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A SUCCESSFUL SESSION.

ELECTA GRAND CHAPTER OF IOWA AND JURISDICTION.

The fifth annual session of Electa Grand Chapter O. E. S. came to a close last night by a grand entertainment at Hansen Hall, East 6th and Locust streets. The session had a larger attendance than any other session and much stimulus and enthusiasm for the work. The following is a summary of the work done:

At Masonic Hall, 11th and Center streets, Tuesday morning, May 21st, at 10 o'clock, Electa Grand Chapter of Iowa began the work of its 5th session with M. E. Clark, of Ottumwa, N. G. M., presiding. Other officers present were: Jno. D. Bland, G. W. P., of Keokuk; Mary F. Bland, W. G. A. M., of Keokuk; J. Emma Milligan, W. G. T., of Cedar Rapids; Ruth B. Bright, W. G. C., of Davenport; Cora Jones, W. G. A. C., of Okaloosa; Pauline King, G. A., of Burlington; Alice Banks, G. R., of Des Moines; Josephine Fowler, G. E., of Ottumwa.

Lizzie Green, G. E., of Burlington; Amelia G. Jackson, G. L., of Cedar Rapids; Clara Harrison, G. R., of Davenport; W. H. Milligan, G. C., of Cedar Rapids; Addie Elliott, G. W., of Ottumwa. Other delegates present were Ellen Dixon, Keokuk; Ella Holland, Mary Reynolds, Sue M. Brown, S. Joe Brown, Izola Robinson and J. H. Reynolds of Princess Ozeal chapter of Des Moines; Jessie McClain, Maude Wilkinson, Luella Wilburn and E. Tracy Blagburn of Princess Zorah chapter, Des Moines.

Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock Electa Grand Chapter was called to order by M. E. Clark, W. G. M. Reports of standing committees were received and acted upon.

The afternoon session was given over to heated discussions upon various articles in the constitution and bylaws.

In the evening memorial services were held at St. Paul's A. M. E. church under the auspices of M. E. Clark, G. W. M. All sessions were well attended by both officers and members. There were also a number of visitors present.

Thursday morning at 10 o'clock the chapter assembled for its last day's work.

After roll call came report of committee on foreign correspondence. The report showed remarkable growth of the Order.

The printing committee, Ruth B. Bright, Emma Milligan and Jno. D. Bland.

Buxton sent a delegation from Guiding Star Chapter, Addie Monroe, Lizzie Jackson and W. R. Potter. Also a petition for admission to the Grand Chapter. Both were royally received.

The following committees were appointed: Rules of Order—Sue M. Brown, Maude Wilkinson and E. Tracy Blagburn.

Returns—Mary F. Bland, Etta Holland and Jennie Jackson.

Grand Matron's and Grand Patron's address—S. Joe Brown, Cora Jones and Clara P. Harrison.

Dispensations and Charters—Lizzie Green, Jennie Johnson and W. H. Milligan.

Obituaries—Jessie McClain, Clara Fitch Harrison and Cora Jones.

Appeals and Grievances—J. Emma Milligan, Pauline King and Jno. D. Bland.

Finance Accounts and Claims—Jurisprudence—Lizzie Green, Clara P. Harrison and W. H. Milligan.

State of Order—Pauline King, Alice Banks and Addie Elliott.

Credentials—Jessie McClayne, M. E. Dixon and A. G. Jackson.

Visitors—Alice Banks, Mary Reynolds and Josephine Fowler.

Auditing—Mary Bland, Amelia G. Jackson and Josephine Fowler.

In the afternoon the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron delivered their annual addresses. Both were well received. Many visitors were present at both the morning and afternoon sessions.

Princess Zorah Chapter entertained the Grand Chapter and other Masonic fraternities at their hall Tuesday evening. The reception was well attended.

The committee on resolutions, A. G. Jackson, Addie Johnson and R. G. Potter reported.

Potter reported and was appointed. A. G. Jackson, Addie Johnson, R. G. Potter, grand representatives from several states, were presented.

Election of officers, as follows: Worthy Grand Matron, Ruth B. Bright; Worthy Grand Patron, S. Joe Brown; Worthy Grand Associate Matron, Lizzie Green; Worthy Grand Treasurer, J. Emma Milligan; Worthy Grand Secretary, Mary Bland; Worthy Grand Conductress, Cora Jones; Worthy Grand Associate, Addie Johnson; Worthy Grand Associate Patron, E. Tracy Blagburn.

The Grand Chapter was invited to meet with Princess Ozeal Chapter of Des Moines in May, 1913.

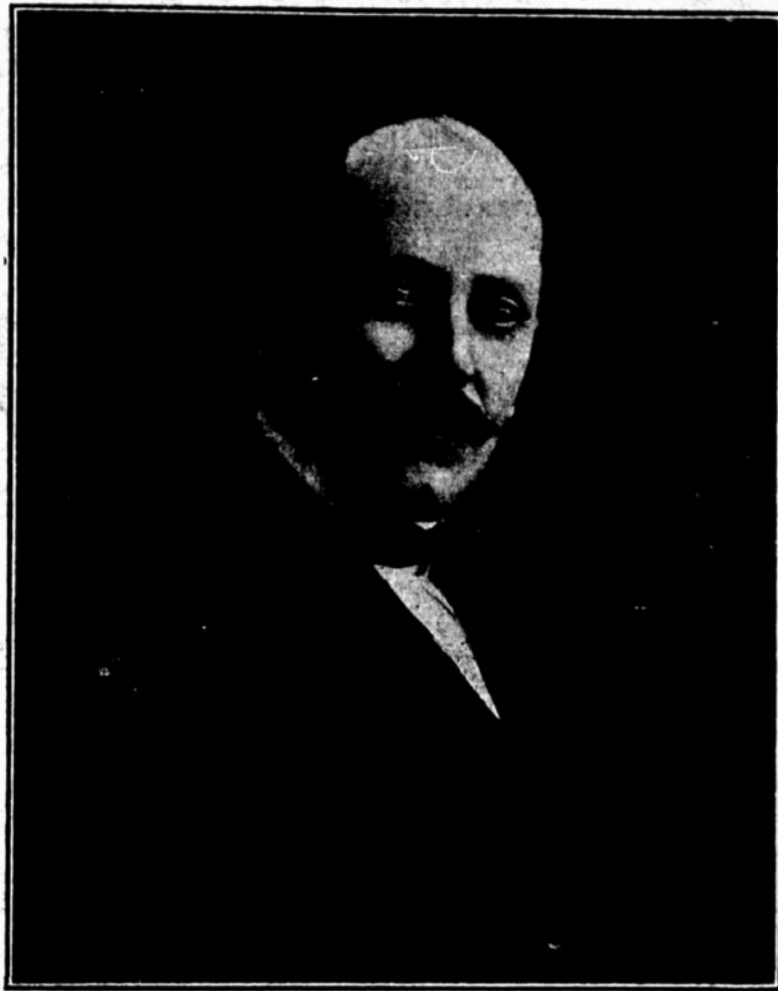
The new officers were installed by Bro. John D. Bland, assisted by Sister J. Emma Milligan and S. Joe Brown. The Worthy Matron made the following appointments:

Grand Adah, Pauline King, Burlington; Grand Ruth, Josephine Foster, Ottumwa; Grand Esther, Etta Holland, Des Moines; Grand Marshal, Ada Monroe, Buxton; Grand Electa, Alice Banks, Des Moines; Grand Lecturer, M. E. Dixon, Keokuk; Grand Register, Clara Harrison, Cedar Rapids; Grand Chaplain, W. H. Reynolds; Grand Warden, Jennie Johnson, Davenport; Grand Sentinel, R. G. Potter, Buxton; Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Ida B. Palmer, Burlington; Grand Marshal, Maude Wilkinson, Des Moines.

Chicken Wire—Dawson's.

There never was a time when people appreciated the many merits of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy more than now. This is shown by the increase in sales and voluntary testimonials from persons who have been cured by it. If you or your children are troubled with a cough or cold give it a trial and become acquainted with its good qualities. For sale by all dealers.

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CHRIS OTOSEN.

Republican Candidate for Railroad Commissioner.

They have a good word for Chris. The following is from the Latimer Star, and is not unlike what we find in papers all over the district:

As the time for the June primaries is near at hand we wish to call our readers' attention to the candidacy of Chris Otosen of Humboldt county for

the office of railroad commissioner. The writer hereof has known Mr. Otosen personally for about fifteen years, and has known him to be a man who gives all a square deal and if elected we know he will make every possible effort to bring about those needed reforms in railroad matters so strongly advocated by the people. We hope he will be elected and would like very much to see Franklin county give him a good strong lift.



HERRICK FOR SUPERINTENDENT.

We take pleasure in presenting the picture of Mr. H. W. Herrick, of Grimes, Iowa, candidate for superintendent of Polk county, subject to the republican voters. Prof. Herrick was born in Wisconsin in 1865 and came to Iowa in 1887; educated in the public schools and spent two years in the Wisconsin State Normal School. Later he graduated from Highland Park College in 1907 and

has taught eight years in the rural schools and nine years in the high schools, and is now principal of the Grimes school. This young man has never before asked for an office, yet his friends think that by virtue of his splendid qualification, he is entitled to the nomination and election. He will treat all races and classes honestly, endeavoring to do the right. He asks all the republicans to give him name consideration and vote for him in June.



KELLER FOR SUPERVISOR.

Mr. C. W. Keller, of Elkhardt township, has announced his name as a candidate for member of the Board of Supervisors from the 3rd district, which comprises the townships of Elkhardt, Lincoln, Union, Madison, Jefferson, Crocker and Douglas. Mr. Keller was born in Elkhardt township in 1874, raised on a farm, educated in the common schools. Later he at-

tended Drake University and graduated from the Iowa Business College. He is a justice of peace of his township. He has never before asked for an elective office. He will do all he can if nominated and elected to give a good, honest, clean administration; treat all parties fair. He is a friend of the colored people and solicits the support of all republicans in his district.



Senator W. S. Kenyon.

Kenyon Youngest Republican Senator.

When the primary election is held Senator W. S. Kenyon will be not quite 43 years old, and is the youngest republican member of the United States senate.

He has the experience and training for the work, and he is young enough for years of usefulness in public life.

He was presented as a candidate by a combination of young men in the Iowa legislature. He is in the very prime of life, active and vigorous, able and honest, an ideal man to represent Iowa in the senate the next six years.

PENSIONS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Senator W. S. Kenyon in senate March 29: I have firmly fixed in my mind the way of taking care of this soldier question—by practicing a little economy in the administration of the government.

Some years ago congress raised its salaries. Where was the voice then for economy? On the very day the distinguished senator from Ohio was preaching this doctrine of economy, or on the very day his speech was published in the Record, the senate voted \$1,400,000 for public buildings. I am not opposed to public buildings where it is right and proper that they should be constructed. I am not in favor of stopping great works of internal improvements. But it does seem to me that when we vote away a million and a half dollars with but little consideration, we are in poor position to be preaching economy on this one great question.

One of these palatial public buildings was at the beautiful city of Sundance, in Wyoming, with its 281 energetic people. Ten years ago Sundance had 291 people; but in the progress of events this great city, fifty miles from a railroad, with postal receipts of about \$2,400 a year, has lost ten of its great citizenship. And we find ourselves, when we are talking economy about the soldier, appropriating \$75,000 for a public building at Sundance!

WHY KENYON SHOULD BE CONTINUED IN THE SENATE.

Mason City Times: Senator Kenyon's visit to Mason City has served to confirm in the minds of all who met and heard him the good opinion which his work in the senate in the last year had given the people of Cerro Gordo county.

He is a strong, forceful, able man, with the energy and ambition of youth showing in his every movement and expressed in his every sentence. He is a Christian gentleman who has been brave enough to carry into the work of the senate the high ideals which have heretofore controlled his private life.

He is a man endowed with the natural talents and equipped with the legal training to grapple with the craftmanship of the grafters of congress, and defeat them in their every move. If he is returned to the senate he will continue to fight the battles of the people fearlessly, positively, ably, as he has during the past year.

A man who in one short year of service has won for himself the prominent position in the United States senate that W. S. Kenyon has, and who stands upon the high principles of progressive republicanism that Senator Kenyon does should be returned without question to his present position. Failure to do so would please only two classes—the corporate interests, and their representatives in congress. Failure to do so would rob the citizens of Iowa of their leading counsel in the trial of the general welfare against the welfare of special interests. Iowa will not make this mistake, but in the primaries of June will give Kenyon an endorsement of approval and confidence. Cerro Gordo county should be in the front rank.



MRS. DODSON FOR RECORDER.

We take pleasure in presenting Mrs. Frank W. Dodson, the present county recorder, who is a candidate for re-nomination subject to the primaries. Mrs. Dodson needs no introduction to our readers or to the colored voters for she is so well known. Her past administration in said office has been above criticism. She has filled it so faithfully so honestly that her friends feel that she is entitled to another term. She has done more than any other official to put the jury system of Polk county upon a high plane. She has also done something that no other county official has yet done—to appoint a colored lady as one of her deputies regularly. An index to her official record is economy, efficiency, and obedience to law. Upon this broad plane she solicits your vote June 3.



BRERETON FOR TREASURER.

We take pleasure in presenting to our readers Mr. W. H. Brereton, who is a candidate for county treasurer subject to the primaries June 3rd. He has lived in Polk county practically all his life, beginning at the bottom round. He has struggled up from a bricklayer and about 20 years ago he became a contractor and has made a success of his business. One thing about Mr. Brereton is that he makes no distinction about hiring. He has and does employ colored men. He considers a man from his ability and merit and not color and no doubt will give our people representation in the office if a worthy one applies. He has never held or asked for any county office before. He has always been an active republican worker and was elected alderman from 1890 to 1894. If nominated and elected he promises to conduct the office upon an economical basis in a good and businesslike manner. He will endeavor to loan the county funds out to the bank giving the best rate of interest. In short he will give everybody a square deal. He asks for your vote in June.



O'DONOGHUE FOR CORONER.

This week we present our readers the cut of Wm. O'Donoghue, who is a candidate for county coroner, subject to the primaries. He was born in Polk county in 1875 on a farm, educated in the public schools. He has by hard work made a good name. He went into the undertaking business with the firm name of O'Donoghue & Haskins on East 5th and Grand. He is an active republican worker and has never held any office. His motto is to give everybody a square deal. He is a friend of the common people. He has received the endorsement of the Labor League. His friends are asking your vote and support in June.

Money saved—Dawson's.

WONDERFUL RESULTS ON SHORT NOTICE

I have used your Pomade. Its the best thing I ever used for making curly hair lie smooth. I have not finished my first bottle, but can see wonderful results, writes Mrs. Louise E. Hayes of Pineville, S. C.

Try Ford's Hair Pomade for harsh stubborn and unruly hair and Ford's Royal White Skin Lotion for the complexion. Ask your druggist for them. Be sure and get the genuine (Ford's) manufactured by the Ozonized Oil Mavor Company, Chicago, Ill.



RYAN FOR JUSTICE.

The name of Mr. P. H. Ryan is announced as a candidate for justice of the peace of Des Moines township, West Des Moines. He was born in New Jersey; came to Des Moines 26 years ago and has been practicing law 27 years. An active republican. Although he never held any office and how because of paralysis in his legs, he has been unable to do work in active practice for the past seven years, and his friends think he is surely entitled to be one of the two justices to be elected. His age, qualification and experience is beyond question. He is a friend to the colored people and will give all classes an equal chance. He cannot get around very well but he asks you to vote for him for one of the two to be elected.



Christy for Member of the Board.

Mr. C. C. Christy has announced his name as a candidate for member of the Board of Supervisor for Lee township, East Des Moines. Mr. Christy was born in Lee township in 1860, where he was raised up and received his education in our public schools. He worked in the building company for many years also a contractor. All of Mr. Christy's property is located in Lee township, where he pays his taxes. He is an active republican, was at one time a member of the Republican County central committee. He has never before held or asked for any county office. He served two terms as Alderman. He is interested in movement for good roads and would like to take a hand in making the county roads better. He asked your vote.



George W. Clark, lieutenant-governor, who is far in the lead for the republican nomination for governor, will come to that office equipped for immediate and effective work in dealing with the large legislative problems, the intricate business questions of the executive council and for the careful disposal of all public business with the clear mind of a publicist of thorough training. When he is inaugurated it will be said of him truthfully that no man for many years has come to that high office with more complete preparation for its work. Gov. Clarke is familiar with every phase of the business of the state. He knows what is necessary in the matter of assessment of property and the equalization of assessments. He understands the system of accounting and business in vogue because he has had a large share in working out the reforms which have made Iowa state administration good. But Gov. Clarke is also a plain man of the people. He is a lawyer with such a practice as has brought him into contact with the common people all his life. He is also a farmer. He owns a good Iowa farm. He has shown his faith in Iowa by investing his every dollar of savings in good Iowa land.



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AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

The time has come for the negroes in the South to bestir themselves as they have never before bestirred themselves. If they are to be counted in the South's forward march. It is now incumbent upon them to get busy as they have never been busy before. Throughout the South meetings are being held to take charge of the great advance which that section will undoubtedly make after the completion of the Panama Canal and after great plans now being formulated are carried out.

There was recently held in Nashville, Tenn., a meeting of the Southern Commercial congress. At this meeting every conceivable subject having to do with any feature of southern progress—farming, dairying, poultry raising, deep waterways, civic improvement—was discussed fully. About the same time a meeting of the Southern Educational conference was held in the same place, at which meeting ambitious plans for the educational development of the South were discussed and set in operation.

There has now been called to meet in Houston, Texas, a convention of southern commercial secretaries. The call for this latter meeting contains, among other statements, the following:

"The spirit of the New South is upon these leaders of progress and their concerted efforts have done more for the South during the past few years than has been accomplished in all the history of the past. With the co-operation of the directors and the sustaining forces behind them, the secretaries have set in motion some of the most gigantic world forces of progress and with a master hand they are swinging civilization around the South like planets around a central sun."

"The history of our armed conquests, the deeds of our heroes, and the traditions of the glorious South are scarcely more thrilling than the industrial conquests of the past half decade. The merry hum of industry has hushed the cry of despair, and hope, like an insistent ocean, has flooded the Southland, the sound of the hammer has aroused its latent energies to restless activity and awakened memories of old-time power and prestige, and the scream of the factory whistle has stirred in southern blood the iron spirit of the conqueror and we are entering the battlefield of the world's commerce, alert, progressive and powerful."

"The hour of destiny is fast approaching when the South, with one mighty surge of its organized forces, can pull the star of civilization within its borders."

"During the past few years, many of our thoughtful, better firm by the bare feet of the pioneers, have for the first time felt the elevating influence of the road grader. Macadam roads, magnificent boulevards and a network of public highways radiate from every city that has a live commercial club, and they stand as a monument to southern ability and progress."

"Beneath our soil lie the mineral vaults of the universe; from our iron, the wheels of the nation's commerce are molded; our coal feeds the fires of American industry, and our oil lights the world's freedom, and yet we have untouched vast areas of mineral wealth waiting the prospector's pick to flood the channel of trade with a golden stream of prosperity."

"The plow-share has conquered millions of acres of virgin land and our entire agricultural area has felt the modifying influence of human skill; we have worked inspiration into the soil, tapped new and hidden veins of industry, and brought new products into life. The soil has caught the spirit of the New South and is yielding a harvest that will feed and clothe the world."

"We urge our people to take note of the movement. We urge them to be in no way laggard in hitching themselves onto all of these plans for the development of the South. We urge them to put away needless and fruitless discussion of unimportant and non-essential details and to pray for a double baptism of this spirit of the New South which seems rampant throughout that section."

"No longer will it be possible for us to sit down discussing senseless subjects when the young white men of the South are getting ready to possess themselves of the land and the fullness thereof."

Four thousand people, interested in the Men and Religion Forward Movement, at the Hippodrome, in New York, listened to Mr. Raymond Robins of Chicago describe frontier life at the safety valve of society. Mr. Robins said:

He called it the safety valve of society, in that it took out of the settled communities men who quitted communities for communities' good. He said the frontier, which began centuries ago in Asia, ended at Nome goldfields in Alaska. The west there met the east. There is no longer a frontier for such men to go to. They are staying in the great cities. They are helping to make immortal conditions. Communities must handle them, or they will handle communities."

Cold storage Christianity will never

solve the problem of these men or save American cities, said Mr. Robins. To the problem of the bad elements remaining in American cities is added the immigrant and his problem. Europe is giving to America its frontiersmen, some good, some bad. Then he added concerning it all: "Unless the Christian church can, right here and now, come out into the open and put up a fight that is a fight it will never conquer these evil forces. And if it does not fight it will have no message whatever that is worth delivering to anybody."

No wisser conclusion has been reached by any of the churchmen and reformers who have in good faith grappled with the supreme problem of human government than that of Mr. Robins'. If society cannot protect itself from the vast mass of people whose tendencies, dominated by their appetites and thirsts and the weakness that allow these to make outcasts and criminals, are naturally downward. The morality of Africa and Asia and Europe in parts has been undetermined and destroyed in the past by the evil forces of society yielding to the lusts of the appetites and thirsts and animal passions for slaughter and disregard of the rights and interests of the weak members of the race. Certainly, if America shall go the way of the countries before it, with no power in its Christian philosophy of the home, the church, the school and the state, to hold the evil powers in restraint, then certainly Christianity will have no message to deliver to anybody."

The bad men of the past have sought isolation in large measure, to live their wild, savage lives on the frontiers of civilization; but there are no more frontiers; civilization has come upon them by the way of the railroad and steamboat and telegraph lines, and bad people in the large centers have got to be held in check or they will destroy civilization itself."

Everywhere, while men realize the gravity of the situation, and are fighting it with Salvation armies, Christian associations, temperance organizations, social purity societies, and the earnest work of the churches in settlement work, and the like, in which personal interest in the people is made a leading factor; but among our people this is far from being true. There is here and there a desire, a movement to stem the rising tide of fast and reckless living, but it is almost imperceptible in its influence and invariable in its work. The swing from the large cities is distinctly away from the Christian philosophy of high moral thinking and living, and towards the fast life of the dance gardens, the wide open cafes, the saloon life of the loafer and the gambler, and the sharp practices of the light-fingered in all directions to get the money needed to go "the way that kills."

There is need among the negroes of the large cities of the republic for such active work as the whites are doing to stem the tide steadily rising, or fast and reckless living, among the young and the old. We have said this before, but we are constrained to repeat it from time to time "lest we forget."—New York Age.

In this enlightened and progressive age, it seems deplorable to see men who have had all the opportunities afforded by the college and university for enlightenment devoting their time and strength to trying to "throw mud" and to pull somebody down instead of trying to help somebody up."

There is a class of so-called college men who seem to think it a part of their duty to try to weaken every movement that has for its object the progress of the negro race. They stand off at a far distance and "throw stones." They very seldom do anything to build up an individual or work in the direction of constructive progress. Their whole idea seems to be to "throw mud."

This attitude we are glad to say is only assumed by a comparatively small number of college men and that number is growing beautifully less every year. For the most part, the men and women who are coming out of the colleges and universities are exhibiting a broad and generous disposition to help lift somebody up and to help construct something."

We pity the little, weak fellows who are still working in the dark, thinking only of their own selfish, mean motives. We hope the time will come when they will change their attitude and get much more satisfaction and happiness out of life than they are now getting."

Tearing down and "throwing mud" has never made a big man in the history of the world.—New York Age. It's not only men that have been targets for slander and the "throwing of mud," but some of our excellent women and young girls have received unkind words from little women who are jealous and envious of the constructive progress made by husbands and fathers."

Some of our race seem to delight in "tearing down" people's standing because of their getting along in the world. We hope the time is not far distant when our people will cease trying to ruin one by gossip and tale bearing.—Illinois Chronicle.

Light minds often make heavy demands, has become as widespread as the English language, is not bad, as it teaches other useful and helpful things than the killing of human creatures. The best thing war teaches is obedience to those in command; this is a lesson that can never be taught young people too soon. And there also are Negro Boy Scouts. Very good. Let them multiply with the White Boy Scouts.—Exchange.

The savage man always turns to war and the mechanisms of war for recreation as well as labor; but war is a game which men are ceasing to play at, simply for the play and the game of it. The development of the machinery of war has made the game too expensive in human lives and money to be played without great precaution. And the philosophy of war as a proper way to settle personal or international disputes. The growth of the Boy Scout idea, however, which

MOUND BAYOU IMPROVEMENTS

Negro Town to Issue Municipal Bonds and Provide Better Facilities.

REALTY VALUATION OF TOWN—CITIZENS OWN \$300,000 IN REAL ESTATE AND \$200,000 IN PERSONAL PROPERTY—MANY BUSINESS INSTITUTIONS.

New York.—Many improvements are soon to be made in Mound Bayou, Miss., the widely known negro town, and now, come out into the open and put up a fight that is a fight it will never conquer these evil forces. And if it does not fight it will have no message whatever that is worth delivering to anybody.

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The proposed trust or foundation fund may be made up in part of the endowment already set aside for negro institutions. It that a proper proportion of the interest would be preserved to the purpose prescribed. The primary object of the investment sought is to secure the perpetuation and development of Mound Bayou as a progressive, agricultural, industrial and commercial center and for the promotion of thrift and enterprise that may continually demonstrate the administrative and constructive capacity of the negro, thereby contributing greatly to an encouraging example to the race at large as well as to the lasting and general good of the State of Mississippi.

MOUND BAYOU'S HISTORY.

Mound Bayou derives its name from two bayous that stretch irregularly like an enormous Y, the left arm northeast and the right arm northwest. About three miles southeast of the town they join at the foot of an enormous mound of the Indian. About 1885 the L. N. O. & T. railroad, owned principally by Messrs. Collis P. Huntington and R. T. Wilson, came into possession of a million acres comprising a large portion of the great Yazoo delta, at that time considered scarcely habitable continuously by the Anglo-Saxon. In 1887 the company sought the attention of Isaiah T. Montgomery, who believed that he saw a golden opportunity for his race and soon concentrated all of his powers to attract the better class of negroes and encourage them to buy homes on the section drained by the two bayous. The country was a trackless wilderness assessed at one to two dollars per acre, and in many cases contracts had to be renewed. Montgomery instituted a rule with the railroad not to wholly cancel a contract as long as a settler could be depended upon, and in case of failure, another man was put in his place.

Very little live stock or building material was available, frontier methods were resorted to, settlers joining to help each other split and hew logs to build their cabins, make slab and puncheon floors, and pile the logs that had to be burned off their small clearings. Meantime an existence was eked out by splitting railroad ties and making white oak staves for the European market.

About 1894 a demand arose for town lots. Isaiah Montgomery and a cousin, B. T. Green, had a 40-acre tract platted. A charter was duly executed by Gov. Anselm J. M. Laurin, and Isaiah T. Montgomery was appointed first mayor.

One of the fundamental rules at Mound Bayou has been to cultivate public opinion and have the people at large participate in responsibility for the reputation of the community. As a result law and order prevails to an extent equal to any town in the South. The first machinery brought in was a small saw mill used mostly to cut thousands of the fine white ash logs that abounded in the high cane lands. All land became cleared, a cotton gin and press was attached to the mill.

THE BANK OF MOUND BAYOU.

Some seven years ago Charles Banks associated with a number of others, established the Bank of Mound Bayou. This institution now owns a two-story brick building, has a paid-up capital of \$25,000 with resources of over \$100,000, and has been of invaluable service in concentrating and developing the business of agricultural interests. There are at present three saw mills, the largest operate on an average of four or five months a year, cutting about 1,000,000 feet that enters mostly into the local trade. Many millions of feet of oak, ash, elm, cypress and a little gum are sold to Memphis mills in logs at from \$9 to \$25 per thousand feet. There are two munger system gins worth \$10,000 that handle between 3,000 and 4,000 bales of bender and

stable cotton annually and thousands of tons of cotton seed.

Among the leading business houses is the Farmers' Co-Operative Mercantile company, occupying a brick store 50x70 feet and carrying \$10,000 worth of stock. Several other stores carry from \$4,000 to \$6,000 worth of stock. The town now covers between 180 and 200 acres, and has a population of 1,000. Realty valuations approximate \$300,000; personal property, about \$200,000; the value of church property, \$12,000, and a \$10,000 brick church is in course of erection. The value of school property is \$5,000, owned by the A. M. A. Baptist, \$2,000, and the public school, \$1,500. A public library, constructed of brick, is valued at \$5,000, \$4,000 of which was contributed by Andrew Carnegie. There is an active course of construction on a fee plant and a brick manufacturing plant.

The MOUND BAYOU OIL MILL. The pride of the community is the Mound Bayou Oil mill, which is the direct outgrowth of the National Business league started in Boston about twelve years ago by Booker T. Washington. Mississippi negroes under the leadership of Charles Banks, were among the first to inaugurate a state league. After considerable deliberation extending over two years, they determined on building an oil mill with funds derived by the wide distribution of stock in small denominations to teach the power of combination.

The oil mill industry was selected because negroes have long performed practically all of the industrial and mechanical work attached to the industry. The company is duly incorporated, capitalized at \$100,000, \$80,000 of the capital is paid up, over 50 per cent. having been contributed by negroes of Mound Bayou. A plant has been constructed and equipped with the most improved machinery produced by competent critics equal to any mill in the state. Dr. Booker T. Washington will start the machinery personally in October.

There is still \$20,000 of unsold stock, but in order to assure ample finances to begin with, the managing officers have determined on issuing \$40,000 in first mortgage bonds in denominations of \$500 to \$1,000 for the following purposes: to purchase tanks, betting and electrical plant, \$5,000; to pay off the entire indebtedness, \$15,000, which applies to machinery of the best class that has already been received and installed, and leave a reserve of \$20,000 for operating. The mill has a capacity of handling forty tons of seed in twenty-four hours, and is so designed that the output can be readily doubled by adding two presses. A ton of raw seed averages in cost \$18 to \$25, the same seed turned into manufactured product will sell for \$30 to \$35. The cost of manufacture approximates three dollars per ton.

MURDERS UNSOLVED

TEXAS CITIZENS EXERCISED OVER WHOLESALE KILLING OF NEGROES IN LONE STAR STATE—COMMITTEE OFFERS REWARD—INTRUDER PROVES TO BE WHITE MAN BLACKENED UP.

Austin, Tex.—The negroes of Texas, and in this city in particular, are wrought up over the wholesale murdering of negro families in the various towns by what the press terms as the "ax-man" or "ax-woman." The latest crimes occurred in San Antonio, where five members of a family were murdered, and in Hempstead, where six met death by foul play. One of the intended victims at Hempstead awakened by a cut on the hand and rolled out of and under the bed screaming, frightening the culprits away and saving her life and the lives of her two children.

Every negro in Austin is aroused and various committees are being formed. Anonymous "red ax" letters have been received and turned over to the postal authorities. Dr. L. L. Campbell is chairman of a committee composed of teachers and prominent citizens which has offered a reward for the apprehension of the human vultures.

The white press tries to lay stress on a certain negro religious cult, but the negroes believe it to be demons of other races.

Some one tried to gain entrance to a white woman's home one night in a nearby town and a negro youth in 14 years fired through the door, hitting the intruder. By the blood the authorities trailed him several miles to Taylor, Tex., and found him to be a white man blackened. No arrests.

Mrs. John Roberts, who entered her room unexpectedly, was shot by her husband, who took her to be an intruder. She was hit in the shoulder and, hopes are expressed for her speedy recovery.

THE MAN'S PRAYER.

When all is still within these walls And Thy sweet sleep through darkness falls On little hearts that trust in me, However bitter toil may be, For length of days, O Lord! on Thee My spirit calls.

Their daily need by day enthralled My hand and brain, but when night falls And leaves the questioning spirit free To brood upon the day to be, For time and strength, O Lord, on Thee.

My spirit calls.—Catholic Standard and Times.

AWAY UP.

Biggs—Are you thinking of getting a divorce? Diggs—Not at the present rates of alimony.

FAVORITE FICTION.

"With sentiments of the highest esteem, your cordially."
"Take a seat, Mr. Smith; Miss Jones will be down in a moment."
"My friends, I prize your confidence much more than I do the office I hold."
"I had not noticed the item, sir, but friends called my attention to it."
"What a fright, it was in that bonnet! I felt sorry for her!"
"I'll leave to report to your honorable body."—Chicago Tribune.

COLORED WAITERS PLAN NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Hotel Men from Every Section Will Probably Meet This Summer.

SITUATION IS ALARMING—HEAD OF WAITERS' PROTECTIVE LEAGUE SAYS SIMILAR CONDITIONS EXIST IN MANY OTHER CITIES—WANTS CO-OPERATION.

New York.—Owing to the wholesale discharge of colored waiters and the substitution of white help, a state of affairs that is being viewed with alarm by colored waiters throughout the United States, a national conference of colored waiters will most likely be held some time this summer, when the situation will be discussed minutely and plans adopted to bring about better conditions.

Since the publication a few weeks ago that the colored hotel men of New York were regarding seriously the situation in New York city in which 300 were put out of the hotels and restaurants of Manhattan in 1911, colored waiters in various sections have been corresponding with each other relative to getting together for the mutual good of all concerned.

The colored hotel men of New York are heartily in favor of the holding of a national conference this summer, as are the waiters of Kansas City and other western cities.

Referring to present conditions in the following letter from S. C. Jordan, president of the Waiters' Protective League in Kansas City, Mo.:

"Having read the article regarding the situation of the hotels in New York city toward the negro waiter, I beg to say that similar conditions are spreading rapidly west, north and south. We are endeavoring to establish a National Negro Head Waiters' and Side Waiters' congress, and with co-operation of the Hotel Proprietors' association, we hope to establish a standard of service by which we can classify the service, thus making a more harmonious relation between the proprietors and waiters. We would appreciate your encouragement of our movement through your paper and would be glad to establish an agency in New York."

The officers of the Waiters' Protective League are: S. C. Jordan, president; George W. Hall, corresponding secretary; W. R. Garrett, treasurer; Edward Hudson, chairman of benefit fund; D. H. Collier, manager; L. A. Knox, attorney at law.

OWN MUCH PROPERTY

NEGROES PAY TAXES ON \$34,022,379 WORTH OF REAL ESTATE IN GEORGIA—STATISTICS SHOWING PROPERTY RARE IN THAT STATE.

Atlanta, Ga.—The assessed valuation of property returned for taxation by negroes in Georgia, in 1911, is \$34,022,379, as compared to \$32,234,037 in 1910. The year's gain was \$1,788,342.

These figures and many others equally as interesting regarding the property holdings of the state's colored population, are contained in statistics just compiled by Capt. Tip Harrison, in charge of the tax department of the comptroller general's offices.

The 1911 tax digests show that 119,871 negroes paid poll taxes, and that 4,685 defaulted.

Included among the property owning negroes are seven lawyers, 16 dentists, and 133 physicians.

The number of dogs returned for taxation by negroes is 54,928. They, with an assessed valuation of \$10,358,653. Their city and town property is taxed at \$9,615,604; stocks and bonds, \$1,700; money and solvent debts, \$237,214; merchandise, \$240,444; household and kitchen furniture, \$324,293; watches, silver plate and jewelry, \$41,970; horses, mules, hogs, sheep, cattle, etc., \$7,931,264; plantation and mechanical tools, \$1,648,897; value of all other property, \$377,479; value of property of defaulters (single), \$319,955.

ROUSSELLE NAMED SECRETARY.

Richmond, Va.—Grand Master Floyd Ross has appointed Maurice Roussele of Washington, D. C., permanent grand secretary to fill the vacancy made by the death of J. Frank Douglass. Mr. Roussele, who was in the government service for 23 years and a late member of the board of directors of the order, has already assumed his new duties. He is a graduate of the Thirtieth street school in New York city.

Grand Worthy Master Ross is making an excellent record, having organized 39 fountains since February 5. The order has collected and disbursed over \$65,000 in death claims.

NOT THE PROPER WORD.

"Did you send Mr. Dresser the samples he asked for?" inquired the tailor.
"Yes," replied the clerk; "I'm just finishing our letter to him. I'm just sending it 'Trusting to your order'."
"What! Cut out that word 'trusting' and make it 'hoping'!"—Catholic Standard and Times.

HIS OFFENSE.

"Exceeding the limit!" cried Dawson. "Why, judge, your roads around here are so rotten a man couldn't get faster than ten miles an hour without endangering his life."
"That's the p'm't," said the justice of the peace. "You was exceeding the limit of safety, and we had you guilty of attempted suicide. Ten dollars, if you please."—Harper's Weekly.

Nobody loves a fat woman until she wears the right rig.

VICE IN CHICAGO

NOTED SOCIOLOGIST SPEAKS TO LARGE CROWD AND TELLS NEGROES TO PROTECT THEIR GIRLS AND WOMEN—DISCRIMINATING LAWS IN WINDY CITY.

Chicago, Ill.—Dean Sumner, the noted sociologist and chairman of the Vice Commission of Chicago, addressed a mass meeting of negroes held under the auspices of the Western League, organized for the protection of colored women, at the Odd Fellows' hall.

Among other speakers was Mrs. Cecilia Parker Woolley, the staunch friend and social settle worker among colored people.

Dean Sumner, after an introduction by Father Massey of the St. Thomas Episcopal church, immediately plunged into his subject: "How to save our colored girls." He stated that the subject of vice was not a race question, and he disliked very much to discuss it along those lines, but it is very evident that the moral conditions in Chicago and many other cities warrant immediate steps to eradicate vice and change the moral situation among the colored people.

He gave in detail facts and figures showing the abominable conditions existing in Chicago from segregated vice.

According to police regulations there are districts set apart for the practice of prostitution, and it is generally located in colored neighborhoods. Consequently, those who will not submit to their families being surrounded by such intolerable conditions are forced to move into more desirable neighborhoods; and those who are unable to avail themselves of this opportunity—which seems to be their only alternative—are compelled to remain with their young girls and children of a tender age, completely immersed in an ocean of vice and corruption of the most degrading sort.

In one segregated vice district there are 1,475 colored children, and besides coming into unavoidable contact with the lowest and most degraded kind of prostitutes, thieves, robbers and murderers, they are permitted to frequent these resorts and run errands for the inmates. Such conditions are outrageous, intolerable and should not be permitted for a moment.

Upon these facts Dean Sumner laid great stress, stating that such conditions would not be tolerated by white people for an instant. Moreover, there is a law upon the statute books of Illinois which prohibits white girls or women from working or acting in any capacity as a servant in a house of prostitution; while colored girls and women at any age beyond sixteen are permitted with the greatest of freedom to do so as servants, he said.

"The Everleigh club alone employs fifty-two colored servants, many of them girls and women. Is this right? Shall this crowning shame of the age be allowed to continue? Go unrebuked, unchecked without a vigorous protest from our leading colored citizens to the public authorities, the mayor, city council and the state legislature? There is no doubt but that such a law in substance is just and equitable. But where is the justice and protection to human morals in such a law as this? It is manifestly unjust, discriminatory, class legislation and therefore unconstitutional. It should be amended or repealed.

"For the leaders of the race to supply submit to the continuance of such a law, is an obvious resignation of their inherent rights and privileges of citizenship."

TO ORGANIZE LAY MEMBERS.

Wilberforce.—During the session of the A. M. E. general conference, which will be held at Kansas City, President W. S. Scarborough of Wilberforce university will call together all the lay members and form a permanent organization to do the work of the church and discharge the duties of the mission to better advantage.

President Scarborough thinks that there are many perplexing problems aside from electing men to office that both laymen and clergy will have to wrestle with, that to do this work and do it well they shall have to consider long and wisely the needs of the connection and the best measures to be adopted whereby the interest of the church may be best conserved.

He says it is the duty of the laymen to express themselves in unmistakable tones in regard to the many measures coming before the general conference, and especially as to the men who will be elevated to the Episcopal bench, as well as to the men who will be chosen to fill other offices.

DIPLOMATIC COMPLIMENTS.

Francis I. Madero, president of Mexico, is a small man and somewhat sensitive on the subject. Not long ago Madero and his cabinet were photographed. Abraham Gonzalez, secretary of state, is a very tall man and stout, and he was required to stand next to Madero when the picture was taken.

Madero lifted his eyes to the top of the head of the great Gonzalez, observed the difference in stature and coughed slightly. Then he said: "I feel that my size will not show to advantage unless we are seated."

"Your Excellency," replied Don Abraham, "if you could only stand on your wisdom we should all be dwarfs."

"Well said," Madero returned, "provided you did not stand on your courtesy at the same time."—Saturday Evening Post.

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SECRET BURIED IN A TOMB

"Jerome," Nova Scotia's Legless Man of Mystery, Silent for Half Century, is Dead.

Within a few hundred yards of a beach where fifty-one years ago two fishermen found him with his legs amputated, "Jerome," Nova Scotia's man of mystery, died a few days ago, silent to the end about his identity.

Although he undoubtedly possessed the power of speech, "Jerome" had not conversed with anyone in the half century he had been cared for by Didier Comeau and the latter's sons and daughters. During all of this time "Jerome" had remained a mystery to the settlers here, most of whom are known as "returned Acadians," being the descendants of the patriots of Evangeline who returned to this part of the adopted country after their expulsion by the English in 1755.

Away back in the summer of 1861, according to tradition, a ship different from those usually seen here, put off a small boat which made for the shore and deposited above the tide line an object that several hours later was discovered to be a man. His legs had been freshly amputated and there was a jug of water and a package of ship's biscuits beside the man, who had suffered greatly from exposure.

Wrapped in blankets and taken to the Comeau house, where, ever since he had been a welcome member of the household, the man was finally revived by a physician. In half a dozen languages the man was asked:

"What is your name?" To this question, in Italian, pronounced by the elder Comeau, the man made muttered reply: "Jerome!" Never after that, however, did "Jerome" utter a word except on one occasion. When asked where he came from, "Jerome" was the reply made, seemingly in an unguarded moment.

Physicians from all parts of the world who have visited this land of Evangeline in the fifty-one summers that have elapsed since "Jerome" was found on the beach, have studied the man's case. Most of them have agreed that he might have spoken had he desired to do so; one or two have vouchsafed the opinion that some terrible experience through which "Jerome" passed frightened him out of his senses and rendered him unable to utter an intelligible word.—New York World.

A Home Ruler Before Gladstone.

Sir Wilfrid Lawson was a home ruler long before Mr. Gladstone. In 1881, when the Liberal government was engaged in a policy of active repression in Ireland, Lawson, in an address to his constituents at Carlisle, summarized the situation with characteristic shrewdness. "I am convinced of one thing," he said, "that, as surely as I stand here, a disaffected nation, hating the rule of the nation that governs it, is not a source of strength to that country, but a source of weakness to everyone concerned in the matter. Suppose you had a household who was continually breaking the crockery who went into hysterics once a week, and had to be put into a strait waistcoat, and three or four policemen brought in to keep her in order, would you keep her? No; you would say: 'Wayward sister, go in peace.'"—London Chronicle.

Sir Henry Irving a Victim.

Mr. Grossmith, the noted English humorist, just deceased, was an inveterate joker, and Sir Henry Irving was once his victim when they were both staying at the same hotel at Manchester. Mr. Grossmith, seeing an enormous crowd outside the hotel, said to the porter: "Are these people waiting to see me?" On being told that they were waiting to see Sir Henry he turned up the collar of his overcoat, adjusted his eyeglasses, pulled his soft hat down over his eyes, and walked down the steps with the Irving gang. There was great cheering, but when Sir Henry Irving went down later the crowd had dispersed. Afterward, when Sir Henry heard of the incident, he said to Mr. Grossmith, with a twinkle in his eye: "You ought not to have done that; I pay those people to come here every night."—London Mail.

Bothered by Plurals.

The Norwegian waitress who was learning English had more trouble with her plurals than with any other difficulty. It seemed impossible for her to acquire the trick of putting on the letter "s" at the right time and leaving it off at others. She would invariably inquire on seeing a first helping disposed of: "Will you have more lamb?" or "Will you eat more chickens?" When corrected for this she would take pains to ask: "Will you have one bean?" and "Will you eat one huckleberry?" Finally the constant explanations of an overzealous mistress confused her past straightening out. There were guests staying over the week-end, and Inga took the lady's order for a soft-boiled egg, then the husband's for another. The girl, after a moment's hesitation, walked to the dumbwaiter and said to the kitchen below: "One soft-boiled egg for two!"

Belated Appreciation.

A workman called the home of President Taft's brother Charles, in Cincinnati, to perform some odd job, and he paused to note some of the priceless paintings in Brother Charles' private gallery. He was attracted to a small original Van Dyke and moved up closer to get a better look. "Ah!" he exclaimed. "I've got that same thing down home. Yes, it's exactly like that. My wife got it some place here in town. Are they worth much?"

"That one is worth \$35,000," he was told. "Hum!" he murmured. "I guess I'll have ours framed."

A Well-Meaning Bride.

"Darling," said the young bride, "I don't mind you going to baseball games."
"Thank you, dearie," he said.
"But there is one thing I wish you'd do."
"And what is that?" he inquired.
"When the team is going to play an extra-inning game I want you to call me up beforehand so that I will know when to have supper ready."

CITY NEWS.

Garden Tools—Dawson's Hardware.

W. W. Smith of Chicago will lecture at the Y. C. M. C. A. Sunday at 4:30 o'clock at Union Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Saunders and son Ira, and Mr. and Mrs. Barton have returned from Buxton after a few days visit in that city.

Rev. E. D. Butler, Att'y. J. A. Spars, T. W. Watson, and J. C. Hunt of Buxton were callers at our office this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seymour entertained Friday evening, May 17 at their home on Crocker street, Miss Nellie Kallis of Keokuk being the guest of honor. The evening was spent in music, dancing and cards. Refreshments were served and after a late hour all departed expressing a delightful time well spent.

Lawn Mowers—Dawson's Hardware.

Mr. W. H. Milligan, Past Grand Patron; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, Grand Treasurer; Mrs. J. P. Harrison, Grand Register; Mrs. A. G. Jackson, Past Grand Lecturer; and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, all of Cedar Rapids and in attendance at the Grand Chapter of O. E. S. and visited the Bystander office.

Washing Machines—Dawson's

An entertainment unique, interesting, yet new in Des Moines social circles, was to be found in the birthday stag party last Friday night at the home of Mr. L. H. S. Brown, it being the birthday of both of our successful pool hall proprietors, Brown & Davis. Morgan Bros full orchestra rendered songs and music throughout the evening. Whist, checkers and other games were indulged in to a late hour. All left feeling that Brown & Davis were great entertainers and wishing them many happy returns of the day.

The grand banquet given by the Y. C. M. C. A. last Thursday night was largely attended, fully 80 were present. The banquet was prepared by Mrs. H. Gould and Henry Clay, two expert caterers. The menu: Bullion, chicken pie, potato salad, coffee, wafers, brick ice cream. The speeches were fine, only five minutes, Att'y. J. B. Rush was toastmaster and proved himself to be equal to the occasion. Those responding to the toast were Harrison Gould, Rev. Lee, John L. Thompson, Ebert Hall, Dr. A. J. Booker, Dr. J. A. Jefferson, A. L. Smith, Miss Georgia Blackburn and Mrs. J. B. Rush. It was a splendid crowd and a splendid time. It was encouraging to the Y. C. M. C. A. officers.

ENTERPRISE, IOWA.

The Missionary circle will have their annual sermon preached Sunday by Rev. Bowden. The B. Y. P. U. choir will furnish the music.

The literary society met last Monday night. They had a very nice question box. Next Monday the debate will be "Resolved that the Negro is responsible for his present condition." Mr. Jake Hickman and Mr. Ira Allen, affirmative, Miss Blanche Allen and Mr. Philip Clayborn, negative.

Mr. Harry Allen left Monday for Oskaloosa to spend a few days with his mother, Susan Allen.

Miss Mammie Armster of Des Moines and Miss Grasty of Chicago were visitors in our city last Saturday.

Mr. W. D. Miller has bought him a fine white horse.

Mrs. G. W. White gave a birthday last Saturday night in honor of husband Mr. G. W. White.

The ladies have organized a new club the name is "The Progressive Club."

Mrs. W. Spivy, Pres., Mrs. Lottie Brown, Sec.

Mrs. Oley, Mrs. Hickman, Mrs. Allen went out for an outing last Monday. They drove Mr. Miller's fine gray horse.

Mrs. Hunter, who has been on the sick list is improving nicely.

Mr. Waverly Taylor's friend are very glad to have him up and out with them again.

The B. Y. P. U. is progressing nicely.

New Lunch Room

First Class Lunches and Meals will be served to the public at Utopia.

211 West 9th St. after Wednesday May 22d

The grand opening will be Wednesday night May 22 at which time the Morgan Bros will furnish music.

J. H. McGUIRE, Prop.

Biliousness and Constipation. For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, purify the stomach, liver and blood, help the system to do its work naturally. Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.

Bystander for Senator Kenyon.

Whenever the Iowa State Bystander comes out plainly and frankly for one republican above another, when both are candidates for nomination you may well be assured that we do so for the best interest of our race. In the great contest now on between Hon. W. S. Kenyon and editor Lafe Young, there is no equal comparison. We think that every colored voter should vote against Young, for he is not a colored man's friend. His sheet is the dirtiest and meanest sheet published against the Negroes in Iowa. It is all the time ridiculing and holding up our woe's faults, and if any trouble arises his paper invariably uses some slanderous epithet as big, black, burley, etc. When they wrote back the marriage of Mr. R. N. Hyde's daughter that paper in writing it used the old term of dis and dat etc. and the young girl was a graduate from the same High School that his own children graduated from. In short you cannot often get a decent mention in its columns. We could give many more such instances, therefore he would be a dangerous man to deal fair with the Negro. We could hope for nothing from him, I know personally that he has blocked several colored people from getting good places of political honor and trust, so let us to a man register our vote for Senator Wm. S. Kenyon, who is the youngest man in the American congress and has made one of the best, the most faithful and honest representatives that Iowa has had. Progressive, young, able, scholarly, high minded, with pure motives and nerve enough to speak out against the wrongs. He comes from the old abolitionist stock that will defend our race. He is the candidate that we earnestly urge the colored voters of Iowa to vote for.

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Rev. John W. Evans, pastor Second Baptist church at Clarinda, Iowa, has been in this city for about two weeks. He accompanied his wife who was brought here for an operation. He also delivered a few sermons at Francis St. Baptist church.

Mrs. Carrion of Owensburg, S. C. who is attending the general conference at Kansas City, spent several days with her son, Dr. W. S. Carrion and formerly of this city last week.

About 200 people went to Kansas City on the 12th inst. to the conference and they had time to attend all three of the services that were held at the auditorium on that day. It was said to be the most orderly and well conducted excursion that has ever left this city.

Banquets and receptions have been very frequent for the past fortnight in honor of the Bartlett High school.

Mr. Newton Hicklin spent last Saturday and Sunday in Kansas city visiting relatives and friends. His wife has been there for more than a week and will remain several weeks longer.

Mr. Robt. Hickman who recently came here from Lincoln, Neb., has accepted a position at the Royal theatre as assistant operator with the moving picture machine.

Mr. Frank Lee is now employed at the new air dome 9th and Felix street.

One of the largest classes that have ever graduated from the Bartlett High school will receive their diplomas next Tuesday night at the Central High school where the commencement exercises will be held and thus 23 young men and women have finished their high school course. The members of the class are the Misses Lena Mosley, Ruth Endicott, Nellie Allen, Beatrice Moore, Tribby Washington, Leonetta Florence, Myrtle Hughes, Myrtle Walker, Florence Peterson, Ethel Dayton, Dorothy Watkins, Celestial Simms; the Messrs. Earl Waldon, Alonzo Aller, Clem Brown, Rexford Hayes, Robert Hundley, Kirby Williams, Raymond Holt, Edward Potts, Bruce James, Fred James, Fred Corroder, Pearl Sawyer, Miss Lena Mosley is Valetarian, and Miss Dorothy Watkins is the Salutatorian. It seems strange that the boys did not secure either of the class honors. The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Rev. E. M. Chron at the Francis St. church, last Sunday afternoon.

Prof. and Mrs. Payne of Brunswick was in this city last week, returning from Oregon where Prof. Payne has been teaching school during the past term.

Central Park at 16th and Angelique was open last week, but owing to the cool weather the attendance was small.

Mrs. Adams of Omaha, Neb., is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Our Base Ball Team, the "Black Wonders" are a member of the Interstate League. They played in Kansas City last Saturday, Sunday and Monday, but we have not received a report of the games ere we mailed our "news" for the "Bystander."

Mrs. L. Kitchen, formerly of Salisbury, who has been living in this city for a few years returned to that city last week to make her future home.

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If you have any trouble with your stomach or bowels give them a trial. For sale by all dealers.

Screen Wire—Dawson's.

CLARINDA, IOWA.

Sunday, May 20, was quarterly meeting day at the A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder R. B. Moore was present and conducted services throughout the day. At 2 o'clock p. m. baptizing was held at the white Christian church. A good congregation was present.

The ladies of the Second Baptist church gave an entertainment and a very large crowd attended and the ladies cleared a neat sum for the benefit of the church and pastor.

Last Saturday evening at the second Baptist Church were the scenes of a very pretty May Pole drill by eight young ladies under the management of Mrs. E. B. Cook. The young ladies did very nicely and the exercise by our little folks was splendid.

Mrs. Eliza Wilkerson who has been very ill is able to be out again.

Mr. General Morgan spent a few days of last week in Creston.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson and daughter Mable of Gravity spent Sunday in our city.

The Art club met at the home of Mrs. Laura Hedgley Wednesday afternoon. After business hours were over the hostess served the ladies to light refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevens of Red Oak spent Sunday in our city and were the guests of Mrs. Fannie Parker and daughter Jessie at the Henshaw Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson of Gravity were entertained at dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moss.

Mr. Robert Quawels and Miss Jessie Baker of Burton are visiting at the Baker home.

Mr. L. W. Williams has been ill for a few days but is now in duty again.

Mrs. Ed Baker and daughter Adeline returned home the last of the week. They have been visiting friends in Essex.

Mrs. Moss met with a very bad accident Saturday while she was doing her cleaning. She fell from a chair striking her just below the eye which gave her much pain and her body is also bruised pretty badly.

Mrs. G. W. Evans who has been very ill for the last two weeks was taken to St. Joseph, Mo., by her husband, Rev. Evans, to St. Mary's Hospital where she underwent an operation. We are very glad to know that she is much better at this writing.

Mr. Garlock Mash is on the sick list.

For a burn of scald apply Chamberlain's Salve. It will allay the pain almost instantly and quickly heal the injured parts. For sale by all dealers.

DAVENPORT NOTES.

Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday was a decided success in every particular. Rev. J. F. Sims of Moline, Ill., preached a soul-stirring sermon.

The funeral services of the late Annie Woodard was held at the Third Baptist church Sunday afternoon, Rev. M. Toomey officiating.

The church carnival held at the 3rd Baptist church closed Sunday night with large returns for the church treasury.

The officers and members of Bethel A. M. E. church are rejoicing over the fact of having received from the Isabella Sheaff estate \$3,000. The court paid the money over to the credit of the A. M. E. church Monday morning, May 20, 1912. This amount was left to the A. M. E. church in Mrs. Sheaff's will about a year and a half ago.

Mrs. J. H. Merchant, who has been visiting her folks in Mississippi for the past six weeks returned home on the 14th inst.

Mrs. Jennie Johnson and Mrs. Ruth Bight left on the 20th inst. attend the grand chapter O. E. S. which met in Des Moines May 22, 23 and 24. From there they will attend the I. S. F. of C. W. at Sioux City, Iowa.

Mr. Louis Tugua is quite ill at his home in Eastern avenue.

Mrs. L. F. Phillips is holding successful revival meetings at the church. Rev. Brown of Rock Island preached a fine sermon at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning.

Attorney W. G. Mott made a flying trip to Muscatine Monday morning on legal business.

Garfield Martin, who has been visiting his sisters at Kansas City, returned home last week.

Wm. Carr, who has been making his home in Davenport for some time, has returned to Springfield, Ill.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN.

We are yet alive, but very busy. The general conference of the M. E. church in Minneapolis, bringing quite a number of old friends and acquaintances to our city, is quite a busy time. It is pleasant for them.

St. James A. M. E. Church was crowded last Sunday morning and evening, the audience listened to a delightful sermon in the morning by Dr. Gilliam, of Columbus, Ohio, and at night one of the most distinguished and able divines in the M. E. Church, in the person of Dr. Bowen, president of Gammon Theological Institute in Atlanta, Ga., held the audience spellbound.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Odd Fellows of the city, accompanied by the Household of Ruth, gathered at St. James A. M. E. Church and had their annual sermon preached by Rev. H. P. Jones. A large crowd attended the services.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Quam, of 463 Thomas street, entertained Tuesday evening last, Rev. and Mrs. Turner, Rev. and Mrs. Robertson, Daniels and Whisby and Mrs. Alice R. Albert, of New Orleans, La., delegates to the general conference.

The May Feast at St. James' Church this week from the 14th to 17th. A lively time is anticipated.

Rev. I. Toliver, of Washington, D. C. is conducting revival meetings at Pilgrim Baptist Church this week. Much good is being accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry High celebrates their 12th wedding anniversary Thursday evening, the 16th inst. with a reception to their many friends.

Miss Budella Harris, of Edmund street, was hostess to the Young People's Literary Club Sunday afternoon. Miss Lyle Utley is the president and Mr. Carl Wade, vice president of this popular club.

Mrs. M. A. Johnson, of Thomas St. is slightly improving from her recent illness.

There are ninety colored delegates attending the M. E. general conference in Minneapolis. The all-absorbing topic among them is the election of a colored bishop and the race question in general. We are anxious to see if they will win out in the fight for their rights. The election of bishops comes up this week.

Bishop Scott, the only colored prelate in the M. E. church, and a missionary, will be the guest at St. James' Church, Sunday morning of the 19th. Dr. N. R. Clay, of Holly Springs, Miss., will preach in the evening.

St. Paulites are attending the general conference in large numbers. It is a rare treat to do so.

Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Mason are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Murphy, of Thomas street, Hamline.

Mr. C. B. Lazenberry has been taken to the city hospital, under the care of Dr. Turner. He remains about the same.

Dr. I. Toliver is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Edwards, of Central Ave.

In the contest for the May Queen at St. James' Church bazaar, Misses Hattie Pettis and Irene Salters are running a close race. At this time, Miss Salters is ahead, while in the contest for the crown at the general conference in Kansas City, Miss Josephine Protean leads with Mrs. Mary Hatcher second. A very close contest.

Everything is progressing nicely toward the arrangements for entertaining the Negro Educational Council which convenes in our city July 15th to 19th inclusive.

The Eighth Annual Convention of the Afro-American Women's State Federation convenes in our city June 26th and 27th at Pilgrim Baptist Church.

The wedding bells are being rung up so to speak softly for one of our most popular young ladies ere long. Just watch, listen and wait.

We would like to inquire through the Bystander if the Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Washington, of Albia, formerly lived in Cleveland, Iowa.

PORT MADISON NOTES.

Rev. James Bowles and wife have moved to 1832 3rd street, where they will be glad to meet their many friends.

Miss Zetha Cartwill of 1204 Fourth street committed suicide by drowning Friday, May 17. The remains were recovered about 2 o'clock of the same day. After the inquest the body was taken to Keokuk for burial.

John Mack, a well known colored man, for many years a resident of Port Madison, died at his home at 211 Third street, at 8:30 a. m. Monday, death resulting from pneumonia. The decedent was born in Kentucky and was 66 years, one month and 16 days old at the time of his death. There survives him his wife and two children, Ervine and Ruth. Funeral at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the A. M. E. church, Rev. Payton officiating. Interment in Oakland.

The Rosebud club met with Miss Harper Monday. All came away saying it was good to be there.

The Willing Workers club will meet with Mrs. E. J. Thomas at 327 Second street Friday evening. There will be a subject debated, Resolved, that fire is more destructive than water.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

Rev. Holly preached a very interesting sermon Sunday at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Benjamin Hawkins died Friday evening at 7 o'clock at his residence. He leaves a wife, Fannie Hawkins, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. Mr. Hawkins was a very kind and loyal citizen and had been a resident of Cedar Rapids for a good many years.

Mr. Ed. Marshall has been confined to his bed for quite awhile. Very little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Mrs. A. Jackson and Mrs. Jennie Robinson are in Des Moines attending the grand chapter O. E. S.

Miss Iota Phillips of Washington, Iowa, was a Sunday visitor in the city.

Miss Lena Greene, Fred Sims and Albert Greene of Toledo were Sunday visitors in the city.

The Allen's Guards were visitors at Anamosa Monday the guest of Miss Mae Verdon.

Mrs. Clara Harrison and Mrs. Milligan are in Des Moines attending the grand chapter O. E. S.

Mrs. Mary Johnson and Andrew Ford gave an elaborate banquet Friday evening in honor of Mr. Ford and Mr. Calvin Johnson's initiation into the Eastern Star.

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Program of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs May 28-30

The eleventh annual session of the I. S. F. C. W. C. will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Sioux City, Iowa, May 28-29-30, 1912.

PROGRAM. Tuesday, May 28. 2:00 p. m.

Song—Iowa. Invocation—The Chaplain. Roll Call. Quotations from J. G. Writier. Song—Club song.

2:15 p. m. Address—Object of the Meeting, Mrs. J. C. Ried, Ottumwa. Music—Instrumental, Mrs. Alice Thompson, Muscatine. Paper—Should Sexology be Taught in the Schools? Delegate from I. I. C., Des Moines.

Discussion of paper led by delegate from F. W. B. C., Buxton. 2:45 p. m. Paper—Benefit of Parent-Teacher Association, Delegate from T. L. O. C., Davenport.

Discussion led by delegate from Calumet C., Des Moines. 3:15 p. m. Paper—Influence of the teacher on the subsequent life of the child, Mrs. Lucas, Cedar Rapids.

Discussion led by delegate from A. I. P. C., Sioux City. Song—Gospel Hymns. 4:00 p. m. Announcements. Adjournment. Board Meeting. Evening Session—Citizens' Night. 8:00 p. m.

Song—America. Invocation—Rev. Dowdy, Sioux City. Song—A. M. E. Choir, Sioux City. Welcome Address on Behalf of City—Mayor Smith. Solo—Miss A. Dowdy. Response to Address—Mrs. C. Sheppard, Davenport.

Song—Iowa. Welcome Address on Behalf of the Churches, Rev. Knight. Piano Solo—Mrs. A. E. Williams, Sioux City.

Response to Address—Delegate from Fidelity C., Buxton. Solo—Vocal, Mrs. M. Askew, Sioux City.

Welcome Address on Behalf of the Clubs—Mrs. L. M. Coates. Instrumental Duet—Mrs. B. F. Abner and Miss E. Dowdy. Response to Address—Mrs. A. G. Jackson, Cedar Rapids.

Reading—Mrs. C. Stubbledfield. Educational Address—Mr. W. P. Piano Selection—Miss Selma E. Gross. Reading—Miss M. Thompson. Benediction—Rev. B. F. Abner. Wednesday, May 29. 8:00 a. m. Song—Gospel Hymns. Invocation. Memorial Exercise. 9:30 a. m. Roll Call—Quotations, Miscellaneous. Minutes of Educational Meeting. Greetings from Sioux City.

Report of Clubs. Report of Committee on Courtesies. Collection. Announcements. Adjournment. Evening. 8:00 p. m. Music—Song, Iowa. Invocation. Roll Call—Quotations from Shakespeare. Minutes. Music—Vocal Solo, Mrs. E. B. Ellison, Des Moines. Reading—Mrs. H. M. Jewell. Paper—Domestic Discipline, Delegate D. P. C., Marshalltown. Music—Vocal Solo, Miss Ione Coates, Sioux City. Annual address of the President—Mrs. J. B. Rush, Des Moines. Vocal Solo—Miss B. Dowdy, Sioux City. Paper—The Value of Education, Dele-

gate from Woman's L. C., Clinton. Music—Club Song. Collection. Announcements. Adjournment. Thursday—Mothers' Day. 8:30 a. m. Song—Home Sweet Home. Invocation. Roll Call—Quotations from Proverbs. Minutes—Business. Music—Fifteen minutes to Plantation Melodies. 9:30 a. m. Reading—Miss Vesta Walker, Sioux City. Symposium—Children. (1) Amusements—Delegate from Dramatic A. C., Des Moines. (2) Obligation of Parents—Violet Reading Circle, Davenport. (3) Literature—Delegate I. B. W. E. C., Ottumwa. (4) The Child a Mirror for Parents—Delegate J. S. Y. C., Cedar Rapids. 10:30 a. m. Music—Song from Gospel Hymns. Symposium—The Girl Problem. (1) The Wayward Girl—Delegate from H. B. S. E. C., Des Moines. (2) Social Life of Our Girls—Delegate from E. L. D. Club, Davenport. (3) What a Girl Should Know for her Moral Benefit, Delegate, Ladies' Industrial C., Buxton. (4) Domestic Training a Girl Should Receive from her Mother, Delegate from M. C. T. C., Des Moines. Collection. 12:00 m. Announcements. Adjournment. Thursday Afternoon. 2:00 p. m. Music—State Song. Invocation. Roll—Quotations from Phyllis Wheatley. Minutes—Business. Committee of Nominations. Reading—Miss Goldy Hackley. 2:30 p. m. Paper—Value of True Womanhood, Delegate from M. A. C., Keosauqua. Discussion led by delegate from S. A. L. C., Davenport. Reading—Mrs. B. F. Abner, Sioux City. 3:00 p. m. Election of Officers. Collection. Announcements. Adjournment. Thursday Evening. 8:00 p. m. Music—America. Invocation. Roll—Quotations from P. L. Dunbar. Minutes—Business. Solo—Miss E. L. Henry, Sioux City. Reading—Mrs. T. H. Sturgis, Sioux City. Paper—Club Work East of the Mississippi, Miss Jessie Walker, Marshalltown. Instrumental Selection—Local Talent. Address—Fundamental Needs of the Race, Attorney J. B. Rush, Des Moines. Piano Solo—Miss Geraldine Grant, Sioux City. Installation of Officers. Collection. Announcements. Adjournment.

OTUMWA ITEMS. Mr. J. H. Harris entered the Ottumwa hospital Saturday morning. Mr. John Henderson of Bloomfield, spent Sunday in Ottumwa. Mrs. L. L. Bates is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Harris on North Marion street. Mrs. Bates was called here by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Henry Casen. Rev. M. G. Newman and son, Mr. S. Jackson of Oskaloosa were pleasantly entertained at dinner Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Williams. They report a hearty meal and a pleasant afternoon. The Stewardess' Sewing circle will meet with Mrs. Mary Robinson, Friday afternoon. Mrs. Emma Spicer has recovered after a week's illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Williams, Mr. Frank Henson has a very painful hand at this writing. A fish skin cutting his fingers has caused blood-poison to set in. At present he is unable to be at his work. There will be a baptism Sunday morning, May 19th at the trussell of the Milwaukee bridge at 8 o'clock by Rev. M. I. Gordon. Mrs. Horry Owens is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Turner have returned to their home in Washington, Iowa, after spending a few days with Mrs. Turner's sister, Mrs. Chas. Wilson. Mr. Udell Lewis came to Ottumwa on business trip from Oskaloosa for the firm for which he has been with a number of years. The toy show parade given at the Second Baptist church, Tuesday night was a success in every way. The prizes for the two best features on the program were awarded to Little Miss Lorita Foster first prize, and to little Masters Fredrick and Denzel Williams Little Miss Vera Graham was crowned Queen of May. She sold the largest number of tickets. There was a good musical program given by a selected chorus which was enjoyed by all present. Notice to Redeem from Tax Sale. To J. T. Gutman: The person in whose name the real estate described below is taxed. You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale held in and for Polk county Iowa, on December 7th, 1908, the following described real estate to wit: Lot twenty-three (23) in block three (3) in Jack's Plat now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines Polk county, Iowa, was sold to E. C. Worthington for the payment of taxes for the year 1907 thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, which certificate is now owned and held by the said E. C. Worthington. That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said real estate will be issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice. Dated, Des Moines, Iowa, April 23, 1912. E. C. Worthington.

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