



A Birds eye view of a part of The Piney Woods Country Life School of Braxton, Mississippi, founded by Prof. Laurence C. Jones, whose address to the Federation is printed below.

### ADDRESS TO THE IOWA FEDERATION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS.

At Ottumwa, Iowa, Wednesday Night, May 23, 1917, by Laurence C. Jones, B. Ph. B. (State University of Iowa, L. A. '07), Founder and Principal of The Piney Woods Country Life School, Braxton, Miss.

Ladies, Friends and Members of the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs: I, a mere man, salute you. In all my insufficiency and inability I am here, hoping to show you how highly I regard this privilege by trying to speak upon one of the most interesting subjects in the world; so that I may claim the honor and satisfaction of speaking upon a grand subject, even though my feeble treatment of it may fall far short of what that subject deserves. This is the day of great things. Great inventions, great struggles, great issues, great problems, great and mighty undertakings. Look where we may in the world, intellectual or material, there is something colossal, titanic and epoch making, so in seeking about for an interesting subject I was embarrassed by the plenitude of things worth talking about, yet the subject that seemed most interesting of all, the most appealing and the most fitting was an organization—the one which I have the honor to address—the State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

The State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs! Think of that name just for a moment. You older women, close your eyes for an instant and mentally drift back to about half a century ago, see things, see your condition in life, see your parents, yourselves and your children as you and they were then. What do you see? The slave women of America. You of later generations recall that period of time as you have learned of it from narrative and history, and what women of your race does it bring before you? The slave women of America. Practically speaking, there were no others—only the slave women—only the slave women. Think of this for a moment, then repeat to yourself the name of the organization of which I have just spoken. The Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. Thinking thus, I am sure you will draw the comparison which so sharply presents itself to me, and will realize better than I can express why this organization proved so alluring to me as a subject stands for something which looms great among the great things of today. Why the very fact that it exists is a fact so wonderful that to dwell upon it with less than half justice would be to write a section of American history including two distinct periods and a short space of time, the tragedy and suffering, the lights and shadows, the war and the peace, the trials and achievements, the power and the glory of which can never be told.

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"Thro many dangers, toils and snares I have already come,  
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cians, our fighting black soldiers, our preachers, our sturdy toilers and our successful business men and women and other gifted ones of our race. Those who from poverty have threshed out wealth, who have gone forth bravely when "the drum said come"; those who have lifted the ringing tones of oratory when needed, and those who amid "the wailing voices and dreary noises" have struck the beautiful chords of poetry and song.

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Would you, my dear ladies, walk four or five miles over rough roads to sit on hard benches in a school dining hall and discuss ways and means whereby their children can have a better education than it was possible for you to have? Our Mothers' club in the black belt of Mississippi does this. City women talk about civic improvement—these women talk about whitewashing their cabins inside and out, and of cleaning the rubbish from under their houses. City club women now are talking about the all important question of food supply—these women have that question before them all the time. In one place they have given up their flower gardens and planted potatoes in the front yard instead of flowers, in another place where they were in the habit of having ornamental vines, this year there are planted beans which will make the shade and also produce some food for the fall and winter, so it will be seen that after all the problems are not so different as one might think.

The colored American woman of today is indeed a worthy descendant of the freed mother; she has never faltered since her mother started her on life's journey and bade her "Climb up, keep on climbing!" (And you of today have added, "Lift as we climb.") And for which her ideals, earnestness, endeavor and usefulness stands among

the best of the nation. She is doing all she can, in every way she can to be of best service to her home and community. She is rearing her children so that they, like herself, may be at least a step ahead, a bit more capable and better able to serve their day than was the generation just behind them. She is one of the best household managers to be found, often feeding and clothing her family comfortably and presentably with an amount which would prove inadequate if not so carefully managed. She has the gift of keeping work from becoming drudgery and of making an art of plainest labor and with her commendable pride will almost work her fingers to the bone before she would be or allow any of those near and dear to be a charge upon public charity. Those of you who have never noticed or thought of this—just look over any community and you will find it to be true. Added to these we have our gifted colored women and those of professional ability and intellectual attainment. Those who are brilliant lights among our people and who dwell on the heights of achievement and give pride, hope and courage to their race. Great women and humble women, leaders and followers, women who can hold an audience spellbound—like your national president, our distinguished guest, Mrs. Mary Talbert, or your own president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, whom Mr. E. R. Harlan, curator of the state historical department of Iowa said rendered one of the best and most succinct federation addresses he had ever heard—those who can only smile or breathe a prayer in their inmost hearts—women enlisted to teach—others enlisted to learn—women of every degree of power, who feel the need of organized effort all formed into a great army for the cause of progress and righteousness. This is the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. It is a militant body and bound to make an impression, for representing what she does, there is not a member in it, however small and weak she may be, who is not in some way a power for good, and a power that is bound to be felt. There is no such thing as good being futile and void. Good is divine and always counts somewhere. Good is never wasted. Nothing ever is right in vain. May every member continue to give her best, remembering that everything counts in giving power to the organization, and in doing so find reward in the truth of the poem—

"No stream from its source flows seaward, however so lonely its course, but that some land is gladdened. No star ever rose and set without influence somewhere. Who knows what earth needs from earth's lowliest creature? No life can be strong in its purpose and pure in its strife, and all life not be grander and better thereby. The spirits of just men made perfect on high. The army of angels who stand round the throne and gave on the face that makes glorious their own—Know this, surely at last: Honest love, honest sorrow, honest work for the day, honest hope for the morrow—are these worth nothing else than the hand they make weary, the heart they have saddened, the life they leave dreary? Hush! The seven fold heavens to the voice of the Spirit echo: He that o'ercometh shall all things inherit."

### The Piney Woods School, of Braxton Miss.

The plant consists of one thousand, three hundred and thirty-four acres of land, four large buildings, the largest of which is not shown on this view, a three-story concrete building in course of erection, thirty head of horses, mules and cattle, modern farm machinery, industrial apparatus for teaching a dozen industries, a brass band, modern printing office, electric light plant and twelve teachers. The school is incorporated as "The Piney Woods Country Life School," representing an investment of \$50,000. It is no less a miracle than the miracles of olden days that fifty years after slavery we find a young colored man, educated in our Iowa schools, presiding over a fifty thousand dollar corporation that he himself has promoted and developed into an institution of national renown.



Mrs. Mary B. Talbert of Buffalo, N. Y. President National Association of Colored Woman's Clubs

### MRS. TALBERT GIVEN ROYAL RECEPTION BY DES MOINES CITIZENS.

On last Thursday noon, May 24th, Mrs. Mary B. Talbert of Buffalo, N. Y., president of the National Association of Colored Women, arrived in our city, accompanied by Mrs. S. Joe Brown and a large delegation, returning from Ottumwa, where Mrs. Talbert had been a guest of the Iowa club women at their sixteenth annual session. She was escorted to the home of Atty. and Mrs. Brown, where a dainty luncheon had been arranged by Mrs. Mamie Dickey-Miles, after which through the courtesy of Atty. Geo. H. Woodson she was motored to the state house, where she was given a most cordial reception by the governor of the state, the Hon. W. L. Harding. On leaving there she was escorted through the historical building by the curator, Mr. E. R. Harlan, who now has charge of the portrait of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington that was unveiled by the Iowa Federation of Colored Women at their state meeting on last Tuesday evening. After a visit to the army post, at Fort Des Moines (and shown where the twelve hundred Negro men will be housed, coming from various sections of the country for special training for officers) she was later escorted to St. Paul's A. M. E. church, where she was greeted with an immense audience, which gave her a great ovation. She told in a thrilling manner of the conditions confronting the black people of the southland, and bitterly assailed the double standard of morality for men, for, said she, "every child has the right to be born right and well and no man who sows wild oats should expect or be allowed to become the husband of a virtuous girl." Preceding the lecture by Mrs. Talbert several musical selections were rendered by a ladies' quartette, under the direction of Mrs. G. G. Nichols. An original poem by Miss Margaret Roberts, dedicated to the national president, was delivered by little Miss Marion Blackburn.

The meeting was presided over by Atty. S. Joe Brown, president of the local N. A. A. C. R., who presented Atty. Geo. H. Woodson, who in turn introduced the national president. Special sections were reserved for the club women, the N. A. A. C. P., the Household of Ruth, the O. E. S., the Civic Forum and the Frederick Douglass Guards, the heads of each of which organizations were seated on the rostrum. On Friday, Mrs. Talbert was guest of honor at a 1 o'clock luncheon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Booker. From there she was tie-

complimented guest of Editor and Mrs. John L. Thompson, who motored her over the city in their beautiful touring car. Next arriving at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Alvin Jefferson, where the Mary B. Talbert club had arranged a reception in her honor, the president, Mrs. A. G. Coleman, introduced Mrs. Brown, honorary president of the state, who presented Mrs. Talbert to the ladies and in her usual charming manner delivered a message. Through the courtesy of Mrs. J. B. Rush from here she was again motored over the city and then to her home, where she partook of a dainty repast. From here filling her last engagement at the Corinthian Baptist church, with showers of compliments heaped upon the Des Moines citizens for their royal entertainment, Mrs. Talbert boarded her train at 9:40 Friday evening for Duluth, Minn.

### Stomach Troubles.

Many remarkable cures of stomach troubles have been effected by Chamberlain's Tablets. One man who had spent over two thousand dollars for medicine and treatment was cured by a few boxes of these tablets. Price, 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.

### ALBIA NEWS.

Sunday, May 29th, was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church of this city. Presiding Elder Farris and Rev. J. W. Dowden, pastor of the church in Albia, invited their fellow workers in Christian service from Buxton over to assist in quarterly service. Rev. J. Evans, pastor of the A. M. E. church in Buxton, and his choir of eighteen voices, with their leader, Mr. E. J. London, rendered music and singing. Rev. J. Evans preaching the sacramental sermon. Among the number who furnished the seven automobiles for the crowd was Dr. Carter and family, Dr. Willis and family, Mr. E. J. London and family, N. Nealy and Dr. Roberts. There were over thirty-five in number. Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Lucas took up a collection to the amount of \$10. Others who were in attendance at this service were one automobile from Hiteman, Mr. Carton and family and Mr. Mosely, Mr. Ray Burns of Des Moines, Miss Geneva Murray of Iowa City and Mr. Tommy Robinson and Miss Alberta Robinson of Hocking. Albia extended many thanks to Buxton and would be pleased with another visit from that burg of great talent.

Those from Albia who visited the Iowa Federation of Colored Women in Ottumwa this week were Mrs. Joe Jameson, Miss Ethel Fields of Des Moines, Mrs. E. Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Brittain Thomas, Mrs. Chas. Washington. The delegates, Mrs. Joe Robinson and Miss Jewett Lewis, returned home on Friday.

Miss Geneva Murray of Washington, Iowa, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Oscar Roper of this city for a few days on her return from the State Federation.

Mr. Theodore Gravely, a junior in the Albia high school, left Albia on Saturday evening for Danville, Ill.

Mr. Creed Mason, an Albia high school student, returned to Buxton, also Miss Alberta Robinson, a junior, to Hocking. All other Albia high school students and the graded pupils speak of a promotion.

On Monday evening the K. of P. lodge of Albia gave an entertainment at their hall in this city. The grand chancellor, Mr. Williams, of Carinda, also Miss Ethel Fields of Des Moines were present. A number of Hocking people were in the heavy rainfall of the day and night, which prevented them from returning.

### Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be pleased to know that a cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the babe to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with best results. For sale by all dealers.

### SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mrs. Frank Roberts is visiting in Clarinda, Iowa.

Mrs. J. D. Anthony entertained the Progressive club and several friends at an evening party on Thursday, May 24th. Mrs. J. V. Koger of Minneapolis was among the guests. The evening hours were devoted to music, after which a dainty repast was served. A pleasant time was had by all present.

Mrs. J. W. Norris accompanied her husband, Rev. Dr. Norris, to Sioux Falls, S. D., Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Anthony will depart Monday, June 4th, for an extended visit in St. Louis.

Mrs. Myrtle Morgan-Metcalf of Omaha is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Aron.

The Ladies' Aid of Malone A. M. E. church gave a reception Monday evening, May 28th, in honor of Mrs. J. V. Koger of Minneapolis. A most enjoyable time was had by all present. Mrs. W. Forte is ill.

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The colored American woman of today is indeed a worthy descendant of the freed mother; she has never faltered since her mother started her on life's journey and bade her "Climb up, keep on climbing!" (And you of today have added, "Lift as we climb.") And for which her ideals, earnestness, endeavor and usefulness stands among

the best of the nation. She is doing all she can, in every way she can to be of best service to her home and community. She is rearing her children so that they, like herself, may be at least a step ahead, a bit more capable and better able to serve their day than was the generation just behind them. She is one of the best household managers to be found, often feeding and clothing her family comfortably and presentably with an amount which would prove inadequate if not so carefully managed. She has the gift of keeping work from becoming drudgery and of making an art of plainest labor and with her commendable pride will almost work her fingers to the bone before she would be or allow any of those near and dear to be a charge upon public charity. Those of you who have never noticed or thought of this—just look over any community and you will find it to be true. Added to these we have our gifted colored women and those of professional ability and intellectual attainment. Those who are brilliant lights among our people and who dwell on the heights of achievement and give pride, hope and courage to their race. Great women and humble women, leaders and followers, women who can hold an audience spellbound—like your national president, our distinguished guest, Mrs. Mary Talbert, or your own president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, whom Mr. E. R. Harlan, curator of the state historical department of Iowa said rendered one of the best and most succinct federation addresses he had ever heard—those who can only smile or breathe a prayer in their inmost hearts—women enlisted to teach—others enlisted to learn—women of every degree of power, who feel the need of organized effort all formed into a great army for the cause of progress and righteousness. This is the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. It is a militant body and bound to make an impression, for representing what she does, there is not a member in it, however small and weak she may be, who is not in some way a power for good, and a power that is bound to be felt. There is no such thing as good being futile and void. Good is divine and always counts somewhere. Good is never wasted. Nothing ever is right in vain. May every member continue to give her best, remembering that everything counts in giving power to the organization, and in doing so find reward in the truth of the poem—

"No stream from its source flows seaward, however so lonely its course, but that some land is gladdened. No star ever rose and set without influence somewhere. Who knows what earth needs from earth's lowliest creature? No life can be strong in its purpose and pure in its strife, and all life not be grander and better thereby. The spirits of just men made perfect on high. The army of angels who stand round the throne and gave on the face that makes glorious their own—Know this, surely at last: Honest love, honest sorrow, honest work for the day, honest hope for the tomorrow—these worth nothing else than the hand they make weary, the heart they have saddened, the life they leave dreary? Hush! The sevenfold heavens to the voice of the Spirit echo: He that o'ercometh shall all things inherit."

## The Piney Woods School, of Braxton Miss.

The plant consists of one thousand, three hundred and thirty-four acres of land, four large buildings, the largest of which is not shown on this view, a three-story concrete building in course of erection, thirty head of horses, mules and cattle, modern farm machinery, industrial apparatus for teaching a dozen industries, a brass band, modern printing office, electric light plant and twelve teachers. The school is incorporated as "The Piney Woods Country Life School," representing an investment of \$50,000. It is no less a miracle than the miracles of olden days that fifty years after slavery we find a young colored man, educated in our Iowa schools, presiding over a fifty thousand dollar corporation that he himself has promoted and developed into an institution of national renown.



Mrs. Mary B. Talbert of Buffalo, N. Y. President National Association of Colored Woman's Clubs

## MRS. TALBERT GIVEN ROYAL RECEPTION BY DES MOINES CITIZENS.

On last Thursday noon, May 24th, Mrs. Mary B. Talbert of Buffalo, N. Y., president of the National Association of Colored Women, arrived in our city, accompanied by Mrs. S. Joe Brown and a large delegation, returning from Ottumwa, where Mrs. Talbert had been a guest of the Iowa club women at their sixteenth annual session. She was escorted to the home of Atty. and Mrs. Brown, where a dainty luncheon had been arranged by Mrs. Mamie Dickey-Miles, after which through the courtesy of Atty. Geo. H. Woodson she was motored to the state house, where she was given a most cordial reception by the governor of the state, the Hon. W. L. Harding.

On leaving there she was escorted through the historical building by the curator, Mr. E. R. Harlan, who now has charge of the portrait of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington that was unveiled by the Iowa Federation of Colored Women at their state meeting on last Tuesday evening. After a visit to the army post, at Fort Des Moines (and shown where the twelve hundred Negro men will be housed, coming from various sections of the country for special training for officers) she was later escorted to St. Paul's A. M. E. church, where she was greeted with an immense audience, which gave her a great ovation. She told in a thrilling manner of the conditions confronting the black people of the southland, and bitterly assailed the double standard of morality for men, for, said she, "every child has the right to be born right and well and no man who sows wild oats should expect or be allowed to become the husband of a virtuous girl." Preceding the lecture by Mrs. Talbert several musical selections were rendered by a ladies' quartette, under the direction of Mrs. G. G. Nichols, an original poem by Miss Margaret Roberts, dedicated to the national president, was delivered by little Miss Marion Blackburn.

The meeting was presided over by Atty. S. Joe Brown, president of the local N. A. A. C. R., who presented Atty. Geo. H. Woodson, who in turn introduced the national president. Special sections were reserved for the club women, the N. A. A. C. P., the Household of Ruth, the O. E. S., the Civic Forum and the Frederick Douglass Guards, the heads of each of which organizations were seated on the rostrum. On Friday, Mrs. Talbert was guest of honor at a 1 o'clock luncheon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Booker. From there she was tie

complimented guest of Editor and Mrs. John L. Thompson, who motored her over the city in their beautiful touring car. Next arriving at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Alvin Jefferson, where the Mary B. Talbert club had arranged a reception in her honor, the president, Mrs. A. G. Coleman, introduced Mrs. Brown, honorary president of the state, who presented Mrs. Talbert to the ladies and in her usual charming manner delivered a message. Through the courtesy of Mrs. J. B. Rush from here she was again motored over the city and then to her home, where she partook of a dainty repast. From here filling her last engagement at the Corinthian Baptist church, with showers of compliments heaped upon the Des Moines citizens for their royal entertainment, Mrs. Talbert boarded her train at 9:40 Friday evening for Duluth, Minn.

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## ALBIA NEWS.

Sunday, May 29th, was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church of this city. Presiding Elder Farabee and Rev. J. W. Dowden, pastor of the church in Albia, invited their fellow workers in Christian service from Buxton over to assist in quarterly service. Rev. J. Evans, pastor of the A. M. E. church in Buxton, and his choir of eighteen voices, with their leader, Mr. E. J. London, rendered music and singing. Rev. J. Evans preaching the sacramental sermon. Among the number who furnished the seven automobiles for the crowd was Dr. Carter and family, Dr. Willis and family, Mr. E. J. London and family, N. Nealy and Dr. Roberts. There were over thirty-five in number. Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Lucas took up a collection to the amount of \$10. Others who were in attendance at this service were one automobile from Hiteman, Mr. Carton and family and Mr. Mosely, Mr. Ray Burns of Des Moines, Miss Geneva Murray of Iowa City and Mr. Tommy Robinson and Miss Alberta Robinson of Hocking. Albia extended many thanks to Buxton and would be pleased with another visit from that burg of great talent.

Those from Albia who visited the Iowa Federation of Colored Women in Ottumwa this week were Mrs. Joe Jameson, Miss Ethel Fields of Des Moines, Mrs. E. Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Brittain Thomas, Mrs. Chas. Washington. The delegates, Mrs. Joe Robinson and Miss Jewett Lewis, returned home on Friday.

Miss Geneva Murray of Washington, Iowa, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Oscar Roper of this city for a few days on her return from the State Federation.

Mr. Theodore Gravely, a junior in the Albia high school, left Albia on Saturday evening for Danville, Ill.

Mr. Creed Mason, an Albia high school student, returned to Buxton, also Miss Alberta Robinson, a junior, to Hocking. All other Albia high school students and the graded pupils speak of a promotion.

On Monday evening the K. of P. lodge of Albia gave an entertainment at their hall in this city. The grand chancellor, Mr. Williams, of Carinda, also Miss Ethel Fields of Des Moines were present. A number of Hocking people were in the heavy rainfall of the day and night, which prevented them from returning.

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## SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mrs. Frank Roberts is visiting in Clarinda, Iowa.

Mrs. J. D. Anthony entertained the Progressive club and several friends at an evening party on Thursday, May 24th. Mrs. J. V. Koger of Minneapolis was among the guests. The evening hours were devoted to music, after which a dainty repast was served. A pleasant time was had by all present.

Mrs. J. W. Norris accompanied her husband, Rev. Dr. Norris, to Sioux Falls, S. D., Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Anthony will depart Monday, June 4th, for an extended visit in St. Louis.

Mrs. Myrtle Morgan-Metcalf of Omaha is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Aron.

The Ladies' Aid of Malone A. M. E. church gave a reception Monday evening, May 28th, in honor of Mrs. J. V. Koger of Minneapolis. A most enjoyable time was had by all present. Mrs. W. Forte is ill.

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EDITORIALS

COLORED TRAINING CAMP.

Des Moines, Iowa, our home city, will soon have a great training camp for colored officers. This school will open June 15th with about 1,000 men as students and with 250 of our best colored army officers as the teachers. This school will last for three months. Elsewhere we have published a letter from Washington, D. C., giving all the rules and conditions by which one may join this school, which will be composed of the professional and college bred men, because it will be only a school to train our men to become officers and lead their own soldiers. There will be brought here some of the race's great men, as well as some of our race's great army officers. It will give the northern white man an opportunity to see the Negro military man at his best. We welcome this training camp here, as well as the colored men who are to make up this school.

OUR NEW NEIGHBOR.

Iowa and the great northwest is just now beginning to see the immigration of the colored people from the southland. While this stream of immigration has been coming north, east and west since last June, yet the most of them stop in the eastern and New England and the middle western states, but now in the larger cities in the northwest we see strange faces by the dozens, both men and women, and on our farms we now see colored men working out as farm hands. All this shows to us that our section of this country will soon have a large population of colored people if the immigration continues very long. At present there are but few towns but what you have new colored people coming in. What must we do, and how? First, we who live here must extend to them a welcome hand and help them to get a start or a chance to assist him, give him good advice, shelter, comfort and help him to make a good, respectable, honest citizen.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Leon and Thomas Motts, who were visitors at the Mrs. Mary Motts home last week, have returned to Chicago. Mrs. Miles Shelton and daughter, Mrs. Hattie Sneed, of Chicago, are expected this week for a visit with relatives. The vocal solo of Miss Elizabeth Redd of Washington at the Federation of C. W. C. at Ottumwa is very highly spoken of by those who were fortunate enough to have had the pleasure of hearing it. Mrs. E. Redd of this place was honored by being elected chaplain of the Federation for the next year. Those who attended from here were Mesdames Henry Green, Jas. Redd, Geneva Murray, Misses Ruth Murray and Elizabeth Redd. Rev. J. H. Ferribee was in the city a short time Tuesday en route. Rev. Morgan was an Ottumwa visitor a few days this week. Mrs. Ralph Motts of Chicago was a visitor at the parental Motts home a few days this week. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wallace are making great strides in getting their new home in readiness to occupy in the near future. The Thos. Lewis family have moved from N. Marion avenue to 520 Washington boulevard West. Miss Florence Hall, who was quite sick, is getting along nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell spent Decoration day with friends at Rock Island.

The A. M. E. Sunday school is practicing for the Children's Day exercises. The Rev. Morgan, Miss Marie Whaley and Mrs. Emma Black will be in attendance at the district conference and Sunday school convention to be held in Des Moines next week, as delegates. Mrs. Hattie Lambert of Rock Island is expected soon for a visit with friends in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams autographed to Muscatine last Sabbath. Subscribe for The Bystander.

Cholera Morbus. This is a very painful and dangerous disease. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from it before medicine could be obtained or a physician summoned. The right way is to have a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house so as to be prepared for it. Mrs. Charles Enyeart, Huntington, Ind., writes: "During the summer of 1911

two of my children were taken sick with cholera morbus. I used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy and it gave them immediate relief."

IOWA FEDERATION OF COLORED WOMEN HOLD MOST INTERESTING SESSION IN HISTORY OR ORGANIZATION.

The sixteenth annual session of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held in Ottumwa, Iowa, from May 21st to 23rd, inclusive.

The general board meeting was held Monday at 3 p. m., with the president, Mrs. Brown, presiding, and a splendid representation of board members present. On Monday evening the meeting was held in the Second Baptist church, the birthplace of the organization, and presided over by Mrs. Mima Owens of Ottumwa. Welcome addresses were given by Mrs. Francis Hicks, president of the Ida B. Wells club; Rev. R. H. Cato and Mayor Leeny, who addressed the delegates a hearty welcome. Response to address by Mrs. S. Joe Brown. Musical numbers were contributed by Misses Constance Downey, Beulah Allen, Celia Wagner and Lenora Williams.

Tuesday morning the meeting was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by the chaplain, Mrs. Julia Southall of Buxton. The credential committee's report showed more than thirty-five clubs represented, with voting strength of nearly one hundred.

A school of instruction was conducted by Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, chairman of district No. 1, which proved interesting and profitable.

Reports of officers showed the Federation to be in a prosperous condition. Mrs. Harry Allen, chairman of the art and craft department, made a splendid report, reviewing the work of such artists as Henry O. Tanner and others who have succeeded along their line. Her display being the largest ever exhibited, being valued at \$800.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown, who represented the Federation at the biennial meeting of the National Association of Colored Women, held last August in Baltimore, Md., made her report, reviewing the activities of the association, and telling of their attempt at raising funds for a permanent memorial for Frederick Douglass on Anacostia Heights, Washington, D. C.

The report of the temperance chairman by Mrs. Alice McDowell was an interesting document. She told of the recent achievements of the W. C. T. U. of the state and their part in helping to make the state "bone dry."

The report of the music chairman by Mrs. G. G. Nichols met with hearty applause when she urged the women to preserve the Negro folk-song and demonstrated music written by S. Coleridge Taylor, Nathaniel Dett and other noted writers throughout the entire session.

The lecture by Dr. A. J. Booker on "Health and Hygiene" was a real treat. Among other things, he urged the women to give more time to those things that are conducive to good health, keeping their bodies in a healthy condition, plenty of fresh air and well ventilated homes. He discouraged the use of patent medicine, pointing out the defects.

At this time Mrs. Wm. Stevens of Burlington delighted the audience with a vocal selection. After which Atty. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, Dr. E. A. Carter of Buxton, Miss Georgia Blackburn of Des Moines, Revs. R. H. Cato and father, Rhinehart, Mr. Zach Taylor and others of Ottumwa were introduced to the convention, each making interesting remarks.

On Tuesday evening the meeting was held in the spacious Grand opera house. The girls who represented the various social centers served as ushers. This meeting was opened with the Star Spangled Banner by the quartette, composed of the following, Mesdames G. G. Nichols, C. B. Woods, A. G. Coleman and Oceola Jones. An original poem by Mr. Bertram Johnson, entitled "Washington," was a beautiful tribute.

The president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, then delivered her annual address, which was conceded to be a carefully prepared document. Among other things she recommended that the Iowa Federation contribute the sum of \$200 to the Frederick Douglass memorial, the establishment of a scholarship fund for the purpose of assisting

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worthy girls in securing an education and necessary preparation for their life's work, and urged women to organize forces for conservation of food and other necessities of life. She also urged simplicity and modesty of dress. This was followed by a vocal selection by Mrs. Margaret Field-Lee, which fairly charmed the audience. An original poem by Miss Margaret L. Roberts, entitled "Our National President," paved the way for the introduction of Mrs. Mary B. Talbert of Buffalo, N. Y., president of the National Association of Colored Women, who in a most charming manner told of the forming of the N. A. C. W. and reviewed the activities of the organization, telling of the accomplishments. She told of her recent trip through the southland and the discouraging conditions which our people are subjected to. Mrs. Talbert urged the women in this section to extend a cordial welcome to those migrants coming here from the southland. After paying a most beautiful tribute to the memory of Dr. Washington, while the veil was being lifted, by little Miss Helen Louise Downey, Mrs. Talbert, on behalf of the women of the state, presented to Mr. E. R. Harlan, curator of the Iowa historical department, the beautiful oil painting of Dr. Booker T. Washington, measuring 32 by 38, in an elegant gilded frame, having been made in Paris, France, by the famous Negro artist, Prof. Henry O. Tanner. After an appropriate and impressive speech of acceptance by the curator, Hon. E. R. Harlan, and on behalf of Tuskegee Institute by Mr. W. L. Hutchinson, northern field agent for the institute, the reading of a letter from Major Robert R. Moten, successor of Dr. Washington, at Tuskegee, the Tuesday evening meeting went into history.

A feature of the Wednesday meeting was the round table on "What Our Young Women Need Most." This was participated in by young women from the various social centers. Being participated in by Miss Marie I. Bell of Des Moines, chairman of the Young Women's department; Miss Jessie E. Walker, representing the Marshalltown Girls' Social Center; Miss Margaret Davis and Misses Constance Downey, Celia Wagner and Aileen Johnson of the Ottumwa Center; Miss Jewett Lewis of the Albia Center, and the Misses Oceola Jones, Meredith Humbard, Vassilla Sears, Harriet Alexander and Georgia Williams of the Des Moines Center. A reading from Miss Marie Williams of Cedar Rapids and a vocal selection from Miss Elizabeth Redd of Washington closed the young women's program.

The child welfare symposium was in charge of Mrs. John L. Thompson, chairman of this department, who proved that she was equal to the task. She was ably assisted by Mrs. H. W. Hughes, who told of the "Early School Life," and Mrs. W. E. Bailey of Buxton of the "Adolescent Period." After listening to a well delivered address on "Missionary Work by Club Women," by Mrs. J. H. Brown of Des Moines, president of the Western Negro Baptist Women, the convention was then favored with an address by Prof. Lawrence C. Jones, principal of Country Life School, Braxton, Miss. In this splendid address Mr. Jones paid tribute to Negro heroines and lauded the work of Iowa women.

The Home for Women and Girls that has been in dispute for the past two years was taken up. The national president, Mrs. Talbert, was asked to preside. Mrs. Brown, whom the Federation recognized as president of the

home board, put the matter before the convention, which with the aid of Mrs. Talbert was adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The election of officers was then entered into and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Helena Downey of Ottumwa.

First vice president, Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Des Moines. Second vice president, Mrs. Matha White, Indianola.

Recording secretary, Mrs. Elnora Gresham, Cedar Rapids.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Roberta Bailey, Buxton.

Treasurer, Mrs. A. G. Clark, Oska-loosa.

Chaplain, Mrs. Eliza Reed, Washington.

Organizer, Mrs. Emma Brooks, Davenport.

Parliamentarian, Mrs. Bell Watkins, Buxton.

Statistician, Mrs. Bessie Hughes, Des Moines.

Auditor, Mrs. Mary Miles, Buxton. Committee Chairmen.

Education, Mrs. E. C. Carter, Buxton.

Social service, Mrs. George C. Young, Des Moines.

Household economics, Mrs. Ada White, Buxton.

Child welfare, Mrs. E. F. Jones, Buxton.

Temperance, Mrs. J. H. McDowell, Des Moines.

Civics, Mrs. Margaret Roberts, Des Moines.

Arts and crafts, Mrs. Marie Johnson, Des Moines.

Young women, Miss Marie Williams, Cedar Rapids.

Health, Mrs. G. G. Nichols, Des Moines.

Credentials, Mrs. Harry Allen, Des Moines.

The installation of officers was conducted in an impressive manner by Mrs. Talbert, at which time the retiring president, Mrs. Brown, was made honorary president and presented with a wrist watch in testimony of her splendid service for the past two years.

After hearing reports from the following chairmen of committees, Mrs. S. L. Hyde on appraisement, Mrs. S. R. Birt on resolutions, Mrs. J. L. Edwards on memorial, Mrs. Wade H. McCree on finance and Mrs. A. A. Alexander on courtesies, the convention closed to meet the fourth Monday in May, 1918, in the city of Des Moines.

GALESBURG, ILL.

S. M. T. held their annual sermon at the Baptist church Sunday, May 27th. Mrs. George Castleman was taken seriously ill and removed to the hospital.

June 2nd is Tag Day for Allen Chapel, the first time in the history of this city has our people had such a chance given them.

The Thimble Circle gave an entertainment at the home of Mrs. Botts on Friday, June 1st.

Mrs. T. Williams is seriously ill at her home on West street.

The July 14 was entertained at the home of Miss E. Mitchell on Friday, June 1.

The Garrison club is planning a bazaar for June 12, 13 and 14.

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Then I listened, oh, so early,  
My beloved, my beloved,  
To the murmur of the woodland,  
Of the dove, my dear, the dove;  
When the nightingale came after,  
'Give us fame to sweeten duty,  
When the wren sang "give us beauty,"  
She made answer, "give us love."

Fair is April, fair the morning,  
My beloved, my beloved,  
Now for us doth spring's bright morn-  
ing  
Wait upon the year's increase,  
Let my voice be heard that asketh  
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CITY LOCALS

Enoch Shaw, who has been quite still confined to her bed.

and Mrs. Geo. C. Young entered at dinner last Sunday Mr. and John L. Thompson and family.

J. H. McClain has been ill the week at his home on Crocker

Joe Tate, father of Mrs. E. L. of Fourteenth Street Place, is

Eliza E. Peterson W. C. T. U. meet Thursday, June 7th, with R. F. Hogsette, 1626 Lyon street.

Roscoe Stewart of Sioux City, a guest at the Carr home Decoration day.

R. N. Miles returned home Sunday evening from Ottumwa and Alamosa, where she has been visiting friends and acquaintances.

J. A. Jefferson reports that Mr. Mrs. D. L. Wyllie, 1210 Crocker set, are the happy parents of a fat pound baby boy, born May 25th.

The children's lodge, the Des Moines of U. B. F., are requested to meet promptly at 1 o'clock at their Saturday. Election of officers.

Miss Anna Shoecraft, who has been visiting relatives and friends in the city, left for her home in Chicago on Wednesday night.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carr was very badly burned Friday by falling into a pan of water. He is doing as well as can be expected.

The Triple H club met with Mrs. J. McDowell. After business and interesting discussions the hostess served refreshments. Club adjourned meet next week with Mrs. Robt. Les.

The C. I. C. will meet with Mrs. Isabel Stewart, the president, next Wednesday. Everybody is urged to attend because of business of importance. Be sure to bring all reports in Federation.

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Miss Florence Russ was the guest honor at a party given at the home Mrs. Nellie Davis, 1410 Crocker street, Monday evening. Miss Russ, who has made her home in Des Moines several years, left Wednesday evening for Chicago, where she will make her future home.

The following Esther day program will be rendered at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday, June 4th, at 3 p. m.: invocation, Rev. Samuel Bates; scripture reading, Sister Maude Thompson; solo, Sister Clara C. Johnson; paper, "Esther," Sister Izellia Robinson; remarks, Bro. S. Joe Brown; sermon, W. S. L. Birt; invocation. offertory.

The Union Baptist church will hold discatory services Sunday, June 10, 17, in their new building on the corner of Filmore and McCormick streets. Take Walker street car, get off at east Sixteenth street, go two blocks north of Walker street and half block east.

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The Mary Church Terrill club met at the home of Mrs. Colleen Jones, 700 Grand View avenue. A very interesting report of the session of the State Federation which met in Ottumwa was given by the delegate, Mrs. Lulu McCree, also from other members who attended. After a lovely luncheon the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Lulu McCree on June 4th.

NOTICE.  
All members of North Star lodge, No. 3, K. of P., are hereby notified that a regular meeting of said lodge will be held in Castle hall, corner W. 119 East Walnut Street Monday June 4th, at 8 p. m. All members are required to be present. Signed, E. Tracy Blagburn, chancellor commander.

If you will tell me why the modern safety bicycle has taken the place of the old style high bicycle, which is now a great curiosity, I will tell you why the Edison Diamond Disc Phonograph is fast taking the place of the old style steel needle machine, which will soon be another great curiosity. Write for catalogue to Harger & Blish, 811 Walnut street, Des Moines, Iowa.

N. A. A. C. P.  
The June meeting of the executive committee of the Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will be held at the residence of the chairman Monday evening, June 4th, at 8 o'clock. All officers urged to attend. By order of S. Joe Brown, Chairman.

Aristocracy was the subject of an interesting address delivered last Sunday before the Des Moines Civic Forum by Laurence C. Jones. He developed in a very scholarly manner the aristocracy of birth, wealth, body, mind and soul. He pointed out that all of us could be aristocrats in several of these ways, but the greatest aristocracy is that of the soul.

Mrs. Hattie Woodson, who spent the past five months in the southland, has returned to the city. While in the south she spent most of her time in Magic Valley, Texas. Throughout her entire observations of the southland she found the majority of the colored people doing fine. They have some of the most splendid churches, well built and well kept. Also good schools and beautiful homes. It seems they pride themselves in keeping everything up to the standard. Mrs. Woodson health is better than it has been in years. She spent some time at the gulf of Mexico and on her return spent a short time in San Antonio, Texas. She says the Negroes are certainly making splendid progress in the southland.

On last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. E. K. Knox was the scene of a beautiful reception given by the Kloster Crochet club in honor of their husbands and a few out of town guests. The house was beautifully decorated in their cub coors, pink and white. Speeches were made and Cavary was sung very beautifully by Miss L. Brown. At a late hour the guests repaired to the dining room, where a sumptuous repast was laid. Covers were laid for sixteen. Out of town guests: Mr. Hutchison, of Tolso, Oklahoma, who rendered such beautiful selections at the piano; Mr. and Mrs. Dameron of Kansas City, Mo. At a late hour the guests left, declaring the Kloster club royal entertainers. Club to meet next Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. A. Dixon's, 1010 Chestnut street, at which time election of officers will be made.

DOUGLASS GUARDS OUT.  
The Frederick Douglass Guards, the recently organized Negro military company, under command of Capt. E. G. McAfee, made their first public appearance in the Memorial day procession last Wednesday and with their neat uniforms and soldierly bearing elicited much applause from members of both races all along the line of march. They were battalioned with the regular army and national guard units in the first of the five divisions of which the long column was made up and marched in two platoons commanded by Lieutenants John Jackson and Harry Seymour respectively, with Dr. A. J. Booker, color sergeant, bearing the American flag at the head of the column. At the end of the march each member of the company was presented with a beautiful bouquet by Mr. R. N. Hyde, the "Frederick Douglass" of Iowa, for which a stirring, patriotic address of gratitude was delivered by Atty. Geo. H. Woodson of Buxton, who is an honorary member of the company.

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ROCK ISLAND, ILL.  
The entertainment that was given last Thursday by the presiding elder committee was a decided success. The Silver Cross of Wayman Chapel gave a theater party Memorial day.

Manuel Golden was seriously injured in an automobile accident Monday night. He is resting nicely at this writing.

The "Edelweiss" (colored) continue to win from their white competitors. Sunday they defeated the M. O. W.'s by the score of 16 to 4. Charlie Gatewood was in the box for the dark skins and was well nigh invincible.

Colored people from the south continue to pour into East Moline at a surprising rate.

Miss Alice Maxie of Moline will be wedded to Mr. Leo Golden of this city on June 14th.

Mrs. George Brown is on the sick list.

Earl Reynolds, Luretha Jackson and Celia Reynolds were visiting in East Moline on Sunday.

The colored people of East Moline have a church now, under the leadership of Rev. R. C. Campbell. There was scarcely standing room at the meeting on Sunday night. Mrs. Campbell is operating a lunch room and ice cream parlor next door to the church.

MACON, MO. NEWS.

Mrs. Johnnie Lawson remains better as we go to press.

Sunday, June 3rd, will begin the commencement week of Western college Sunday morning at the Vine Street and Broadway Baptist church. Covenant meeting will be conducted by Rev. J. W. L. Underwood at the afternoon service. Rev. E. L. Scruggs of Jacksonville, Ill., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class Sunday evening from 6 to 7:30 p. m. The B. Y. P. U., presided over by Mrs. E. L. Scruggs, president, at the night service beginning at 7:30. Rev. Earnest Redd of Columbia, Mo., will deliver the sermon before the religious body. Tuesday night the commencement play will be given at the theater. Title, "The Curse of the Wine Cup."

Mrs. G. W. Cross of Moberly, Mo., passed through Macon on Monday en route to her home.

Mrs. Julia Tyler departed for her home, after a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. John Green remains better.

Mr. Joseph Ansell made a flying trip to Quincy, Ill., Monday.

The public school had their closing Wednesday night last at the theater. The exercises were exceedingly well and the little tots were well trained. The graduates delivered their orations with the greatest skill. They were the nicest exercises given for a long time.

J. T. Ancell, Jr., has accepted a position in Quincy, Ill.

A token of sweet remembrance was given Mrs. John Garden, as she will depart soon to make her home in Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. Cora Harris received very good news from St. Paul, Minn., her son, J. T. Harris, just arriving from a two months' trip in Texas on Wednesday night. While the Pilgrim Baptist church was conducting a big revival service J. T. found Christ and was baptized Sunday morning at the morning service. A towel was sent from his mother to wipe his face. Mr. Harris will leave Wednesday for another trip through Washington.

Miss Kidd of Morseville, Mo., is in the city, the guest of Mrs. E. L. Scruggs.

Mrs. Nannie Jackson is spending a few days in Moberly.

Mrs. H. C. McGill, the hair dresser of our city, makes kinky hair grow beautiful and long. She treats the scalp and prevents falling hair.

Thursday night the Sunday school of the Vine Street and Broadway church will give a social.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

The King's Daughters met Friday with Mrs. John Greenup.

The A. M. E. Sunday school gave a social at the home of Mrs. Sherman Keith to defray the expenses of the Sunday school delegates to Des Moines.

The Kensington held a supper at the home of Mrs. Ed. Reescoe.

Mrs. Ella Perkins of Fairfield visited relatives here Tuesday.

Mr. Layman Nunley of Peru, Ind., is visiting his father.

The Misses Maudline Burnaugh and Bernice Page attended the Federation in Ottumwa on Tuesday.

The Misses Marjorie Holbert and Irene Bryant of Keokuk were visitors here last week.

A recital was rendered at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday for the benefit of the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Reescoe entertained a small company Thursday in honor of the Misses Holbert and Bryant of Keokuk.

Mr. Walter L. Hutchinson was a visitor here Wednesday.

Mrs. Bradshaw and daughter, Carrie, of Fairfield were visitors here Sunday.

Mrs. White of Monroe City, Mo., is visiting relatives.

Miss Grace Harris, who teaches in Buxton, is home to spend her summer vacation.

Whooping Cough.  
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OSKALOOSA, IOWA.  
Miss Georgia Blackburn, an Oskaloosa girl, but now of Des Moines, passed through the city Thursday en

route home from Ottumwa, where she attended the F. of C. W. C.

Mrs. John Watts is confined to her bed with rheumatism. She is unable to help herself even to a drink of water. Her cousin from Davenport arrived Tuesday evening to care for her.

Mr. Wm. Holts returned Friday morning to his home in Marion. He was called here by the death of his cousin, Miss Helen Mitchell.

Sam Willis is using his crutches. Sunday is quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Ferrabee is expected.

E. A. Mason of Davenport was in town several days last week.

Rev. O. B. Smith will preach Sunday night to the O. E. S. sisters at the Baptist church.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.

(Special to the Bystander.)

Madame Neale Hawkins Buckner, prima donna of the Dixie Jubilee Singers, who has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Roberson for the past three weeks, returned to her home in Chicago on Tuesday night. The Dixie Jubilee company toured Canada during the winter and played a return engagement at the Congregational church on May 11th in this city.

Mr. W. C. Buckner, manager of the company, Miss Helen Smallwood of Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. Robert Blackburn of Washington, D. C., both members of the company, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Roberson after the concert.

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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 Court of Calanthe, 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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MONMOUTH, ILL.

The St. James A. M. E. church held their farewell services in the old building on last Sabbath. Rev. Thompson preached a special farewell sermon. On next Sunday the church will hold their opening services in the new building, of which the congregation and the whole town should be justly proud. While the church is not yet finished, it is not far from completion.

The entertainment given last Thursday night by the stewardess board was a success.

Presiding Elder McCracken was in the city a few hours last week.

The stewardess board met at the church on Monday afternoon.

There was a congregational meeting at the new church on Monday night.

The church choir will hold their last rehearsal in the old church Friday evening. After the practice the members, numbering fourteen, will celebrate the event with a big "fish fry."

Hereafter Sunday school will convene at 9:45 instead of 3 o'clock, as before.

Calvary Baptist Church News. A congregational meeting was held Monday night. Also a teachers' meeting.

Rev. Lindell of Fort Madison, Iowa, to whom the church has extended a call, preached interesting sermons on last Sabbath. Rev. Lindell is an active minister and the church will be fortunate should he accept their call.

Prayer meeting services this week will be in charge of Mrs. Flora Hall.

City Items.

The U. B. F.'s and the S. M. T.'s held their annual thanksgiving sermon last Sunday at the G. A. R. hall.

Mrs. Marie Martis of Madison, Mo., and Mrs. Ida Vuzess of Hannibal, Mo., are here visiting with their brother, Beauford Maupin.

Master Beauford Maupin, who has been very ill at the hospital, is much improved and has been taken home.

We are glad to see one of our successful teachers, Miss Ida Wallace, in our midst again, after having finished her school work in southern Illinois.

Mrs. Emma Peoples and son, Junior, have returned home from Ottumwa, Iowa, where they were called by the death of their aunt.

Messrs. Lorenzo Early, Chas. Chambers and Homer Reed were out of the city over Sabbath.

Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Collins and Sherman Smith are all about the same at this writing.

Miss Edythe Saunders is suffering from a very sore throat.

Mr. James Hardin, the popular steward at the Commercial club rooms, is in Chicago for a few days.

Mrs. Laura Maupin served at Alexis on Tuesday.

Friends of Mrs. Lillian Catlin, who is now at her home in Washington, D. C., will be glad to learn of her improved health.

Mr. Elisha Saunders and daughters, Miss Marie and Mrs. Bernice S. Metlock, were in Fort Madison on Sunday, where they were called by the death of their niece and cousin, Mrs. Mahala Green, of La Grange, Mo. Mr. Saunders and Miss Marie returned Sunday night, while Mrs. Metlock remained for a few days' visit.

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HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D.

There is a photograph on my desk which charms me and the more I look at it the more tender grow my thoughts. It is the picture of my grandfather. I wish that everyone in the world had known my grandfather. He had a hard, thin-lipped mouth, but his mouth and boring eye belied the tender heart and sympathetic judgment. Had it not been for him I should not be living; thus, if for no other reason, I love him. but everyone who knew him loved him and always said that he was a grand man. To be a grand man and have everyone love you justifies living.

The Chinese and Japanese have a great lesson to teach western people about ancestor worship. To them it is not form, but a belief in the dead not than the living. To them it is as essential to keep faith with the living and the dead as to have honor for one's self. They feel that one can offend the dead by doing dishonorable acts; that they can make them happy by doing the honorable hard things of everyday life. They feel that the dead look down upon us and help us, that we are never without the pale of their influence until we do the things which offend and grieve. Not at all bad philosophy. We need more thought about our duty to family. Every tie which binds the family together makes for a stronger race and better people.

There was never a time when the idea of reverence for parents and family ought to be more insisted upon. The average American youth, both black and white, feels that he is lord of creation and beside him there is no other; after they earn to spell Constantinople and add two rows of figures they are in possession of all the knowledge in the world. The old folks are relegated to the rear and the race starts, hell bent for lection down the avenue of life. Part of this is due to the parents and the leaders who do not attempt to instill right and basic principles.

The few years I lived with my grandfather he had prayer every morning before breakfast. He thanked the Lord "that we are neither dead nor damned," he asked the Lord to bless all the peoples of the earth, to be kind to them, to lead them in the paths of righteousness. There are thousands of children in the world who have never seen their parents nor grandparents on their knees. Children may not follow examples, but it is the duty of the elders to point the way by example. As a class leader for more than thirty years I have heard people say that he showed them the way to patience and tolerance, he shared their burdens, but kept their secrets and every one loved him.

It matters not in life now rar we stray, there are times when the homely teachings and the good examples come back to memory. There is a crying need in the world for the simple faith, the family prayers, the intimate knowledge and association with people who walk the path of the just and are not stiff and long-faced.

In Atlanta, Georgia, a few years ago there was a "composition day," when all the grade children were to write upon the great characters of the world and of whom they would like to be. One little Negro girl wrote this simple essay, and it was taken by the superintendent as the finest of all: "I want to be like my grandma, she is so good and everybody loves her." No higher tribute can be paid a person than to have those who live with them wish to be like them. These society and company manners are fine things to the public with, but it is the everyday manners and the manners at home which make us loved or despised.

The need of the age in America is reverence for parents, for old people. We need to break the alabaster box of appreciation about gray hairs and bent backs, for they are not with us long to come. Tears and praise will not make up for neglect and carelessness.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Mrs. B. B. Baker has returned home from the State Federation, which convened in Ottumwa.

Mrs. J. Gordon is visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. Lewis.

The B. Y. P. U. will give an entertainment Thursday, May 31, also a short program will be rendered.

There will be an entertainment on Saturday, June 2, for the benefit of the church.

Rev. M. Carrington preached two soul-stirring sermons Sunday, May 27, both morning and evening.

The Sunday school is still progressing in every way.

Mrs. E. F. Brown of Mystic, Iowa, was over on business Tuesday, May 29.

Quite a number from Mystic attended the carnival last week.

Mrs. S. H. Jones is sick at her home on E. Wilson street.

Death of Mrs. Dora Foster.

Mrs. Dora Foster, wife of Mr. John Foster, of W. Franklin street, passed away at her home about 7:30 Monday evening, after an illness extending over some length of time. She was 45 years, 1 month and 23 days of age. Funeral services will be held from the Second Baptist church on S. Eighteenth street Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be made at Oakland. Mrs. Foster was a well known colored woman of the vicinity, having made this city her home for a number of years and being in a number of the societies. She was especially well liked by everybody, and it is with deep sorrow that they learn of her death at a comparatively early age. She was taken ill some time ago and though she was given the best attention, she sank lower and lower until death came to relieve her Monday evening. The surviving relatives have the sympathy of their many friends in their bereavement.

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MONMOUTH, ILL.

The St. James A. M. E. church held their farewell services in the old building on last Sabbath. Rev. Thompson preached a special farewell sermon. On next Sunday the church will hold their opening services in the new building, of which the congregation and the whole town should be justly proud. While the church is not yet finished, it is not far from completion.

The entertainment given last Thursday night by the stewardess board was a success.

Presiding Elder McCracken was in the city a few hours last week.

The stewardess board met at the church on Monday afternoon.

There was a congregational meeting at the new church on Monday night.

The church choir will hold their last rehearsal in the old church Friday evening. After the practice the members, numbering fourteen, will celebrate the event with a big "fish fry."

Hereafter Sunday school will convene at 9:45 instead of 9 o'clock, as before.

Calvary Baptist Church News. A congregational meeting was held Monday night. Also a teachers' meeting.

Rev. Lindell of Fort Madison, Iowa, to whom the church has extended a call, preached interesting sermons on last Sabbath. Rev. Lindell is an active minister and the church will be fortunate should he accept their call.

Prayer meeting services this week will be in charge of Mrs. Flora Hall.

City Items.

The U. B. F.'s and the S. M. T.'s held their annual thanksgiving sermon last Sunday at the G. A. R. hall.

Mrs. Marie Martis of Madison, Mo., and Mrs. Ida Vuzess of Hannibal, Mo., are here visiting with their brother, Beauford Maupin.

Master Beauford Maupin, who has been very ill at the hospital, is much improved and has been taken home.

We are glad to see one of our successful teachers, Miss Ida Wallace, in our midst again, after having finished her school work in southern Illinois.

Mrs. Emma Peoples and son, Junior, have returned home from Ottumwa, Iowa, where they were called by the death of their aunt.

Messrs. Lorenzo Early, Chas. Chambers and Homer Reed were out of the city over Sabbath.

Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Collins and Sherman Smith are all about the same at this writing.

Miss Elythe Saunders is suffering from a very sore throat.

Mr. James Harmon, the popular steward at the Commercial club rooms, is in Chicago for a few days.

Mrs. Laura Maupin served at Alexis on Tuesday.

Friends of Mrs. Lillian Catlin, who is now at her home in Washington, D. C., will be glad to learn of her improved health.

Mr. Elisha Saunders and daughters, Miss Marie and Mrs. Bernice S. Mellock, were in Fort Madison on Sunday, where they were called by the death of their niece and cousin, Mrs. Mahala Green, of La Grange, Mo.

Mr. Saunders and Miss Marie returned Sunday night, while Mrs. Mellock remained for a few days' visit.

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HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D.

There is a photograph on my desk which charms me and the more I look at it the more tender grow my thoughts. It is the picture of my grandfather. I wish that everyone in the world had known my grandfather. He had a hard, thin-lipped mouth, but his mouth and boring eye belied the tender heart and sympathetic judgment. Had it not been for him I should not be living; thus, if for no other reason, I love him, but everyone who knew him loved him and always said that he was a grand man. To be a grand man and have everyone love you justifies living.

The Chinese and Japanese have a great lesson to teach western people about ancestor worship. To them it is not form, but a belief in the dead not than the living. To them it is essential to keep faith with the living and the dead as to have honor for one's self. They feel that one can offend the dead by doing dishonorable acts; that they can make them happy by doing the honorable hard things of everyday life. They feel that the dead look down upon us and help us that we are never without the pale of their influence until we do the things which offend and grieve. Not at all bad philosophy. We need more thought about our duty to family. Every tie which binds the family together makes for a stronger race and better people.

There was never a time when the idea of reverence for parents and family ought to be more insisted upon. The average American youth, both black and white, feels that he is lord of creation and beside him there is no other; after they learn to spell, start arithmetic and add two rows of figures they are in possession of all the knowledge in the world. The old folks are relegated to the rear and the race starts, hell bent for lection down the avenue of life. Part of this is due to the parents and the leaders who do not attempt to instill right and basic principles.

The few years I lived with my grandfather he had prayer every morning before breakfast. He thanked the Lord "that we are neither dead nor damned," he asked the Lord to bless all the peoples of the earth, to be kind to them, to lead them in the paths of righteousness. There are thousands of children in the world who have never seen their parents nor grandparents on their knees. Children may not follow examples, but it is the duty of the elders to point the way by example. As a class leader for more than thirty years I have heard people say that he showed them the way to patience and tolerance, he shared their burdens, but kept their secrets and every one loved him.

It matters not in life now far we stray, there are times when the homely teachings and the good examples come back to memory. There is a crying need in the world for the simple faith, the family prayers, the intimate knowledge and association with people who walk the path of the just and are not stiff and long-faced.

In Atlanta, Georgia, a few years ago there was a "composition day," when all the grade children were to write upon the great characters of the world and of whom they would like to be. One little Negro girl wrote this simple essay, and it was taken by the superintendent as the finest of all: "I want to be like my grandma, she is so good and everybody loves her." No higher tribute can be paid a person than to have those who live with them wish to be like them. These society and company manners are fine things to the public with, but it is the every day manners and the manners at home which make us loved or despised.

The need of the age in America is reverence for parents, for old people. We need to break the alabaster box of appreciation about gray hairs and bent backs, for they are not with us long to come. Tears and praise will not make up for neglect and carelessness.

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CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Mrs. B. B. Baker has returned home from the State Federation, which convened in Ottumwa.

Mrs. J. Gordon is visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. Lewis.

The B. Y. P. U. will give an entertainment Thursday, May 31, also a short program will be rendered.

There will be an entertainment on Saturday, June 2, for the benefit of the church.

Rev. M. Carrington preached two soul-stirring sermons Sunday, May 27, both morning and evening.

The Sunday school is still progressing in every way.

Mrs. E. F. Brown of Mystic, Iowa, was over on business Tuesday, May 29.

Quite a number from Mystic attended the carnival last week.

Mrs. S. H. Jones is sick at her home on E. Wilson street.

Death of Mrs. Dora Foster.

Mrs. Dora Foster, wife of Mr. John Foster, of W. Franklin street, passed away at her home about 7:30 Monday evening, after an illness extending over some length of time. She was 45 years, 1 month and 23 days of age. Funeral services will be held from the Second Baptist church on S. Eighteenth street Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be made at Oakland. Mrs. Foster was a well known colored woman of the vicinity, having made this city her home for a number of years and being in a number of the societies. She was especially well liked by everybody, and it is with deep sorrow that they learn of her death at a comparatively early age. She was taken ill some time ago and though she was given the best attention, she sank lower and lower until death came to relieve her Monday evening. The surviving relatives have the sympathy of their many friends in their bereavement.

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