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IOWA O. E. S.—A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

The tenth annual session of Electa Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star for Iowa and jurisdiction held its three days' session last week in the beautiful city of Marshalltown, beginning Tuesday morning. When the grand matron opened the session there were more delegates and representatives than at any previous meeting. After the opening they adjourned until afternoon, after which the various committees were appointed and some of the grand officers made their annual reports. In the evening a public welcome reception was given. The Hon. Riley, mayor, with the balance of his city council, was present and welcomed them here. Response to the mayor was made by S. Joe Brown, G. M. of Masons of Iowa. Other welcome addresses were delivered on behalf of various lodges and responded to. This was interspersed with music. Wednesday was taken up in adopting the constitution and by-laws or code. At night a lodge of sorrow was held, the following paying tribute to the deceased from their chapters: Mrs. Susan Holmes of Keokuk, Mrs. Addie Clark of Oskaloosa, Emma Heron of Clinton, Mrs. Warren of Marshalltown, Mrs. Bettie Anderson of Minneapolis, Mrs. Maude M. Brewton of Mason City. Thursday morning was taken up in receiving the different reports. In the afternoon voting on location of next year's meeting. Waterloo and Council Bluffs extended invitations. Upon a ballot being taken, Waterloo won. The election of grand officers for M. W. matron. Mrs. Mamie Bland of Keokuk and Mrs. Emma Miligan of Cedar Rapids were nominated. The former was elected associate G. M. Mrs. S. Joe Brown and Mrs. L. Abbey of Minneapolis were nominated. The former won. For G. patron, Rev. I. W. Bess of Minneapolis, R. W. Franklin of Oskaloosa and A. G. Clark of Oskaloosa were nominated. After taking three ballots A. G. Clark was elected in a close race by R. W. Franklin. I. L. Brown of Marshalltown was unanimously elected associate grand patron. Mrs. Emma Jackson of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Maud Wilkinson of Des Moines were nominated for grand treasurer. The latter was elected by a close vote of seven majority and of 108 votes. Mrs. Emma Heron of Clinton and Clara Shepard of Davenport were nominated for grand secretary. The former was elected. Corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. G. Clark, Oskaloosa, grand conductress, Mrs. Bettie Anderson, Minneapolis, Minn.; grand associate conductress, Miss Jessye Walker, Marshalltown; chaplain, Mrs. Emma Smith, Ottumwa; historian, Mrs. Lulu Horn, Cedar Rapids; warder, Mrs. I. Robinson, Des Moines; marshal, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, Cedar Rapids; deputy grand matron, Mrs. Eva L. Abbey, Minneapolis, Minn.; sentinel, Mr. Mosley, Waterloo; Ada, Mrs. Roberta Bailey, Buxton; Ruth, Mrs. C. B. Woods, Des Moines; Esther, Mrs. Anna Morris, Sioux City, and Martha, Mrs. T. H. Sturgis, Sioux City. The 1918 convention will be held in Waterloo during the month of June.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.)
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Suter entertained during the grand chapter of the O. E. S. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clark of Oskaloosa, Mr. and Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, Mrs. W. W. Gross of Keokuk, Mesdames Reeler and Taylor of Mason City. This pleasant gathering of friends will ever remain a sweet memory of the G. C. of 1917.
Mrs. W. W. Gross of Keokuk departed Saturday morning for Iowa City to visit her daughter, who is attending the university.
Mrs. J. D. Reeler of Mason City departed Monday morning for Waterloo, where she will visit a short time before returning home.
Mrs. L. E. Taylor will remain over Decoration day, the guest of her brother and sister, Geo. L. Suter and Mrs. G. R. Warn.

BUXTON, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.)
The annual exercises of the eighth grade of the Buxton public schools were given Wednesday evening, May 9th, at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium to a large and appreciative audience. Program as follows: Chorus, combined schools; invocation, Rev. J. J. Evans, chorus, combined schools; sandalphon, Pearl Funk; Barbara Fritch, Johnnie Jones; Ambulance in the Valley, Anne Washington; Columbus, Jacob Brown. One very interesting feature of the program was a rendition of a play, entitled "A Dickens Revival," by the pupils of Central school, in which characters from well known books of Dickens were represented as follows: Miss Brownley, Mrs. Jarley, Mr. Pickwick, Sam Weller, Oliver Twist, Little Dorrit, David Copperfield, Nicholas Nickleby, Dombey and Son. Some of the pupils showed marked ability in representation of characters.
Eleven were awarded diplomas admitting them to the various high class roll—Oakley Reeves, Omega

schools of the state.
Thomas, Layther Mease, Maggie Burkett, Pearl Funk, Johnnie Jones, Purcell Smith, Jacob Brown, Anne Washington, Joe Davis, George Hunt.
Class address and presentation of diplomas, Prof. A. J. Hicks, Remarks, Mr. E. F. Mills, director.
Mrs. Minnie B. London, Miss Georgia Blackburn, teachers.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

(Special to Bystander.)
Mr. John L. Thompson, Des Moines, Iowa.
My Dear Sir: Perhaps you, as well as some of our friends over the state, may be interested to learn that the athletic reputation of Iowa has been very successfully upheld this spring in Howard university circles by Ralph B. Tebeau of Keokuk, Iowa, and myself. Mr. Tebeau has just completed his third year as a member of the baseball team, while I have upheld my high school reputation as a sprinter on the track team. I sincerely trust that you will not deem us boastful for transmitting to you this knowledge, but we would be delighted if our friends could hear of our success through your paper. I trust, however, that you will not print this letter, as it might cast a reflection upon me. Pending your decision, I beg to remain, yours very truly,
Lyle S. Suter,
Marshalltown, Iowa.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Carrie Nelson of Omaha is in Albia on business this week.
Mrs. Joe Robinson and Miss Alberta Robinson were in Albia on Sunday to services.
Mr. and Mrs. Emily Burns of Hocking are rejoicing over a baby girl at their home, also Mrs. Virgie Burns seems to share in the arrival of the little youngster.
Mrs. Joe Robinson, president of the Albia Federation of Colored Women, and Miss Jewett Lewis of the Young Girls' Social Center club left Albia on Monday evening for Ottumwa to attend the state convention.
Quite a number of strangers in Albia on Sunday.
Monday evening there was a social at the A. M. E. church.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

The V. B. F. lodge will hold their annual thanksgiving sermon at the G. A. R. hall on Sabbath afternoon.
Beauford Maupin is on the sick list at this writing.
Mrs. Flora Hall and Miss Nadine Duolin are attending the commencement exercises at Frankfort, Mo.
Mr. Samuel Waters was in Aledo on Saturday on business.
Rev. N. J. McCracken was in Monmouth on Tuesday on his way home to Chicago.
Miss Berry of Galesburg was a visitor in Monmouth on Thursday.
The remains of Mrs. Florence Marlowe, a former resident of Monmouth, but late of Chicago, were brought here Friday evening for burial. The interment being Saturday at Monmouth cemetery. The remains were accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Marlowe Williams, also Mrs. Maude Ferguson, Mrs. Wood and Mr. Ferguson, all of Chicago.
The stewardship board of the St. James A. M. E. church had an excellent entertainment at the G. A. R. hall Thursday evening.
Rev. Eugene Thompson was a business caller at Aledo on Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Patton of Galesburg were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith last Sabbath.
Rev. C. Lindell of Fort Madison, Iowa, preached at the Calvary Baptist church both morning and evening on Sabbath day. It is expected that Rev. Lindell will accept the pastorate of the local church and the members here are anxious that he will. The church has been without a pastor since the death of the late Rev. H. L. Forte.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mrs. J. W. Norris, Mrs. T. H. Sturgis, Mrs. H. Green and Rev. E. R. Edwards have returned from Marshalltown, Iowa, where they attended Electa grand chapter, O. E. S.
Mrs. Jennie V. Koger of Minneapolis is a guest in the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Edwards.
Mrs. Etta Grant is visiting in St. Paul.
Sunbeam Household of Ruth, No. 4961, will give a grand concert Tuesday evening, May 29th.
Quite a number were baptized at Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday.
The Progressive club presented a beautiful spon to its president, Mrs. J. D. Anthony, Tuesday evening, May 15th.
Malone A. M. E. church had two joiners Sunday.

MACON, MO. NEWS.

Rev. J. W. L. Underwood preached two excellent sermons Sunday morning and evening.
Macon had quite a large fire Thursday, which destroyed one of the largest buildings in our city, which was a

loss of many thousand dollars. Also the Wabash depot and three homes belonging to the whites of our city, including the beautifully located home of Rev. St. Mark Jones.

Rev. A. L. Bird spent Sunday in Milan, Mo.

Mrs. John Green remains ill at her home. Mrs. Beatrice Saunderson of Omaha, Neb., was called to her bedside.

Mrs. M. A. Hayden of Kirkwood, Mo., is spending a few days in our city, the guest of her daughter, Miss Florence, who is attending Western college.

Miss Fay Belle, a young lady of our city, gave a successful literary program Saturday night in Glassgow, Mo., Sunday evening. She also rendered a sacred program at the church on Monday evening. Miss Belle assisted Prof. Louis Garland, teacher of Glassgow school, in his graduating exercises.

Wednesday night an excellent program was rendered by the public school of our city.

Mr. Edward Moon, a student of Western college, was called to his home by the illness of his brother.

Mrs. A. J. Fox is visiting relatives in Palmyra, Mo.

Mrs. Della Madison of Kirksville, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. Houston, of our city.

Miss Louise Smith, a student of Western college, spent a few days at her home in Kirksville, Mo.

The Glee club of Western college will give a program Tuesday night in Moberly, Mo., and Friday night in Brookfield, Mo.

The Japanese cantata which was given May 12th by the students of Western college was called to Bevier, Mo., Friday evening, where they will render the cantata again at the opera house.

Mrs. A. C. Harris is suffering with her tonsils.

Several Macon people attended the

program given by the public school at Bevier, Mo.

Mrs. M. Jones remains very ill at her home.

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GALESBURG, ILL.

The Thimble Circle was entertained at the home of Mrs. Finney on Friday, May 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Williams are the proud parents of a son. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

The Garrison club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Castleman on Friday, May 25th.

Rev. Garrison returned home Saturday from Marshalltown, Iowa, after attending the O. E. S. He is getting busy preparing for tag day June 2.

Sixty ladies are to assist in selling tags. This is the first time the colored citizens have ever had a privilege like this.

The A. L. C. will meet with Mrs. Chas. Anderson on May 31.

The cabaret given by the Garrison club was a decided success socially and financially. Receipts were \$16 clear. Music was furnished by the Imperial orchestra, under the direction of Miss Irene Fletcher.

At the Second Baptist parsonage Saturday, May 19th, occurred the marriage of Miss Dorothy Hawkins and Jarret Dunlap. They departed for Chicago on their honeymoon, where they will spend three weeks, after which they will be at home to their

many friends in Ft. Madison, Iowa.

Mr. E. Hubbard of Monmouth spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Miss E. Hurley.

Messrs. H. Crawford and O. Fletcher entertained thirty-five friends at a May party Friday, May 18, at the home of Mr. H. Crawford. The evening was spent in dancing. At a late hour a two-course luncheon was served. All departed at a late hour, voting the boys royal entertainers.

The Jolly Fourteen were entertained at the home of Miss D. Smalley on Friday, May 25th.

Misses A. Peak and B. Peak have returned to their home in Missouri, after spending the winter at the home of Mrs. J. Henderson.

CLINTON, IOWA.

Mr. P. P. Taylor of Chicago spent a portion of last week in Clinton looking after business matters and incidentally visiting with friends.

The funeral of Crusee Alderson, who was killed on Sunday, May 13th, was held on Wednesday, May 16th, from the Second Baptist church, the Rev. F. J. Nott officiating, who was assisted by other pastors. The choir from Bethel A. M. E. church rendered the music. Deceased is survived by his widow, three children, his father, Fred Alderson, of Moberly, Mo., two brothers, Ed. of St. Louis and Frank of Moberly, Mo. Interment was made in Springdale cemetery.

Rev. Jones, an evangelist, spent the past week the guest of Rev. W. W. Williams. While here he assisted the pastor in his pulpit, also delivering a lecture on last Sunday afternoon.

Curtis and Roger Bush spent last Sunday in Chicago.

A most enjoyable entertainment was given on Thursday evening, May 17th, at Bethel A. M. E. church, under the auspices of the Mite Missionary society, consisting of recitations, drills, dialogues and music. The entertainment was under the direction of Mrs. Lillie Wilder, who deserves credit for her effort and its results. A large crowd was present. No doubt the society will be greatly benefited.

Mr. Fred Alderson and sons, Frank, of Moberly, Mo., and Ed. of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Amanda Robinson of Rock Island, Ill., were in the city attending the funeral of the late Crusee Alderson.

Mrs. J. H. Curtis is a new subscriber to the Bystander.

Eugene Stewart is the delegate to the Sunday school convention to be held in Davenport in June.

MOBERLY, MO., ITEMS.

Mr. J. T. Romans of Buxton, Iowa, was a Moberly visitor this week. Moberly friends were glad to welcome Mr. Romans, as he formerly lived in Moberly.

Mr. Birch Williams died Friday morning at his home on McKinsey street. Mr. Williams leaves a wife, mother, father, three sisters and three brothers to mourn his sad demise. Mr. Williams was an ideal young man, well liked by all who knew him. The floral offerings were many and beautiful. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved relatives.

Miss Dora Barnes died Friday at her home on Coates street, after a lingering illness. Miss Barnes leaves a son and daughter, mother and five sisters to mourn her sad demise.

Lincoln school closed Friday with seven girl graduates. Prof. Quinn, principal, entertained the faculty and graduates at his beautiful Forest avenue home Sunday afternoon. This has been one of the most successful school terms in the history of the school. All of the faculty has been re-elected.

Mrs. Sylvia Nelson has returned from the bedside of a sick grandchild in Columbia. She reports the child much better.

Mrs. Cecil Harrison of Rock Island, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dameron and Mrs. Lula B. Moberly of Kansas City were in the city to attend the funeral of their brother, Mr. B. Williams, on Sunday.

Mr. Fred Alderson and son, Frank, were called to Clinton to attend the funeral of a son and brother, Mr. Crusee Alderson, of that place.

Mrs. Salisbury of Huntsville, Mo., princess of Queen Esther Temple, No. 18, entertained the temple at 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday. All report Mrs. Salisbury an ideal hostess, and her beautiful Huntsville home was attractively decorated.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Watts have recently moved into their new home. This is one of the finest Negro homes in the state.

Miss Alma Williams of Columbia, Mo., is having her eyes operated upon here. We hope for her a successful operation. Miss Williams is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Porter while in the city.

IOWA CITY, IOWA.

In making out the list of candidates for degrees the reporter omitted the name of G. D. Strawn of Columbia, Mo., and the only Negro student in the college of pharmacy. Mr. Strawn will graduate from the college of pharmacy during the approaching

commencement.

Miss V. White was compelled to go home to recuperate from rheumatism. She will return in time for examination and commencement.

The annual student picnic was held Sunday at Midriver. Mrs. Moore, chaperon. Friends in Cedar Rapids have been invited.

Mrs. Gross spent the week-end with her daughter.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA

Miss Ossie Willis of Evans spent Sunday in this city with her friend, Miss Gertrude Cross.

Mrs. Jennie Cooper, who fell several weeks ago, is still confined to her bed.

Plunk (Andrew) Rodgers has moved from his winter quarters in the south part of town to his summer bungalow on the Iowa City road. Plunk has recently purchased a little runabout and says the Iowa City road is fine for his little green bug.

After an illness of several months' duration Helen, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Mitchell, died Sunday morning of tuberculosis. Funeral from Shorter A. M. E. church Thursday at 2 p. m. The family have the sympathy of the whole community.

Mrs. Gertrude Hoggsett Williams of Buxton and Wilbur Johnson of this city were united in marriage Monday evening, Rev. Cratman officiating.

Miss Grace Coleman celebrated her 9th birthday anniversary Friday, May 18th.

Miss Marie Buckner and daughter, Mrs. Jas. Wooten, were in Albia this week.

Mrs. O. B. Smith of Evans was suddenly taken sick Sunday while in the city. A physician was necessary. At this writing we are unable to report her condition.

Mesdames Marguerita Brown, Cora Jones, Addie Clark and Jennie Johnson of Davenport left Monday for Ottumwa, where they will attend the Federation of C. W. C., which convenes there this week.

Rev. Bratner of Bucklin, Mo., filled the Wesley Chapel pulpit Sunday. He met with the board Monday evening to consider the proposition of accepting the pastoral duties of that charge. All were favorable and he expects to move his family here in a few weeks.

Chester Frederick left Monday night for his home in Des Moines, after a pleasant two weeks' visit in the home of his sister, Mrs. Cassie Coleman.

Mesdames Bettie Fields of Des Moines and Marguerita Lee of St. Paul were over Sunday visitors in the Noah Kimbrough home. They were en route to Ottumwa, where Mrs. Lee took part on the program of the I. S. F. of C. W. C.

Mrs. Lydia Hockaday left Tuesday morning for Ottumwa to be in attendance at the I. S. F. of C. W. C.

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EDITORIALS

MEMORIAL DAY.

On next Wednesday this great American nation, conceived in liberty and born out of freedom, will meet in every part of the republic to offer up a memorial to the brave soldiers and loyal patriots who have given or offered their lives for their country. We set aside one day to go forth and beautify their graves with the blossoms of early spring, to aulogize their valorous deeds in song, in music, in poetry, in speeches, and to lay loving flowers at their graves. Not only their graves, but to place a tear-stained bouquet upon the graves of some of our dear relatives or loved ones who have crossed the river of death. Then, my dear readers, Memorial day is unlike all other days to us. No other country or nation sets aside a special decoration day as we. This 1917 Memorial day finds us in the midst of preparation to enter into one of the greatest wars that mankind ever witnessed. Our late civil war, hard and bloody as it was, is not to be compared with this great European war that we are in. Let us reconsecrate our lives to the great task before us.

OUR O. E. S. MEETING.

Last week at Marshalltown was an epoch making record for the Iowa O. E. S. First of all we have ridden ourselves of some hindrances in the way of office holders. It has been heralded to me several times that during the recess of the grand chapter we had no residential head. However, the chapter has done as well as it could under such embarrassing conditions. Then again we have got rid of this self-praise and ego. Our Eastern Stars are now beginning to see, as our grand lodge has already seen, that we need new, young, honest blood, not scheming, selfish politicians in office. We hope that the present officers will meet the hope of the high calling of which this great sisterhood is capable, if unhampered.

NEGRO CAMP AT FORT DES MOINES.

Washington, D. C., May 19.—A training camp for Negro officers will be established at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, where 1,200 candidates for commissions in Negro regiments of the new army will be trained. A draft of 250 men will be taken from the colored regiments of the regular army, selected from the non-commissioned officers and privates who have shown

qualifications fitting them for command and assigned to the new camp. The remainder will come from Negro regiments of the national guard and from graduates of educational institutions for Negroes.

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OBITUARY—MISS PORTER.

Miss Sarah Porter, daughter of Mrs. Preston Porter, was born in Springfield, Ill., and when quite young moved with her parents to Iowa. She attended West Des Moines High school. After graduating therefrom she taught two years in Muchakinoek, Iowa. Then she accepted a position in the public schools of Kansas City, Mo., which she held for twelve successive years, until her death, which occurred May 13 at the home of her sister, Mrs. P. K. Brown, in Merriam, Kan. She leaves to mourn her loss four sisters, Mr. B. S. Smith of Minneapolis, Minn., Mrs. S. C. Buckner of Kansas City, Kans., Mr. P. K. Brown of Mariam, Kans., Mrs. W. H. Warrick of Des Moines, Iowa, and one brother, Mr. J. C. Porter of Denver, Colo., and a host of friends in Iowa and Kansas.

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO.

Our city is moving along nicely. We have one church, Baptist, presided over by Rev. Miner. It is progressing nicely.

Lincoln school had its commencement exercises last week. On Wednesday evening the public was invited to the school building, where they had the pleasure of witnessing a fine display of needlework, manual training projects and fine examination papers. The display was fine, showing skillful training in this particular line of work.

On Friday evening we witnessed a splendid commencement program, in which the children played their parts very nicely, and closing with a splendid oration delivered by the girl who graduated.

The commencement address was delivered by Prof. R. H. Payne of this city. His address was flowery and to the point, proving him to be a clever orator of which the race should be proud.

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HAPPENINGS TWENTY YEARS AGO

(As Chronicled by The Bystander, May 21, 1897.)

Miss Daisy Hannan is on the sick list this week.

Mr. John Capart left Tuesday for the lakes in Minnesota with a fishing party.

Our collector will be around next week, so be ready to pay your subscription.

Mr. Henry Clay and his two boys spent last Saturday hunting down on Middle river.

James Epperson has returned from his eastern trip. He will work for Mr. Clarkson.

Mrs. Awsley and daughter, Gertie, of Chariton, Iowa, is in the city visiting Mrs. J. B. Vaughn of B street.

Robert Jones of 1022 Crocker street, employe of Mr. Younker, who was severely kicked by one of Mr. Y.'s horses last Tuesday is improving.

We were pleased on last Sabbath evening to see Mrs. J. H. Shepard after such a severe illness, occupying her seat in the A. M. E. church choir again, which she has been a member of for eleven years.

The grand court of H. of J. will hold its next session in the city of Burlington, commencing June 8th, lasting three days. This session bids fair to be the best and largest gathering that this society ever held in the state.

The East Side High school track team left yesterday for Marengo, where the annual state high school field meet will be held. Kenneth Hamilton is the only colored boy that is a member of the East Side team. He is entered in fifty yard dash and 120 and 220 hurdle races. He won first place in the running broad jump at the home field day. We trust that he will win more laurels today at the state meet.

Thad. S. Ruff has accepted a position with the Chicago Great Western railway.

Mr. Wm. Smith of Ottumwa spent Sunday in the Capital City visiting his brother-in-law, Henry Clay, on Eleventh street.

Mr. Jefferson Logan, a well known citizen, left yesterday to visit with his sister in Savannah, Mo., and also in St. Joseph, returning next week.

Miss Lizzie Cowens of Denver, Colorado, who was summoned to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Straughter, returned to her home last Wednesday. Mrs. S. is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Eliza Bell, our S. S. delegate to Cedar Rapids, who represented the Bystander, and with the able assistance of Mrs. Wade of Cedar Rapids furnished us with complete reports of each day's session. She also secured several subscribers, for which we extend our thanks to both.

Mr. Chas. Harris, who was a house employe during the legislature, has departed for his home last Tuesday, after spending a pleasant time in the Capital City this winter. If Chas. continues on he will make his mark in life.

Mesdames Rosa La Cour and Julia Hudlin, formerly known as the Misses Blagburn, have arrived in our city to make an extended visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. They are both enjoying good health and glad to meet their friends.

Miss Bessie Stewart is spending several days visiting at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson at Clive, the guest of Misses Zoe and Della Richardson.

A surprise party was given on Mrs.

Geo. Taylor at her home, 706 East Seventh street, last Monday evening. The evening was spent in music, games and social conversation. The guests departed at a late hour feeling very much pleased by the manner in which they had been entertained. There was about thirty present and they were all in unison in saying that Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Taylor were good entertainers.

The H. B. S. R. C. met with R. A. Wilburn. After an interesting program and a talk by Dr. Johnson, we adjourned to meet at Mrs. I. E. Williamson's, 1212 Mulberry street. Program June 3: "Magazine," Mrs. H. H. Lewis; spelling contest, captains, Mesdames H. H. Lewis and W. M. Warricks. The club was visited by Mesdames Davis, Wm. Nash, Lewis and Dr. Johnson.

The ladies of the Afternoon Social club and their husbands were entertained at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Austin. The evening was spent in social conversation and games. Delicate refreshments were served. The club then adjourned to meet with Mrs. B. J. Holmes, 1321 Park street, Thursday afternoon, June 3rd.

Mr. C. S. Steward defended a case last Wednesday in the court. He won the case. Those who heard him conduct it complimented him on the manner in which he conducted his side.

At No. 816 Park street is located the beautiful little cottage residence of Mr. S. D. Miller. At No. 782 Ninth street will be found the little cozy home of Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Johnson.

The A. M. E. choir is holding an extra rehearsal each week, while preparing for song service, June 6th, and on Wednesday night of this week they met with the doctor and his wife. Now our friend Miller, wishing to break the rule that "all that is good has its origin with woman." At the same time he invited the choir to go with him after rehearsal to No. 816 Park street. All necessary arrangements had been made for the refreshments by way of strawberries, ice cream and cake.

While they were being seated a still, small voice seemed to whisper in the ear of every one, saying, "Let Coalson be toastmaster." So, with one accord he was given the seat at the head of the banquet table. Those seated around the festive board were Mesdames Coalson, Blagburn, Johnson, Capart and Steward, Messrs. Coalson, J. F. Blagburn, Dr. Johnson, S. D. Miller, Wm. Foster and Moseley. For some cause Mrs. W. H. Birney and Mrs. J. H. Shepard were unable to attend rehearsal; therefore they missed the treat. We will not try to repeat the many nice things they said to the host, but it all meant the same thing—thanks.

The concert given at the Eighth church of Christ, on Ninth street last evening for the benefit of the church was a success from a literary view; yet not as large a crowd as they had hoped for the concert, consisting of solos, recitations, speaking, music and a drill by the young girls, led by Miss Morbon. The specials were Renix Mandolin orchestra, addresses by Rev. Stewart of the East Side Baptist church and J. L. Thompson. Much credit is due to Miss Agnes Roy for its success. Ice cream and cake were spread.

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CITY LOCALS

Nora Kinney returned home from Minneapolis, after visiting her sister.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gardner is very sick and is confined to her bed. Her friends are alarmed.

The Young Mothers' Congress will meet at the home of Mrs. Hazel Bell on Thursday, May 31.

Mr. H. E. Jacobs is working for a contractor in our city. He is also beautifying his home yard.

Mrs. Edyth Strawthers has been quite sick at her home on Jefferson avenue, but is now improving.

Mrs. Chas. Wilson, who has been very sick and was operated upon, is better now and able to be at her home again in Highland Park.

Mrs. Emily Rowland of Chillicothe, Mo., arrived in our city Sunday, May 20, to visit her daughters, Mrs. Maude M. Wilkerson and Mrs. Florence B. Taylor.

Miss Mabel Johnson of Gravity, Iowa, was a visitor in our city this week on her return home from attending the grand chapter of the O. E. S., which convened in Marshalltown.

The Mary Church Terrill club will meet Monday evening with Mrs. V. L. Jones, at which time reports from the Federation will be given by Mesdames Archie Alexander and Wade Hampton McCree.

Mrs. Wm. Shackelford entertained at a 10 o'clock breakfast Saturday morning Mrs. U. Johnson and little daughter, Jaunita, of Keokuk, Iowa, and Mrs. Hieronymous. An enjoyable forenoon was spent.

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Mr. G. H. Edmonds of this city, who is organizer of the International United Mine Workers and has been traveling all over America, is spending a few days in this, his home city, looking after his business.

There was a very large delegation of club ladies and state officers left this week to attend the annual Women's State Federation club meeting at Ottumwa. We were unable to give an accurate list of the many who went from our city.

Mrs. Emerald Nash will leave Monday to attend the commencement exercises of the Colfax high school. Her niece, Mrs. Hazel Shaw, and nephew, Master Howard Shaw, are graduates in this year's class. Mrs. Laura Winrow will accompany her.

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Prof. L. C. Jones, president of the Piney Woods Institute at Braxton, Miss., has arrived in our city last week to work in the interest of his great school. We are always glad to see

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Mr. J. B. Levy of Minneapolis, Minn., spent the week-end the guest of Miss Susie Lee.

NOTICE

The Wilson Warrick East Side tailor shop has dissolved partnership and Mrs. C. M. Wilson is now located with the West Side tailor shop, 1022 West Walnut street. She solicits your trade.

The Corinthian Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mrs. Johnson on Thursday p. m. Adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. Stewart. 3124 N. Union street.

The Kloster Crochet and Embroidery club met at the residence of Mrs. E. K. Knox. A very sociable time was had and a lovely luncheon served, after which the club adjourned to meet next Wednesday night at a reception in honor of their husbands.

The Marchiel Neal Art club met with the president, Mrs. Hammit. Ten responded to roll call. After business a lovely program was rendered by the members. Mrs. Shoecraft and Mrs. Garth were visitors. The club adjourned to have a picnic at the home of Mrs. Harper next Wednesday, Decoration day.

Mr. Henry King, a highly respected citizen of Ottumwa, passed through the city Friday on his way home from Minneapolis, where he had been visiting his daughter-in-law. He renewed acquaintanceship with Mrs. R. N. Hyde, Atty. S. Joe Brown and others formerly of Ottumwa.

THOMPSON HOTEL GUESTS.

Robt. Harris, Greenfield, Iowa, Archie Starks, Boone, Iowa, A. A. Taylor, Readsville, Mo., Christina and Alberta Thompson, Omaha, Neb., D. N. Kemp, Colfax, J. H. Ford, city, W. Watkins, Hyperion club, E. B. Warner, Denver, Colo., John Waters, Omaha, Neb., Litt. Johnson, Marshalltown, H. C. Lee, Cedar Rapids, C. E. Jones, city.

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Mrs. Mary Hunter and her two daughters, young ladies, Misses Beatrice and Isabella, of Greenwood, Miss., arrived in our city this week to make their home in the north. Mrs. Hunter is a sister of Mrs. C. M. Wilson and is stopping with her. The young ladies are students in Rush college.

CLUB PARTY.

The girls of the Mary Church Terrill club entertained a number of young gentlemen at an evening party Thursday at the home of the Misses Gertrude and Adah Hyde. The home was beautifully decorated with lilacs and wild flowers. The evening was spent very informally in music and conversation. Delicious refreshments were served by the Misses Harriet Alexander and Georgia Williams. Mrs. Anna Shoecraft of Chicago, a former member of the club, and Mrs. Ollie Buckner of Fort Dodge were out of town guests.

An interdenominational missionary mass meeting will be held at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday at 3 p. m. Representatives from all the colored churches of the city will be present and an interesting program will be rendered. This will be a booster meeting for the Des Moines District-Mite Missionary convention, which will meet at St. Paul's church June 5th. Mrs. Nora Burnaugh of Mt. Pleasant is district president and Mrs. Harvey Owen of Ottumwa, district secretary.

The local Mite Missionary society will give a May festival at the skating rink on Tuesday, May 29th, of stereopticon views and music.

Mr. E. S. Morgan is ill at his home, 771 Thirteenth street.

KYLES A. M. E. ZION CHURCH NOTICE.

Our quarterly meeting Wednesday evening was nicely attended. There were two added to the church. Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. by pastor. Text, Came and set day. The Right Rev. Bishop Kyles of the St. Louis and Kansas City district will be present at 8:30 p. m. and preach for us.

At our 3 o'clock service it is expected that the presiding elder will preach. Bethel's A. M. E. choir will render the music at that time.

Following the 3 o'clock service there will be baptizing at the river. Entertainment Saturday night. Refreshments served. All are invited to attend both services and entertainment.

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MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.)

The tenth annual session of Electa grand chapter O. E. S. was quite a success. Tuesday evening a reception and program was held by Excelsior chapter of Marshalltown. Wednesday evening very impressive memorial services were held, after which regular business was attended to. Thursday evening installation of officers were held.

Mrs. Irene Sturgiss, Mrs. T. W. Norris of Sioux City, Iowa, Mrs. C. B. Woods of Des Moines, Mrs. Roberta Bailey of Buxton, Miss Mabel Johnson of Gravity, Mrs. Brewton of Mason City and Mrs. S. W. Greene of Toledo all were guests at the I. L. Brown home during the grand session of the O. E. S.

Mrs. Ruth Bright, G. W. M., Mrs. Mayme Bland of Keokuk, Mrs. Lulu Horn of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Mattie Lemmons of Allentown, Penn., were guests of Mrs. Jessie Walker.

Mrs. Clara Shepard, G. O. of Davenport, Mrs. Eva Abbey of Minneapolis, Mrs. Emma Smith of Ottumwa and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson of Des Moines were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flippings.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Jackson entertained Mrs. Effie Watkins and Mrs. McClain of Des Moines, Annie Perkins and Nellie Gregory during the session.

Mr. Franklin, G. A. P., of Oskaloosa, Mrs. Warren of Mason City and Mr. Stewart of Council Bluffs were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris during the session.

Mrs. Mattie Lemmons of Allentown, Penn., was in the city a few days, the guest of her brother and sister, Albert and Jessie Walker. She left Friday evening for Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. Sadie Warn entertained as her guests Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lowery and daughter, Frances, of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Henon of Clinton, Rev. Best and Mr. Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clark of Oskaloosa, Mrs. Lillian Taylor and Mrs. Reeler of Mason City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Suter during the sessions.

Mrs. Etta Grant and Mrs. Goldie Hackley of Sioux City, Mrs. Koger of Minneapolis, Mrs. C. C. Johnson and Mrs. Frank Cousins of Des Moines, Mrs. Cheatam and Mrs. Wells of Dubuque were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolder.

Mrs. Raglin of Fort Dodge was the guest of Mrs. Eva Bannan.

Mrs. Mary Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Gary of Mason City, Mr. and Mrs. Milligan and Mrs. M. Jackson and Mrs. Clara Harmon of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Stepps, Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Pauline Wright of Fort Dodge and Mrs. Williams of Boone were guests of Mrs. Carrie Wheeler.

The Marshalltown Art club met at the home of Mrs. Grace Humphrey on Friday afternoon. The business being over, a program was given by the members and guests. The hostess served refreshments, assisted by Mrs. Brewton. Guests at the club were Mrs. Gary and Mrs. Brewton and Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Mary Wright of Mason City and Mrs. S. W. Greene of Toledo, Mrs. Wilda Lowery of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Sadie Warn and Mrs. Tina Abner of this city. A very delightful afternoon was spent by all present.

Mrs. Izelia Robinson of Des Moines was the guest at the A. C. Wolder home, also Mr. Woodson of Buxton, Mrs. Anderson of Minneapolis and Miss Ringo of Oskaloosa were guests at the C. P. Gilmore home during the convention.

Rev. Garrison of Galesburg, Ill., was a guest at the T. Robinson home, Mr. and Mrs. Simms and daughter, Vivian Nickerson, of Toledo were guests also Thursday.

Mr. Albert Greene of Toledo was in the city Thursday, the guest of his cousin, Carl T. Brown.

Mrs. Sadie Warn entertained Mrs. L. Taylor and Mrs. Reeler at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Flippings entertained Mrs. Shepard of Davenport and Mrs. Maud Brewton of Mason City at dinner Friday.

Rev. Garrison of Galesburg entertained at lunch Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Simms and daughter, Vivian Nickerson, Mr. Albert Greene of Toledo and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Robinson at lunch, after which they motored to Toledo.

Mrs. Grace Humphrey entertained Mrs. Mary Wright at dinner Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wright have come home from South America and will make this their home for a while.

A theater party was enjoyed Monday evening at the Strand and those present were Mrs. Sturgis and Mrs. Norris of Sioux City, Mrs. S. W. Greene of Toledo, Mrs. Maud Brewton of Mason City, Iowa, Mrs. Gary of Mason City, Miss Mabel Johnson of Gravity, Mr. I. L. Brown, Carl Brown, Ruth Brown and Mrs. Grace Humphrey and daughter, Florene.

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PHYSICIANS TO MEET IN JACKSON, MISS., JUNE 27

President Sherrod's Effort to Better Condition of the Masses.

Meridian, Miss.—The colored people of this section of the state are showing a timely interest in local and national affairs and are ready to perform any service for the good of the country at this critical period of our national life. While the farmers are redoubting their efforts to enlarge their crops our business and professional men and women are lending splendid patriotic co-operation in all good movements for the public good.

Among the able and influential leaders of the race in this city and state is the well known Dr. D. W. Sherrod, president of the Mississippi Medical, Dental, Pharmaceutical and Surgical association. Dr. Sherrod was formerly an instructor in Latin at Meharry Medical college, Nashville, Tenn., and secretary of the board of United States examining surgeons. In order to co-operate with the other leaders here for the benefit of the masses Dr. Sherrod has sent the following letter to all members of the General Medical association with regard to the coming annual meeting of that organization. Dr. Sherrod says:

"This is a year impregnated with many possible events. The world seems to be more generally disturbed now than it has ever been since the dawn of true civilization. There are wars and rumors of wars throughout the world.

"Every country, organization, race and class of citizens is studying how best to prepare for possible coming emergencies. Our people, the Negroes, are commercially and financially disturbed and are migrating to the north and other sections in great numbers in search of better conditions.

"Owing to these general disturbances and the duty we owe severally to our various communities in assisting in this great work of preparedness and readjustment of conditions among the laboring elements of our people, I have, after conferring with the executive committee, decided to defer the meeting of our association until Wednesday and Thursday, June 27 and 28, and I hope that these dates will meet your hearty approval.

"We are expecting a great meeting, with quite a number of prominent members of our professions present from other states. You will remember that the meeting will be in Jackson, where ample arrangements are being made to entertain us.

"I will thank you for an immediate reply, with your subject sent to Dr. L. R. Young, secretary, Hattiesburg, Miss.

"D. W. SHERROD, President."

Fifteenth Infantry Regiment in Camp.
The Fifteenth infantry regiment, New York national guard, of 1,200 men under command of Colonel William Hayward, is in camp.
The First and the Third battalions, composed of Manhattan troops, were in command of Majors Edwin W. Dwyton and W. A. Pickering. The Second battalion, from Brooklyn, was in command of Major Monson Morris en route to the camp.
Kentucky Minister Eager For Action.
The Rev. Robert Quarles of Paris, Ky., has offered to recruit 1,000 colored men for service in the present war with Germany. The Rev. Mr. Quarles says that he can easily enlist this number from the four counties bordering the town of Paris and that he will lead his men to the front at any time. President Wilson commands their services.

Coming Events Cast Their Shadows for 1917

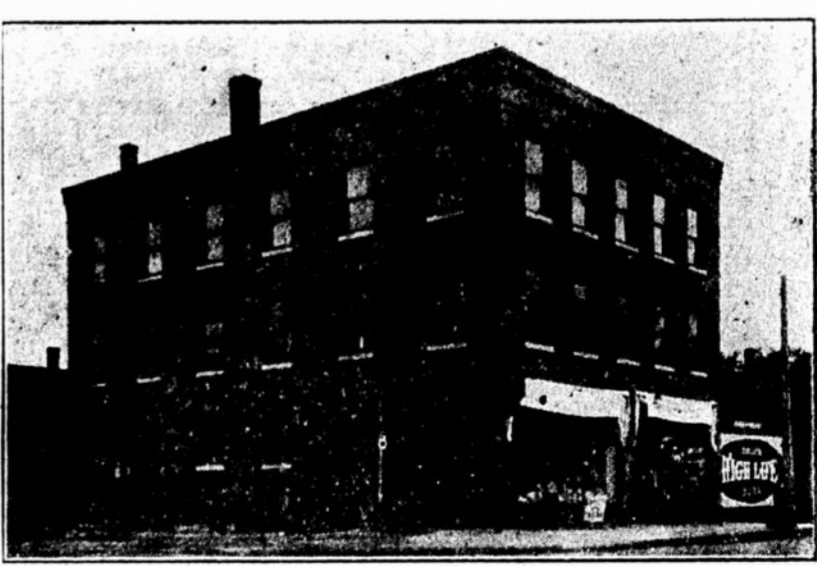
- A. M. E. Sunday School, Allen Endeavor and the Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. church at Iowa will hold annual session June 4th to 8th at Des Moines.
- Iowa-Nebraska State Sunday School Association, June 17th at Davenport, Iowa.
- The M. W. U. G. L. of A. F. & A. M. of Iowa, July 10, to 12, at Davenport, Iowa.
- The Knights of Pythias, July 26th, at Albia.
- The Co. t alanthe, July 26th, at Albia.
- The Knights of Tabor, August 7th, Des Moines.
- The Daughters of Tabernacle, August 7th, Des Moines
- National Business Men's League, August
- International Conference of Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries and P. G. M.s, August at Louisville, Ky.
- The G. U. O. of O. F., August 28th at Des Moines.
- The Household of Ruth, August 28th, at Des Moines.
- Iowa-Nebraska State Baptist Association, August 28, Oskaloosa.

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HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D. One of the best signs of the times and of practical Christianity is to see the interest taken in the question of "Am I my brother's keeper." It is looking around to see if there is a wider scope of work and duty than keeping oneself warm and free from temptations which characterizes those of some thought and character.



vision.

There are more and more girls coming to our cities every day. The city lures people, they like the excitement and the opportunity which city life offers. The Negroes resented the advice of Booker Washington to stay in the country. Since he gave out that advice to us all the papers in the country have been urging whites to do the same. We resent with great bombast such practical advice. On the other hand, we are illy prepared to take care of venturesome boys and girls when they land. To talk about equal rights and safeguards is the sheerest nonsense.

Boys need attention, in fact all people need guides and friends, but if there is one class of people who need care, protection, advice, guidance and every safeguard it is the Negro girl. Men ought to be willing to suffer any proscription or hardship if they thought that the girls and women would be treated well. The average girl is not only in a lonely situation, but she is at a disadvantage when she goes to a new town. The Negro girl is as bad off as any girl and worse on account of color. No one needs be a Sherlock Holmes to discover these facts.

Now one of the great things the colored women of this state are trying to do is to establish a home for the Negro girls in Des Moines. If the federated clubs did nothing more than keep up a place where girls could come and feel sheltered the efforts would justify all the expense and trouble they have gone to in the year past. The girls of the other race have a Y. W. C. A., St. Monica's Home, the Deaconess Home, the Salvation Army Home, policemen and folks to meet them at the train. They have the assurance of finding welcome and courtesy at every hostelry. We need something, if we cannot have everything. Politics and personalities are petty compared with principles and protection from error. While we argue souls are lost. When we temporize false ideas of indifference get abroad. Absolutely nothing is being done in the state of Iowa for the people who are coming here from the south.

People who come here and have false ideas of our boasted liberty feel that we have not lived up to our opportunities. We surrender certain privileges and advantages every time we move from one section of the country to the other. It is the case of the devil and the deep blue sea, or the frying pan and the fire. Mrs. Tolbert says that the women must reach one hand down to the fallen sister. If they must pick up the fallen, how much more important is it that they keep them from falling. But it is not to the women alone that this message ought to go; it is to all of us. We cannot exclude our brothers. They are brothers and sisters, good or bad, high or low, intellectual or ignorant, the great practice of prejudice has attended to that matter nicely. "Sowing seeds of kindness" will bring forth no better crop than when it falls on fertile soil, which every stranger is. The men of the community cannot get a place for boys and men and the women are to be commended for starting a place for the girls.

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BUXTON, IOWA.

Uncle Ned Robinson has returned Moines and Fort Dodge visiting his children and friends.

Mr. Ulysses Price and Bennie Wellington of Tuskegee Institute are spending their summer vacation at home.

Miss Myrtle Brown is on the sick list. Mr. Andrew Jefferies has been quite ill.

Mrs. Roberta Bailey was in Marshalltown as delegate attending the grand chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Brookins are the proud parents of a fine baby. Mother and baby are reported as doing fine.

Owing to quarterly meeting held last Sunday at St. John's A. M. E. church, Mothers' Day was observed Sunday. A splendid program was rendered. The different papers on mother and the selection rendered by the Mardis sisters were excellent and the choir never sang so beautiful before.

Miss Anna Carey was born in Staunton, Va., February 28, 1870. Departed this life May 11, 1917, in Buxton, Iowa. She was at the time of her death 47 years, 2 months and 13 days old. She was united in holy matrimony to Wm. Humbles on October 29, 1889. She was a devoted wife and mother. She professed a hope in Christ in the days of her early youth, lived a consistent Christian and was a faithful worker in the church, being for years a member of the choir till her health failed and she could no longer attend the practices. Her last effort was to help beautify this structure wherein she now lies. The house in which our sister dwelt is left behind. It was but the simple habitation fitted for her use while she remained here. Always frail, it took but a breath to shatter it, and when at length there came a shock strong enough to weaken it and our dear friend could no longer remain, she passed into the unseen, and we behold only the tenement in which she lived. Between her and where we

stand there hangs a curtain beyond which wisely we cannot in this life see. But we can hope and believe. From each sad remnant of decay Some forms of life arise. The little leaf that falls All brown and sere to earth, Ere long will mingle with the buds That give the flower its birth. And as in nature there is no death, so faith tells us our sister is not dead, but living—wiser, greater, grander than ever before, because she was great and good here with opportunities for happiness and advancement, a thousand fold. Her soul bounded with spiritual emotion whenever her favorite song, "Lord, I Am Coming Home," was sung.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The Y. boys were overjoyed last week to greet a couple of her old standbys in the persons of Bennie Wellington and Ulysses Price, who have been attending the Tuskegee industrial school for the past two years. They expect to be with us until next term, when they contemplate returning to the school for another two years.

Last Tuesday night's Bible class was very interesting. The theme of the lesson was "A God-forgetting People," Isaiah 28:1-13.

We note that the spring season is bringing many strangers to us from many different points. Several days ago we had the pleasure of shaking hands with several fellows from away down in the coal fields of Birmingham, Alabama. It was real interesting to hear them tell the true story of how the colored people are flocking away from that part of the country. We want to remind those coming into our town from time to time that our Y. M. C. A. door stands ajar to gladly welcome and receive all strangers and newcomers. Remember that there is no better way to establish a good impression in entering a community than to first contact yourself with the church and Y.

We are anticipating on this coming Sunday being a big day at the Y., owing to the fact that we have Bennie Wellington and Ulysses Price, the Tuskegee students, slated for a talk on their two years' experience at the Booker T. Washington school. We earnestly urge upon each and every citizen to come out and hear these interesting reports from our own home product.

Percy Graves got his foot caught in the car conveyer on last Friday at No. 18 mines, but is able to be about at this writing.

Mr. Tony Logan, one of our members, came by the office and bade us good bye last Monday on his way to Chicago. We hope Tony much success in the big city.

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One of the most gratifying reports, made by a lady from Davenport, at the Woman's Federation, was the keeping up of a room for Negro girls. That is some sense and some spirit of duty and of vision.

There are more and more girls coming to our cities every day. The city lures people, they like the excitement and the opportunity which city life offers. The Negroes resented the advice of Booker Washington to stay in the country. Since he gave out that advice to us all the papers in the country have been urging whites to do the same. We resent with great bombast such practical advice. On the other hand, we are illy prepared to take care of venturesome boys and girls when they land. To talk about equal rights and safeguards is the sheerest nonsense.

Boys need attention, in fact all people need guides and friends, but if there is one class of people who need care, protection, advice, guidance and every safeguard it is the Negro girl. Men ought to be willing to suffer any proscription or hardship if they thought that the girls and women would be treated well. The average girl is not only in a lonely situation, but she is at a disadvantage when she goes to a new town. The Negro girl is as bad off as any girl and worse on account of color. No one needs be a Sherlock Holmes to discover these facts.

Now one of the great things the colored women of this state are trying to do is to establish a home for the Negro girls in Des Moines. If the federated clubs did nothing more than keep up a place where girls could come and feel sheltered the efforts would justify all the expense and trouble they have gone to in the year past. The girls of the other race have a Y. W. C. A., St. Monica's Home, the Deaconess Home, the Salvation Army Home, policemen and folks to meet them at the train. They have the assurance of finding welcome and courtesy at every hostelry. We need something, if we cannot have everything. Politics and personalities are petty compared with principles and protection from error. While we argue souls are lost. When we temporize false ideas of indifference get abroad. Absolutely nothing is being done in the state of Iowa for the people who are coming

here from the south.

People who come here and have false ideas of our boasted liberty feel that we have not lived up to our opportunities. We surrender certain privileges and advantages every time we move from one section of the country to the other. It is the case of the devil and the deep blue sea, or the frying pan and the fire.

Mrs. Tolbett says that the women must reach one hand down to the fallen sister. If they must pick up the fallen, how much more important is it that they keep them from falling. But it is not to the women alone that this message ought to go; it is to all of us. We cannot exclude our brothers. They are brothers and sisters, good or bad, high or low, intellectual or ignorant, the great practice of prejudice has attended to that matter nicely. "Sowing seeds of kindness" will bring forth no better crop than when it falls on fertile soil, which every stranger is.

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Miss Anna Carey was born in Staunton, Va., February 28, 1870. Departed this life May 11, 1917, in Buxton, Iowa. She was at the time of her death 47 years, 2 months and 13 days old. She was united in holy matrimony to Wm. Humbles on October 29, 1889. She was