—Prentice Moreand, 15-year-old boy soprano from the 11th and Vine streets playground, was the star of the city playground festival held at the municipal auditorium last Friday. Prentice, whose rendition of the spiritual, "The Blind Man stood by the Way" had won top rating for him, was picked from 27 finalists in the radio acts contest conducted by the city recreation department August 23. The finals were held at the Faxon school, being judged by Glenn H. Park, commissioner of recreation; Les L. Warren, superintendent of public recreation and Harold Newton, recreation division music supervisor.

Taking second place was the Graham band, white, from Heim park, while Miska and Sonja Bufington, white tap dancers were rated third. Virginia Johnson won fourth place for her singing. The final contestants were chosen from an original field of 80 acts.

able information says that Magistrate Henry is held in highest esteem by the Republican organization and, because he is also well loved by the masses of the people, has a better chance than any of the other "politicos."



Miss Bertha Young the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Young, 2624 Binney St., will leave September 12 to enter the Northwestern University in Chicago. Miss Young, who also attended the University of Omaha, will major in Music Education. Miss Young is a member of Pilgrim Baptist church and is an accomplished pianist. Miss Young has always been quite active in church and school activities and will continue her activities in Chicago. She will leave for Chicago right after her piano recital with Mr. Sylvester Stroud, also an accomplished pianist. The recital is September 12 at the Pilgrim Baptist Church and the admission is twenty cents. Both Miss Young and Mr. Stroud are pupils of Miss Flora Pinston.