

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Oney are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mr. Robert Samuels and Mrs. Nicoy Green were united in marriage, to the surprise of their many friends, who wish them a happy voyage on the matrimonial sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown were called to Kirksville, Mo., to the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. Hazel Stokes.

The sewing class meets every Thursday afternoon in the lecture room of Bethel A. M. E. church. Miss Campbell is the teacher.

The benefit concert given at St. John's M. E. church (white) for the Bethel A. M. E. church was a success. The receipts of the evening were \$112.25, for which the trustees, together with the pastor, Rev. Waters, are very grateful.

Mrs. C. R. Waters was summoned to Chicago last Sunday to attend her son, who is very sick.

Mrs. Francis Baker is preparing to put on a fine entertainment at the Third Baptist church Tuesday evening.

The T. L. O. club will meet in an all day sewing bee with Mrs. D. S. Johnson next Wednesday.

Mr. Grant Hart remains very sick at the tuberculosis hospital.

The Rock Island Progressive Band will appear at Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday evening, March 22, under the auspices of the Carnation club.

Mrs. Munson of Monmouth, Ill., came here Monday to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Harris, 619 Eastern avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thomas entertained at dinner last Friday, Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Taylor and their house guest, the doctor's sister.

Miss Bertha Thompson spent last Sunday in Muscatine with relatives and friends.

OTTUMWA ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Crutchfield, son Clarence and nephew Ollie of Chicago were week-end guests at the home of Mrs. Geo. W. West.

The social at the A. M. E. church Monday night was not the success the ladies hoped for, owing to the inclement weather. The old fashioned pound cake, baked by Mrs. Cato, was voted a success by those who ate it.

Mrs. Amy Junkin and Mrs. Lewis are critically ill at their homes in the east end.

Sunday is quarterly at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Mary E. Taylor has returned home, after a six months' visit in Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Henson has returned from New Orleans, where she spent the past winter.

The Silver Leaf club met at the home of Miss Winnie Milton on Thursday, March 8th. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Hattie Stevens and Mrs. Rev. Rhinehart are on the sick list.

Mr. William Shepherd was taken to the Ottumwa hospital Monday, after a week's illness. Tuesday evening his condition was such that no hope was entertained for his recovery.

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CLARINDA IOWA.

Mrs. Trudie Pemberton, who has been very ill with rheumatism at her sister's home, is improving rapidly.

Mr. Ed Stewart is employed in Red Oak at a garage. His family expects to join him later.

Miss Callie Arnett and Mr. Arthur Gibson were quietly married last week. Success to them.

The ladies of the Home and Foreign Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Elsie Campbell. An excellent meeting was held by those present.

Last Thursday Mrs. Caddie Ferrier entertained the Crochet club, it being her birthday. Those present claim Mrs. Ferrier a royal entertainer and wish her many more such happy birthdays.

The Bible class of the Second Baptist church gave a program Sabbath afternoon, it being the anniversary. An excellent program was rendered.

The ladies of the Needlecraft club held their regular monthly supper at the home of Mrs. Louis Arnett last Tuesday. A lovely time was had by all those present.

Mrs. Robt. Franklin and Mrs. Emmet Moss planned a lovely surprise for Mrs. Pearl Nash on the afternoon of March 13 by having a number of friends to greet her at the home of Mrs. Emmet Moss. Some beautiful presents were presented to her. A nice luncheon was served and music furnished by a victrola.

Mrs. Henry Ferrier was called to Kansas City on Saturday afternoon to

attend the funeral of her uncle, Mr. Norris.

Excellent services were rendered at the A. M. E. church both Sabbath morning and evening.

Mrs. E. B. Cook expects to start Thursday on a visit to White Cloud, Kans., and different parts of Kansas.

Mrs. Give Nowling was numbered on the sick list last week, also Mrs. Geo. Johnson.

If you have any news for the Bystander please call Bell 242 R.

The ladies of the presiding elder committee expect to give an entertainment at the Masonic hall Saturday evening.

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA.

The Eugene Patterson home, which was destroyed by fire a number of weeks ago, has been remodeled and they have occupied it again.

The Second Baptist church has been carrying on revival meetings for several weeks.

Miss Genevieve Searcy of Ottumwa visited Sunday at the Ralph Burnaugh home.

Mr. Ralph Burnaugh returned to Ottumwa on Monday, after spending Sunday at his home.

Mr. Dewey Holmes of Burlington was a visitor here between trains on Saturday.

Messrs. Lewis Page and Wm. Hubbard attended the basketball game in Burlington on Friday.

The Mothers' Council met Wednesday with Mrs. Wm. Pickett. A very interesting meeting was held.

The Kensington met Saturday with Mrs. Wm. Wittie.

Mr. Wm. Keith, who has been quite sick, is much better.

"The Volunteers," Mrs. Nora Burnaugh's Sunday school class of boys, gave a social at the A. M. E. church Thursday. A neat sum was cleared.

Mrs. Maggie McNeal is quite sick at her home.

The King's Daughters met Friday with Mrs. Parthena McCracken.

The Missionary society met Thursday with Mrs. Everett Reed.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

A fine program was rendered last Thursday evening at the McKinley Baptist church. The entertainment was under the auspices of the Lend-a-Hand club. The brilliant playing of Miss Helen Motts at the piano was the feature of the evening.

The S. M. T. lodge gave an entertainment Friday night at the Baptist church.

Miss Tinie Monroe is very ill with pneumonia.

On Friday night the young colored people of this city held their grand opening at the skating rink. The opening was in the nature of a masquerade. Marion Hall was arrayed in the best costume. He made an excellent George Washington. Deborah Stewart and Lewis Henry won the prizes for the various "stunts" performed on skates.

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Waters of Davenport preached an excellent sermon. Monday night was the quarterly conference. Rev. N. J. McCracken presided.

The A. M. E. church is in the midst of a big rally to raise the debt of the church. The booster will give a big entertainment there on March 14th.

Mrs. Mamie Adams is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stoner entertained the Rev. N. J. McCracken during his stay in this city.

Rev. N. J. McCracken was entertained at dinner Tuesday evening by Mrs. George W. Reynolds. After dinner he was entertained with music.

Rev. A. Boyd has redecored the interior of the parsonage.

Miss Nettie Mitchell entertained the A. M. E. Missionary society at her home Friday afternoon.

The A. M. E. junior choir sang Sunday night. The senior choir members were all virtually absent.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

The B. Y. P. U. rendered a splendid program Sunday evening and a large crowd was present.

Rev. M. Carrington preached two soul-stirring sermons Sunday and services were well attended.

Rev. M. Carrington left Monday afternoon for Cedar Rapids to attend the board meeting.

Miss Edna Hicks, who has been visiting relatives and friends of this city, was called home by the illness of her sister, Grace.

Mrs. Anna Gooding left for Missouri on Monday morning to visit her mother, Mrs. Abbet.

The social given Saturday night by the paving committee proved to be quite a success and the payment was made Monday, March 13, 1917, by the committee.

The choir is rendering some fine music.

Mrs. Louise Baker and Mrs. Josie Owsley entertained at an afternoon luncheon Sunday, March 11th, at 4 o'clock in honor of Miss Edna Hicks of Minneapolis, Minn. Covers were laid for thirty-two and a six-course

luncheon was served. Many beautiful gowns were worn. The guests departed, declaring Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Owsley delightful entertainers.

An entertainment will be given Saturday, March 17, 1917. Chairman, Mrs. Wm. Noah.

Those on the sick list are improving slowly.

Mr. Leonard Lewis will leave Wednesday morning for Chicago and other points on business.

Please pay your subscriptions.

MOBERLY, MO.

Rev. Ponder of Louisiana, Mo., passed through Moberly on Saturday. He was a welcome guest at quite a few homes.

The Bartlett college of Dalton rendered a musical at the Second Baptist church Thursday night. All report an enjoyable evening.

Rev. Davis died at his home on Coates street Tuesday night. The funeral was conducted by the Masons. He leaves a wife and brother and many friends to mourn his loss.

Mrs. Bosark died Wednesday morning. A short funeral was conducted at her home by the S. M. T. Interment was made in Booneville. Mrs. Frasher and daughter, her mother and sister, came to Moberly to accompany the remains. She also leaves a husband and father.

Mrs. Bettie Page made a business trip to Huntsville on Tuesday afternoon.

March brought us a big snow.

Miss Ruth White has returned from Des Moines, where she has been visiting.

Mr. Dave Tymony had the sad misfortune to be hit in the eye while at work at the brick yard. He is suffering considerably.

Mr. Clarence Burris and Miss Bertha Maupin were married Tuesday night. May they have a long, happy life together.

Miss Corene Johnson of St. Charles, Mo., and Mr. Raydell Collins of Chicago, Ill., are home visiting their parents.

Mrs. Dora Williams is seriously ill.

Little Miss Ruth Gentry is on the sick list.

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WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. Hattie Lambert of Rock Island, Ill. visited at the Henry Campbell home a few days this week, on her way home from a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Theo. Turner is at the home of her parents in Oskaloosa caring for her mother and sister, who are sick.

Mr. Willis Turner, who has been very sick for the past three weeks is beginning to show signs of convalescence.

Walter Williams spent a Sabbath in Cedar Rapids recently.

Samuel Hall, Jr., who has been ill with the grip, is getting along nicely now and will soon be able to be out.

The Rev. Campbell of Muscatine-Iowa City circuit, was in the city a week ago Saturday and visited with friends on his way to Ottumwa, where he was to preach the next day.

Chas. McKain is working in Muscatine.

Those who would wish to remember Mrs. N. L. Black with a post card can do so by addressing it to the "Iowa Methodist Hospital, room 451, Des Moines Iowa." I am sure she would like to hear from her friends.

Mrs. Emma Black is home from a short visit with relatives at Oskaloosa.

Walter Williams expects to spend Saturday and Sunday in Albia, whither he goes to be initiated into the Pythian lodge.

The out of town guests that were to attend the funeral of Mrs. Nancy Jane Tiffin were: Fred Tiffin of Rock Island, Ill.; Orrison Tiffin, of Mason City, Iowa; Mrs. Frances Walker and son and Mr. Ed Mason of Des Moines; Mrs. Alvira Jones and Mr. A. J. Bass of Oskaloosa.

Mildred Gwinn ranks second in scholarship in her class since this semester exam, and the next time she is going to be first, she says. That's the kind of a stake to set to work to, and the goal will be reached.

Word received from the Rev. Major Payton of Ft. Madison is to the effect that he is on the mend and that he will be at his work in a short time.

Subs. remember the collector for the paper will be on the scene in a short time.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

Mrs. George McWilliams and two youngest children are visiting with Mr. McWilliams in Springfield. They will visit in Peoria before returning home.

The stork left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Weathers a bouncing baby. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. St. Clair Able returned to Springfield, Ill., after spending several days nursing a sprained ankle.

Mrs. Berenice Metlock was a business caller in Keithburg on Tuesday.

The Willing Worker club of the A. M. E. church met Tuesday evening at the church.

Rev. E. L. Scruggs of Jacksonville, Ill. was called here by the death of Miss Edna Williams.

Miss Ruby Hettforl of Sabina, O., a well known reader, will give a concert here April 13th at the G. A. R. hall. The entertainment will be under the auspices of the trustees of the A. M. E. church.

The finance committee of the Calvary Baptist church met Monday evening at the home of Mr. Johnson.

The Ladies Aid society of St. James A. M. E. church gave a social and entertainment Thursday evening at the church.

The Sewing Circle of St. James church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Florence Skinner.

The ladies of the Sewing Circle of Calvary Baptist church gave a social Thursday evening at the church parlors.

On Sabbath morning occurred the death of Miss Edna Williams, one of most respected young ladies of our city. She is the only daughter of Mrs. Anna Knight, and beside her mother leaves one brother, Dwight Williams, several relatives and a host of friends to mourn her death. Miss Williams was to have graduated last year from Monmouth High School, but was compelled to stop shortly before on account of ill health. The funeral services were held from the home Tuesday afternoon, the services in charge of Rev. E. L. Scruggs of Jacksonville, Ill. Entertained at the Monmouth, cemetery. Several out of town relatives and friends attended.

GALESBURG, ILL.

The Second Baptist church held a ten day rally and report of having \$470. They expect to start remodeling soon.

Mrs. L. Harper who has been at the cottage hospital for the past two weeks is reported to be recovering slowly.

The A. L. C. party given at the home of Mrs. J. H. Wainwright was a grand success. Twenty couple were present. A lovely three course luncheon was served.

Mrs. Chas. Anderson, Harold Carter, Ulysses Peters motored to Monmouth, Ill., Saturday. They were the guests of Mrs. Leroy Anderson and Miss D. Thomas.

The trustee election of the A. M. E. church was Wednesday evening March 14th.

Allen Chapel is planning an Easter rally. Captains Mrs. C. Anderson, red rose; Mrs. Z. Mason, white rose; Rev. J. H. Garrison, carnation.

Malinda Dunbar's class gave a social at the home of Mrs. Wells Thursday evening. It was a success socially and financially.

The Garrison club and friends gave their pastor, Rev. J. H. Garrison a birthday surprise Saturday evening. Light refreshments were served by the club. He received a book of poems and a beautiful quilt. All present report a grand time.

The Thimble Circle was entertained at the home of Mrs. W. Berry Friday March 16th.

Please call and pay your subscription.

Mr. J. Wilder who was threatened with pneumonia is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. C. Anderson and daughter, Beatrice and Mr. Roy Ashby spent Sunday in Monmouth, guests of Miss G. Davis and friends.

Maxine Schoots daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Schoots, is reported ill at this writing.

Miss L. Berry and Miss B. Peak spent a few days in Canton, Ill., guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Schoots.

Word was received here Sunday by relatives of the death of Miss E. Williams of Monmouth, Ill.

Mrs. L. Johnson, old and highly respected citizen, passed away Monday morning. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the home of her grand daughter, Mrs. F. Lane on W. First street. She was a charter member of the Second Baptist church.

A social was given at the home of Mrs. Burt Allen of the A. M. E. church people with a large attendance.

Mr. Henry Jones was looking after business in Ottumwa Saturday.

Mrs. Virginia Thomas was an over Sunday visitor in Des Moines.

Rev. Kayto of Ottumwa was in Albia from March 6th to the 9th, preaching at the A. M. E. church. He is quite an able preacher and all who heard him wish for his return.

Mr. Burt Jones and Luke Mosely of Hiteman were in Albia Saturday on business; also Mr. Horace Baxter.

On Thursday evening those who were

in Albia from Hocking and Hiteman attending services were Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Joe Robinson, Miss Alberta Robinson and Mrs. Carthon.

Mr. Edward Butler was an out of town visitor over Sunday.

Mrs. G. A. Robinson of Hocking was in Albia Sunday.

Mr. Charlie Davis of Ottumwa visited over Sunday at the parental Monroe Davis home and with friends in Albia. He was a guest at the Young Girls' Social club and the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. G. A. Davis entertained at dinner Sunday Mrs. Joe Robinson of Hocking, Mr. Chas. Davis of Ottumwa and Mrs. Della Thomas and Bessie Grayson.

Young Girls' club met at Social Center on March 11th.

Miss Emma Smith visited Mrs. Grayson in Hiteman over Sunday.

Those attending services from Hocking in Albia Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Emily Burns, Mrs. Virginia Burns and Miss Ida May Young, Mrs. Robinson and Alberta Robinson.

BRUCE CHOSEN TO HEAD NEGRO CLUB.

Members Feel Confident Former High School Teacher Is Ablest Man in State.

LIKE SECOND BOOKER T.

Once St. Joseph Principal, Now Superintendent of Bartlett Farming School.

Prof. N. C. Bruce, former principal of the Bartlett high school of St. Joseph, now head of the Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial school at Dalton, Chariton county, Missouri, known also as the "Missouri-West" and "Country Life" school, has been chosen leader of the Negro Freedom Progressive Colored Men's club of Missouri.

The school at Dalton was made possible through the generosity of the Bartletts, Judge and Mrs. W. K. James and other white people of St. Joseph and other cities. It is almost in the center of twenty-seven south and north Missouri river bottom counties, the black belt of Missouri, and was established in a small way in 1909, and since has grown into one of the leading Negro educational centers of the United States. The school is planned "to help the Negro people get back to the land and to their best place for desirable, useful, productive citizenship."

Judge W. K. James is president of the board of control, Herschel Bartlett is treasurer. Charles Nagle, former United States secretary of commerce and labor; Clarence H. Howard, president of the Commonwealth Steel company; William B. Ittner, architect, and Judge Joseph Wheelless, all of St. Louis; George D. Dayton, Minneapolis; Huston Wyeth, St. Joseph; Alexander Massey, Kansas City; Prof. Joseph D. Elliff, educational commissioner of the University of Missouri, are on the board of trustees and have given time and money to the work.

School Well Equipped.

The school now has 180 acres, a boys' building, girls' dormitory, modern stock barn, repair and manual training barracks, several cottages for housing students, a good start in stock, teams and farm tools, vehicles and implements worth some \$50,000. The school stresses farming and domestic service training. It is supplying competent, educated farm workers and domestic servants. The students lead in corn raising and acreage crop yields and are good spellers, readers and figurers and excel as cooks, laundry and sewing workers and in field, kitchen, shop and barn work. The school needs more land, tools and equipment and is trying to deserve these by making proper use of what little it now has.

Negroes Make Appeal.

In the following article Dr. William J. Thompkins of Kansas City, a leading Negro surgeon, gives an account of a recent meeting in Jefferson City, of the forward movement for the Negro people of Missouri, and of what the governor and some leading educators and statesmen think of the work of Principal Bruce:

"A score of trained solid, capable colored men, real, educational, religious and industrial leaders among their race in Missouri, met in Jefferson City to present an appeal on behalf of Missouri rural life Negro people to the especially called joint session of the senate and house appropriating committees.

"Among those present were Late Rucker, Doc Payne, Randolph county; Prof. J. B. Coleman, A. M. and Virgil Schweich, T. E. Martin, Columbia, Boone county; Henry Mann, Nathan Thornton and Chairman N. C. Bruce of the Missouri State Negro Farmers' association, Chariton county; I. N. Jordan, Peter Sanderson, J. T. Stokes, Alex. Slater, Cole county; Prof. J. S. Craven, Shelby county; Thomas Drafen, Caleb Williams, Cooper county; Dr. E. L. Harris, Paul W. Mosley, St.

Louis, Mo.; Dr. William J. Thompkins, H. T. Humbles, Kansas City, Mo., and Prof. A. C. MacLin, Hannibal, Mo.

"These men were met in a most decent and respectable manner by the governor and freely expressed themselves and were seriously spoken to by the governor.

Favored by Both Houses.

"The senate and house committee gave their chairman and several of them a careful hearing and expressed their appreciation, approval and sympathy with the appeal for the aid to the "back to the land" movement of the Negro Farmers' Business and Professional Men's association, whose headquarters are at the "Country Life" school for Missouri colored people, which Principal N. C. Bruce so successfully heads in Chariton county, the central county of the Missouri Negro black belt, agricultural counties. In making the presentation of the delegation to Governor Gardner in the executive guest chamber, Principal Bruce showed all the finesse, simplicity and skill of a Booker Washington.

Surprised Best Friends.

"He surprised even his best friends in his consummate poise, tact and master of pertinent figures and facts. He seems experienced as a veteran successful educator, a nation's crowned and champion farmer and a leader of hitherto divided and discordant factions of Missouri colored politicians, orators and leaders.

"Like Booker T. Washington, principal Bruce is modest, practical, comprehensive, deep, thoroughly in earnest, unselfish and yet is one of the best Negro speakers in the state when aroused. Unlike Booker Washington he is a thorough collegian, graduate of a leading New England college, A. pro-Merito A. M., man by a thesis contest after seven years past graduate and educational work and studies.

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EDITORIALS

THE WORLD IN TROUBLE.

It does seem that the so-called civilized Christian countries are relaxing into a state of barbarism, with nearly all of the European countries in a gigantic bloody war and with other countries in other continents are planning on entering soon, namely China has been persuaded by English influence to join the allies and they have done likewise with this country, for we are in a state of war against Germany, with Japan waiting for an opportunity to enter that great carnage of blood and death. Mexico, Spain, Sweden and Norway may all soon be drawn into that great death struggle, and yet America with her great internal strife and unrest among her union, labor and among the Negro race cannot hope to have a united nation. With the great uprising in Ireland and the recent overthrow of the Russian czarism and rule are but silent omens that may come in other countries.

CIVIL RIGHTS BILL INTRODUCED

Hon. James B. Weaver, Jr., representative from Des Moines, has introduced into the house of representatives one of the strongest and best equal rights bills that has ever been presented to the Iowa legislature; in fact in any other state legislature in America. While we hope that it passes and becomes a law in Iowa, yet I fear that it is a little too strong for a majority of the legislature to vote for it. While it is nothing more than right, fair and equitable and

what every honest man should ask, demand and expect in a state or a country that expects for him to give his life and money to defend it in time of need. Elsewhere we have published the bill in full. Let us all write letters to your representatives and senators to work and vote for the passage of this bill. We are truly proud that Polk county has really got one good, able, broad-minded representative. This bill does not only prevent discrimination against the colored race, but the Jew and all other races that are now discriminated against.

A WORD TO OUR AGENTS.

The various agents for the Bystander do to some degree represent us and it is absolutely necessary that all of our agents try and live up to our general rule and customs. First please sign your names to each letter that you send. Even this week we have four good news letters come in without the sign of any name signed to the articles. We cannot publish them. Then again avoid sending in programs or names of local people at the various parties, receptions, weddings or long resolutions from some society about the death of so and so. Then again tell the news and news only of respectable citizens, regardless of their church, creed or society that they belong to, and lastly try and collect the subscription from those who have not paid last year. Insist upon them paying up last year's dues.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To prevent discrimination at places of public accommodation, resort or amusement, and to prevent publication and distribution of discriminating matter and to punish the same. House file No. 518. By Weaver. Judiciary. March 12, 1917.

Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of Iowa:

Section 1.—That no person, being the owner, lessee, proprietor, manager, superintendent, agent or employee of any public accommodation, resort or amusement shall directly or indirectly, by himself or anybody else publish, issue, circulate, send, distribute, give away or display in any way, manner, shape, means or method, except as hereinafter provided, any communication, paper, poster, folder, manuscript, book, pamphlet, writing, print, letter, notice or advertisement of any kind, nature or description, intended or calculated to discriminate or actually discriminating against any religious sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality, or against any of the members thereof in the matter of furnishing or neglecting or refusing to furnish to them or any one of them, any lodgings, housing, schooling, tuition, or any accommodation, right, privilege, advantage or convenience offered to or enjoyed by the general public, or to the effect that any of the accommodations, rights, privileges, advantages or conveniences of any such place of public accommodation, resort or amusement shall or will be refused, withheld from or denied to any person or persons or class of persons on account of race, sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality, or that the patronage, custom, presence, frequenting, dwelling, staying or lodging at such place of any person, persons or class of persons belonging to or purporting to be of any particular race, sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality is unwelcome, objectionable, or not acceptable, desired or solicited.

Sec. 2.—The production of any such communication, paper, poster, folder, manuscript, book, pamphlet, writing, print, letter, notice or advertisement, purporting to relate to any such place and to be made by any person being the owner, lessee, proprietor, agent, superintendent, manager or employee thereof, shall be presumptive evidence in any civil or criminal action or prosecution that the same was authorized by such person.

Sec. 3.—A place of public accommodation, resort or amusement, within the meaning of this act, shall be deemed to include any inn, tavern or hotel, whether conducted for the entertainment, housing or lodging of transient guests, or for the benefit, use or accommodation of those seeking health, recreation or rest, any restaurant, eating house, public conveyance on land or water, bathhouse, barber shop, theater and music hall.

Sec. 4.—Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prohibit the mailing of a private communication in writing sent in response to specific written inquiry.

Sec. 5.—Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or who shall aid in or incite, cause or bring about in whole or in part the violation of any such provisions shall for each and every violation thereof be liable to a penalty of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), to be recovered by the person aggrieved thereby, and shall also for every such offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or shall be imprisoned not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

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CITY LOCALS

Mr. Lu Shelton has been confined to home the past week.

Atty. J. B. Rush is recovering from attack of the grip.

The Corinthian Aid Society will meet with Miss Weekly on Easton boulevard 22 19th street.

Mrs. J. H. Shepard has returned from Auxvasse and New Bloomfield Mo., where she was called by the death of her father.

The Missionary Society of Asbury M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Millie Estell, 908 14th street Place, conducting their usual business. Adjourned to meet March 22nd with Mrs. Julia Turner, 913 12th street.

The Des Moines Negro Civic League will meet at the Palms at the corner of Ninth and Park streets Sunday at 3 p. m. Subject for discussion, "Laying aside Personal Grievances and Working for the Common Good," led by Mr. Joe Brown.

The members of the Royal Eight entertained at their spring frolic Tuesday evening at the Elks hall. Forty couples participated in the dances. The ball room was decorated with the club's colors, which were purple and red, and on the east wall of the ball room were the club's colors, which attracted a great deal of attention. It was the first of a series of dances to be given by the club and proved a brilliant occasion. Prof. Williams' orchestra played for the dancing.

CARD PARTY.

The young ladies of the Wednesday Night Bridge club entertained the young ladies of the Mary Church Terrill club at a card party at the home of Miss Ardella Carr on Thursday in honor of Miss Joburns Redmon. Five tables were surrounded for progressive whist and the following prizes were given: Pair silk hose, Miss Letha Johnson; fork, Mrs. Emerald Mash; half dozen glasses, Mrs. Audra Alexander; guest prize to Miss Redmon. A luncheon was served from small tables, the club colors, pink and green, being carried out in the menu.

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Mrs. Mayme Gould is suffering from a bad attack of bronchitis at her home at 955 Sixteenth street.

The Mary Church Terrill club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Emerald Mash. After an interesting meeting, refreshments were served.

Dr. J. Alvin Jefferson will deliver an illustrated lecture Sunday evening, March 18th, at the regular service at St. Paul's A. M. E. church on "Medical Temperance and Health," under the auspices of the Eliza E. Peterson W. C. T. U.

The Callanan club will meet Wednesday with Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Mrs. S. Nichols, hostess. Fourth chapter of Esther lesson. Federation is drawing near and all members requested to be present.

The St. Paul's Altar Guild will meet with Mrs. Stuart on West Fourteenth street, Thursday afternoon, March 15, at 3 p. m.

Mr. A. Ford of Oskaloosa, Iowa, who spent a few days last week in our city visiting his daughter, Mrs. Anna Cabell, 114 Ridge street, returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson wish to thank the neighbors and many friends for their kindness and beautiful floral offering during the illness and death of their son and brother, Major Johnson.
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The Kloster Crochet and Embroidery club met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Knox, 784 West Twelfth street. The afternoon was spent in crocheting, after which a two-course luncheon was served by the hostess. All spent a pleasant afternoon. Club adjourned to meet with Wm. Shackelford, 943 Fourteenth Street Place.

The D. Y. W. Y. K. Art club met at the home of Mrs. Jake Hickman last Friday, with the vice president in the chair. After the regular business some interesting remarks were made by Mrs. Eleanor Gresham, corresponding secretary of the Iowa Federation of Colored Clubs. After a dainty lunch was served they adjourned to meet with Mrs. Jeffers on Fourteenth street.

Mr. H. G. Darden, formerly of this city, but now of Sedalia, Mo., one of the leading preachers of the Sanctified Holy Church, is in our city visiting old friends and looking over the religious work of his followers. He has just returned from Omaha, Neb., where he also inspected his church work there. Rev. Mr. Darden is a very fine Christian gentleman, and while here he called at our office. He is meeting with good success in Sedalia, Mo.

The Richard Allen Aid met at the home of Mrs. S. L. Birt. After transacting business the name was changed to Mary B. Talbert. The following papers were read, "Singing and Its Benefit," by Mrs. J. E. Ously; "Study of the Life of Hector Berlioz," by Mrs. Nichols, and "Who Wrote the Life and Childhood of Christ," by Mrs. S. L. Birt. Meeting adjourned to meet at home of Mrs. Dr. Jefferson, with Mrs. J. E. Ously as hostess.

The First district of the I. S. F. C. W. C. met at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Saturday afternoon in a very interesting session and with a fine attendance. Practically every club in the district was heard from and the reports showed earnest endeavor along all lines. Two fine addresses from the chairman of child welfare, Mrs. J. L. Thompson, and the chairman of temperance, Mrs. Alice McDowell, respectively. An informal talk on the coming Federation in Ottumwa, at which time the Booker T. Washington painting will be unveiled by the state president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, and a school of instruction by the district chairman were among the interesting features.

Mrs. Eleanor Gresham, was secretary, Mrs. Elmira Gresham, was present and a letter of greeting and good wishes was received from the state organizer, Mrs. Martha White, of Indianola, who was detained at home because of the illness of her mother.

MISS LETTA CARY TO WED.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen announce the engagement of their daughter, Letta E. Cary, to Dr. O. L. Bledsoe of Marshall, Texas. The wedding will be solemnized some time during the month of June at the home of the bride's parents in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Miss Cary, it will be remembered, is one of the only two Negro young women to receive a degree from the State University of Iowa during the sixty years of its history, having graduated with the degree of A. B. in the class of 1912 and was immediately thereafter called to the chair of modern languages in Bishop college at Marshall, Texas, which she still occupies, and from which same institution her fiancé, as well as his distinguished father, Prof. W. F. Bledsoe, of Marshall, Texas, are both alumni.

Miss Cary's many friends in Iowa congratulate Dr. Bledsoe in having won the hand of this most amiable young lady and wish for her many years of matrimonial bliss.

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HOWARD ALUMNI PROGRAM HAS MANY UNIQUE FEATURES

General Association at Washington Ready For Semicentennial Functions.

Washington.—Following the "get together" of the Howard university alumni, which was one of the most successful and enthusiastic preludes to the semicentennial which will be celebrated March 1 to 4, inclusive, the alumni have designed a button about the size of a quarter of a dollar commemorative of the coming celebration. The button has a background of the official blue of the university, with lettering in white, completing the colors blue and white. In the center the letters "H. U." are monogrammed, while on either side appear the dates "1867-1917." At the top of the semicircle is the word "Semicentennial" and at the bottom "Howard University." The outer edge of the design is white, giving the whole a finished setting.

Robert A. Pelham, financial secretary of the General Alumni association, was present at the midday chapel services of the university recently and presented to each undergraduate a button for the tickets distributed on the night of the "get together" meeting.

The General Alumni will send out to the different local branches of the association samples of the buttons and have them order in numbers to supply the membership of their several organizations, so that by the time of the celebration in March every alumnus in each locality and here may recognize the others in the effort and plans for alumni day.

The program feature of March 3, which is alumni day in the celebration, is being shaped and will be announced in a few days. The parade from the university to Convention hall March 1 will include the officers, trustees, members of the faculties and alumni.

The Andrew Rankin Memorial chapel will be the mobilizing point for the alumni, and every alumnus is expected to be on hand at 6:30 p. m. so as to be formed under the marshal for the occasion into groups or assignment in the line. Reports from outside associations and individual alumni indicate a hearty response to the call, and the gymnasium appeal has awakened new interest and is the slogan on which the alumni stand united.

THE BIG BROTHER MOVEMENT.

Efforts of a New York Organization to Protect Children.

At the meeting of the Big Brother movement under the auspices of the National Urban League, New York, on Feb. 22 plans were perfected for the Big Brother Sunday designated for March 25, at which time the pastors of the various churches have been requested to preach a sermon at their morning services showing the responsibilities of parenthood, using preferably for their text Matthew xxv, 31, as well as the rest of the chapter.

An active Big Brother will be assigned to each church to tell of the efforts of the Big Brothers to reduce the number of arraignments in the children's court this year. It is hoped that a monster public mass meeting will be held in one of the large halls in the Harlem district the afternoon of March 25.

The following statistics, giving a comparison of the total number of arraignments in the children's court for the years 1915 and 1916 and a comparison as to the total number of arraignments of colored children for the years 1914, 1915 and 1916, will be of special interest to persons interested in child welfare, especially in trying to save a child from appearance in the children's court as a defendant:

During 1916 the total number of arraignments in the children's courts was 12,425 children as against 14,135 during 1915. Of this number 5,970 were arraigned for delinquency as compared with 7,927 the year before. In the special proceedings, which consisted largely of improper guardianship and neglect cases, 6,455 cases were tried before the court for protection. In 1915 there were 6,208.

SLATER INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

William A. Blair's Efforts to Increase Our Advantages For Education.

Few men of either race are doing more to increase the educational advantages of the colored people of the south than William A. Blair, treasurer of the Slater Industrial school at Winston-Salem, N. C. Mr. Blair is an influential business man, being the vice president of the People's National bank at Winston-Salem. Since September, 1916, Mr. Blair has been making a campaign for funds with which to give the institution a larger equipment.

The state legislature, recognizing the usefulness and importance of the school to our people, has promised to give \$12,000 toward the new equipment on condition that the trustees raise a like amount. The appeal sent out by the trustees says: "If each reader of this article will slip \$1 into an envelope and mail it to the treasurer, William A. Blair, Winston-Salem, N. C., the money will be raised and the school buildings erected. This small amount will not hurt any one and will very greatly aid a most worthy national cause."

Freedmen's Aid Society Fifty Years Old.

The Freedmen's Aid society is making elaborate preparations for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of organization to be held in April. The sessions of the celebration will be held in the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, Cincinnati. This is the church edifice in which the society was organized.

HAMPTON DEFEATS LINCOLN.

University Men Outclassed by Students of Noted Virginia Institution.

By LAWRENCE A. LEE.
Hampton, Va.—The Hampton Institute basketball team recently proved its superiority to the orange and blue squad of Lincoln university by defeating them by the margin of one point. Lincoln outplayed the blue and white machine in the first half, but the latter half proved fatal to the visitors. Time and again they delayed the game with no intention other than to get rest.

The Seaside, as usual, began the second half with lightning speed, which was kept up throughout the remaining part of the game. At one time it seemed as though the Lincolmites were to be the victors, but after J. Dorsey stepped into his position things made a radical change. During the entire first half Hampton was unable to cage a field goal. Edwards made six foul goals out of the eight chances, while Lincoln made five field goals and two foul goals during the first half. The first half ended with the score 12 to 6 in Lincoln's favor.

The second half started with Gurnoe, Mizer and Pierson as Hampton's fresh men, while Lincoln substituted Henderson for Butler. Captain Edwards and Gurnoe began to find the basket in the early part of this half, and it was all that the Young brothers could do to stop the Seaside's from scoring. In the last few minutes of play Hampton tied the score.

Owing to the fact that Lincoln had six men on the court, Referee Thompson called a foul on them. After a lengthy debate the Lincolmites gave in. Edwards made the goal, placing Hampton one point ahead of the orange and blue.

The game ended with the final score 23 to 22 in the Virginians' favor. Both teams deserve much credit for the fast teamwork that was exhibited, but it is suggested that basketball teams leave their debates at home, for the referees are not always willing to hold a debate with the captain while his teammates are getting rested.

Hampton, 23; Lincoln, 22.
THE LINEUP.
Gurnoe..... left forwardButler
Edwards..... right forwardSummers
(Captain)
Dorsey..... centerN. Young
(Captain)
Mizer..... left guardCruso
Withers..... right guardW. Young
Substitutes.—For Hampton, McLaren, Pierson and Lawson. For Lincoln, Henderson.
Referee—Sergeant Thompson.
Timekeeper—Mr. Atkins.
Time of halves—Twenty minutes.
Hampton Field Goals—Edwards, 4; Gurnoe, 2; Dorsey, 1.
Lincoln Field Goals—Butler, 2; N. Young, 5; W. Young, 1.
Foul Goals—Edwards, 3; W. Young, 6; Gurnoe, 1; N. Young, 1.

QUESTION OF PRINCIPLE.

Our Countrymen's Patriotism Must Not Be Judged by Sectional Sentiment.

In an article by R. K. McWoodson which appeared recently in the New York Sun on the attitude of the northern and southern white people toward the colored people as individuals and as a race and whether the colored man should fight for his country in case of war the writer says:

It is true that the black man is no more the pet of the north. There was a time that he was, but it seems now that he is the "pest" of the south and the puzzle of the north. The southerners may not be too nearsighted to see the black man's future nor the northerners too farsighted to see his present condition. But it does seem that neither north nor south has very much sight when it comes to seeing the black man in the right light. One is prejudice blind, and the other is color blind.

The white people of the south see too much of him, and the white people of the north see too little of him, and, as a rule, the white people of the north judge the black race by the few they see in the northern cities. They must go south to see the black man. We mean the majority of the progressive black men and women. There are many leaders in the north who are a strong type of the worth and value of the black man's genius.

The white people of the south are said to love the individual black man and hate the black race and the northerners to hate the individual and love the race. And here we find the black man again between two extremes. The southerners see too much of him and the northerners see too little of him.

The first blood shed for America's independence was by Crispus Attucks, a black man, in Boston. A question comes in my mind now: Should a black man shoulder a gun and go to war and fight for this country, a country which denies him the rights of citizenship under a flag which offers him no protection, strips him of his manhood by enacting laws which keep him from the ballot box, disfranchised, segregated, discriminated against, lynched, burned at the stake, Jim Crowed and disarmed? If he fights, and fight he must, for what does he fight?

Mr. McWoodson's argument is quite logical, but the attitude of white people north or south, whether favorable or unfavorable toward the colored race, cannot blot out its loyalty to Old Glory. The Negro will continue to fight for his country and also fight for the rights and protection which the constitution and the flag guarantee to all Americans without regard to race, color or previous servitude.

Sharon Baptist Church Celebration.

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When Thou has done, Thou has not done;
For I have more.
Wilt Thou forgive that sin which I have won
Others to sin, and made my sins their door?
Wilt Thou forgive that sin which I did shun
A year or two, but wallow'd in a score?
When Thou has done, Thou has not done;
For I have more.
I have a sin of fear, that when I've spun
My last thread, I shall perish on the shore;
But swear by Thyself that at my death Thy Son
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And having done that, Thou has done;
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EDITORIALS

THE WORLD IN TROUBLE.

It does seem that the so-called civilized Christian countries are relaxing into a state of barbarism, with nearly all of the European countries in a gigantic bloody war and with other countries in other continents are planning on entering soon, namely China has been persuaded by English influence to join the allies and they have done likewise with this country, for we are in a state of war against Germany, with Japan waiting for an opportunity to enter that great carnage of blood and death. Mexico, Spain, Sweden and Norway may all soon be drawn into that great death struggle, and yet America with her great internal strife and unrest among her union labor and among the Negro race cannot hope to have a united nation. With the great uprising in Ireland and the recent overthrow of the Russian czarism and rule are but silent omens that may come in other countries.

CIVIL RIGHTS BILL INTRODUCED

Hon. James B. Weaver, Jr., representative from Des Moines, has introduced into the house of representatives one of the strongest and best equal rights bills that has ever been presented to the Iowa legislature; in fact in any other state legislature in America. While we hope that it passes and becomes a law in Iowa, yet I fear that it is a little too strong for a majority of the legislature to vote for it. While it is nothing more than right, fair and equitable and

what every honest man should ask, demand and expect in a state or a country that expects for him to give his life and money to defend it in time of need. Elsewhere we have published the bill in full. Let us all write letters to your representatives and senators to work and vote for the passage of this bill. We are truly proud that Polk county has really got one good, able, broad-minded representative.

This bill does not only prevent discrimination against the colored race, but the Jew and all other races that are now discriminated against.

A WORD TO OUR AGENTS.

The various agents for the Bystander do to some degree represent us and it is absolutely necessary that all of our agents try and live up to our general rule and customs. First please sign your names to each letter that you send. Even this week we have four good news letters come in without the sign of any name signed to the articles. We cannot publish them. Then again avoid sending in programs or names of local people at the various parties, receptions, weddings or long resolutions from some society about the death of so and so. Then again tell the news and news only of respectable citizens, regardless of their church, creed or society that they belong to, and lastly try and collect the subscription from those who have not paid last year. Insist upon them paying up last year's dues.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To prevent discrimination at places of public accommodation, resort or amusement, and to prevent publication and distribution of discriminatory matter and to punish the same. House file No. 518. By Weaver. Judiciary. March 12, 1917.

Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of Iowa:

Section 1.—That no person, being the owner, lessee, proprietor, manager, superintendent, agent or employe of any public accommodation, resort or amusement shall directly or indirectly, by himself or anybody else publish, issue, circulate, send, distribute, give away or display in any way, manner, shape, means or method, except as hereinafter provided, any communication, paper, poster, folder, manuscript, book, pamphlet, writing, print, letter, notice or advertisement of any kind, nature or description, intended or calculated to discriminate or actually discriminating against any religious sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality, or against any of the members thereof in the matter of furnishing or neglecting or refusing to furnish to them or any one of them, any lodgings, housing, schooling, tuition, or any accommodation, right, privilege, advantage or convenience offered to or enjoyed by the general public, or to the effect that any of the accommodations, rights, privileges, advantages or conveniences of any such place of public accommodation, resort or amusement shall or will be refused, withheld from or denied to any person or persons or class of persons on account of race, sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality, or that the patronage, custom, presence, frequenting, dwelling, staying or lodging at such place of any person, persons or class of persons belonging to or purporting to be of any particular race, sect, creed, class, denomination or nationality is unwelcome, objectionable, or not acceptable, desired or solicited.

Sec. 2.—The production of any such communication, paper, poster, folder, manuscript, book, pamphlet, writing, print, letter, notice or advertisement, purporting to relate to any such place and to be made by any person being the owner, lessee, proprietor, agent, superintendent, manager or employe thereof, shall be presumptive evidence in any civil or criminal action or prosecution that the same was authorized by such person.

Sec. 3.—A place of public accommodation, resort or amusement, within the meaning of this act, shall be deemed to include any inn, tavern or hotel, whether conducted for the entertainment, housing or lodging of transient guests, or for the benefit, use or accommodation of those seeking health, recreation or rest, any restaurant, eating house, public conveyance on land or water, bathhouse, barber shop, theater and music hall.

Sec. 4.—Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prohibit the mailing of a private communication in writing sent in response to specific written inquiry.

Sec. 5.—Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or who shall aid in or incite, cause or bring about in whole or in part the violation of any such provisions shall for each and every violation thereof be liable to a penalty of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), to be recovered by the person aggrieved thereby, and shall also for every such offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or shall be imprisoned not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

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To James Wilson, 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 1st, A. D. 1913, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot 18, block 5, Old Orchard Beach, now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, was sold to C. B. Minnis for the payment of the taxes for the year 1912, thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, therefor, which certificate is now lawfully held and owned by him.

That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said lot 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 March 8, 1917.
C. B. Minnis.
By W. L. Baugh, His Agent.

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CITY LOCALS

Mr. Lu Shelton has been confined to his home the past week.

Atty. J. B. Rush is recovering from an attack of the grip.

The Corinthian Aid Society will meet with Miss Weekly on Easton boulevard 1922 19th street.

Mrs. Helton, Pres

Mrs. J. H. Shepard has returned from Auxvasse and New Bloomfield Mo., where she was called by the death of her father.

The Missionary Society of Asbury M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Millie Estell, 908 14th street Place, conducting their usual business. Ad-journed to meet March 22nd with Mrs. Julia Turner, 913 12th street.

The Des Moines Negro Civic League will meet at the Palms at the corner of Ninth and Park streets Sunday at 3 p. m. Subject for discussion, "Laying Aside Personal Grievances and Working for the Common Good," led by Mr. S. Joe Brown.

The members of the Royal Eight club entertained at their spring frolic Tuesday evening at the Elks hall. Sixty couples participated in the latest dances. The ball room was decorated with the club's colors, which are purple and red, and on the east wall of the ball room were the club's letters, which attracted a great deal of attention. It was the first of a series of dances to be given by the club and proved a brilliant occasion. Prof. Williams' orchestra played for the dancing.

CARD PARTY.

The young ladies of the Wednesday Night Bridge club entertained the young ladies of the Mary Church Terrill club at a card party at the home of Miss Ardella Carr on Thursday in honor of Miss Joburness Redmon. Five tables were surrounded for progressive whist and the following prizes were given: Pair silk hose, Miss Letha Johnson; fork, Mrs. Emerald Mash; half dozen glasses, Mrs. Audra Alexander; guest prize to Miss Redmon. A luncheon was served from small tables, the club colors, pink and green, being carried out in the menu.

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Singing.
Talk by Mrs. Frank P. Johnson.
Solo, Master Nelson Thompson, by request.
Talk by Atty. S. Joe Brown.
Vocal Duet, Lona and Lucile Green.
The public cordially invited.

Mrs. Mayme Gould is suffering from a bad attack of bronchitis at her home at 955 Sixteenth street.

The Mary Church Terrill club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Emerald Mash. After an interesting meeting, refreshments were served.

Dr. J. Alvin Jefferson will deliver an illustrated lecture Sunday evening, March 18th, at the regular service at St. Paul's A. M. E. church on "Medical Temperance and Health," under the auspices of the Eliza E. Peterson W. C. T. U.

The Callanan club will meet Wednesday with Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Mrs. S. Nichols, hostess. Fourth chapter of Esther lesson. Federation is drawing near and all members requested to be present.

The St. Paul's Altar Guild will meet with Mrs. Stuart on West Fourteenth street Thursday afternoon, March 15, at 3 p. m.

Mr. A. Ford of Oskaloosa, Iowa, who spent a few days last week in our city visiting his daughter, Mrs. Anna Cabbell, 114 Ridge street, returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson wish to thank the neighbors and many friends for their kindness and beautiful floral offering during the illness and death of their son and brother, Major Johnson.
Edna Johnson.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson.

Mrs. Henry Hines and friends gave a delightful surprise party on Mrs. Tishia Aylor of Minneapolis, Minn., who is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Bell Kilbert, 2214 Dean avenue E. A lovely lunch was served.

The Kloster Crochet and Embroidery club met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Knox, 784 West Twelfth street. The afternoon was spent in crocheting, after which a two-course luncheon was served by the hostess. All spent a pleasant afternoon. Club adjourned to meet with Wm. Shackelford, 943 Fourteenth Street Place.

The D. Y. W. Y. K. Art club met at the home of Mrs. Jake Hickman last Friday, with the vice president in the chair. After the regular business some interesting remarks were made by Mrs. Eleanor Gresham, corresponding secretary of the Iowa Federation of Colored Clubs. After a dainty lunch was served they adjourned to meet with Mrs. Jeffers on Fourteenth street.

Mr. H. G. Darden, formerly of this city, but now of Sedalia, Mo., one of the leading preachers of the Sanctified Holy Church, is in our city visiting old friends and looking over the religious work of his followers. He has just returned from Omaha, Neb., where he also inspected his church work there. Rev. Mr. Darden is a very fine Christian gentleman, and while here he called at our office. He is meeting with good success in Sedalia, Mo.

The Richard Allen Aid met at the home of Mrs. S. L. Birt. After transacting business the name was changed to Mary B. Talbert. The following papers were read, "Singing and Its Benefit," by Mrs. J. E. Ously; "Study of the Life of Hector Berlioz," by Mrs. Nichols, and "Who Wrote the Life and Childhood of Christ," by Mrs. S. L. Birt. Meeting adjourned to meet at home of Mrs. Dr. Jefferson, with Mrs. J. E. Ously as hostess.

The First district of the I. S. F. C. W. C. met at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Saturday afternoon in a very interesting session and with a fine attendance. Practically every club in the district was heard from and the reports showed earnest endeavor along all lines. Two fine addresses from the chairman of child welfare, Mrs. J. L. Thompson, and the chairman of temperance, Mrs. Alice McDowell, respectively. An informal talk on the coming Federation in Ottumwa, at which time the Booker T. Washington painting will be unveiled by the state president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, and a school of instruction by the district chairmen were among the interesting features secretary, Mrs. Eleanor Gresham, was present and a letter of greeting and good wishes was received from the state organizer, Mrs. Martha White, of Indianola, who was detained at home because of the illness of her mother.

MISS LETTA CARY TO WED.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen announce the engagement of their daughter, Letta E. Cary, to Dr. O. L. Bledsoe of Marshall, Texas. The wedding will be solemnized some time during the month of June at the home of the bride's parents in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Miss Cary, it will be remembered, is one of the only two Negro young women to receive a degree from the State University of Iowa during the sixty years of its history, having graduated with the degree of A. B. in the class of 1912 and was immediately thereafter called to the chair of modern languages in Bishop college at Marshall, Texas, which she still occupies, and from which same institution her fiancé, as well as his distinguished father, Prof. W. F. Bledsoe, of Marshall, Texas, are both alumni.

Miss Cary's many friends in Iowa congratulate Dr. Bledsoe in having won the hand of this most amiable young lady and wish for her many years of matrimonial bliss.

How to Prevent Croup.

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"When you feel any temptation to join along," said the friend and adviser, "you must say: 'Get thee behind me, Satan.'"
"De's what I done said," answered Mr. Eliasus Plakley, "an' de's I magine I h'ave Satan answer me back: 'I's all right. We's both eatin' de same way, nohow, an' if don't make no difference to de w'ich side de 'mbrosion' is."

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HOWARD ALUMNI PROGRAM HAS MANY UNIQUE FEATURES

General Association at Washington Ready For Semecentennial Functions.

Washington.—Following the "get together" of the Howard university alumni, which was one of the most successful and enthusiastic preludes to the semecentennial which will be celebrated March 1 to 4, inclusive, the alumni have designed a button about the size of a quarter of a dollar commemorative of the coming celebration. The button has a background of the official blue of the university, with lettering in white, completing the colors blue and white. In the center the letters "H. U." are monogrammed, while on either side appear the dates "1867-1917." At the top of the semicircle is the word "Semecentennial" and at the bottom "Howard University." The outer edge of the design is white, giving the whole a finished setting.

Robert A. Pelham, financial secretary of the General Alumni association, was present at the midday chapel services of the university recently and presented to each undergraduate a button for the tickets distributed on the night of the "get together" meeting.

The General Alumni will send out to the different local branches of the association samples of the buttons and have them order in numbers to supply the membership of their several organizations, so that by the time of the celebration in March every alumnus in each locality and here may recognize the others in the effort and plans for alumni day.

The program feature of March 3, which is alumni day in the celebration, is being shaped and will be announced in a few days. The parade from the university to Convention hall March 1 will include the officers, trustees, members of the faculties and alumni.

The Andrew Rankin Memorial chapel will be the mobilizing point for the alumni, and every alumnus is expected to be on hand at 6:30 p. m. so as to be formed under the marshal for the occasion into groups or assignment in the line. Reports from outside associations and individual alumni indicate a hearty response to the call, and the gymnasium appeal has awakened new interest and is the slogan on which the alumni stand united.

THE BIG BROTHER MOVEMENT.

Efforts of a New York Organization to Protect Children.

At the meeting of the Big Brother movement under the auspices of the National Urban League, New York, on Feb. 22 plans were perfected for the Big Brother Sunday designated for March 25, at which time the pastors of the various churches have been requested to preach a sermon at their morning services showing the responsibilities of parenthood, using preferably for their text Matthew xxv, 31, as well as the rest of the chapter.

An active Big Brother will be assigned to each church to tell of the efforts of the Big Brothers to reduce the number of arraignments in the children's court this year. It is hoped that a monster public mass meeting will be held in one of the large halls in the Harlem district the afternoon of March 25.

The following statistics, giving a comparison of the total number of arraignments in the children's court for the years 1915 and 1916 and a comparison as to the total number of arraignments of colored children for the years 1914, 1915 and 1916, will be of special interest to persons interested in child welfare, especially in trying to save a child from appearance in the children's court as a defendant:

During 1916 the total number of arraignments in the children's courts was 12,425 children as against 14,135 during 1915. Of this number 5,970 were arraigned for delinquency as compared with 7,927 the year before. In the special proceedings, which consisted largely of improper guardianship and neglect cases, 6,455 cases were tried before the court for protection. In 1915 there were 6,208.

SLATER INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

William A. Blair's Efforts to Increase Our Advantages For Education.

Few men of either race are doing more to increase the educational advantages of the colored people of the south than William A. Blair, treasurer of the Slater Industrial school at Winston-Salem, N. C. Mr. Blair is an influential business man, being the vice president of the People's National bank at Winston-Salem. Since September, 1916, Mr. Blair has been making a campaign for funds with which to give the institution a larger equipment.

The state legislature, recognizing the usefulness and importance of the school to our people, has promised to give \$12,000 toward the new equipment on condition that the trustees raise a like amount. The appeal sent out by the trustees says: "If each reader of this article will slip \$1 into an envelope and mail it to the treasurer, William A. Blair, Winston-Salem, N. C., the money will be raised and the school buildings erected. This small amount will not hurt any one and will very greatly aid a most worthy national cause."

Freedmen's Aid Society Fifty Years Old. The Freedmen's Aid society is making elaborate preparations for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of organization to be held in April. The sessions of the celebration will be held in the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, Cincinnati. This is the church edifice in which the society was organized.

HAMPTON DEFEATS LINCOLN.

University Men Outclassed by Students of Noted Virginia Institution.

By LAWRENCE A. LEE.
Hampton, Va.—The Hampton Institute basketball team recently proved its superiority to the orange and blue squad of Lincoln university by defeating them by the margin of one point. Lincoln outplayed the blue and white machine in the first half, but the latter half proved fatal to the visitors. Time and again they delayed the game with no intention other than to get rest.

The Seasideers, as usual, began the second half with lightning speed, which was kept up throughout the remaining part of the game. At one time it seemed as though the Lincolnites were to be the victors, but after J. Dorsey stepped into his position things made a radical change. During the entire first half Hampton was unable to cage a field goal. Edwards made six foul goals out of the eight chances, while Lincoln made five field goals and two foul goals during the first half. The first half ended with the score 12 to 6 in Lincoln's favor.

The second half started with Gurnoe, Miser and Pierson as Hampton's fresh men, while Lincoln substituted Henderson for Butler. Captain Edwards and Gurnoe began to find the basket in the early part of this half, and it was all that the Young brothers could do to stop the Seasideers from scoring. In the last few minutes of play Hampton tied the score.

Owing to the fact that Lincoln had six men on the court, Referee Thompson called a foul on them. After a lengthy debate the Lincolnites gave in. Edwards made the goal, placing Hampton one point ahead of the orange and blue.

The game ended with the final score 23 to 22 in the Virginians' favor. Both teams deserve much credit for the fast teamwork that was exhibited, but it is suggested that basketball teams leave their debaters at home, for the referees are not always willing to hold a debate with the captain while his teammates are getting rested.

Hampton, 23; Lincoln, 22.
THE LINEUP.
Gurnoe..... left forwardButler
Edwards..... right forwardSummers
(Captain)
Dorsey..... centerN. Young
(Captain)
Miser..... left guardCruse
Withers..... right guardW. Young
Substitutes.—For Hampton, McLaren, Paxton and Lawson. For Lincoln, Henderson.
Referee—Sergeant Thompson.
Timekeeper—Mr. Atkins.
Time of halves—Twenty minutes.
Hampton Field Goals—Edwards, 4; Gurnoe, 2; Dorsey, 1.
Lincoln Field Goals—Butler, 2; N. Young, 5; W. Young, 1.
Foul Goals—Edwards, 6; W. Young, 6; Gurnoe, 1; N. Young, 1.

QUESTION OF PRINCIPLE.

Our Countrymen's Patriotism Must Not Be Judged by Sectional Sentiment.

In an article by R. K. McWoodson which appeared recently in the New York Sun on the attitude of the northern and southern white people toward the colored people as individuals and as a race and whether the colored man should fight for his country in case of war the writer says:

It is true that the black man is no more the pet of the north. There was a time that he was, but it seems now that he is the "pest" of the south and the puzzle of the north. The southerners may not be too nearsighted to see the black man's future nor the northerners too farsighted to see his present condition. But it does seem that neither north nor south has very much sight when it comes to seeing the black man in the right light. One is prejudice blind, and the other is color blind.

The white people of the south see too much of him, and the white people of the north see too little of him, and, as a rule, the white people of the north judge the black race by the few they see in the northern cities. They must go south to see the black man. We mean the majority of the progressive black men and women. There are many leaders in the north who are a strong type of the worth and value of the black man's genius.

The white people of the south are said to love the individual black man and hate the black race and the northerners to hate the individual and love the race. And here we find the black man again between two extremes. The southerners see too much of him and the northerners see too little of him.

The first blood shed for America's independence was by Crispus Attucks, a black man, in Boston. A question comes in my mind now: Should a black man shoulder a gun and go to war and fight for this country, a country which denies him the rights of citizenship under a flag which offers him no protection, strips him of his manhood by enacting laws which keep him from the ballot box, disfranchised, segregated, discriminated against, lynched, burned at the stake, Jim crowed and disarmed? If he fights, and fight he must, for what does he fight?

Mr. McWoodson's argument is quite logical, but the attitude of white people north or south, whether favorable or unfavorable toward the colored race, cannot blot out its loyalty to Old Glory. The Negro will continue to fight for his country and also fight for the rights and protection which the constitution and the flag guarantee to all Americans without regard to race, color or previous servitude.

Sharon Baptist Church Celebration.

The Sharon Baptist church, Baltimore, celebrated its thirty-second year as a religious corporation in February. The church was founded by the Rev. Dr. William M. Alexander, who is its present pastor. Dr. Alexander is widely known as a Baptist minister and an able advocate of home and foreign missions.

POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW.

No matter what your occupation you ought to read and know some of the great poems of the world. They will add to your happiness and philosophy. We shall print a few of the classics as a sample, if they are desired by our subscribers they will be continued.

A HYMN TO GOD THE FATHER

John Donne

Wilt Thou forgive that sin where I begun,
Which was my sin, though it were done before?
Wilt Thou forgive that sin through which I run,
And do run still, though still I do deplore?
When Thou has done, Thou has not done;
For I have more.

Wilt Thou forgive that sin which I have won
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