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CITY NEWS

City local news is rather scarce this week.
Miss Della Richardson is on the sick list this week.
J. L. Thompson took a business trip down home last Saturday.
Mr. Tracy Blagburn is bed-fast, suffering from the effects of a severe cold.
Mrs. Smith of Carol, Ia., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Heath on B street.
Professor George I. Holt is preparing to go to Boston the first of next month.
Laundry! Laundry! Laundry! Good work, give us a call 818 W. Grand Avenue.
A social was given last night at the east side Baptist church. A goodly number was present.
A vote for Shaw and Millman, November 2, means that you approve the McKinley administration.
Mrs. C. A. Greenway of Webster City, arrived in the city last Saturday to visit with her father and sisters.
Quite a number of young people are expected to attend the Jacobs-Roy wedding next week from out of the city.
Remember that the North Star Lodge will give their annual banquet at Webster's Hall Tuesday evening, Oct. 26.
Let every colored republican voter attend the first colored rally next Thursday evening at the Grant club rooms.
Try the Champagne & Son Laundry. Good work on short notice. Phone 171, No. 818 W. Grand Ave.
Mr. P. Holmes is quite sick this week, he was unable to sit as a juror this week. We wish his many friends hope his speedy recovery.
The city council has allowed Wm. Coalsen \$60 damages by reason of recent flood inundating his yard and cellar. The mayor has not signed the warrant yet.
Mrs. Tracy Blagburn, after a very pleasant visit with relatives and friends in Kansas City, Mo., the scene of her girlhood, returned home last Tuesday.
Miss Lulu Jones who has been visiting with Mrs. William Coalsen for the past five or six weeks, left last Tuesday for Chicago, where she will visit with her sister.
D. C. Basfield has received a letter from M. N. Bell who says that McKinley prosperity has struck Phoenix, and business is booming

and it is the greatest health resort in the world.
Wanted—A good boy, from 10 to 14 years old; to canvas, rates \$2.00 per week. Call at 379 School street or BYSTANDER office.
J. T. Blagburn.
To the ex-members of the Unity club and all others who are interested in literary work, are invited to meet at the rooms of the North Star lodge, Monday evening, October 25, at 8 o'clock.
FRANK BLAGBURN.

George L. Alexander, a young gentleman of Helena, Mont., is in the city studying electrical engineering at Highland Park college. We wish him success and hope he may do credit to our race. We welcome such young men here.
The H. B. S. R. Club met with Mrs. J. T. Blagburn, an excellent program was rendered. Program for Oct. 28th: Afternoon in anatomy; Paper—On the Bones, Mrs. Warricks. Paper—On the Arteries, Mrs. Hamilton. Paper—On the Lungs, Mrs. Bassfield. Lecture by Dr. Johnson. Adjourned to meet with Mrs. H. S. Clay, 819, 11th Street.

Program Wednesday evening, October 27, 1897, Baptist Tabernacle Literary:
Song, society.
Prayer.
Song, society.
Recitation, Miss Emma Brown.
Solo, Charley Brown.
Solo, Miss Blanche Renix.
Instrumental music, Renix brothers.
Debate.
Resolved, that Morality does not increase with civilization.
Affirm. Miss Susie Lewis, W. R. Frazier, Neg. Miss Capart and G. Hodges.

Annual Banquet.
North Star Lodge will give their annual banquet Tuesday eve, Oct. 26 at Webster's Hall. Admission 50 cents per couple.

A REPUBLICAN RALLY.
Under the Auspicious of the McKinley Club—Hon. Geo. H. Woodson of Mahaska County and Others Will Speak.

At the meeting of the McKinley Club last Thursday evening, all the necessary arrangements were completed to close this campaign with a grand rally at the Grant Club room Thursday evening Oct. 28th, and give the republicans of Des Moines and the neighboring towns an opportunity to hear the gifted young orator. Since coming to Mahaska county, Mr. Woonson has demonstrated to the satisfaction of all that have heard him, that he is a lawyer of great ability, and by his genial manner he is fast winning the friendship of both the bench and the bar. The committee was instructed to invite two other speakers with ability. Ladies remember that you have a special invitation to attend the Woodson meeting.
DANA IS DEAD.
Charles A. Dana, the editor of the "New York Sun" died last Sunday, in his beautiful home in Glen-cove, L. I.
He was America's greatest journalist and the last to pass away of that few numbers of great editors, which was Greeley, Bennett; Raymond, Ripley, Weed, Prentice and McCullough. He was 73 years old and until very recently had his usual work of his great paper up. He would come down to his office about 11 o'clock read his important and special mail, then look over the day's financial report, read the papers that he would subscribe for, then dictate his editorials and proof read them; returning home at 4 o'clock, receiving only those men that was highly educated and knew some thing.
In politics he formally was a whig notwithstanding the democratic party claiming him, yet he only voted for two presidential democrats since Lincoln's administration, and very recently denounced democracy in all forms, always a protectionist. Mr. Dana is one of the scholars in literature in America, perfect in

grammar, and master of several different languages, was the confidential reporter of the late war to Lincoln, and Stanton has written several poems, and histories also assisted in publishing and editing the American Encyclopedia. He was a great example of human possibilities in the literary world.

Representative Steward is doing good-work for his party.
Mr. Shaw is having successful meetings wherever he goes.
Morton's Drum Corps will play at the Woodson meeting. Hear-them.

If some of the free silver advocates would read Bradstreet's report they might profit by it.
If you are interested in the welfare of your country, then you will vote for Shaw and the republican party.

Let no republican be deceived by any one pretending to be a good republican, and will try to get you to vote against J. E. Stout, the republican nominee for sheriff.

When Sheriff Stout was foreman of the Christy coal mines, he proved to the satisfaction of every colored miner that he was their friend, and he will receive the vote of every loyal Afro-American.

Des Moines Would be Better Off

If Mr. Shrw is elected;
If the new band is a success;
If Sixth Avenue was finished;
If we had a new Union depot;
If we had a colored market master;
If Miss Zella Davis keeps her health;
If the colored citizens were more united;
If we had two colored churches instead of six;
If we had a first class literary society and debating club;
If mayor MacVicar would give us another colored policeman;
If we had more engaged in business pursuits then we have;
If we tried to help each other to get a start instead of pull down;
If there had not been so many candidates for constable last fall;
If our would be democrats would wake up and stop dreaming;
If the A. M. E. church choir would get down to business once more;
If the congregation of the A. M. E. church would appreciate the efforts of the choir;
If some means could be devised to get the city rid of so many colored loafers;
If the oratorical contest is held in this city;
If the BYSTANDER had the assistance of all the colored citizens;
If all their subscribers would pay up;
If we all get down to business, put our shoulders to the wheel and try to build up our city and race, be men among men, be a unit, fear not to do the thing that is right and success will be ours.
"Brevior"

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Samuel Becks arrived home Thursday morning from a weeks visit in Muchakinoek.
Miss Anna Woods has returned to her home in Waverly from Waukesha, Wis., where she has been for several weeks taking treatment for rheumatism.
W. E. Fine of Newton was in the city Saturday to attend the National Association of Stationary Engineers.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Green has a fine baby boy.
Mrs. Carrie Wheeler has been on the sick list for some time but is better at this writing.
Prof. J. W. Walker returned last week from Omaha.
J. L. Woods is one of the mainstays of the Season's foot ball team. He played guard last year, but has proved of greater value at center rush, which position he is playing faultlessly. He is used in almost every center rush and

smashes the lines with a precision and ease that meets commendation from all. He is a player of great worth to the congregationalists and is a great favorite. He will be hindered somewhat in Thursday's game, by a broken thumb, received in Saturday evening's practice game.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Wheeler gave a six o'clock dinner Saturday at their home on East Bromley street. The guest of honor were W. E. Fine of Newton, Samuel Becks and J. L. Woods.
CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.
Sunday the 19th inst. was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. E. Thomas preached the sacramental sermon in the absence of the P. E. Rev. Rhinehart preached morning and evening. Love Feast was held Monday evening and a good meeting was had. Quarterly conference was held Tuesday afternoon.
Rev. Jason Bundy, P. E. preached to a good congregation Tuesday evening. The Reverend is a guest of Rev. Rhinehart and wife of 10th Ave.
In our last issue we stated that G. H. Wade had been elected teacher of the A. M. E. Sunday School, it should have been Mrs. G. H. Wade.
Miss Etta Davis returned from Muscatine this week.
The Light House Society meets Friday night with Mrs. H. J. Martin or 10th street.
The Ladies Industrial Circle meets Friday with Mrs. S. L. Persons of 9th Ave. Visitors are always welcome.
Little Helen Martin is on the sick list.
Mr Henry Martin did not go to Marshalltown last Saturday as he expected, but he will be there again soon.
Rev. J. E. Roberts is still here looking up the interest of his church. We do not know as yet how he is succeeding. We trust he will be successful.
Rev. Rhinehart is doing much good in his pastorate here at the A. M. E. church, so far he has had five accessions to the church. Sunday night as the clock struck 12 he and his wife were aroused from their slumbers by a couple outside, who desired to be made man and wife, he complied with their request and the two hearts went away beating as one.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Mrs. Meadows and brother Mr. Burt Jones of Albia spent a few days in our city.
A reception was given Thursday evening in honor of Rev. Alexander and wife, it was largely attended.
Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter and family of Sheldon, Nebraska will make this city their future home.
The I. B. W.'s met at Mrs. Johnson on the south side Friday afternoon.
Mrs. J. Hamilton and granddaughter arrived home from Des Moines where they have been visiting friends.
A pound party will be given in honor of Rve. Alexander and wife Thursday evening.
Sunday was grand rally day at the Baptist church a large sum was realized.
Mrs. J. Crawford spent Saturday in muchakinoek.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham have gone to Keokuk to live.
Mr. T. F. Lamb returned last week from his visit in Indiana.
We learn that Mr. Perry Greenup is to spend the winter in Fairfield, Ia.
Miss Florence Henry of Ft. Madison was in our city last Saturday.
Editor Geo. E. Taylor of the Negro Solicitor of Oskaloosa, was in our city on business Tuesday and Saturday of last week.
Aunt Sarah Chapple is able to be out once more.
The Olive Baptist Sunday School elected the following officers: Supt. Wm. Shackelford; Sect. Geo. W. Parker; Treasure.

GEOLOGY OF POLK COUNTY.

We are in receipt of a book giving a complete geography, physiography, topography and stratigraphy of Polk Co., written by H. F. Bain, it contains 412 pages well written descriptive of our country, which is very interesting to all readers. It gives a good history of topographic characteristics, also the developments of its coal regions, also maps of the country with townships, sections ect.
Miss Agnes Holden of Cleveland, is a clerk in the cloak department of one of the largest dry goods houses in that city.—The Statesman.

Sarah Chapple; Librarian, Grace Johnson. A goodly number of teachers were also appointed for the ensuing term.
Rev. P. P. Samuel of the Olive Baptist Church spent the greater part of the week in Quincy.
Mr. Aron Mitchell is reported quite sick, and Mr. A. Morris is no better.
Mr. Shackelford is preparing to give an entertainment on Thanksgiving by the S. S. Children.
The Ladies Sewing Circle are preparing to give a Fair sometime soon.

NEWTON NOTES.

Mrs. T. W. Lewis has been quite ill several days. We hope she may soon recover.
The entertainment at the A. M. E. church Saturday evening proved to be a financial and social success.
Mrs. Smith Geo of Denver Col., arrived in this city Friday evening, being called here by the illness of her aged mother, Mrs. Miller who is rapidly approaching the end of life.
Miss Helen Blackwell and Fred Green were Grinnell visitors this week.
Clay Lewis of Des Moines was in the city last week attending to legal affairs.
Mrs. Wm. Burgess of Ottumwa is visiting at the parental home.
Quite a number attended the Dolliver meeting at Colfax Wednesday evening, and report good time.
George Carter is recovering from his recent illness.
An excellent program is being prepared for Endowment day.

OSKALOOSA BRIEFLETS.

Miss Eva Craig of Grinnell was in our city Tuesday, the lady was in route to Leavenworth, Kansas, where she formerly taught school.
Will Jones was down to St. Louis Sunday. He departed for his home in Montezuma Wednesday morning.
A. D. Corbin has returned to Davenport with his wall paper store.
A. G. Clark is making extensive improvements on his market street property. New walk, removed the fence, and improved greatly.
There will be a quarterly meeting Sunday at the A. M. E. church and presiding elder Bundy will be present and officiate.
Norr Kinbrough is quite poorly, suffering with a severe attack of rheumatism of the stomach.
Miss Alice Jones is confined to home by illness.
Mrs. White has arrived from Paduca, Ken., to join her husband, Rev. White at their new home in this city. The lady has been south on account of her health and returned greatly improved.

Afro-American League of Illinois.

The third annual session of the State Afro-American League was held in Chicago Sept 31st, several new changes were made, one was to take the League out of politics so far as possible. The following officers were elected:
John G. Jones, Chicago, President; Richard Blue of Bloomington, Vice President; John Evans of East St. Louis, Treasurer; Jacob Amos of Cairo, Secretary; Edward H. Morris of Chicago, Attorney.

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The town between Des Moines and Cainsville are particularly well located for business. Look them up. Write to the undersigned for additional information. See folder for map and hands.
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Vice Pres. and Gen. Man'gr.
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CHEAP RATES ON THE WABASH.
On July 20th, Aug. 3d and 17th, Sept. 7th and 21st, Oct. 5th and 19th, the Wabash will sell tickets at one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip to points East, West, South and South-West. The Wabash has found that it pays to give its patrons an opportunity to look for cheaper homes, better climate, etc. If you will write to Horace Sooley, Commercial Agent Wabash, at Des Moines; he will mail you maps, folders and land guides, giving detailed information.
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