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Reception Committee—S. Joe Brown, John L. Thompson and J. B. Rush.

### R. N. Hyde to New York.

Mr. R. N. Hyde, one of our leading business men and the only Western member of the Advisory Board of the Elks has been called to New York City, March 30th, to meet the Advisory Board, consisting of the Grand Exalted Ruler, Hon. Frank Wheaton, New York City; Grand Esteemed leading Knight, Nutter, of Charleston, W. Va., Grand Trustees, Eugene M. Johnson, N. Y. City; Edgar A. Still, Reading, Pa., R. N. Hyde, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. Hyde is now employed in the Iowa State Legislature, but he will plan to attend said Board meeting.

**FOR SALE**—Good Restaurant, complete, with two-chair Barber shop connected. Must sell at once; other business reasons for selling. \$100 cash buys this bargain, or will sell on payments. Call or write H. W. Dysart, 200 East Second and Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

### Washington Meeting Sunday.

The authorized statement regarding Dr. Washington's visit is as follows: He arrives here at 9:30 a. m., and speaks at 10:30 a. m. at the St. Paul

Episcopal church Ninth and High, and at the Plymouth Congregational church at 4:30 p. m., on Eighth and Pleasant street, and at a union of all the colored churches at 8 o'clock at Plymouth Congregational, Eighth and Pleasant St. Seats are free at all these meetings. No charges at the door. Everybody is invited. The public meeting has been called off.

### ROCK ISLAND NEWS.

Mr. H. W. Harding, of 1117 Thirtieth street, representing the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, wishes to announce the arrival of a supply of the March number of "The Crisis," a magazine edited by the association with "A Record of the Darker Race." The price is ten cents a copy, or eleven cents sent by mail.

Do you know that all the minor ailments colds are by far the most dangerous? It is not the cold itself that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that it often leads to. Most of these are known as germ diseases. Pneumonia and consumption are among them. Why not take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and care your cold while you can? For sale by all druggists.

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In the Economy Basement

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- Five shot hammerless repeating rifle for shot or ball, like cut, priced 2.48.
- Army canteen with leather straps, 50c.
- Army folding meat pans, each 35c.
- \$4 English sword, each 50c.
- U. S. Army felt hats, (New) each \$1.50.
- U. S. Army blankets, fine wool, extra heavy, pair \$6.50.

### Special in men's wear

In the Economy Basement

- Men's work socks 7c
- Men's heavy weight Rockford socks with knit tops. Blue or brown mixed. 4 pair 25c. Pair.....7c
- Guaranteed socks 10c
- Men's plain grey, tan, navy and black socks in all sizes. Every pair guaranteed by the maker. Will wear extra well. Specially good value at.....10c
- Underwear at 39c
- Men's fine Derby ribbed shirts and drawers. Fine, elastic weave. Medium weight. A good value at 50c. special, at garment.....39c
- Negligee shirts 50c
- Shirts. Made in the regular or coat style, with cuff attached. Sizes 14 to 17½, at.....50c

## TRUE REFORMERS' EXTRA SESSION

Strong Efforts Being Made to Save Order From Total Failure.

### RETRENCHMENT OF FORCES.

Delegates From Twenty-seven States and a Large Number of Prominent Business Men Pledge Grand Master Holmes Their Loyal Support—Commissioner Button Gives Advice.

By GEORGE F. KING.

Richmond, Va.—The recent special session of the Grand United Order of True Reformers was the most representative one ever held by this great organization. Leading business men from over twenty-seven states were present. It is remarkable to note the harmony and general union among the delegates to save the organization. This meeting, consisting of more than 750 delegates, proves conclusively that the Negro is capable of conserving his financial interest in a legislative body. The meeting was presided over by Grand Master A. W. Holmes, who exhibited unusual ability.

Colonel Joseph Button, commissioner of insurance of Virginia, and Isaac Davenport, his actuary, visited the grand fountain and were received with great eclat. Their remarks were pregnant with sound advice. The colonel in part said: "I have a great interest in you people because your organization has done more for the uplift of the Negro than any other fraternity of your race."

The report of the grand master, which showed that \$54,000 had been raised since last October and that claims were rapidly being paid throughout the country, elicited great enthusiasm on the part of the body. The reports of Grand Worthy Secretary W. P. Burrell revealed many facts desired by the delegates. He



PRESIDENT A. W. HOLMES.

stated that he had sounded the alarm for years about the czar-like procedure of W. L. Taylor, the dethroned head of the order.

All reports were carefully audited by men on committees who were financiers. Prominent among them were Professor R. B. McIlary, Adolphus Humbles, estimated to be worth over \$200,000; Dr. James E. Dudley, president of the North Carolina A. and M. College for Afro-Americans; Dr. J. E. Dellinger, Dr. John Merriweather, Dr. W. T. Johnson and Dr. W. F. Graham. The policy of the order is retrenchment. Salaries of several officers were reduced. The field force was reduced by declaring vacant the offices of two deputy grandmasters; the real estate department was abolished; the office of manager and editor of the Reformer, the official organ, were combined, and B. A. Graves, who was formerly manager, was elected for said positions.

J. C. Newsome of Newport News, Va., was elected attorney for the order. The delegates expressed implicit confidence in Dr. John E. Merriweather, a wealthy and conservative business and professional man of Richmond, Va., and he was elected grand worthy treasurer, which position was formerly held by R. T. Hill.

Intelligence and sane business judgment was supreme at this session, and the following representative people from various sections of the country were elected to the board: A. W. Holmes, Richmond, Va.; W. L. Anderson, Beaver Dam, Va.; George E. Morris, Morristown, N. J.; W. P. Burrell, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Rosa Thompson, Philadelphia; Dr. John E. Merriweather, Richmond, Va.; Dr. James B. Dudley and Dr. J. E. Dellinger, Greensboro, N. C.; Adolphus Humbles, Lynchburg, Va.; W. R. Griffin, Washington; Dr. W. T. Johnson, Richmond, Va.; Floyd Ross, St. Louis; Lee Trent, Pittsburgh, and Joseph Ward, Richmond, Va.

## LAWSON HEADS NEW MOVEMENT

Emancipation Commemorative Society Formed in Washington.

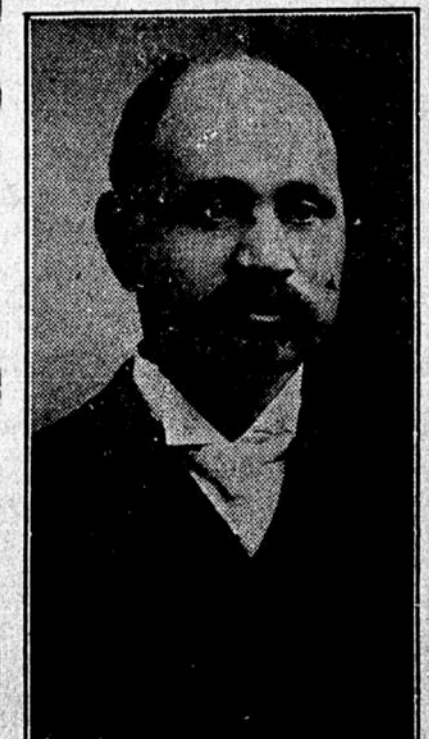
### TO HOLD NATIONAL JUBILEE.

Project Launched by Prominent Citizens in the Capital City For the Celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Freedom Embraces Many Novel Ideas and Tangible Features.

By OLIVER RANDOLPH.

Washington.—Steps looking toward the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation were taken recently when a special committee composed of some of Washington's representative colored citizens met in Lincoln Memorial temple, adopted plans and elected permanent officers for the carrying out of the project.

Professor Jesse Lawson was elected president of the movement, Edward



PROFESSOR JESSE LAWSON.

L. Scott secretary, and Rev. W. W. Mayne, superintendent of International Sunday school work and member of the editorial staff of the Washington American, was appointed chairman of the committee on publicity.

### Plans and Scope of the Movement.

The following plans were adopted: That we create and incorporate a permanent organization to be known, styled and called the Emancipation Commemorative society, with perpetual existence; that the organization shall consist of a president, one vice president for each state represented in the society, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a financial secretary, a treasurer and an executive committee consisting of the several chairmen of the subordinate committees; committees on finance, program, printing, invitations, speakers, music, legislation, public comfort, publicity, decoration, art and reception; that the society shall hold a semi-centennial in 1913 commensurate with the progress of the colored people during the last fifty years; that the celebration be held in Washington in 1913, that it be national in character and that the people from all parts of the country be invited to participate in it; that the plan and scope be such as to



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show to the best advantage the progress of the race since emancipation; that the celebration be styled "a national jubilee in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation";

### Proposed Building to Be Erected.

At least one building of the proposed celebration should be of a permanent structure so as to provide a place for the meeting of the annual congress. It should contain a commodious auditorium, a library containing all the works of colored authors and all of the books about colored people by whomsoever written, an industrial hall in which exhibits showing the industry of the race might be placed, an art gallery in which could be exhibited the art of the colored people of the world, an art studio where our aspiring youths might work out their creations under proper directions and a hall of fame providing a niche for the bust or slab to the memory of Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, John Brown, Charles Sumner, Thaddeus Stevens, William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglass, Wendell Phillips, Owen Lovejoy, Joshua R. Giddings, Lucretia Mott, Henry Ward Beecher, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Robert Purvis, George Downing, John M. Langston and others.

### Riddings Left Nothing to Tuskegee.

The Tuskegee (Ala.) student denies the statement which appeared recently in many papers throughout the country to the effect that the late Henry Riddings of Sioux City, Ia., in his will bequeathed \$30,000 to the Tuskegee Institute. There is no provision in Mr. Riddings' will for Tuskegee Institute, and the school often suffers from just such statements as this.

### BUXTON BRIEFS.

L. H. Phillips made a flying trip to Colfax last Friday, returning Sunday. Clarence Morrison was hurt in No. 12 Mine, Monday, and is seen on crutches these days. He is not seriously hurt however, and we hope he will soon be well and strong again.

The ladies of Household of Ruth gave a very pleasant surprise party for Mrs. Ella Johnson last Wednesday evening, bringing with them many useful and beautiful gifts.

Mrs. Loah Tandy gave a party for her little daughter, Edith, who was eight years old Tuesday. Quite a number of her little friends gathered at the home from 3:30 to 6:00 and spent a very pleasant afternoon.

Mr. Jake Wilson, who is sojourning in Des Moines, was in Buxton a few days last week, returning to Des Moines Monday.

The Sunday School Union will meet at Bethel Mission next Sunday at 3 p. A good program will be rendered. All are cordially invited to be present.

The Self Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Anna Lobbins in Cooper-town, Wednesday, March 1st. After the regular opening of the meeting they proceeded to elect the following officers for the ensuing year: President.....Mrs. Belle Carter Vice-Pres.....Mrs. Ella Yancy Secretary.....Mrs. Helen Granbury Assistant Sec'y.....Mrs. Hattie Hutchison Treasurer.....Mrs. Maggie Burkett Chaplain.....Mrs. Kate Brown Sargeant at Arms.....Mrs. Rosa Allen

The club then adjourned to meet with Mrs. Russell on Tenth street.

A bright eyed girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morrison, last Thursday, March 2d. Mother and daughter doing fine and the youthful papa is all smiles.

The Fidelity club entertained at St. John's A. M. E. church last Thursday evening with a program.

Services were extra well attended at Mt. Zion church last Sunday morning. Almost every seat in the house was taken. Rev. Woodard read the covenant and many expressed desires to renew their covenant with the Lord. Rev. Calloway and his members came over to the 3 p. m. meeting at which time the Lord's supper was administered.

Rev. Calloway is still having good and well attended services on Sunday, and as soon as the weather permits he will observe the ordinance of baptism as a result of the recent revival meeting held in the church.

Clarence Wilson is carrying a lame foot these days as the result of a slight accident.

Mrs. W. A. Brown returned from Council Bluffs and Omaha, Friday a. m. where she had been to look after the work of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission circles.

The H. Y. P. U. was led by Miss Ideilia Jones last Sunday. The sub-lessons from great lives: Moses Ex. 3:1-14. Miss Veetta Steps will give a solo at the meeting next Sunday.

The company store that burned recently will, according to an authoritative statement, be erected in three months. They have very nice quarters in the Y. M. C. A. building, but a great deal too small for such a large business.

Mt. Zion Mission circle met in the church last Thursday. The subject: A glimpse of the Mission Field—South America—Acts 19:13-30, was led by Mrs. W. J. Jackson. The Circle will meet at the church again next Thursday and will be entertained by the president, Mrs. Sally Jackson.

Rev. Rivers, pastor of Bethel Mission has been on the sick list for nearly two weeks.

Mrs. Andrew Perkins is still sick, but much better at this writing than she was last week.

Mr. Henry Logan is quite sick this week.

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Mr. H. C. Brown, of Brown Bros. magazine was in Buxton last week.

Mr. Peter Abbingdon, 1st. Bass in the Tabernacle church choir is developing an excellent voice. He will probably be the profundo soloist in short while.

Rev. C. C. Calloway and wife have removed from 19th E Twelfth street to No. 3 E. Eighth street, with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abbingdon.

Don't forget that Dr. Willis is still extracting teeth and doing other dental work in first class shape. Call and see him at No. 4 West 1st street.

At the Sunday services at Tabernacle Baptist church the attendance was good. Two were received for baptism. Total collection for the day, \$22.00.

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- Rev. I. N. Daniels presiding officer.

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The following are the ushers as announced: Union Congregational—L. J. Shelton, E. Tracy Blagburn, F. P. Johnson, Hayes Bell and J. C. Williams; Berns M. E. church—Al Geiter, J. Turner, R. Poterfield, Jas. Bush and B. H. Johnson; Maple Street Baptist—Spencer Simmons, Earnest Ousley, D. Scott, Joseph Redd and Wm. Thornton; Corinthian Baptist—C. A. Garth, John Fassett, Emery Jackson, S. F. Armsted, and Vern Simmons; A. M. E. church—Oscar Glass, Branham N. Hyde, Joseph Stone, Willie Howard and Jesse Graves.

Reception Committee—S. Joe Brown, John L. Thompson and J. B. Rush.

### R. N. Hyde to New York.

Mr. R. N. Hyde, one of our leading business men and the only Western member of the Advisory Board of the Elks has been called to New York City, March 30th, to meet the Advisory Board, consisting of the Grand Exalted Ruler, Hon. Frank Wheaton, New York City; Grand Esteemed leading Knight, Nutter, of Charleston, W. Va., Grand Trustees, Eugene M. Johnson, N. Y. City, Edgar A. Still, Reading, Pa., R. N. Hyde, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. Hyde is now employed in the Iowa State Legislature, but he will plan to attend said Board meeting.

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### Washington Meeting Sunday.

The authorized statement regarding Dr. Washington's visit is as follows: He arrives here at 9:30 a. m., and speaks at 10:30 a. m. at the St. Paul

Episcopal church Ninth and High, and at the Plymouth Congregational church at 4:30 p. m., on Eighth and Pleasant street, and at a union of all the colored churches at 8 o'clock at Plymouth Congregational, Eighth and Pleasant St. Seats are free at all these meetings. No charges at the door. Everybody is invited. The public meeting has been called off.

### ROCK ISLAND NEWS.

Mr. H. W. Harding, of 1117 Thirtieth street, representing the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, wishes to announce the arrival of a supply of the March number of "The Crisis," a magazine edited by the association with "A Record of the Darker Race." The price is ten cents a copy, or eleven cents sent by mail.

Do you know that all the minor ailments colds are by far the most dangerous? It is not the cold itself that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that it often leads to. Most of these are known as germ diseases. Pneumonia and consumption are among them. Why not take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and cure your cold while you can? For sale by all druggists

## TRUE REFORMERS' EXTRA SESSION

Strong Efforts Being Made to Save Order From Total Failure.

### RETRENCHMENT OF FORCES.

Delegates From Twenty-seven States and a Large Number of Prominent Business Men Pledge Grand Master Holmes Their Loyal Support—Commissioner Button Gives Advice.

By GEORGE F. KING.

Richmond, Va.—The recent special session of the Grand United Order of True Reformers was the most representative one ever held by this great organization. Leading business men from over twenty-seven states were present. It is remarkable to note the harmony and general union among the delegates to save the organization. This meeting, consisting of more than 750 delegates, proves conclusively that the Negro is capable of conserving his financial interest in a legislative body. The meeting was presided over by Grand Master A. W. Holmes, who exhibited unusual ability.

Colonel Joseph Button, commissioner of insurance of Virginia, and Isaac Davenport, his actuary, visited the grand fountain and were received with great eclat. Their remarks were pregnant with sound advice. The colonel in part said: "I have a great interest in you people because your organization has done more for the uplift of the Negro than any other fraternity of your race."

The report of the grand master, which showed that \$54,000 had been raised since last October and that claims were rapidly being paid throughout the country, elicited great enthusiasm on the part of the body. The reports of Grand Worthy Secretary W. P. Burrell revealed many facts desired by the delegates. He

## LAWSON HEADS NEW MOVEMENT

Emancipation Commemorative Society Formed in Washington.

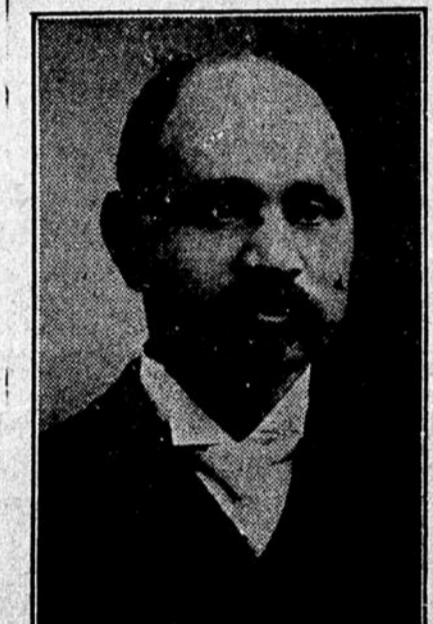
### TO HOLD NATIONAL JUBILEE.

Project Launched by Prominent Citizens in the Capital City For the Celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Freedom Embraces Many Novel Ideas and Tangible Features.

By OLIVER RANDOLPH.

Washington.—Steps looking toward the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation were taken recently when a special committee composed of some of Washington's representative colored citizens met in Lincoln Memorial temple, adopted plans and elected permanent officers for the carrying out of the project.

Professor Jesse Lawson was elected president of the movement, Edward



PROFESSOR JESSE LAWSON.

L. Scott secretary, and Rev. W. W. Mayle, superintendent of International Sunday school work and member of the editorial staff of the Washington American, was appointed chairman of the committee on publicity.

### Plans and Scope of the Movement.

The following plans were adopted: That we create and incorporate a permanent organization to be known, styled and called the Emancipation Commemorative society, with perpetual existence; that the organization shall consist of a president, one vice president for each state represented in the society, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a financial secretary, an executive committee consisting of the several chairmen of the subordinate committees, viz. committees on finance, program, printing, invitations, speakers, music, legislation, public comfort, publicity, decoration, art and reception; that the society shall hold a semi-centennial in 1913 commensurate with the progress of the colored people during the last fifty years; that the celebration be held in Washington in 1913; that it be national in character and that the people from all parts of the country be invited to participate in it; that the plan and scope be such as to



REV. W. W. MAYLE.

show to the best advantage the progress of the race since emancipation; that the celebration be styled "a national jubilee in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation."

### Proposed Building to Be Erected.

At least one building of the proposed celebration should be of a permanent structure so as to provide a place for the meeting of the annual congress. It should contain a commodious auditorium, a library containing all the works of colored authors and all of the books about colored people by whomsoever written, an industrial hall in which exhibits showing the industry of the race might be placed, an art gallery in which could be exhibited the art of the colored people of the world, an art studio where our aspiring youth might work out their creations under proper directions and a hall of fame providing a niche for the bust or slab to the memory of Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, John Brown, Charles Sumner, Thaddeus Stevens, William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglass, Wendell Phillips, Owen Lovejoy, Joshua R. Giddings, Lucretia Mott, Henry Ward Beecher, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Robert Purvis, George A. Downing, John M. Langston and others.

### Ridings Left Nothing to Tuskegee.

The Tuskegee (Ala.) Student denies the statement which appeared recently in many papers throughout the country to the effect that the late Henry Riddings of Sioux City, Ia., in his will bequeathed \$30,000 to the Tuskegee institute. There is no provision in Mr. Riddings' will for Tuskegee institute, and the school often suffers from just such statements as this.

### BUXTON BRIEFS.

L. H. Phillips made a flying trip to Colfax last Friday, returning Sunday. Clarence Morrison was hurt in No. 12 Mine, Monday, and is seen on crutches these days. He is not seriously hurt however, and we hope he will soon be well and strong again.

The ladies of Household of Ruth gave a very pleasant surprise party for Mrs. Ella Johnson last Wednesday evening, bringing with them many useful and beautiful gifts.

Mrs. Losh Tandy gave a party for her little daughter, Edith, who was eight years old Tuesday. Quite a number of her little friends gathered at the home from 2:30 to 6:00 and spent a very pleasant afternoon.

Mr. Jake Wilson, who is sojourning in Des Moines, was in Buxton a few days last week, returning to Des Moines Monday.

The Sunday School Union will meet at Bethel Mission next Sunday at 3 p. A good program will be rendered. All are cordially invited to be present.

The Self Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Anna Lobbins in Cooper-ton, Wednesday, March 1st. After the regular opening of the meeting they proceeded to elect the following officers for the ensuing year: President.....Mrs. Belle Carter Vice-Pres.....Mrs. Ella Yancy Secretary.....Mrs. Helen Granbury Assistant Sec'y, Mrs. Hattie Hutchison Treasurer.....Mrs. Maggie Burkett Chaplain.....Mrs. Kate Brown Sargeant at Arms.....Mrs. Rosa Allen

The club then adjourned to meet with Mrs. Russell on Tenth street.

A bright eyed girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morrison, last Thursday, March 2d. Mother and daughter doing fine and the youthful papa is all smiles.

The Fidelity club entertained at St. John's A. M. E. church last Thursday evening with a program.

Services were extra well attended at Mt. Zion church last Sunday morning. Almost every seat in the house was taken. Rev. Woodard read the covenant and many expressed desires to renew their covenant with the Lord. Rev. Calloway and his members came over to the 3 p. m. meeting at which time the Lord's supper was administered.

Rev. Calloway is still having good and well attended services on Sunday, and as soon as the weather permits he will observe the ordinance of baptism as a result of the recent revival meeting held in the church.

Clarence Wilson is carrying a lame foot these days as the result of a slight accident.

Mrs. W. A. Brown returned from Council Bluffs and Omaha, Friday a. m. where she had been to look after the work of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission circles.

The B. Y. P. U. was led by Miss Ide-elia Jones last Sunday. The sub-lessons from great lives: Moses Ex. 3:1-14. Miss Veetta Steps will give a solo at the meeting next Sunday.

The company store that burned recently will, according to an authoritative statement, be erected in three months. They have very nice quarters in the Y. M. C. A. building, but a great deal too small for such a large business.

Mt. Zion Mission circle met in the church last Thursday. The subject: A glimpse of the Mission Field—South America—Acts 19:18-30, was led by Mrs. W. J. Jackson. The Circle will meet at the church again next Thursday and will be entertained by the president, Mrs. Sally Jackson.

Rev. Rivers, pastor of Bethel Mission has been on the sick list for nearly two weeks.

Mrs. Andrew Perkins is still sick, but much better at this writing than she was last week.

Mr. Henry Logan is quite sick this week.

The officers of the B. Y. P. U. met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown, Monday evening to discuss the work and plan for greater and better work in the future.

Mr. H. C. Brown, of Brown Bros. magazine was in Buxton last week.

Mr. Peter Abbingtion, 1st. Bass in the Tabernacle church choir is developing an excellent voice. He will probably be the profuro soloist in short while.

Rev. C. C. Calloway and wife have removed from 19th E. Twelfth street to No. 3 E. Eighth street, with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abbingtion.

Don't forget that Dr. Willis is still extracting teeth and doing other dental work in first class shape. Call and see him at No. 4 West 1st street.

At the Sunday services at Tabernacle Baptist church the attendance was good. Two were received for baptism. Total collection for the day, \$22.00.

For Diseases of the Skin.

Nearly all diseases of the skin as eczema, tetter, salt rheum and barbers' itch, are characterized by an intense itching and smarting, which often makes life a burden and disturbs sleep and rest. Quick relief may be had by applying Chamberlain's Salve. It allays the itching and smarting almost instantaneously. Many cases have been cured by its use. For sale by all dealers.

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In the Economy Basement

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- Five shot hammerless repeating rifle for shot or ball, like cut, priced 2.48.
- Army canteen with leather straps, 50c.
- Army folding meat pans, each 35c.
- \$4 English sword, each 50c.
- U. S. Army felt hats, (New) each \$1.50.
- U. S. Army blankets, fine wool, extra heavy, pair \$6.50.

### Special in men's wear

In the Economy Basement

- Men's work socks 7c
- Men's heavy weight Rockford socks with knit tops. Blue or brown mixed. 4 pair 25c. Pair.....7c
- Guaranteed socks 10c
- Men's plain grey, tan, navy and black socks in all sizes. Every pair guaranteed by the maker. Will wear extra well. Specially good value at.....10c
- Underwear at 39c
- Men's fine Derby ribbed shirts and drawers. Fine, elastic weave. Medium weight. A good value at 50c. special, at garment.....39c
- Negligee shirts 50c
- Shirts. Made in the regular or coat style, with cuff attached. Sizes 14 to 17 1/2, at.....50c

### PRESIDENT A. W. HOLMES.

stated that he had sounded the alarm for years about the czar-like procedure of W. L. Taylor, the de-throned head of the order.

All reports were carefully audited by men on committees who were financiers. Prominent among them were Professor R. B. McRary, Adolphus Humbles, estimated to be worth over \$200,000; Dr. James E. Dudley, president of the North Carolina A. and M. College For Afro-Americans; Dr. J. E. Dellinger, Dr. John Merrilweather, Dr. W. T. Johnson and Dr. W. F. Gralatta. The policy of the order is retrenchment. Salaries of several officers were reduced. The field force was reduced by declaring vacant the offices of two deputy generals; the real estate department was abolished; the offices of manager and editor of the Reformer, the official organ, were combined, and B. A. Graves, who was formerly manager, was elected for said positions.

J. C. Newsome of Newport News, Va., was elected attorney for the order. The delegates expressed implicit confidence in Dr. John E. Merrilweather, a wealthy and conservative business and professional man of Richmond, Va., and he was elected grand worthy treasurer, which position was formerly held by R. T. Hill.

Intelligence and sane business judgment was supreme at this session, and the following representative people from various sections of the country were elected to the board: A. W. Holmes, Richmond, Va.; W. L. Anderson, Beaver Dam, Va.; George E. Morris, Morristown, N. J.; W. P. Burrell, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Rosa Thompson, Philadelphia; Dr. John E. Merrilweather, Richmond, Va.; Dr. James B. Dudley and Dr. J. E. Dellinger, Greensboro, N. C.; Adolphus Humbles, Lynchburg, Va.; W. R. Griffin, Washington; Dr. W. T. Johnson, Richmond, Va.; Floyd Ross, St. Louis; Lee Trent, Pittsburg, and Joseph Ward, Richmond, Va.

The other officers elected were L. D. Hodde, G. W. G. Montgomery, W. Va.; H. Brown, G. W. A. G. Annapolis, Md.; J. R. Wilson, G. W. P. G. Danville, Va.; Mrs. M. I. Howard, G. W. R. H., Atlanta, Ga.; M. J. Gibson, G. W. L. G., Indianapolis, Ind.



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# Iowa State Bystander

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DES MOINES, IOWA

For the time being gasoline is the favorite perfume.

People who keep their sidewalks clean deserve at least honorable mention.

If one swallow doesn't make a summer, what don't three robins make? Spring!

Manuel is to get \$39,600 a year. Perhaps there is something in the king business after all.

When rats are not disseminating the bubonic plague they are engaged in other nefarious practices.

All the world loves a lover, but as to these noblemen who seek American girls with money it is merely curious.

If these New Jersey people think that "hello" verges on profanity" what must they think of "line is busy"?

Think how many hen's eggs young McLean could have bought with the money he paid for that Hope diamond!

Paris is making a move to elevate the moral tone of its literature and its art. There is room for the exercise of its efforts.

A Colorado couple who were divorced in 1875 have just been married again. Sometimes second thoughts come a long time afterward.

A Chicago girl captured a bandit who tried to grab her pocket book. Rapidity will learn in time to confine their operations to the less resourceful male sex.

If they take the exaggerated shoulders away from the men and the rats away from the women hotel matrons might achieve additional softness.

A Boston theologian declares that the story of Adam and Eve is merely a parable. But the old Adam, who blamed everything on his wife, is nobody's fiction.

Thirty per cent. of the students at the University of Wisconsin are round shouldered. Another argument against the over development of gray matter in our youth.

A man was sent to a hospital in New York for examination as to his sanity because he thought himself a fish. Maybe somebody told him he was in the swim.

Asheville, N. C., has a "Jack the Kisser" scare, but we dimly perceive that this may only be an advertisement for the place as a summer resort for old maids.

The aeroplane has been developed far enough to warrant less enthusiasm in offering prizes for flights and more attention to the development of a practical parachute.

One marriage out of every three in San Francisco ends in divorce, according to one who delves in such things. Apparently matrimonial earthquakes are common there, too.

Innovating dressmakers may try to banish the waist line from the feminine form divine; but enterprising man will continue to seek, locate and restore it with his strong right arm.

Not content with the hobble skirt, those Parisian intriguers have sprung the "trouser gown" on us. Possibly the pantaloons effect is expected to make a hit with suffragettes.

Corset coats for men are reported to be recommended by the fashionable tailors. Evidently the fashionable tailors have faith in the theory that men are turning from foolishness.

And now a physician blames the spread of infantile paralysis on fleas. What? Fleas on tiny ity tootsie wootsie? Let the doctor prepare for an onslaught of highly insulted mothers.

A beauty expert says that to keep their mouths beautiful, women must shut them. Here is the sex confronted with the most harrowing alternative ever presented to distracted human choice.

An educator asserts that aeroplanes will abolish war. Which looks like working up a movement to have the Carnegie Peace board use a half million a year in subsidizing aeroplanes factories.

New York woman says that the feminine throat loses its beautiful contour in making the hissing "s" sound so characteristic of English. As in "Yes!"

The Aero Club of America has acted commendably in taking steps looking to lessening of danger in aviation. One proposition is that machines shall be examined more closely before any attempt at flying is permitted. This is a simple precaution which should be easily taken.

A New York physician tells us that he can cure old age. We have also heard of men who thought they had discovered the secret of perpetual motion. Strange to say, the physician is not St. Matheawan.

Down in Philadelphia an heiress takes pride in the fact that she has wooed and won a Russian fiddler. Not all the inhabitants of Philadelphia are slow.

Now we hear of an order issued by a railroad forbidding the holders of passes to occupy seats in crowded trains. This is construed by a contemporary as "aimed at the complete demise of the deadhead," but it seems to others to hit harder the recent local action that passes have been abolished.

# DAIRY TRAIN NOTES

Interest Along the Line of the Special Train is Intense

## INCREASE OF BUTTER YIELD

The Burlington Dairy Special in Its Tour Through Southern Iowa Meets Enthusiastic Reception at Every Stop.

Dairy special trains will cause the average Iowa cow to yield 100 pounds more butter each year.

This is the statement made by Hugh G. Van Pelt, Iowa state dairy expert, after carefully studying conditions on the present Iowa tour of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy dairy train through southern Iowa.

"There are 1,500,000 cows in Iowa," said Mr. Van Pelt. "This means an increase of 150,000,000 pounds of butter annually. This is worth \$37,500,000."

"The reception with which the train is received at all points is an index of the great interest the people are taking in the work."

A year ago a similar dairy special was run through the same territory. Representatives of the Iowa State Dairy association are conducting a campaign of comparisons to ascertain the actual results of the dairy education. It has been found that in the vicinity of almost every town six to twenty silos have been built in the last twelve months. One man met the train at Garden Grove and gave figures to Professor Van Pelt upon which the expert based his statement concerning the increase of butter production because of the extension work.

## Win Prizes in Missouri Contest.

Ames.—The famous "five-acre farm" contest held by the state poultry board of Missouri has just closed. This contest consisted in laying out a five-acre poultry farm, drawing up plans for all the buildings and giving a detailed estimate of the profit and loss for three years. There were more than 200 contestants from nineteen different states. The following are the names of the first three winners: Frank E. Mika, Ames, five-acre farm; Miss Lillie S. Tidwell, Arkansas City, Kas., Prairie State incubator; Rud H. Hicken, Ames, Ia., five sacks poultry feed.

F. E. Mika, who won first and has had five acres of Missouri land deeded to him by the governor of Missouri, is superintendent of the Iowa state college poultry farm. Mr. R. H. Hicken, who came in third, is also an Iowa boy and a student taking poultry work at Iowa state college.

## Plans New Auto Road.

Hampton.—Good roads and dairy meetings are in session here. Practice Rawson, good road expert, W. B. Barney, state dairy commissioner; Professor Van Pelt, state dairy expert, and F. L. Odell, government dairy expert, are in charge of the meetings.

There has been considerable talk favoring the putting through of an automobile road from Ackley to Sheffield. The road would begin at Ackley and run through Geneva, Hampton, Chapin and then to Sheffield.

## Grinnell Has \$5,000 Fire.

Grinnell.—Fire broke out in the Grinnell Herald building on Sunday and did damage of about \$5,000 before being extinguished.

How the blaze started is not known. It originated in the Herald composing room, which was destroyed. The press and other rooms, however, were saved from the fire.

The Herald building is owned by Ray & Cowden and the Herald by Ray & Frisbie. All the damage is fully covered by insurance.

## Pupils' Teeth Examined.

Waterloo.—Waterloo is the first city in the state to have a complete examination of the teeth of grade pupils made at the instance of the board of education and superintendent, and the results of the recent examination of nearly 2,000 children in West Waterloo will be awaited with interest.

## Scottish Rite-Masons Meet.

Clinton.—The annual winter reunion of DeMolay consistory No. 1, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, at the Scottish Rite cathedral, attracted visitors from many parts of the state. There was a large class of candidates for the thirty-second degree.

## New Farm Publication.

Ames.—"Profitable Breeding and Farming" is the title of a new livestock and agricultural paper soon to be issued from the office of the Nevada Journal. The paper will be devoted particularly to the interests of the farmers and breeders of Central Iowa.

## Maaster Head of Alliance.

Cedar Falls.—The meeting of the Cedar Falls district convention of the Young People's alliance, closed here after an interesting three days' session. W. F. Maaster, Waverly, was elected president, and W. H. Brunn, Waterloo, vice-president.

## Bluffs Man Kills Himself.

Council Bluffs.—The dead body of J. S. Virtue was found by his wife hanging to a rafter in the barn. It is believed he killed himself during a fit of temporary insanity.

## Boost for State Bureau.

Davenport.—Reasons why Iowa should have a state publicity bureau and an annual appropriation for research and publicity work are pointed out in a circular issued by the Greater Davenport committee.

## Many Die of Scarlet Fever.

Red Oak.—The scarlet fever epidemic here is on the increase and although fifteen families are quarantined the disease spreads. Since it started in the fall there have been fifteen deaths.

# ON THE JOB ONCE MORE.

Railroads Will Extend.  
Des Moines.—In an interview with a gentleman fully qualified to talk of the matter he stated that "The fact that the Rock Island soon will possess a through route from St. Paul to Kansas City via Des Moines and Allerton, suggests the company may contemplate extending its track southward from Allerton to Eldon, Mo., to a connection with the Kansas City-St. Louis line, and thus give the Rock Island entrance to St. Louis over its own rails from St. Paul and Minneapolis. Connection could be made from St. Louis by constructing a line from a point on the Kansas City-Chicago route to that extending from St. Louis to Kansas City. Traffic by any other route would make it necessary for the Rock Island to go far roundabout and then divide the business with either the Burlington, the Washburn or the Missouri Pacific. That the Great Western contemplates substantial improvements in its roadbed, time schedules and expedition of moving freight traffic is suggested by the present activity of President S. M. Felton in arranging for an early spring campaign for the repair or replacement of bridges. Yesterday Mr. Felton, accompanied by C. Millard, division engineer, and W. B. Causey, superintendent of the southwestern division, left the city in Mr. Felton's car for a tour of inspection of the bridges between Des Moines and Oelwein, with the view of placing these and the culverts and road crossings in condition for fast train service to meet the competition of the Rock Island with its contemplated shorter route from the Twin Cities to Kansas City via the St. Paul & Des Moines."

## New Interurban Line.

Des Moines.—This city is now to be linked to Lehigh and Webster City by direct interurban lines. The Fort Dodge, Des Moines & Southern announces that it will at once begin the construction of a new line from Lehigh to Lehigh. From Lehigh to Webster City the interurban cars will be run over the old Crooked Creek railroad, which is now being electrified.

Lundgren is a station on the main line of the Fort Dodge Interurban just north of Harcourt and the new line from that point to Lehigh, the well known mining town, will be about eight miles in length. Engineers are already at work on the final survey and in the making of plans for the construction. From Lehigh to Webster City over the old Crooked Creek line is a distance of about ten miles.

Purchase of the Crooked Creek line was made by the interurban several months ago, and the work of electrifying it has already been in progress for some time. When that work is completed and when the new line from Lundgren to Lehigh is finished, the Fort Dodge Interurban will establish direct traffic between Webster City, Lehigh and Des Moines.

## Ben Hur Tribe to Meet.

Marshalltown.—The sixth annual convention of the Tribe of Ben Hur of Iowa, a fraternal organization, will be held in this city on Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24. Many social features are being planned in honor of the visitors by the local court.

Dr. Royal Girard of Crawfordsville, Ind., supreme chief of the order, is to be in attendance. M. L. Lawrence of Sioux City is president of the Iowa organization, and Mrs. S. A. Case of Council Bluffs, secretary. Cedar Rapids, Okla. and Mason City are bidding for the 1912 convention.

## Butter Makers to Help Barney.

Des Moines.—To help creamery men from Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Minnesota and Illinois met in Des Moines and appointed a committee to assist Food and Dairy Commissioner Barney in the enforcement of the Iowa pure food laws. The committee appointed to assist Mr. Barney is made up of J. W. Fowler, Grinnell; H. B. Dunlap, Des Moines; W. S. Wilcox, Mason City; F. A. Leighton, Des Moines and J. J. Jeck, Atlantic.

How to better the butter making of Iowa was the principal subject for discussion.

## County Clubs to Organize.

Ottumwa.—The farmers of Wapello county will organize a county club for the purpose of discussing better methods of farming. This action is the result of a visit here of J. W. Johnson of the extension department of Ames college, who is endeavoring to organize the state in county clubs to secure better results from the farms of Iowa.

## Church Burns at Waterloo.

Waterloo.—Fire of unknown origin in the choir loft Sunday morning, destroyed the \$5,000 pipe organ and damaged the new First Methodist \$75,000 church to the extent of \$15,000 and forced a postponement of the dedicatory exercises which were to have been held later in the day. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

## Thrown by His Horse; Hurt.

Perry.—George Podmore, 23, was seriously injured when he was thrown from a horse. The horse stepped on his face while he was being on the ground, crushing his jaw and knocking out most of his teeth. He was taken to Mercy hospital, Des Moines.

## Preacher Ill in Chicago.

Decorah.—Rev. John Willard, well known throughout this section of the state, suffered a stroke of paralysis in Chicago.

## Coifax Wins Second Prize.

Coifax.—Coifax local W. R. C. won second place in the W. R. C. state contest for new members during 1910. The president of the Davenport corps initiated thirty-six new members, while Coifax's list reached thirty-four.

## Perry Man Loses Eyesight.

Perry.—As the result of being punched in the eye with a hat pin protruding from a woman's hat at a dance, Joe Pattee will lose the sight of one eye.



# BALLINGER RESIGNS

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR PRESENTS RESIGNATION AND TAFT APPOINTS WALTER L. FISHER.

## GIVES ILL HEALTH AS REASON

Retiring Official Bases His Request Entirely Upon His Condition and Receives Warm Praise in Letter From the President.

Washington.—Richard A. Ballinger's resignation as secretary of the interior was accepted by President Taft and Walter L. Fisher of Chicago was Tuesday appointed as his successor.

Mr. Ballinger tendered his resignation in a letter on January 19, being on the condition of his health. The president replied at once, expressing his confidence in Secretary Ballinger, his reluctance to accept his resignation, and requested the secretary to remain in office until the close of the session of congress. Immediately on the adjournment of congress Secretary Ballinger renewed his request.

Tuesday President Taft, in a letter, formally accepted the resignation and Mr. Fisher was appointed as his successor, his commission being signed immediately by the president. Mr. Fisher will take office immediately.

The correspondence between the president and the secretary is not voluminous, but displays beyond question the confidence which Mr. Taft has reposed in Mr. Ballinger throughout the long siege and the indignation on the secretary's personal and official integrity.

"I have had the fullest opportunity," the president says in his letter accepting the resignation, "to know you, to know your standards of service to the government and the public, to know your motives, to know how you have administered your office and to know the motives of those who have assailed you."

"I do not hesitate to say that you have been the object of one of the most unscrupulous conspiracies for the defamation of character that history can show."

And in the conclusion of his letter the president declares that "every fiber of my nature rebels against such hypocrisy" (referring to the attacks on Ballinger's character) "and nerves me to fight such a combination and such methods to the bitter end, lest success in this instance may form a demoralizing precedent. But personal consideration for you and yours makes me feel that I have no right to ask for a further sacrifice."

The president goes on to declare it evident that he has been himself the ultimate object of the attack, and says that to insist on Mr. Ballinger's remaining in office "with the prospects of further efforts against you, is selfishly to impose on you more of a burden than I ought to impose."

## Ninety Burned to Death.

St. Petersburg.—Ninety persons, many of them children, were burned to death and forty others injured in a fire that destroyed a moving picture theater at Hologos Monday.

In the stampede that followed the first appearance of the flames forty or more persons were burned and crushed. Many of these are expected to die. The toll of death may reach 125.

## Moor Kills a Frenchman.

Melilla, Morocco.—E. Mangin, the chief of the French military mission at Fez, was killed by the son of the Moorish minister of war Tuesday, because the officer had caused the execution of two native soldiers.

## Wisconsin Judge Is Accused.

Milwaukee.—Dispatches from Crandon, county seat of Forest county, northern Wisconsin, say County Judge John A. Walsh was arrested Tuesday on charges of grafting in sums of \$300 named in each warrant.

## German Prince at Cairo.

Cairo, Egypt.—The German Crown Prince Frederick William arrived here Monday from Suez and was welcomed at the railway station by the khedive, the ministers and the diplomatic resident here. He will spend some time in Egypt.

## Author of 'Il Santo' Dead.

Venice, Italy.—Antonio Fogazzaro, the author of "Il Santo," died Monday. Fogazzaro, who was sixty-nine years of age, was operated on recently for cancer of the liver.

# STARTS ON LONG TRIP

ROOSEVELT TO TOUR THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

## Will Participate in Many Important Events During the Next Two Months.

New York.—Former President Roosevelt left Wednesday on a two months' tour of the south and southwest. A \$10,000 dinner, a reunion of the Rough Riders, a day spent in presiding over ceremonies to be held in the town of Roosevelt, Ariz., to mark the opening of the Roosevelt dam, one of the greatest engineering feats in the west, and long hunting and fishing trips in and about the Rockies are some of the things which will enliven the peregrinations of the former president.

In Birmingham he addressed a Child Labor Commission. New Orleans entertained the ex-Rough Rider with a \$10,000 banquet given under the auspices of the Commercial club of Louisiana. The annual convention of "Cattle Raisers," one of the most powerful organizations in the state of Texas, was addressed by the Colonel at San Antonio. The next stop in the itinerary was Albuquerque, N. M., where the ex-Rough Rider spent two days among his old friends of the saddle. From there he went to Grand Canyon, Ariz., where a short address was delivered. Then on to Phoenix for the opening of the Roosevelt dam.

In Los Angeles, Colonel Roosevelt will speak at the invitation of Governor Johnson of that state. San Francisco, the termination of his trans-continental trip, will receive some ten days of his time. Here he will divide his time between the University of California, at Berkeley, where he will deliver the Earl lectures, six in number; and his headquarters in the city where he will receive visitors from the Pacific slope.

No definite arrangements, other than a personal promise to be present at the opening of the new Y. M. C. A. building at Reno, have been made, though it is probable that he will visit friends in Oregon and Nevada for an intermediate period, after which he will visit Seattle and Spokane. No speeches to be delivered in those states are yet announced; nor is the length of his stay. At the conclusion of his visit he will probably go to some place in Idaho, thence to Sand Point, Montana, and home through the north and middle west.

## SEVEN INDICTED FOR FRAUD

Alaskan Development Company Officials Accused of Using 300 Citizens to Make Coal Entries.

Detroit, Mich.—Government investigation into alleged Alaskan land frauds involving approximately 48,000 acres of land, valued at more than \$50,000,000, resulted in the issuance Monday of an indictment by the local federal jury, charging seven individuals with conspiracy against the United States. The defendants are Wilbur W. McAlpine, Albert H. Roehme, George W. Ross, Frank D. Andrus, Arthur Holmes and McCurdy C. Le Beau, all of Detroit, and John M. Bushnell of Chicago. The foregoing are officials of a company known as the Michigan-Alaska Development company.

## 10,000 Strikers in Chicago.

Chicago.—A general strike of building trades, tying up the entire building industry in Chicago and involving probably 10,000 workers was called Wednesday as the result of the filing of a petition for an injunction by the steamfitters, against which organization the plumbers, members of the Building Trades council, are fighting. By ordering a general strike before the injunction proceedings, instituted before Judge Gridley, could be heard, the officials of the trades council executed a coup.

## Legislature Is Held Legal.

Columbus, O.—The present session of the Ohio general assembly is constitutional. The supreme court handed down that ruling Tuesday, thus making all acts of the legislature effective. There had been a question as to the constitutionality of the session.

## Columbia Budget \$2,775,000.

New York.—The budget of Columbia university for the academic year 1911-12 calls for a total expenditure of \$2,775,000, the largest on record.

# TELL OF PROGRESS

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS OPENS AT ATLANTA.

Presence of Prominent Men From All Sections of Country Adds Dignity to Gathering.

Atlanta, Ga.—The presence of President Taft, Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Secretary of War Dickinson, Woodrow Wilson, governor of New Jersey, together with all the governors of the southern states and some of the foremost business men of the nation at the opening of the Southern Commercial congress here Wednesday added dignity to a convention whose importance to the country at large and to the south in particular will be second to none. Coming as it does just fifty years after the division of the states in civil strife, it exemplifies that great commercial union that has sprung from the ashes of a dead revolution to bind the North and the South firmly in the bonds of mutual interest.

Three men of world-wide reputation occupied the attention of the convention with addresses of much interest. Secretary Wilson delivered a speech on agriculture in the South, George Westinghouse spoke on "Electricity in the Development of the South," and George W. Perkins addressed the convention on "Business Efficiency in Southern Progress."

During the three days of the convention many speeches were delivered. These discourses were headed by a speech from Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida on "The Southern Renaissance." The second speech of national importance will be by Senator Money of Mississippi on "The Obligation of the Panama Canal." The third national utterance was from the lips of Former Senator James Gordon of Mississippi, who brought a message "From Yesterday to Today." He was followed by Dr. Clarence J. Owens, commander-in-chief of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, who spoke on "Today and Tomorrow." Colonel Roosevelt was the fifth speaker. President Taft made the closing remarks of the convention, taking for his topic, "A Greater Nation Through a Greater South."

## BUSINESS NOT TO SUFFER

Democratic Leaders Say Sanity and Common Sense Will Be Rule on Tariff Question.

Washington.—Responsible leaders in the senate and house made it plain that it is not the purpose of the Democratic party in the extra session to "run amuck" on the tariff question. Senator Owen, the new leader of the progressive Democracy in the upper house; Senators Bacon and Overman, and Champ Clark, who is to be speaker, have declared that sanity and common sense will be the rule of action of their party.

According to the program these representative men have talked over the reciprocity agreement is to be ratified and those schedules that involve monopoly controlled products and the necessities of life will be revised. The remainder of the schedules will be left for the regular session. There will be no wholesale revision and no upsetting of business generally. While the reciprocity agreement is under way in the senate the house committee will work out its scheme of revision regarding wool and cotton, woolen and cotton goods, flour, dressed meats and other necessities of life and probably agricultural implements.

Whatever action the Democrats may take it will compensate the farmer for the free admission of agricultural products from Canada and remove from his shoulders the burden of carrying the entire load of tariff taxation. In return for free farm products from Canada the farmer is to be given either free or at greatly reduced rates the articles he consumes and the implements with which he raises his crops.

The general business interests will not suffer, unless it be the agricultural implement trust.

## HIGH COURT UPHOLDS BLAIR

Disfranchisement of 1,000 Voters by Adams County, Judge Ratified by Ohio Supreme Tribunal.

Portsmouth, O.—More than 100 indictments will in all probability be reported in Scioto county by the grand jury as the result of a decision by the Ohio supreme court upholding the disfranchisement of more than 1,000 voters in Adams county by Judge A. Z. Blair. When those disfranchisements were taken to the supreme court, Judge Blair dropped the investigation of Scioto county's affairs and waited until his action in Adams county was ratified by the bench. Now the probe will go on and these indictments may be returned this week.

## Rear Admiral, Fremont Dies.

Boston.—Rear Admiral John Charles Fremont, commandant of the Charles-ton navy yard, fell dead of heart disease in his home at the navy yard Wednesday. He was born in San Francisco in 1849.

## Price of Champagne Going Up.

New York.—Locals from Paris Wednesday to advise wine importers indicate that an advance between \$5 and \$10 a case on champagne is contemplated by the French wine growers this year.

## Apponyi Sails for Home.

New York.—Count Albert Apponyi sailed for his home in Hungary Tuesday after a lecture tour here advocating universal peace. The count said he was delighted with his audience and hoped to return to the United States in the near future.

## Fund for Peace Workers.

New York.—As a fund to be spent liberally for preventing strikes, \$10,000 has been given to the Women's Trade Union League of this city by an anonymous donor.

# TROOPS ARE MOVING

SHIPS AND MEN ARE NOW EN ROUTE TO TEXAS AND CALIFORNIA.

## MEXICAN TALK IS FOR PEACE

Ambassador Sends Word to Diaz Assuring Him Concentration of American Forces Along Border Was Not for Occupation of His Country.

Washington.—With the United States showing great activity in mobilizing troops and ships along the Mexican border and the lower Pacific coast, the war maneuver game started renewed gossip that the United States had been asked by Mexico to intervene in its internal strife, notwithstanding emphatic denials on the part of representatives of the Diaz government.

Senator De la Barra, the Mexican ambassador, declares the mobilization of troops is not to be interpreted as a forerunner of intervention, so far as his government is concerned. He insists President Diaz is able to cope with his own affairs without any outside help.

President Taft and his cabinet insist the army and navy movement is merely a test and is not to be looked upon as having anything to do with Mexico.

Telegrams are pouring into the headquarters of the army showing that the movement of troops is proceeding with the smoothness and regularity of clockwork. More than 100 telegrams already have been received, and the celerity with which the orders have been carried out, it is said in military quarters, would give the impression that the movement was an every-day occurrence. Not a hitch has been encountered, and practically the entire force of 20,000 men is now en route to the lower part of Texas and California.

The troops are equipped with ball cartridges, although it is the invariable practice to supply troops with blank ammunition for practice exercises or peaceful maneuvers.

The orders to the troops stationed at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., have depleted that post and the war department ordered one battalion of the Second Infantry at Fort Assiniboine, Mont., to Fort D. A. Russell to care for that station. This was the only additional order for the movement of the soldiers issued by Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army.

The navy department is continuing its preparations for the dispatch of the Fifth division of the Atlantic fleet and the large detachment of marines of Guantanamo, Cuba. The marines are being assembled at Philadelphia for transportation on the Dixie and Prairie. The men, with their accoutrements and supplies, are reaching the Pennsylvania port in perfect order and smoothness.

The four armored cruisers of the Fifth division, under Rear Admiral Staunton, are being supplied with their full complement of bluejackets. There were some vacancies in the personnel of the division when the orders were first issued to the vessels. These are being filled promptly from the enlisted force of the navy and the complements of the ships will be complete before the ships sail, which probably will be in a few days.

The Mexican embassy issued a statement branding as preposterous reports current that the Mexican government was looking to the United States for aid in regulating its internal affairs.

Mexico City.—The American embassy advised Minister Creel that it had received instructions from Washington to communicate with President Diaz and assure the latter that the concentration of troops along the Mexican border did not have as its object the occupation of Mexican territory.

## Say Diaz Is Dead.

Washington.—Representatives of the Mexican revolutionists here Wednesday evening gave out the report that President Diaz of Mexico was dead.

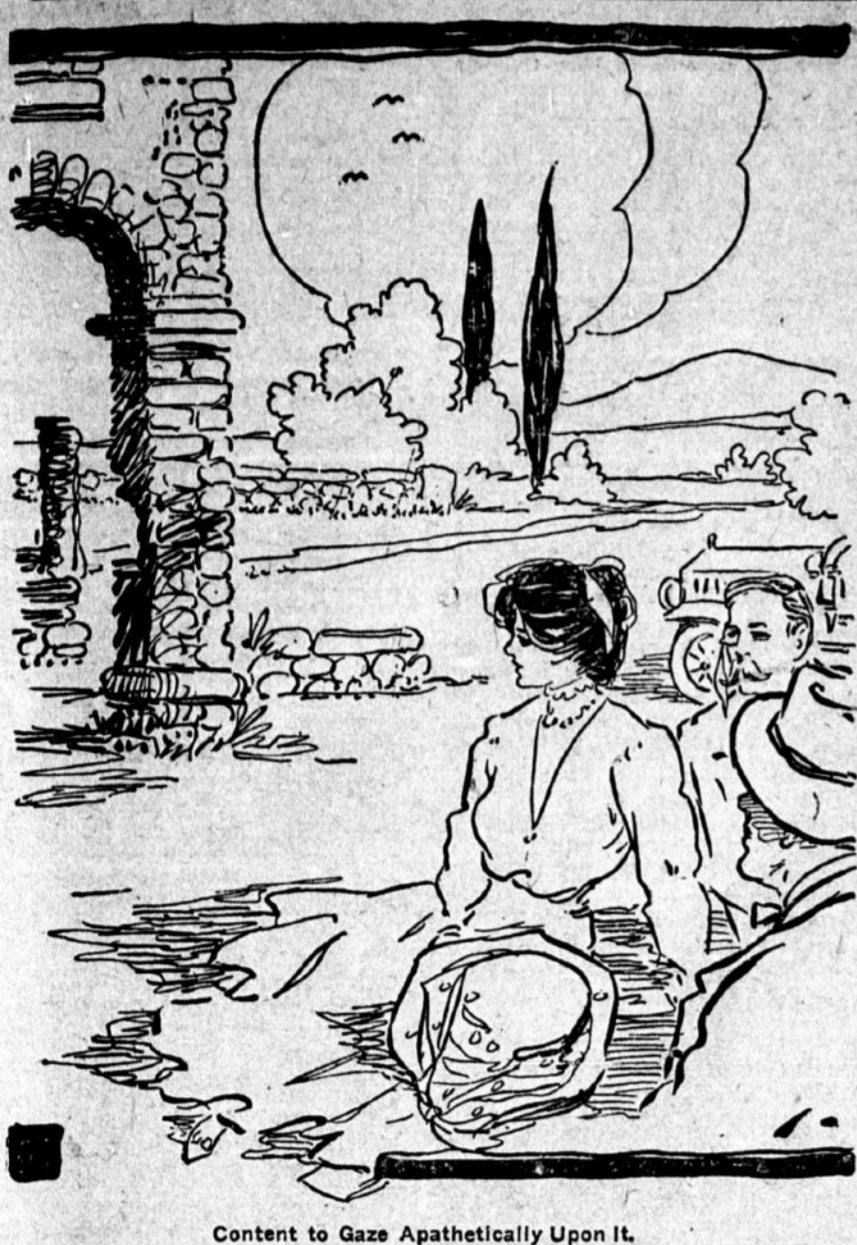
They stated that they had received a number of telegrams to substantiate this announcement, but admitted that they had received no authentic information.

A message was received at the Mexican embassy from Enrico Creel, minister of foreign affairs, reading: "The health of President Diaz is excellent."

## CANNON SPURNS \$500 A DAY

"Too Busy" Is Reply Telegraphed Back by Illinois Representative to Lyeum Bureau.

Washington.—"Five hundred dollars a night for 100 nights," was an offer telegraphed from a western lyeum bureau to Representative Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois. "Too busy" was



Content to Gaze Apathetically Upon It.

# ARCHIBALD'S AGATHA

By EDITH HUNTINGTON MASON  
AUTHOR OF "THE REAL AGATHA"

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## SYNOPSIS.

Dearest had been delayed with making arrangements for our picnic, and the others, the inevitable Freer, Arch and the two Agathas, had started slowly on ahead.

## CHAPTER VI.—Continued.

"Our marriage," I corrected. "Naturally," she said indignantly and laughed. "But I've always admired her," she went on. "She's so big and strong and has such tremendous vital force. I'm a little surprised that any one of such an open character could develop into such a plotter. It's all so frightful and underhand somehow. Why can't she come and tell me frankly all about it, whatever it is?"

## CHAPTER VII.

We arrived at the group of walks which formed the goal of our rambles in good time, although the others were there ahead of us and were just spreading a cloth and taking things out of the automobile which had met them there, as we came up.

And maybe it wasn't good fun sitting there on a lot of jolly boulders and clumps of rock that I had collected with great pains and arranged at intervals about the cloth, grinning at each other across its goodly array of picnic dainties.

Dearest is a famous hand at planning that sort of thing. We had camped upon a small rise in the middle of an open space where great oak trees cut us off from sight of the road on the one hand, and broad meadows and wooded slopes fell away toward Hartsmere stream on the other; the latter streaking the green of it all with silver a field or two away.

Close at hand the ruined chapel or convent which we had come to see pilled itself in picturesque confusion, and we had reached that point in our merry-making when we were simply content to gaze apathetically upon it and listen uncomprehendingly to Freer's recital of the story with never flagging accuracy and zeal.

He knows everything that chapel! And is disgustingly ready to give everybody else the benefit of his learning at all times.

Agatha First was sitting near him tho' not making any attempt to disguise her indifference to his pedantic discourse, while Arch and Agatha Sixth, I am glad to say, were carrying on a whispered conversation together on the other side of the cloth.

Dearest and I sat together, of course, at one end of the square, and as I said to her in a low tone so that the others could not hear I thought Arch was playing up to the part she and I had selected for him, that of Agatha Sixth's lover, a little better than usual. He was certainly all attention to the girl at his side and listened to her every word with the eager interest of the most devoted suitor.

"I don't know but I'll go up into Terhune's room," I said, when I had finished lacing her long boots, "and see if I can't find that old fishing hat of mine I used to sport last summer. I think I saw it up there. I hate to be so fussy on a tramp like this!" And I threw my panama on a chair in disgust.

"It's in the closet," she replied; "third shelf. I put it there myself. Though what you want with that old thing when you have boxes and boxes full of good hats I can't imagine."

"Nothing like being comfortable!" I shouted, as I ran up the broad stairs outside the door three steps at a time.

Dearest was all ready and waiting when I came down again, but I didn't need to speak to inform her that something had happened. She saw it by my face.

"What is it, Wilfred?" she asked. "You look as if you'd seen a ghost!"

"I have!" I answered, "or something quite as startling! I say, Agatha, what do you think I found in old Arch's closet?"

"The very same, or its twin brother," I told her. "Come, now, isn't that a go!" But my wife was out of the door and half way up to the third floor by that time.

"I've got to see!" she cried back to me, and I went up after her, although I knew it wouldn't be any use her seeing it, since she had not seen the one in the automobile.

"It surely is!" she exclaimed as I stood by her side. "A checked automobile coat! Did you ever, Freddy, did you ever!" And she held it up and looked it over from collar to coat-tail as if it were enchanted, and could tell us more than our own eyes could gather.

"Yes," I said, "the very same!" "Then it must have been Terhune!" "Beyond a doubt!" I answered thoughtfully. "But isn't it too queer! In the first place I didn't know he could handle a machine, and in the second, where did he get it from. By Jove!"

# NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

## Oratory in the House Comes High



WASHINGTON.—The craze for statistics has invaded the most sacred of precincts. It has attacked, assaulted, indicted and convicted the most parolous of statisticians themselves—the members of congress.

Proof, by statistics furnished right on the floor of the house, that the speeches there cost more than the total amounts of many of the items under discussion has left the entire aggregation in chronic terror that, when their most flowery orations are being speeded on their way to the morgue of the Congressional Record, some treacherous antagonist may arise, reverse his cuffs and read off evidence that the honorable gentleman's silence would be golden.

Like the famous discovery of dry farming in the west, because of the hoofprint of a mule, the economy of words in congress was precipitated by horsehoes.

## Mine Rescue Squads Reduce Deaths



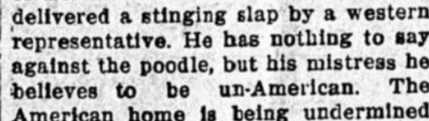
DEATHS of coal miners in explosions last year were reduced 25 per cent. by the rescue system inaugurated by the federal government.

For many years this rescue work was left to the different states and was but indifferently done. As the death rate grew about ten per cent. annually, the federal government decided it was time to take charge of this work itself.

Six rescue stations have been established. One of these is at Trinidad, Colo., another at Rock Springs, Wyo., and others in various parts of the coal producing country.

These stations are old Pullman sleeping cars, in which four men spend all their time, night and day, never going further than a few minutes' walk from the car. In charge of the party is a mining engineer. The others are a practical miner, a hospital attendant capable of giving first aid to the injured and a cook. The car is equipped with rescue apparatus ready for immediate use and there are sleeping apartments for the men.

## Dog in Arms Rouses a Congressman



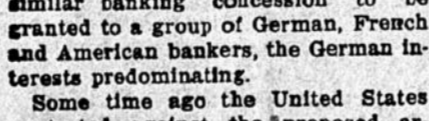
THE idle rich woman, who fondles her poodle dog, leaving the care of her children to servants, has been delivered a stinging slap by a western representative. He has nothing to say against the poodle, but his mistress he believes to be un-American.

The American home is being undermined by this kind of woman, he thinks. She constitutes a grave national problem which should be speedily solved.

"Poodle dogs are usurpers, and should be returned to their proper place in the home," said he.

"While I was passing in front of a residence that cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, an elaborately dressed woman came out," he said. "She carried in her arms a costly poodle dog, and as she stepped into her carriage, two of her servants, wearing high silk hats, bowed almost to their knees. One assisted her to enter the carriage while the other draped her dress about her feet. A moment later a negro servant came out wheeling a baby carriage, and I crossed the street to find out that the baby carriage held the woman's little son. The thought of the woman holding the poodle dog, where the child should have been, while she gave the animal its morning outing, seemed inhuman to me, when I thought of the child being taken out by the servant."

## Protest Made at Hatien Bank Move



IN its original plan, but the changes have not been sufficient, in the opinion of the state department, to warrant the withdrawal of the American protest.

In connection with the national bank concession Haiti is trying to float a loan to fund its interior debt. The course which will be adopted in regard to Haitian bonds in this relation is of interest to the United States government because many American creditors of Haiti have been paid in bonds of that government. So if such bonds are scooped down the people who received them on the basis of their former value, in the opinion of the state department, will have grounds for a claim in equity.

The possibility of American bankers participating in the loan also causes the state department to believe that it is the moral duty of this government to scrutinize closely the transaction to see that no contract is entered into which cannot be backed up by the United States in case at some future time Haiti fails to fulfill her obligations.

## More Work For Dad

A local dentist is a father for a second time. His older child gazed at the new one for a few minutes and said, gravely: "Papa, here's some bridge work you'll have to do free."

An Object Lesson. "I say you ought to take that non-productive hen of yours on a sailing vessel."

What for? "She would not only improve in health by the voyage, but would learn to lay, too."

He Guessed Wrong. "I have just been reading a sad story about a man who was horse-whipped by a girl's father because he helped her to elope."

"Poor chap! I dare say he thought the girl's father would give him a box of cigars."

Cynic Speaks. Youngleigh—I don't like a mannish, domineering woman. Give me a woman with feminine instincts.

Cynicus—My boy, domineering is a thoroughly feminine instinct.

Victory Not Complete. Bingley had found a \$10 bill. "But it's not yours, Cyrus," said his wife; "you're not tempted to keep it and say nothing about it, are you?"

"I was at first, but I overcame the temptation."

"Then you advertised it?" "Sure," rejoined Bingley, with some irritation; "I'm trying to find the owner, all right, Jane, but I'm hoping I shan't."

Not So Much. "Those polar expeditions are an immense tax on a man."

"Pooh! merely a pole tax."

# HE CHOSE A GIFT

"Your present has been so much admired," said Miss Emerson, dangling a silver purse from one finger and regarding it affectionately.

Young Jetson looked prodigiously pleased. "You don't say so!" he remarked, beaming first on the young woman and then on the gift which had proved so acceptable.

"Of course," said Miss Emerson, looking somewhat embarrassed and trifling with the silver meshed toy, "of course, you understand that I am not in the habit of accepting such handsome birthday presents from my men friends. It is—that is, my married sister says it is—awfully bad form and oughtn't to be allowed."

Young Jetson frowned. "It's a funny thing—," he began, haughtily. "Yes, indeed, that's just what I told her," interjected Miss Emerson. "I told her that with one's old friends it was quite different—almost like brother and sister, you know."

Jetson's frown deepened. "And, besides," she added, looking at him with an independent tilt of her chin, "I know just as much about it as she does."

"Certainly you do," agreed Jetson.

"I should have been very hurt if you had not been willing to accept a trivial token of esteem from me on your birthday," he went on. "Moreover," he said, crossing one leg comfortably over the other in placid recollection of a past struggle, "I'm no end grateful to you for liking it. You see—well, to tell the truth, I'd heard you express yourself to the effect that a gift was not a gift unless it was personally chosen by the giver for the givee."

Miss Emerson nodded emphatically. "And," continued young Jetson, "if a fellow sends a girl the usual flowers or candy he doesn't exercise any particular niceties of taste; do you think he does? He simply dives in at the florist's door and tells him to send a dozen long ones to a given address, and then he rushes back to get candy he sends the office boy. That is still worse. And nobody but an imbecile sends books to a girl without knowing her taste."

"I should think," remarked Miss Emerson, raising her eyebrows a fraction of a shade, "that you might be tolerably familiar with mine."

"Oh, certainly," agreed young Jetson, hastily. "I am, indeed; but you see, on this occasion I wanted to give you something that would prove to you that I had gone to personal trouble in selecting a remembrance."

"Really," said Miss Emerson, growing chiller each moment. "I regret that I was the cause of so much inconvenience. You seem to have been positively agitated in the matter."

"Naturally, I was," he retorted, getting to his feet and regarding her sternly from his superior height. "Considering that I never really selected a present for a girl before."

He thrust his hands into his pockets and continued to glare. She bit her lip in a vain effort to repress a smile.

"I was looking for something useful," went on Jetson. "I didn't suppose you would care for a yard of copper neckchain, or an engraved pie knife, or a hand painted umbrella."

"Why not an umbrella?" urged one salesman who was wasting time on me. "Umbrellas are always useful."

"My dear sir," I said to him. "I should prefer to hold my own umbrella over this particular young lady. Besides, why buy an umbrella? Every household has a private collection."

"The man sighed. 'Get her a gold pencil,' he suggested next."

Miss Emerson glanced up with a very special smile.

"But I told him," went on Jetson. "That she usually borrowed mine. 'Try again,' I said to him."

Jetson coughed gently, and there was a pause. "He was a most discerning fellow, that salesman," he remarked to the top of Miss Emerson's head. "Do you want to know what he said next?"

She nodded. Jetson drew a long breath.

"Young man," said that salesman, looking at me over a pair of wabbly nose glasses, 'what you want to give that young lady is a hoop ring with a cut glass dewdrop!'"

# CALL FOR MORE MEN

Local Office Asked to Send in All Good Material

## THE NAVY LETS DOWN BARS

What is Portent of New Order? Does Navy Department See Exigency in the Mexican Situation.

Des Moines, March 10.—That the United States navy department is of the belief the Mexican situation is growing more serious, is indicated in orders received at the Des Moines naval recruiting station to enlist all men who seem to be good material for service. The following message was received by Chief Master-at-Arms G. Busch from Lieut. D. T. Ghent, officer in charge of the Iowa recruiting district:

"You will endeavor to increase enlistments in your district as much as possible in compliance with bureau of navigation telegram of this date. Send in all men whom, in your opinion, are good material."

The order is unusual and is read with particular significance by the officers in charge here and men versed in army and navy affairs. It follows one of a recent date which compelled the recruiting officers to conform to the most rigid kind of rules relative to applicants.

This letting down of the bars is taken to mean that the naval department wants a full complement of available seamen ready to man government war vessels.

## Unitarians to Meet in March

Des Moines, March 10.—The Iowa Unitarian State association will hold a short conference in Des Moines on March 28-29, for the purpose of installing the new Unitarian minister, Reverend Dean Everett Martin. Reverend Ernest C. Smith, Chicago, secretary of the Western Unitarian association and Reverend Elinor Gordon will make addresses.

## Renounces America

Ottumwa, March 10.—David Edstrom, the well known sculptor and former resident of this city, is no longer a citizen of the United States, but of Sweden. According to the report of his change in nationality which has reached this city, the change was made because the Americans did not appreciate his work.

## The Vote for Senator

Des Moines, March 10.—No material change was made in the vote for senator yesterday which was as follows:

Candidates	Mar. 9	Mar. 8
Deemer	54	54
Kenyon	44	44
Porter, dem.	51	51

Paired, 2. Absent, 75. Necessary to elect, 75.

## Marshalltown to Be Dry

Marshalltown, March 10.—Anti-saloon workers have made a house to house canvass of the city and announce that three-fourths of the voters are opposed to the saloon. This move was made to ascertain the temper of the people and the indications are that a new saloon petition cannot be secured.

## President Diaz Not Ill

Mexico City, March 10.—The Associated Press correspondent here last night saw President Diaz personally. Apparently he was in good health. This disposes of the rumors that have been circulated in the United States to the effect that the president is critically ill.

## Wood Cutter Killed

Decorah, March 10.—George Johnson, was instantly killed Wednesday when a belt slipped from a wheel and he became entangled in such a manner that his brains were dashed out against the machinery. He was cutting wood.

## Iowa "Musical" Elk Dies

Davenport, March 10.—Lee B. Grabbe, one of the best known members of the order of Elks in Iowa died of Bright's disease today at Glendale hospital, Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Grabbe was an orchestra leader.

## Woodmen to Celebrate

Oskaloosa, March 10.—On July 4 the Modern Woodmen of the state will celebrate here. Cash prizes will be offered for drills and exhibitions of the secret work.

## Will Install Power Plant

Cedar Rapids, March 10.—The Rock Island is making many improvements here and announces that it will install a \$50,000 power plant in its shops.

## Ames Student Insane

Ames, Ia., March 10.—H. E. Mould, a son of Judge David Mould of the St. Louis City district court, was adjudged insane yesterday at Nevada and ordered taken to Cherokee. Mould is a junior in the electrical engineering department. He attempted suicide by inhaling chloroform.

## Work on Postoffice

Decorah, March 10.—Work has commenced today upon the new \$67,000 postoffice. Superintendent J. H. Madcock is in charge.

## Automobiles Burn

Fort Dodge, March 10.—Four automobiles were burned and a grist mill was partially destroyed by a fire this morning. The loss is \$6,000. Quick work by the firemen saved the mill, which is a landmark of this city.

## Find Natural Gas

Zearing, March 10.—Natural gas was discovered near here yesterday by men digging a well. Six workmen were badly burned when one struck a match and an explosion followed. The well is still burning.

# RACE ECHOES.

## Negro in Oratory Contest.

### Hilyer is First in History of Minnesota "U."

For the first time in the history of the University of Minnesota a negro student will this year compete in the annual Pillsbury oratorical contest to be held at the University in March.

Gale Pillsbury Hilyer is the negro. He is a junior academic and prepared for the university at Howard University, Washington, D. C.—St. Paul Post.

The above young man was one in the oratorical contest at the In-state-Literary association which delivered the best oration that evening, but did not get first place as he should have. He is one of our strong young men, and we will yet hear from Hilyer. We congratulate him.—[Editor.]

Messrs. W. P. Billups and W. N. Nesbitt of Birmingham, Ala., are regarded as two of its most substantial resident citizens. Each owns a few acres of land (fifteen and twenty acres respectively) within the city limits, upon which he conducts a prosperous truck garden and fruit growing business.

Real estate in this locality is very desirable for residential purposes for the whites, consequently they have been offered a high price for their holdings.

Mr. Nesbitt has lately been offered \$45,000 for his tract of land. But, he like Mr. Billups, is no burly to sell. The latter has erected upon a part of his property a fine residence with every modern convenience and he is, also, the fortunate possessor of a fat bank account.

"Back to the farm" appeals to some of people quite effectively. Thirty years ago, John W. Thomas landed in Hutchinson, Kansas, almost penniless. For a while he eked out a meagre existence by doing odd jobs here and there in the city.

Being unwilling, however, to rely altogether upon such a precarious chance for support, he went to the country and engaged in farming for a livelihood.

Today, Mr. Thomas by hard work is the owner of two large farms and some valuable city property, the total value of which is said to be about \$50,000.

He, also, enjoys some of the luxuries of life together with the ownership of a large touring car.

During the past few weeks five hundred substantial colored people of Burke, Jenkins and the adjoining counties sold their holdings and left for the West. There is a cause for this. Georgia cannot afford to lose this class of citizens, it matters not how humble they may be. But the exodus will continue until they are assured better treatment in the rural districts and are accorded full justice in the courts.—Savannah Tribune.

Not every colored farmer believes in living all his life in a one-room log cabin, even if his fore parents were disposed to do so.

We learn that Zachariah Simmons, who is not only a farmer but a preacher, living in Mt. Gilead, N. C., has recently built a house with twelve rooms and has, also, purchased a small truck farm six acres.

Mr. Simmons is fortunate in having a wife who is truly a help-mate and at the same time interested in everything that makes for the higher life of the community.

Through their influence the colored people in that neighborhood, have within the past five or six years bought land and thereon built homes to the value of \$16,000. His wife is the principal of the public school in Mt. Gilead, and Mr. Simmons is a graduate of Hampton Institute.

Reuben Gains, Sr., Buxton, Iowa, is not bothered very much by what is called the "Race Problem," so far as it concerns himself, for during the last ten years he has been quietly forging ahead, until he has accumulated farm lands and city property, the value of which is from \$50,000 to \$60,000.

Ten years ago, Mr. Gains was digging coal in the Buxton mines, while his wife ran a restaurant near the scene of his labors. By economy, frugality and industry they were enabled to buy land, upon which they have built a row of houses for business and residences, three and a half blocks in length. In other words he has built up a community known as Gains town.

Notwithstanding their great personal wealth they have time to give to the betterment of the settlement; for both Mr. and Mrs. Gains are active in fraternal, business and social life, besides giving largely to charity.

Tuskegee, Ala., Feb. 20—The executor of the estate of Andrew J. Dotger has recently turned over to the Tuskegee Normal Institute \$404,893.57. This goes into the endowment fund of the institution.

Stephen Bundy, after twenty seven years of service on the New York Central Lines, has retired. During his employment as private carman he has purchased property in Philadelphia, Jersey City and New York City this city that is estimated to be worth \$110,000.

Louisiana, that once boasted of more prominent colored Federal officeholders than any state in the union, more than even Georgia could claim, has not now a single presidential appointment filled by a colored man. The revolution has come about since the days of Mark Hannah, the man that never broke his word.

While the apprehension of Western

senators that the treaty might let down the bars to coolie labor was not entirely removed, these senators contented themselves with expressing their solicitude. They interpose no objection to ratification.

President Taft nominated William H. Lewis of Boston, a negro, to be an assistant attorney general of the Department of Justice.

The jury cannot go to a restaurant for its meals, for the white restaurants will not serve Negroes. The case is that cannot be separated. The case is that of Earle McFarland, a former Police-Master, charged with the murder of Deputy Police Chief Will Murphy of Houston, Tex. The case came to Galveston on a change of venue, and there are 450 witnesses from all parts of Texas.

Captain David J. Gilmore, who served in the Spanish American War and for 8 years in the Philippines as scout in the regular army, returned to Greensboro, N. C., his home, last fall and launched out into the real estate and grocery business. At the present his stock of groceries is valued at from \$2,500 to \$3,000. His business is increasing every month and the results are very gratifying.

Mr. Warren Rush of Farmington, Ia., was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Reed.

A fine farewell party was given Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Ed. Pickett, in honor of Miss Janey Pickett, who leaves for her home in Monroe City, Mo. A very enjoyable time was spent by all.

Messdames Richmond, Russell, Walters, Carter, Cowden, Misses Hazel Logan, Gladys Anderson, Leona Palmer, Myrtle and Maudlin Burnaugh, Messrs. B. Brown Colston, Harley Palmer, Wilbur and Arthur Turnaugh. All attended the funeral of Mr. Orville Colston at Fairfield, Saturday, March 4.

Messrs. Wilbur, Ralph and William Burnaugh were in Fairfield, Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Fuller.

Miss Janey Pickett left Monday for her home, Monroe City, Mo.

Miss Evelyn Arbutckle has returned to Chicago after an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arbutckle of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

John W. Siclesmith, Greensboro, Pa., has three children, and like most children they frequently take cold. "We have tried several kinds of cough medicine," he says, "but have never found a remedy that did them as much good as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." For sale by all druggists.

The trustee helpers gave an oyster supper at Bethel A. M. E. church, Wednesday evening, March 1. Those in attendance report a pleasur time.

Rev. S. B. Moore has been suffering the past few days from a very bad cold.

Miss Mary Culberson has been confined to her home for the past two weeks by illness. At this writing she shows improvement.

Mr. James Moore spent part of last week in Chicago on business.

The Stewardess will give a chicken social Wednesday night of this week.

Mr. M. O. Culberson, S. S. Dist. Superintendent, made an official visit in Rock Island and Moline, Sunday, Feb. 26. Last Sunday he spent with the school at Dubuque.

At a meeting with the S. S. board of Bethel A. M. E. S. S. A. A. Bush was elected delegate to the Dist. Convention at Moline, Mrs. Emma Heron was elected alternate. A number of our people are talking of attending the sessions during that week.

Mr. J. N. Hancock is recovering from a severe case of poisoning, contracted about ten days ago, by the use of carbolic salve.

The Ten Dark Nights from the Magazine of Chicago, spent the last four days of last week at the Family Theatre, giving a series of the unparalleled performances before large audiences.

Mr. Otis Thompson, who was severely burned several weeks ago is somewhat improved with hopes of an early recovery.

An entertainment will be given March 5th, under the auspices of Bethel A. M. E. S. S. one of the features will be a debate. Resolved: That a man will go farther for money than for love of woman. A. A. Bush will take the affirmative. Miss Missouri Dozier will take the negative.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thompson, daughter, Minnie and Wm. Thompson, Jr. of Ottumwa, Mrs. W. E. Fine of Newt n. and Mr. Jas. Thompson of Peoria, have returned home being called here on account of the accident which befell Otis Thompson some days ago. While here they were the guests of Mr. Mrs. Chas. Thompson.

Mr. Wm. A. Brown of Buxton was a visitor in Clinton recently, being a delegate to the Y. M. C. C. convention. While in the city he was the guest of Mrs. and Mrs. W. A. Richardson.

Mr. Harry Plummer has returned to Clinton after several months absence in Balfadori, where he has been employed.

Mr. Louis Fuqua has bought property on Eastern avenue, and will occupy it on or about the 1st of April as a residence.

Mr. J. R. Bussey met with quite an accident last week, running a nail into his foot giving him quite a deal of trouble.

Rev. S. H. Walkup of Moline, Illinois, preached for Rev. Stoval, Sunday evening. Brother Walkup preached a very practical sermon from text, "Let your Light Shine."

Mr. Fred Calloway, who underwent a dangerous operation, some days ago, died at his residence E. 17th St., at 4:15, p. m. Monday, March 6th. Will be buried from his residence by Hiram Lodge No. 19, Thursday afternoon. More about the funeral next week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Delmond of Moline, Ill., have taken up his residence in Davenport. We welcome these dear christian people to our city, to our homes, to our churches.

Father H. McGaw is quite indisposed of late, but he never loses an opportunity to get to the church and say a word of encouragement to his class which he has led for over forty years.

Rev. J. L. E. Burr reports things in fine shape at the Third Baptist church.

The senior department of the Allen League is doing fine work along endeavor lines. Mrs. Ruth Bright is quite a general and knows how to keep things going in the right way.

The fuel and light committee will observe St. Patrick's Day with a real Irish program, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon Bethel A. M. E. church, 17th, 1911.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen have purchased property on East Davenport ave., and are occupying the same as a residence.

The officers and members of Bethel A. M. E. church, are arranging to have a series of meetings to commence the 23d of April, under the direction of Evangelist Winston.

The colored citizens of Davenport organized a stock company. Mr. Howard Green, President; Mr. J. H. Woodard, Vice-Pres; Mr. George Young, Sec'y; Mr. Ed. Buckner, Treas. The object of this company is to get money together sufficient to launch some profitable business to be managed and controlled by colored citizens of this community.

Mr. Will Hennings has been sick for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson and son, Bennie, spent Sunday in Albia, at the parental home.

Mrs. Talbert has been quite sick for the past two weeks.

Mr. Arthur Ester entertained the Danbar club at her home on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Bert Allen, Miss Virginia Wade and Mrs. Ben Gray-on were Des Moines visitors the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rhodes of Buxton visited with Mrs. Thomas Washington, Friday of this week.

Little Buxton Hays has been very sick.

The Japanese Indian social given at the A. M. E. church by Mrs. Thomas Washington and the Juvenile worker was a success financially and entertaining. The public wish Mrs. Washington and his workers to treat them with such an entertainment again.

Mr. Kate Burmer is visiting in Albia among friends.

Mrs. Udell Lewis of Oskaloosa is visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Roper of this city for a few days of this week.

Quite a number of strangers in our town past week.

Mr. Lou Morris has moved his family to Muscatine.

Mrs. Mary Harris has been quite ill for the past few weeks, but is out once again.

If you have trouble in getting rid of your cold you may know that you are not treating it properly. There is no reason why a cold should hang on for weeks and it will not if you take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all druggists.

WASHINGTON, IOWA. Chas. Douglas, of Oskaloosa, was a visitor in the city this week.

Mrs. Mm. Taylor, of Rock Island, Ill., visited at the A. L. Hall home last week.

Every one in the city was glad to hear of the good fortune that befell the A. M. E. church at Davenport, the present pastor, a former pastor of the A. M. E. church of this city, the Fortunes always or later.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Spencer delightfully entertained the Bon Ami whist club at their hospitable home, March 2nd. The evening was so enjoyable that it was in the wee small hours of the morning when the guests departed.

McGee Hall is spending a few days in Chicago among old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Turner have both been sick with grip but are some better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Crump have returned to their home at York, North Dakota, after a visit at the parental Henry Campbell home.

Friends in the city have received post cards from Bob Armstrong who is in England with Sam Langford as his training partner. He says he is seeing things.

Last Sunday was an unexpected rally day at the A. M. E. church at which almost \$15.00 was collected during the day for the trustees and stewards' boards.

Dave Turner the popular bus man, expects to leave for the South in a short time.

Fred Williams visited with "a friend in Burlington last week.

At the recent S. S. election, A. L. Hall was elected superintendent; G. W. Black, treasurer; Pearl Cissel, secretary; Marie Whaley, assistant secretary; Samuel Hall, Jr., librarian; Nettie Campbell, superintendent cradle roll; Helen Motts, organist, and Luba Gwin, chorister.

The Christian Endeavor expects to give a concert in the near future for the purpose of buying some new song books.

Jas. Redd was ill with the grip a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Turner attending the wedding of Miss Anna Jones at Oskaloosa. She is a sister of Mrs. Turner.

A. L. Hall visited at Fairfield, last week in the interest of the Woodman lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rhodes are contemplating moving to Montana.

When you have rheumatism in your foot or instep apply Chamberlain's Liniment and you will get quick relief. It costs but a quarter. Why suffer? For sale by all druggists.

ENTERPRISE, IOWA. The Mt. Olive Aid Society met Thursday with Mrs. Drew Hughes after the transaction of business a two course luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith entertained Sunday at dinner Rev. and Mrs. James Bowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Brown are the proud parents of an eight pound baby girl. Mother and baby are doing well.

The Progressive Art Club met Wednesday with Mrs. Jas. Bowles.

The W. H. and F. M. Society met Friday with Mrs. M. Carrington after sewing and transaction of business a beautiful luncheon was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Granderson moved Tuesday in their new home.

We are doing a splendid work at our B. Y. P. U. and are having most excellent programs we would be glad if more of our young people would attend these meetings.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson was taken very sick at their home Tuesday. Their many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Miss Rosa McKee spent last week in Des Moines visiting her grandmother.

The Mt. Olive Baptist church held its regular covenant services Sunday morning and in the evening the Pastor preached to a large audience.

Mrs. Ada Harris return home from Burton Saturday.

OTTUMWA, IOWA. Mr. and Mrs. Wells Fowler, Mrs. Frank Clarke and Mrs. Henry Elliot left this morning for Fairfield to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fuller.

Mrs. Rev. P. M. Lewis is visiting friends in Buxton this week.

Mr. Brown of Des Moines is in Ottumwa this week in the interests of his marriage.

Mrs. Rev. P. M. Lewis royally entertained quite a few friends last Monday evening in honor of Rev. Lewis's birthday. A lovely time is reported by all.

Presiding Elder Gordon is home again.

Mrs. Hattie Hutchison an Miss Helen Williams of Buxton were the guests of their parents last week.

Mrs. Maude Marshall left Monday evening for Cedar Rapids to attend the marriage of her daughter Miss Lela to Mr. Harold Price.

"Josiah's Cow-ship" given last Thursday evening at the Second Baptist church was a grand success. A large crowd was present and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Refreshments were served in the basement.

Mrs. Minnie Bibb entertained Mrs. Wells Fowler and Mrs. Isaac Patton Monday to a sumptuous dinner.

The Allen Club for young boys meets every Sunday afternoon at the A. M. E. church. Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

DUBUQUE, IOWA. Mr. M. O. Culberson, district S. S. superintendent of Clinton, Iowa, made his official visit to the school Sunday, March 5. His address was good. He was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Martin. He and W. B. Johnson were entertained at a six o'clock dinner by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGregor. He attended church services in evening afterwards spending the night with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Martin leaving for his home in Clinton at 2:30 saying he had spent a very pleasant Sabbath in our city.

The Mt. Missionary will render their monthly program and serve refreshments at the A. M. church Tuesday evening.

Mr. Ab. Cosnrad is very ill at Finley Hospital.

Mr. Everett Jones is again out after having been confined at home with a very painful attack of rheumatism.

The friends of Mrs. Kate Rose were pleased to see her at Missionary meeting the first time on account of sickness since Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Anna Green was suffering a few days last week with rheumatism in her arm and hand but is improving at this writing.

FT. MADISON, IOWA. Rev. Quarels of Centerville, Iowa, occupied the pulpit at the Second Baptist church Sunday.

Presiding Elder Rev. L. J. Phillips is in the city assisting with the quarterly meeting at A. M. E. church.

Mr. A. L. King was seriously injured Friday evening, March 3, while he was being employed at the Santa Fe shops.

Messrs. Arthur Frye and William Rush both of Keokuk, Iowa, were Ft. Madison visitors Sunday evening.

Sad news of the death of Mr. Orville Colston, who died in Fairfield, Thursday, March 2nd, was received into the city Friday. His death came as a great shock to everyone. Our heartfelt, sincere sympathy is extended to his bereaved parents for the loss of a son who was loved by all who knew him.

Miss Jennie and Naomi Harper departed for Fairfield Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. Orville Colston.

MOLINE, ILL. Mrs. R. H. Pollard of Chicago who visited her parents for a week returned to her home last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. DeWard moved last Wednesday to Davenport where they shall reside at the Allen Home on Ripley street. Our loss is Davenport's gain.

Mrs. Fannie Robinson entertained the Missionary Society at her home last Wednesday. The meeting was for the purpose of electing officers, which was as follows: President, Mrs. W. H. Saunders; Vice President, Mrs. L. B. Laner; Secretary, Mrs. Hayes Robinson; Treasurer, Mrs. Lydia Gorman.

Mrs. Anderson's Millinery class gave their opening and exhibition at the Art Gallery Wednesday from 2 until 11 P. M. A large appreciative crowd was present at all hours

and refreshments were served by the committee.

last week for a three weeks visit with his parents in New Orleans.

Mr. Launcelot Williams left Tuesday on a business trip.

Mrs. Douglas of Indiana, delivered a very able address to women at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Douglas deserves much credit as she left some very helpful points which should be helpful to any community.

Mrs. Colquit entertained Miss Goldie Bales and Mr. Phineas Barber last Sunday evening.

Madame John Curd and Ben Walkup, who have been quite ill, are convalescent at this writing.

Rev. W. H. Saunders made pastoral call's Monday.

Mr. Edward Settles was taken ill at his work last Wednesday and is now under the care of a physician.

Mrs. Jeff Thompson, of Muscatine, attended Sunday evening services.

Mrs. Wm. Maxie is very seriously ill with a severe attack of asthma.

Mrs. Homer Huston left last Wednesday for Macon, Mo., where she will visit indefinitely with her parents.

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ROCK ISLAND NEWS. Mrs. Roy Mack and Mrs. W. H. Moore were callers in Davenport this week.

Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Douglas took dinner with B. R. Penn Monday evening.

Mrs. B. R. Penn and Mrs. Parish called on Mrs. Geo. Johnson, of South Rock Island, Tuesday afternoon. We are glad to see Mrs. Johnson out again.

Mrs. C. E. Morrison, of South Rock Island entertained the progressive Art club Wednesday evening after business. Games were indulged in and at a late hour a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess.

We are glad to see Mrs. Chas. Colton out again after a serious illness.

The Tri-City Sunday School association will meet at the A. M. E. church Monday, March 13th. All

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