



V. M. H.—My husband isn't making but 3 days a week here and we want to just pull up and move altogether. There are five children, all small and his mother and myself. Tell us what to do as we aren't even getting by like conditions are here.

SOCIAL NOTES

THE SPOTLIGHTS

DRAMATIC CLUB
The meeting came to order at 6:00 Thursday March 19. We discussed the old business such as the proceeds of the dance, which will go toward the necessities in the production of the three-act comedy, "He was A Gay Senorita". This play will be presented to the public in the latter part of April. David Longmire, Naomi Downs, Addie Hall, Harry Rutledge, Geraldine Ward and Melvin Key have the leading roles. This play is being directed by Miss Almira King and Miss Ruth Forrest. Reporter, Jane Robbins.

MT. MORIAH BAPT. CHURCH
Rev. David St. Clair, Pastor
F. Burroughs, Reporter
A beautiful Sunday and all nature cooperated to make the day ideal for the worship of the Most High God. Attendance was good and we listened to a very timely sermon Psalms 45:2 was the text for this glorious message. The subject "The Beauty of Christ." A trio was rendered by Mrs. Anna Hatcher, Mrs. G. Crumbley and Mrs. Mae Lee.

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26th St., with the President presiding. Attendance was very good with our Pastor Rev. St. Clair present. The Willing Workers Club will sponsor an Easter Style Show at the church Tuesday night April 7th at 8:00 P. M. A special Call meeting will be held Tuesday night March 31st at the home of Mrs. Ruby Roundtree 2320 N. 27th St. The President urges all members to be present. Rev. D. St. Clair, Pastor, Mrs. J. E. Lindsay, President, Mrs. W. L. White, Secretary and Reporter.

CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD
2316 North 25th Street
Rev. S. K. Nichols, Pastor
Rose Oliver, Reporter
Sunday school 9:30 a. m.
Morning worship 11:00 a. m.
Jr. Choir Rehearsal 5:00 p. m.
Bible Band 6:00 p. m.
Evening worship 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday night prayer service. 7:30 p. m.

Sunday throughout the day services were grand. Our Pastor preached a really soul stirring sermon both Sunday morning and Sunday night. Everyone present claimed they enjoyed the services very much. The text for Sunday morning will be "The Three Hebrew Boys". Sunday night's text "The Wages of Sin is Death". Come out and enjoy the sermons.

We are holding meetings at 2422 Erskine until further notified

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IN MEMORIAM



MISS BETTY LAWSON
Dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lawson and Family of 2214 North 29th Street, by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Parker, in Ever-Lasting Remembrance of their daughter Betty Lawson.

We cannot forget that sad day. When our loved one was called away. But in God's Eternal Day it was glorious. For Betty was victorious—And won the crown of life, Beyond this world of strife—And a rose sweet and fair Was transplanted in God's Kingdom fair.

He was calling her a nigger bitch. Then they took her out of there. I don't know which way they went. A. Thirty-four years, bought and paid for a home in this town. Q. You don't know who called the police? A. No Sir. Q. It may have been some of the neighbors. A. (Made by Mrs. Eldridge) By them taking Mr. Johnson, I think he called the police, I don't have any definite proof of that only that Mrs. Nelson told me that Mr. Johnson went across the street to see Mrs. Jones. Q. Now is there anything further any of you gentlemen wish to ask? A. (None)

Mr Johnson's Statement

Statement by Irving Johnson. When she came back she parked in front of my house and got out and came inside my house, on the porch and I saw her coming and threw the latch on the door and she couldn't get in and she pushed both hands through the glass and broke it. By this time the police were arriving, the first policeman and he didn't know exactly where to come to and I told him the fight was at 2530 and the fight was at 2522 by this time, so I went outside and called him and left Mrs. Eldridge on the porch and in the meantime she had already thrown a brick at me and my wife was inside and had taken the children in to another apartment on the first floor where they would be safe. In the meantime Mrs. Eldridge was inside and the policeman was coming. I went out and beckoned to him to come over and when he came in he found her bleeding and tearing the curtains and pulling the covers off the bed and the mattress and she broke a small dresser lamp we have and she tore up my children's picture that was on the dresser and the police came in and he didn't seem to know just what to do with her, he kept telling her to let him have something put around her arms instead of doing that she just kept slinging blood and he was trying to get her to stop that, she was slinging blood on me and him too, and he asked me for a little rag and I got a wash rag that was behind the door and I couldn't find anything better than that and she smeared my wife's coat with blood. In the meantime Sgt. Graham was coming. I guess that is his name and when he came in he says "What is the trouble with you here, I have been here before and you were fighting with someone at the same house". She had been a few months ago. He told her to come

on that she was going down and then both Officers took hold of her and took her to the cruiser car and in the meantime she was fighting and kicking to get away. They couldn't manage her in the cruiser car and the first officer that came went across the street, I presume he went to call the wagon. While he was gone she continued to fight and finally broke away from Sgt. Graham and ran around the house, presumably to the back door. Then she came back on the other side and he was right after her all the time, and went in to 2530 Maple and he followed her inside. A few minutes later the other officer came from across the street and wanted to know where they were and I told him and I don't know what happened in 2530. The next thing I know the wagon came and they went in to 2530 then they came out with Mr. Eldridge. Then she started another scene because she didn't want to get in the patrol wagon. They finally got her inside. Then Sgt. Graham came back to where I was living and asked me to come along as a complaining witness. Q. In the first place was this woman drinking? Mrs. Eldridge? A. She didn't seem to be drunk to me. Q. Was she using any violent or obscene language? A. Terrible language about the worst I have ever heard used by anybody. Q. Tell us if anything happened in the patrol wagon on the way to the police station? A. I wasn't in the patrol wagon. I was in the cruiser car with Sgt. Graham, and didn't see anything go on. Q. After you got to the police station and went in the bull pen tell us what happened there? A. They drove the patrol wagon in the runway and Sgt. Graham and myself came in the front way, and then we went in. I followed him, in to the bull pen and a little later they were bringing Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge from the patrol and Mr. Eldridge came first to the door and he didn't want to come in the door an Sgt. Graham pushed him in. Then she came in. Then she immediately started a scene after she got in, she started swearing and using all kinds of loud language. I don't remember all she said but then they proceeded to make her sit down on the bench in the bull pen and that is when she started fighting him. Sgt. Graham. He tried to sit her down on the bench in the bull pen and that is when she started fighting him, Sgt. Graham. He tried to sit her down on the bench and instead of sitting down, on the bench why she fell to the floor and when she fell to the floor she started kicking at him. Then during this kicking her dress went up around her waist and it was very obscene to me, it was very embarrassing to me, and I turned my head away rather than look at her. I didn't even look toward her. A little later they calmed down and she gave her name and he gave his and then they were taken out. I waited around a few minutes, I didn't know what they were going to do with me and then I asked the man at the desk—"what about me" and then he asked my name and age and what happened out there and I told him and then I waited about ten minutes and then I said I would like to go home and move and be out of there way all together", and then he said he would have to take a \$10.00 bond from me and asked if I wanted to call somebody and I said I had ten dollars on me and I gave it to him and got a receipt and left. Q. During this whole affair did you see any unnecessary force used by the officers at the house or the police station? A. No sir. Q. Mrs. Eldridge made a statement that Sgt. Graham took her by the feet and lifted her high so her clothing fell and covered her face and she was all exposed and while he had her that way he kept kicking her. Did you see anything like that? A. No sir. Q. You were right in the bull pen would have known if that went on? A. Yes, she didn't have anything on but a dress, that is what embarrassed me mostly, that is why I looked away. IRVING JOHNSON. Witness, Julius Stigge, Willard W. Weed. Subscribed and sworn to before me, a duly authorized Notary Public this 21st day of March 1942. Agnes Savage, Notary Public. My commission expires April 21, 1946.

Mrs. Johnson's Statement

Following is statement of Mrs. Irving Johnson. Q. Now Mrs. Johnson, you just heard your husband's statement? A. Yes sir. Q. Is there anything that you can add to this statement, or want to add to this statement? A. Yes sir. Q. You go ahead and tell us your own way, briefly, what took place? A. I pay Mrs. Eldridge \$20.00 a month, on the first of the month, I pay her ten dollars and on the sixteenth I pay her ten dollars. For the month of March she had received ten dollars on the first. I offered her five dollars of the first money for a weeks rent and she refused to take the money because she couldn't guarantee me any light and gas. In the meantime we had been without heat for a week and both children are sick with the measles. This was Monday that I handed her the money and I came on back to the house and told my husband she couldn't give us any light and gas or nothing after today. She also mentioned when I was talking to her that she had explained the same thing to Mrs. Morrison who lives upstairs and pays the same amount of rent. I explained to Mrs. Morrison what Mrs. Eldridge hadn't said. I don't know any knowledge of condition to be after the 16th. Then on the 16th, Tuesday morning, she knocked on my door and said the gas man was there to cut off the gas and I told her they would have to go to the basement entrance and she ordered the gas man to go there. In the meantime she knocked on Mrs. Morrison's door and asked for the rent and Mrs. Morrison refused to give her the rent and she questioned her way and she told her she had told me there would be no lights or gas and she was subject to the same conditions. Mrs. Eldridge resented this and became angry and went to the basement and turned the water off and turned the lights off, and Mr. Morrison called the police department and they referred them to the welfare. Then they were sent to the Public Defeat and were given a letter to give to Mrs. Eldridge asking her to come to some reasonable terms owing to the fact that children were sick. She ignored the letter and my husband then went down to Mr. Daly and he said she would have to give us water and heat, they demanded her to do that because of the children, and if she refused to do this they would turn the case over to the Prosecuting Attorney. We couldn't find her, she was gone all day, so she returned home about four o'clock that afternoon and we phoned Mr. Daly and he said we could use part of the rent money to put coal in the place and have heat in the building. We were still out of any gas to cook food for the kids. I went to the store that afternoon about two o'clock and returned from the store Mrs. Eldridge was standing in front of her house talking to a Nebraska Power man and when she finished talking to this man I asked her if she would come to some reasonable terms, Mr. Morrison and I are willing to take the balance of our rent and give it to you and have the gas turned on. She refused to do this I told her she was a swindler and she resented this and struck at me and then the fight was on. She called me a name that was just outrageous, she called me a "bitch" and she even accused me of her husband, and I became more furious and I just struck her back and by that time my husband walked on the scene and we continued to fight until he called the police. She wasn't satisfied with the outcome of the fight between she and I, so she came back, that is when she entered my home and crashed the window. My coat is in the cleaners now, soaked in blood. When she went away and slammed her car door she broke it. Mr. Johnson: I would like to add this. This same morning Mr. Morrison and I went over and told her that the balance of the rent that we owed together excluding the cost of the coal was about \$15 and I had found out from Mr. Silver of the gas company and they wanted \$15 to have it turned on but he told us we would have to have her permission to do it, they couldn't accept the money from us and turn it on. That was the day before, we talked to Mr. Silver. The next morning we went over and asked her permission to have the gas turned on and she wouldn't talk to us at all. Q. Now Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, this statement was given of your own free will and accord? A. Yes sir. Q. I haven't threatened you in any way? A. No sir. Q. You haven't been promised anything? A. No sir. MRS. ALICE JOHNSON witness, Julius Stigge, Willard W. Weed. Subscribed and sworn to before me, a duly authorized Notary Public, this 21st day of March 1942. Agnes Savage, Notary Public. My commission expires April 24, 1946.

Sgt. Graham Gives His Report

his wife had had the trouble. I would not do any good to call any one, as she was going to jail. The woman put the receiver down and went out of the room; at about this time I told Officer Goodrich to go with Eldridge so he could put on his clothes; while they were in the back room Mrs. Eldridge said "You son of a..." and grabbed my right hand and started to bite me; I jerked my hand over, punched Mrs. Eldridge in the eye with my left fist, knocking her loose and at about this time Officer Goodrich and Eldridge came out of the back room. Eldridge walked up to within about three or four feet of me and she says "The mother... hit me" Eldridge said "You son of a..." and put his left hand in his pocket and when he pulled it out again, I could see that he had something in it that looked like a knife; he put his hands behind him and it appeared to me that he was attempting to open it; I hollered to Goodrich to take that knife away from him, and at the same time I said to Eldridge "You son of a..." if you come at me with that knife I will kill you", reaching for my gun. Officer Goodrich took the knife away from Eldridge with very little trouble. I told Goodrich to call the station to see if they had sent the wagon, which he did, and turned around and said the wagon was on the way. A few minutes later the wagon crew consisting of Officer Kofelt and Officer Yost came in; I told them to take that man and put him in the wagon; I said to Mrs. Eldridge "come on, you are going to jail". She says "No, you mother... son of a..." you are not going to take me out of here"; I then put (continued on page 8)

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