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EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

By John L. Thompson.
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Mr. T. S. Patton, a stereotyper employed by the Republican-Register, was shot and seriously wounded by George Lane at Patton's home on W. First street at about 9:30 Sunday evening. Lane escaped after the shooting. Reports from the hospital state that the greatest danger is that pieces of cloth were carried into the wound by the shot.
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.
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Rev. E. R. Edwards will leave Monday, June 4th, for Des Moines to attend the annual session of the A. M. E. Sunday school convention.
Mr. Edward Askew was called to St. Paul, Minn., Friday on business for the M. L. and T. Co.
Mrs. Mansfield Askew received sad news from St. Paul. Her little brother, Master Bernard Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lee, is seriously ill with scarlet fever.
Mr. Percy Launer was a visitor in Council Bluffs and Omaha on Sunday.
Mrs. J. V. Koger returned to Minneapolis on Friday evening, June 1st.
Mrs. L. Grant has returned from St. Paul.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Aron will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary this week with a family reunion. Their son-in-law, Mr. Metcalf, of Omaha, arrived Saturday to be present.
Harmony chapter, No. 22, O. E. S., celebrated Esther day Sunday afternoon at Odd Fellows and Masonic hall. Rev. Dr. Norris preached an excellent sermon. Remarks by Mr. T. H. Sturgis, past patron, and Mr. M. Askew, past worshipful master of Decatur lodge, No. 14, A. F. & A. M.
Decatur lodge, No. 14, held its election of officers Monday evening, June 4th. The following officers were elected: Mr. John H. Shores, W. M.; Mr. Fred H. Baker, S. W.; Mr. T. H. Sturgis, treasurer; Rev. J. W. Norris, secretary; Mr. E. Strange, J. W. They will hold a public installation Monday evening, June 11th. The public is invited.
Mr. John L. Thompson, editor of the Bystander, was a business visitor in the city Tuesday, June 5th.

CLARINDA, IOWA.

Every one was glad to see our collector, if a few did dodge him. Those who are back in dues please settle with correspondent.
Our pastor, Rev. D. W. Brown, is in Des Moines attending the district A. M. E. conference. He was accompanied by Mr. Geo. Jones, who went as a delegate to represent the Sunday school.
We are sorry to learn of the death of Grandma Campbell, who died Tuesday at her daughter's home, Mrs. Ed. Cheetwood Pemberton. Obituary will be given next week.
Miss Lola Brown of Blanchard was visiting Miss Frances Mitchell on Sunday.
Mrs. Arthur Gibson of Red Oak was visiting her parents a couple of days last week.
Winifred Montgomery, Henry Able and Mr. Anderson went to St. Joe to seek employment.
Ira Stewart is visiting friends out of the city for a few weeks.
Mr. Brown of Blanchard is visiting H. H. Cook and family.
Roscoe Johnson spent a couple of days last week with Leonard Nowling.
Mrs. Carrie Robertson of Sioux City, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Gertrude Cason, went to Des Moines for a few days' visit.
Mr. Willis Cason went to Glenwood to attend the graduating exercises of his niece, Miss Funches.
Mr. L. W. Williams is in Des Moines on business.
Two excellent sermons were preached Sabbath day by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Brown.
Mrs. Martha Wright of Omaha is visiting Mrs. Eliza Jones.
Mrs. William Walker has been on the sick list.
Mrs. Martha Lewis is in Red Oak for an indefinite stay.
Mr. Ray of Enterprise was in our city on business.
Mr. Allen of Omaha is visiting some of our ladies in the city.
Mr. H. H. Cook visited in Omaha last week.
MONMOUTH, ILL.
Mrs. Roy Doolin has returned to her home at Frankfort, Mo., after an extended stay here.
Mr. Ray Early of Burlington visited friends and relatives here.
Mrs. Eugene Thompson and Mrs. James Hardin were in Galesburg on Saturday assisting with the Allen Chapel tag day.
Miss Tressie Brown of Galesburg was the guest of Mr. James Turner on last Sabbath.
Mrs. G. T. Brown of 422 Second avenue was taken seriously ill Sabbath morning. Her condition was very little better at this writing.
Miss Alberta Merial is quite sick at her home on East Sixth avenue with tonsillitis.
Messrs. Cy and Green Peoples of Frankfort, Mo., are visiting relatives here.
Mrs. Maria Stockes returned to Keokuk, Ill., Monday, after being here to attend the opening day services at the new St. James A. M. E. church.
Mrs. Bernice Metlock returned home after spending several days in Fort Madison and Burlington, Iowa.
Mr. Robert Catlin, who for the past ten years has been in the barber business in the Seales building, has retired from business here and left this week for Chicago, where he will spend some time visiting relatives.
Mrs. Sandy Clarke and children of Galesburg returned home Saturday, after a few days' visit with relatives.
The members of the St. James A. M. E. church held services in the new church building Sabbath day. In the afternoon Rev. Craine of the white

Methodist church and Rev. Barr of the Presbyterian church addressed the audience. A quartette from the First Presbyterian church rendered excellent selections. Music was also furnished by the church choir. Rev. Ferguson of the Christian church had charge of the program. Rev. James addressed the audience at night, and on Tuesday evening Rev. Kimmelshire of the Ninth avenue church and members took part with the services.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Rev. C. R. Waters and family were called to Chicago by the death of the Rev. father, who passed away last Friday at the age of 114 years.
The "Calendar Tea" given at the Third Baptist church, under the direction of Mrs. Flora C. Walker, was a great success. Refreshments were served and a program rendered from the twelve tables representing the months of the year. A splendid sum was realized.
Last Sunday was quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church. Rev. McCracken, presiding elder, was in attendance and carried the work on in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. R. Waters. There were five additions to the church.
Mr. G. T. Bowles, until recently of St. Louis, Mo., has opened up a shoe-making and repair shop on East Fourth street and solicits your patronage. Mr. Bowles comes highly recommended. This is another opportunity to show race loyalty.
One of the best entertainments ever given in this city recently was put on at the A. M. E. church by the young people, under the direction of Miss Marie Wilkerson. The young people performed almost like regular professionals and were greatly enjoyed. The receipts of the evening will reach \$30. By special request Miss Wilkerson will repeat her entertainment in the near future.
Miss Reta Hunter, a sister of Mrs. E. Green, is visiting relatives and friends in Buckhannon and Clarksburg, W. Va.
Naomi chapter, No. 1, O. E. S., observed Esther day last Sunday at the Third Baptist church. Rev. F. K. Nicholson preached an excellent sermon and the choir furnished sweet music.
Mrs. Hattie Lambert contemplates a visit in Washington and Des Moines this month.
Mrs. John Gordon returned home from a visit in Centerville, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Leonard Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Johnson of Monmouth, Ill., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Green last Sunday.
The Third Baptist church will entertain the Nebraska-Iowa Sunday school convention next week.
The agent will call on you soon. Please be prepared to pay your subscription to the Bystander.

BUXTON, IOWA.

Mrs. Cleo Bryant entertained in honor of Mrs. Ora Spears King on Saturday noon. Owing to the bad weather there were only a few present, but Mrs. King received quite a number of useful gifts.
Mr. Edward T. Greene was in the city for a few days.
Mr. Howard Ashby is on the sick list.
Mr. Jas. Caison died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Brown, Tuesday night about 11 o'clock. Interment will be in Ottumwa. Buxton friends extend their sympathy to the bereaved family.
Mr. Hoskin of Macon, Mo., was the guest in our city over Sunday.
Mr. Scott Mardis motored Mr. B. H. Jones and wife, accompanied by two of his sisters, to Albia on Sunday afternoon.
Mrs. Solo Billings and Miss Emma Smith left for Des Moines on Wednesday a. m. as delegates to the Sunday school convention, which convenes in Des Moines on June 5, 6 and 7.

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(Last Week.)
Mrs. Daisy Moore is indisposed this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Carter are the proud parents of a fine boy. Mother and son are doing fine.
The St. John's A. M. E. choir and several visitors went to Albia on Sunday to quarterly meeting services. The choir sang and Rev. Evans preached the afternoon sermon.
Mrs. Thos. McDonald and family left Tuesday to join her husband in Pennsylvania, where they are home-staying and plan to make their future home.
Miss Ora Spears and Chas. King were united in marriage Friday, May 26th. They will be at their future home, 718 E. Second, after May 30th.
Mr. Lewis Phillips left Tuesday for Cedar Rapids to visit his mother. From there he will go to Detroit, Mich., to visit several months.
Y. M. C. A. Notes.
We consider ourselves very fortunate this season in being able to book the world-famous Williams Singers for the date of July 5th.

The Y. can boast of some real brave members. For instance, Chas. King, who announces his marriage to Miss Ora Spears, and we think any man a brave man that will solemnly swear to pay a girl's lifetime board in this age of high cost of living. Bravo, Charlie!

We have been notified that the Buxton headquarters for registration will be at the boys' Y. M. C. A.

Mr. C. H. Mease, chairman of the Buxton Cemetery association, called a mass meeting at the Y. last week for the purpose of arranging a program for Decoration day. Some very good suggestions were made toward the improving and keeping up of our home cemetery. We also had some very encouraging remarks from Undertaker Sol Billings. Mr. Sol Billings also offered his services and support in any way that he could assist.

A committee from Mt. Zion church served dinner and refreshments in the Y. last Saturday. They were well patronized.

Edward Mease was with us Saturday and Sunday visiting his little family, who are here for an indefinite stay. We are glad to say that Ed. is never in too much of a hurry to visit the Y.

Are you a rejecter of Jesus Christ? Read our Tuesday night Bible lesson, John 1-8.

Mr. Mason of Davenport has a very fine display of Negro books on display at the Y. this week. For particulars see Secretary J. E. Mills.

It is vital to the people of Iowa that their boys grow up clean, wholesome men, physically, morally, spiritually. The welfare of future generations depends on this. The Y. stands for all these, so there is no reason that you should pay it a great privilege to contribute your support toward the carrying on of this life saving work.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Quite a number from out of town paid the last respects to Mrs. Dora Foster on Thursday, May 31. Mrs. Foster was a member of the Court of Calantha, who had charge of the body. The worthy councillor, Mrs. S. by Noah, read a beautiful paper, after which the services were turned over to Rev. M. Carrington of the Second Baptist church, who preached a beautiful sermon.
Sunday was Covenant day and was well attended both morning and evening.
Mrs. L. Kearney has gone to St. Louis to spend a few days with her sister, Daisy.
Mrs. Johnny Gordon returned to her home in Davenport, Iowa, after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Leonard Lewis, on S. Wilson street.
Master Jesse Allen Gooding is in a few days with the mumps.
Mrs. Wm. Clark has gone to Unionville, Mo., to spend a few days with Mr. Clark's mother.
The Centerville colored band is progressing nicely, under the leadership of Mr. Samuel Lee. We are all expecting some fine music soon.
The Sunday school will give an ice cream social Saturday, June 9th. Social committee, Mr. J. Landers.
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Brown left for West Virginia on Tuesday, May 29th, where they will make their future home.
Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brown of Mystic, Iowa, attended the services Sunday morning. They also spent the day at Mrs. J. P. Gooding's on E. Wilson street.
The B. Y. P. U. gave a social Thursday, May 31, and a short program was rendered. A nice time was reported by all.
The social given Saturday night proved to be quite a success.
Miss Marjorie Lewis of Oskaloosa spent Decoration day at the home of her brother, Mr. L. Lewis.
Card of Thanks.
We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and assistance during the sickness and death of our dear wife, mother and sister, Mrs. Dora Foster. Also for their many beautiful floral offerings. Mr. John Foster, husband; daughters Effie and Mrs. John-afternoon Rev. Craine of the white SEVEN-Bystander—my Leek; sisters, Mrs. Greene and Mrs. Harris, and brother, Mr. Odelle.
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."

Just Another Name for It.

People who detest gossip call it conversation and keep right on with it.—Albany Journal.

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM MIDGET, JR., Died APRIL 28, 1917.

The Last Ray of Sunshine.
A ray of sunshine dropped one day,
From the heavens beyond the sky,
And found its way, midst frolic and play,
Into the arms of a mother nigh.

It grew to love its foster home,
'Twas daylight even when night would fall.
The family never knew to roam,
When sunshine danced all through the hall.

Its presence made hearts grow fond and true,
And dried the tears of an aching heart,
Kept from the mind things that others do.
Yes, it joined souls that ne'er would part.

But that day came when an angel spake,
And whispered to the cheerful friend,
"Listen, I come not, for ties to break,
But join in happiness to the end."

The angel's mission was finished; all was well.
It carried the last ray of sunshine away,
Yet the gladness, and sadness, no tongue can tell,
But Jesus is sunshine; he'll come in today.

Johnnie Johnson Shaw.

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.

An Accommodating Hostess.

Louise was to have her first birthday party. The guests had not arrived and her mother was instructing Louise how she must be pleasant and sweet to her little guests, and so make them have a good time. When her mother had finished, Louise said: "If they knock me down, I'll grin."

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A BARBER
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Write for particulars
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Every day we have telephone lines "out of order" because the receiver has been left off the hook.

This often happens when the receiver is taken off the main telephone and someone talks from an extension upstairs or in another room.

When the receiver is off the hook the line will test "busy" and be so reported to the person calling.

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Mr. T. S. Patton, a stereotyper employed by the Republican-Register, was shot and seriously wounded by George Lane at Patton's home on W. First street at about 9:30 Sunday evening. Lane escaped after the shooting. Reports from the hospital state that the greatest danger is that pieces of cloth were carried into the wound by the shot.

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.

Rev. J. W. Dowden of Albia was a business visitor in the city last week.

Rev. E. R. Edwards will leave Monday, June 4th, for Des Moines to attend the annual session of the A. M. E. Sunday school convention.

Mr. Edward Askew was called to St. Paul, Minn., Friday on business for the M. L. and T. Co.

Mrs. Mansfield Askew received sad news from St. Paul. Her little brother,

er, Master Bernard Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lee, is seriously ill with scarlet fever.

Mr. Percy Launer was a visitor in Council Bluffs and Omaha on Sunday. Mrs. J. V. Koger returned to Minneapolis on Friday evening, June 1st. Mrs. L. Grant has returned from St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Aron will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary this week with a family reunion. Their son-in-law, Mr. Metcalf, of Omaha, arrived Saturday to be present.

Harmony chapter, No. 22, O. E. S., celebrated Esther day Sunday afternoon at Odd Fellows and Masonic hall. Rev. Dr. Norris preached an excellent sermon. Remarks by Mr. T. H. Sturges, past patron, and Mr. M. Askew, past worshipful master of Decatur lodge, No. 14, A. F. & A. M.

Decatur lodge, No. 14, held its election of officers Monday evening, June 4th. The following officers were elected: Mr. John H. Shores, W. M.; Mr. Fred H. Baker, S. W.; Mr. T. H. Sturges, treasurer; Rev. J. W. Norris, secretary; Mr. E. Strange, J. W. They will hold a public installation Monday evening, June 11th. The public is invited.

Mr. John L. Thompson, editor of the Bystander, was a business visitor in the city Tuesday, June 5th.

CLARINDA, IOWA.

Every one was glad to see our collector, if a few did dodge him. Those who are back in dues please settle with correspondent.

Our pastor, Rev. D. W. Brown, is in Des Moines attending the district A. M. E. conference. He was accompanied by Mr. Geo. Jones, who went as a delegate to represent the Sunday school.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Grandma Campbell, who died Tuesday at her daughter's home, Mrs. Ed. Cheetwood Pemberton. Obituary will be given next week.

Miss Iola Brown of Blanchard was visiting Miss Frances Mitchell on Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Gibson of Red Oak was visiting her parents a couple of days last week.

Winifred Montgomery, Henry Able and Mr. Anderson went to St. Joe to seek employment.

Ira Stewart is visiting friends out of the city for a few weeks.

Mr. Brown of Blanchard is visiting H. H. Cook and family.

Roscoe Johnson spent a couple of days last week with Leonard Nowling.

Mrs. Carrie Robertson of Sioux City, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Gertrude Cason, went to Des Moines for a few days' visit.

Mr. Willis Cason went to Glenwood to attend the graduating exercises of his niece, Miss Funches.

Mr. L. W. Williams is in Des Moines on business.

Two excellent sermons were preached Sabbath day by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Brown.

Mrs. Martha Wright of Omaha is visiting Mrs. Eliza Jones.

Mrs. William Walker has been on the sick list.

Mrs. Martha Lewis is in Red Oak for an indefinite stay.

Mr. Ray of Enterprise was in our city on business.

Mr. Allen of Omaha is visiting some of our ladies in the city.

Mr. H. H. Cook visited in Omaha last week.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

Mrs. Roy Doolin has returned to her home at Frankfort, Mo., after an extended stay here.

Mr. Ray Early of Burlington visited friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Eugene Thompson and Mrs. James Hardin were in Galesburg on Saturday assisting with the Allen Chapel tag day.

Miss Tressie Brown of Galesburg was the guest of Mr. James Turner on last Sabbath.

Mrs. G. T. Brown of 422 Second avenue was taken seriously ill Sabbath morning. Her condition was very little better at this writing.

Miss Alberta Merriall is quite sick at her home on East Sixth avenue with tonsillitis.

Messrs. Cy and Greeng Peoples of Frankfort, Mo., are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Maria Stokes returned to Ke-wanee, Ill., Monday, after being here to attend the opening day services at the new St. James A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Bernice Metlock returned home after spending several days in Fort Madison and Burlington, Iowa.

Mr. Robert Catlin, who for the past ten years has been in the barber business in the Searles building, has retired from business here and left this week for Chicago, where he will spend some time visiting relatives.

Mrs. Sandy Clarke and children of Galesburg returned home Saturday, after a few days' visit with relatives.

The members of the St. James A. M. E. church held services in the new church building Sabbath day. In the afternoon Rev. Craine of the white

Methodist church and Rev. Barr of the Presbyterian church addressed the audience. A quartette from the First Presbyterian church rendered excellent selections. Music was also furnished by the church choir. Rev. Ferguson of the Christian church had charge of the program. Rev. James addressed the audience at night, and on Tuesday evening Rev. Kimmelshire of the Ninth Avenue church and members took part with the services.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Rev. C. R. Waters and family were called to Chicago by the death of the Rev. father, who passed away last Friday at the age of 114 years.

The "Calendar Tea" given at the Third Baptist church, under the direction of Mrs. Flora C. Walker, was a great success. Refreshments were served and a program rendered from the twelve tables representing the months of the year. A splendid sum was realized.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church. Rev. McCracken, presiding elder, was in attendance and carried the work on in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. R. Waters. There were five additions to the church.

Mr. G. T. Bowles, until recently of St. Louis, Mo., has opened up a shoe-making and repair shop on East Fourth street and solicits your patronage. Mr. Bowles comes highly recommended. This is another opportunity to show race loyalty.

One of the best entertainments ever given in this city recently was put on at the A. M. E. church by the young people, under the direction of Miss Marie Wilkerson. The young people performed almost like regular professionals and were greatly enjoyed. The receipts of the evening will reach \$30. By special request Miss Wilkerson will repeat her entertainment in the near future.

Miss Reta Hunter, a sister of Mrs. E. Green, is visiting relatives and friends in Buckhannon and Clarksburg, W. Va.

Naomi chapter, No. 1, O. E. S., observed Esther day last Sunday at the Third Baptist church. Rev. F. K. Nicholson preached an excellent sermon and the choir furnished sweet music.

Mrs. Hattie Lambert contemplated a visit in Washington and Des Moines this month.

Mrs. John Gordon returned home from a visit in Centerville, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Leonard Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Johnson of Monmouth, Ill., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Green last Sunday.

The Third Baptist church will entertain the Nebraska-Iowa Sunday school convention next week.

The agent will call on you soon. Please be prepared to pay your subscription to the Bystander.

BUXTON, IOWA.

Mrs. Cleo Bryant entertained in honor of Mrs. Ora Spears King on Saturday noon. Owing to the bad weather there were only a few present, but Mrs. King received quite a number of useful gifts.

Mr. Edward T. Greene was in the city for a few days.

Mr. Howard Ashby is on the sick list.

Mr. Jas. Caison died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Brown, Tuesday night about 11 o'clock. Interment will be in Ottumwa. Buxton friends extend their sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mr. Hoskin of Macon, Mo., was the guest in our city over Sunday.

Mr. Scott Mardis motored Mr. B. H. Jones and wife, accompanied by two of his sisters, to Albia on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Solo Billings and Miss Emma Smith left for Des Moines on Wednesday a. m. as delegates to the Sunday school convention, which convenes in Des Moines on June 5, 6 and 7.

BUXTON, IOWA.

(Last Week.)

Mrs. Daisy Moore is indisposed this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Carter are the proud parents of a fine boy. Mother and son are doing fine.

The St. John's A. M. E. choir and several visitors went to Albia on Sunday to quarterly meeting services. The choir sang and Rev. Evans preached the afternoon sermon.

Mrs. Thos. McDonald and family left Tuesday to join her husband in Pennsylvania, where they are home-staying and plan to make their future home.

Miss Ora Spears and Chas. King were united in marriage Friday, May 26th. They will be at their future home, 718 E. Second, after May 30th.

Mr. Lewis Phillips left Tuesday for Cedar Rapids to visit his mother. From there he will go to Detroit, Mich., to visit several months.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

We consider ourselves very fortunate this season in being able to book the world-famous Williams Singers for the date of July 5th.

The Y. can boast of some real brave members. For instance, Chas. King, who announces his marriage to Miss Ora Spears, and we think any man a brave man that will solemnly swear to pay a girl's lifetime board in this age of high cost of living. Bravo, Charlie!

We have been notified that the Buxton headquarters for registration will be at the boys' Y. M. C. A.

Mr. C. H. Mease, chairman of the Buxton Cemetery association, called a mass meeting at the Y. last week for the purpose of arranging a program for Decoration day. Some very good suggestions were made toward the improving and keeping up of our home cemetery. We also had some very encouraging remarks from Undertaker Sol Billings. Mr. Sol Billings also offered his services and support in any way that he could assist.

A committee from Mt. Zion church served dinner and refreshments in the Y. last Saturday. They were well patronized.

Edward Mease was with us Saturday and Sunday visiting his little family, who are here for an indefinite stay. We are glad to say that Ed. is never in too much of a hurry to visit the Y.

Are you a rejecter of Jesus Christ? Read our Tuesday night Bible lesson, John 1-8.

Mr. Mason of Davenport has a very fine display of Negro books on display at the Y. this week. For particulars see Secretary J. E. Mills.

It is vital to the people of Iowa that their boys grow up clean, wholesome men, physically, morally, spiritually. The welfare of future generations depends on this. The Y. stands for all these, so there is no reason that you should pay it a great privilege to contribute your support toward the carrying on of this life saving work.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Quite a number from out of town paid the last respects to Mrs. Dora Foster on Thursday, May 31. Mrs. Foster was a member of the Court of Calanthe, who had charge of the body.

The worthy councillor, Mrs. S. by Noah, read a beautiful paper, after which the services were turned over to Rev. M. Carrington of the Second Baptist church, who preached a beautiful sermon.

Sunday was Covenant day and was well attended both morning and evening.

Mrs. L. Kearney has gone to St. Louis to spend a few days with her sister, Daisy.

Mrs. Johnny Gordon returned to her home in Davenport, Iowa, after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Leonard Lewis, on S. Wilson street.

Master Jesse Allen Gooding is in a few days with the mumps.

Mrs. Wm. Clark has gone to Unionville, Mo., to spend a few days with Mr. Clark's mother.

The Centerville colored band is progressing nicely, under the leadership of Mr. Samuel Lee. We are all expecting some fine music soon.

The Sunday school will give an ice cream social Saturday, June 9th. Social committee, Mr. J. Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Brown left for West Virginia on Tuesday, May 29th, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brown of Mystic, Iowa, attended the services Sunday morning. They also spent the day at Mrs. J. P. Gooding's on E. Wilson street.

The B. Y. P. U. gave a social Thursday, May 31, and a short program was rendered. A nice time was reported by all.

The social given Saturday night proved to be quite a success.

Miss Marjorie Lewis of Oskaloosa spent Decoration day at the home of her brother, Mr. L. Lewis.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and assistance during the sickness and death of our dear wife, mother and sister, Mrs. Dora Foster. Also for their many beautiful floral offerings. Mr. John Foster, husband; daughters Effie and Mrs. John-afternoon Rev. Craine of the white SEVEN-Bystander—ny Leek; sisters, Mrs. Green and Mrs. Harris, and brother, Mr. Odelle.

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."

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IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM MIDGET, JR., Died APRIL 28, 1917.
The Last Ray of Sunshine.
A ray of sunshine dropped one day,
From the heavens beyond the sky,
And found its way, midst frolic and play,
Into the arms of a mother nigh.

It grew to love its foster home,
'Twas daylight even when night would fall.
The family never knew to roam,
When sunshine danced all through the hall.

Its presence made hearts grow fond
and true,
And dried the tears of an aching heart,
Kept from the mind things that others do.

Yes, it joined souls that ne'er would part.

But that day came when an angel spake,
And whispered to the cheerful friend,
"Listen, I come not, for ties to break,
But join in happiness to the end."

The angel's mission was finished; all was well.

It carried the last ray of sunshine away.

Yet the gladness, and sadness, no tongue can tell,

But Jesus is sunshine; he'll come in today.

Johnnie Johnson Shaw.

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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.

An Accommodating Hostess.

Louise was to have her first birthday party. The guests had not arrived and her mother was instructing Louise how she must be pleasant and sweet to her little guests, and so make them have a good time. When her mother had finished, Louise said: "If they knock me down, I'll grin."

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If the telephone is left off the hook for a considerable time it will be reported "out of order" by the operator.

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The Iowa State Bystander is the oldest Afro-American journal published in Iowa. It was established in 1894, and is read by nearly all the colored people of Iowa. We have correspondents in the following towns:

- Albia.....Miss May Davis
- Washington.....N. L. Black
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- Minneapolis.....Mrs. R. L. Buttner
- Clinton.....A. A. Bush
- Mason, Mo.....Lucy Harris
- Mason City.....Mrs. Maud Brewton
- St. Paul, Minn.....Mrs. Hattie Hicks
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- Northmond, Ill.....Miss Bernice Metlock
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- Chillicothe, Mo.....V. E. Williams
- Sioux City.....Mrs. M. Askew
- Clarinda.....Mrs. G. N. Nowling
- Buxton, Iowa.....Miss Gussie Mardis
- Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....Mrs. C. Harrison
- Keokuk.....Georgia Caldwell

EDITORIALS

NEGRO SOLDIERS ARRIVE.

Instruction at Fort Des Moines Camp Will Begin June 15.

About 150 colored non-commissioned officers, who will be trained at Fort Des Moines for commissions in the new armies to be raised under the selective conscription, have arrived at the fort.

For several days the men have been arriving from the various army posts about the country where colored troops have been quartered.

Yesterday morning 130 men from Columbus, N. M., arrived in a body. Among them were many men who served with Pershing in Mexico, several being survivors of the famous Carrizal massacre.

All of the men in the camp so far are sergeant majors and others holding responsible non-commissioned offices. They will be trained as company officers (lieutenants and captains) for the Negro regiments to be raised under the draft system.

The main body of students for the camp will arrive next week. The training begins June 15 and will last from three to four months.

A call was sent out from the fort yesterday for colored help to be employed at the fort during the period of the camp. The men are needed for cooks, waiters, janitors and laborers. Good wages in addition to board and room are offered.

HUNDREDS HAVE BEEN MISLED

IN THE SAME WAY

OPPORTUNITY LOST - GONE - BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

A well-known lady, prominent in social and religious circles, has just related to the writer an experience she had in mining investments nearly thirty years ago, when the famous Homestake mine of South Dakota was seeking capital to develop its vast resources.

She states: "A man with whom she was very well acquainted called on her, and tried to persuade her to buy five hundred shares of Homestake stock at 5c a share, or \$25.00. Not being acquainted with mining investments, she called on the cashier of her bank, a Des Moines banker, and asked his advice. He discouraged her, and she did not buy the stock."

Had this lady, who is still living in Des Moines, bought this five hundred shares of Homestake stock, it would today be bringing her an income of several thousand dollars a year and have a value of about \$50,000.00.

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VICTORIA LODGE HONORS "FATHER" HENRY C. WADKINS

Twenty-third Anniversary of Brooklyn Odd Fellows Was Fine Affair.

Brooklyn.—Among the most brilliant functions in secret society circles held in this city recently was the twenty-third anniversary and reunion of Victoria lodge, No. 836, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows. The guests of honor were Henry C. Wadkins, who organized Victoria lodge May 30, 1893, and members of Mount Zion lodge No. 1070. Mrs. Mary Mallard was chairman of the committee of arrangements, and Mrs. Lucy Cotman presided over the literary program. Special honors were paid to Founder Wadkins of Victoria lodge and Robert Lee Williams, secretary of the Household of Ruth.

In giving brief bits of the history of the lodge "Father" Wadkins, as he is affectionately called, said that on the night of May 30, 1893, when Victoria lodge was set apart, forty women assisted in the ceremonies or were initiated. Of the men who helped to organize the lodge the following have since died—namely: P. H. W. Hadley, E. A. Johnson, James B. Alston, Alexander Poole and John Parrott. At the time Victoria lodge was organized there was only one Household of Ruth in Brooklyn, but at the present time there are four, Mr. Wadkins asserted.

Among others who took part in the program were Mrs. Lydia Jackson, Miss Geneva Cutler, Mrs. Mary Poole, Jeremiah Keeling, Robert Turpin, Isalah Walker, Mrs. Thess Poole, Mr. Cotman, Samuel Taylor, Miss Maud Robinson and Charles Smith.

In honor of "Father" Wadkins as founder of the lodge and his close connection with it to the present time, Victoria lodge presented Mr. Wadkins with a gold jeweled badge. The Household of Ruth also presented Mr. Robert Lee Williams with a gold jeweled badge in recognition of his services as secretary. The presentations were made by Mrs. Blair. Mrs. Williams stated that the first Household of Ruth was organized by Mrs. Katie Robinson at Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 29, 1889, and that the organizer was living at the present time.

Compliments the Hampton Institute. Colonel Charles E. Hasbrook, editor in chief of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, has sent the following telegram to the "Greater Hampton Patriotic movement," Chicago:

"Hampton Institute in this time of national stress, in keeping with its long and honorable traditions, is taking splendid and efficient steps to develop its men and women into worthy and useful citizens. Its agricultural extension work and instruction in military tactics are its greatest measures of war preparedness."

Lights for Sick Room.

When, as in case of sickness, you wish a soft, warm light in a room, rather than the glare that an electric light imparts, make little bags of china silk (any color desired), and put them over each bulb. It is well to run elastic around the edge of the circle, which you cut from the silk, so that the bulb can be easily removed by just slipping out of the bag.

Indians Good Orchardists.

The American apple owes much to the care of the Indian farmers, for the Indian was an able pomologist. It was not unusual 150 years ago for Indian orchards to have 1,500 trees, which all had been duly pruned and cultivated by the people we are prone to regard as nomadic savages. The peach and quince were also cultivated by them in later years. To the world the Indian introduced such fruits as the persimmon, the pawpaw, the pineapple and the Virginia strawberry.

First Savings Bank.

The first bank organized for the purpose of serving as a safe place for the savings of small depositors was founded in May, 1810, in the little village of Rothwell, Scotland. The earlier institutions with a similar purpose almost invariably confined their deposits to the savings of domestic servants and other wage-earners, but paying no interest and returning the money to the members of the association in the form of annuities after they had reached a certain age.

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All pray in their distress;
And to these virtues of delight
Return their thankfulness.

For Mercy, Pity, Peace and Love
Is God, our father dear,
And Mercy, Pity, Peace and Love
Is Man, his child and care.

For Mercy had a human heart,
Pity a human face,
And Love, the human form divine,
And Peace, the human dress.

Then every man, of every clime,
That prays in his distress,
Prays to the human form divine,
Love, Mercy, Pity, Peace.

And all must love the human form,
In heathen, Turk, or Jew;
Where Mercy, Love and Pity dwell,
There God is dwelling too.

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HAPPENINGS TWENTY YEARS AGO

(As Chronicled by The Bystander, June 4, 1897.)

John Hardy has purchased a new Crescent bicycle and has learned to ride well.

Ed. McAfee can hang more wall paper than any other seven men this side of Texas. He is what can be termed a "swift."—Evening (Atlantic, Iowa) Budget.

Mrs. Lizzie Palmer left last Saturday for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Burlington, the scenes of her girlhood.

Mr. Wm. Nash has commenced building him a house on his lot; also Mr. A. Wilburn has a lot adjoining his, and may build on it this fall. Mr. Mash has a colored carpenter as foreman in the person of Mr. Thomas Stevenson, of Liberty, Mo., who arrived here Monday and took charge of the building. That is the way to help your race; get property and employ colored laborers.

Mrs. Emma Walker, Rev. Stewart's daughter, arrived here from Kansas City on Thursday to live with her parents at 785 Ninth street. The reverend's wife, who has been sick, is much better.

Mrs. McClinton of Piqua, Ohio, is expected to arrive in our city soon to visit her only daughter, Mrs. Frank Blagburn, on Eleventh street.

Ed. Thompson spent Sunday visiting his brother-in-law at Clive.

Maria Williams spent Decoration day visiting her old home in Oskaloosa.

This week has been very cold. There has been frost several nights this week.

Miss Cora Smith, who has been staying in Grinnell, Iowa, has been home visiting her mother, Mrs. A. O. Smith. She expects to return to Grinnell on Friday.

The special song service at the A. M. E. church Sunday will be very interesting to lovers of music. The hotel waiters will attend in a body and reserved seats will be kept for them. Mr. Douglass Miller of the Savery will lead his nineteen men; Wm. Wilson will head his delegation of fifteen men and Will Gill will bring his nine men.

Dr. F. H. Lawther, who came from Chicago about a year ago, has been appointed coal doctor by the White

Breast Coal company at Keb. The Dr. should feel highly complimented, as he is the first colored doctor in the state to receive an appointment by any company. Success to him.

Miss Minnie and Roland Weeks will entertain next week.

Miss Cora Smith returned to the city last week, after an absence of several weeks. Miss Smith says there is no place like Grinnell. After a three weeks' visit with her mother she intends to return to the college city.

Henry Clay will leave with a fishing party for the lakes in Minnesota. The party consists of Berryhill, Harbach and others. They expect to be gone about three or four weeks.

The Georgia Minstrels, which have been playing this week at the Roof Garden, will continue next week. They are bringing satisfaction.

Jefferson-Logan returned last Monday from his Missouri trip feeling refreshed. He says the crops are as late, if not later in Missouri, than they are up here.

Mesdames Banks, Rosa LeCoeur, Julia Hudlin, Sarah Burnough and Joseph Johnson visited with Mrs. C. H. Richardson's folks Thursday at Clive. They reported a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. Sours of Marion, Iowa, has moved here this week to make their future home. Mr. Sours has a place as cook in a restaurant. We wish them success in our city.

On last Thursday evening occurred the annual election of North Star lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M. The following are the newly elected officers:

B. J. Holmes, W. M.; John A. Hardy, C. W.; E. S. Willet, secretary. Public installation of the officers will take place on St. John's day, June 24th.

Madam Cecil Smith-Watts of the Georgian Minstrel company, will sing a solo at the A. M. E. church Sunday night.

The Ladies' Afternoon Social club met with Mrs. Ben Molmes and was called to order by President Mrs. Wm. Mash. The ladies spent a pleasant afternoon. At 5 o'clock an elegant lunch was served. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Della Abbey on June 10th.

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CITY LOCALS

The C. I. C. will meet with Mrs. West Wednesday p. m. All members requested to be present.

Mr. Fred Anthony of Boone was a business visitor in our city Wednesday.

Mrs. Virgil Williams left Tuesday night for Wichita, Kans., to attend the wedding of her sister.

Mr. John Renfro of 108 West Thirtieth street and Clark Yeager, his nephew, visited relatives in Ottumwa on Saturday and Sunday.

The Triple "H" club will meet with Miss Bernice McDowell, 909 Eighth street, Tuesday p. m. All members be present. Election of officers.

The Marchiel Neal Art club was postponed on account of the weather and will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Harper.

The H. B. S. will meet at Mrs. Gus Watkins, 2113 Mandamin street on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, June 15. All members urged to be present.

The members and officers of Union Congregational church are urged to come out Sunday morning. Business of importance.

Prof. L. C. Jones of Braxton, Miss., who has been in the city the past week in the interest of his school, spent over Sunday with his mother in St. Joseph, Mo.

Mothers' Congress will hold their annual picnic the first Friday in July at the home of the president, Mrs. J. C. Campbell, S. E. Twenty-sixth street. Everybody come and bring a friend.

Mrs. Geo. W. Law, assistant grand most noble governess of Household of Ruth, No. 21, of Iowa, left the city to make her annual visit to the various Households of Ruth throughout this jurisdiction.

Mr. Clyde Leroy Glass, who has been attending the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, has returned home to spend his vacation. Mr. Glass has made a tour of the United States and has gained for himself a national reputation.

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NOTICE.
North Star Masonic Temple association will hold its annual meeting next Tuesday evening, June 12th, at its hall, 1012 Center street. At this time directors will be elected for the ensuing year. All stockholders are urged to be present.
John L. Thompson, President.
H. E. Jacobs, Secretary.

The Mary Church Terrell club met Monday night with Mrs. Lulu McCree, at which time they completed the study of the Holy Grail. Meet next week with Miss Tabitha Mash. Miss Letta Carey was a guest and made some very interesting remarks. Program will be the beginning of the

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On last Saturday evening a large number of friends gave a surprise party on Mrs. Gertrude Reeves at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. K. Knox. The evening was spent in music and games. A two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Reeves received many beautiful and useful presents. At a late hour the guests departed, wishing Mrs. Reeves many more birthdays.

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The Kloster Crochet club met at the residence of Mrs. A. Dixon on Wednesday p. m. Officers elected for ensuing year: Mrs. E. Dameron, vice president; Mrs. A. Dixon, treasurer; Mrs. Helen Henderson, Mrs. Agnes McWain and Mrs. Dameron, new members. A musical program concluded the afternoon. After which a lovely luncheon was served. Club adjourned to meet at the new residence of Mrs. Wm. Shackelford, 1072 Fourteenth street, Wednesday, June 13.

Mr. B. F. Tillery, one of Kansas City's efficient Pullman porters, made a trip to Des Moines last Saturday, June 2nd, to visit his sick mother, Mrs. John Miller, 1311 Buchanan street, who recently returned home from the hospital. He will make several more trips here. While in the city he will also be the guests of his sisters, Mrs. Frank Johnson, 1413 E. Eighteenth street, Mrs. Frank Brent, 1443 McCormick street, and Mrs. Theodore Pemberton, E. Eighteenth street, his auntie, recently from Denver, Colo.

Mr. L. J. Shelton's class of the Union Congregational Sunday school gave their annual class picnic at Union park last Sunday. They invited as their guests Mr. John L. Thompson and Mr. M. L. Gregory's class. They were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Shelton, Mrs. M. Watkins and Mrs. John L. Thompson. There was an interesting program given by the White Sparrows and the flag raising by Battery B, which the little ones enjoyed very much, after which a sumptuous picnic lunch was served.

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N. A. A. C. P.
At the meeting of the executive committee of the Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on Monday evening a resolution was adopted congratulating Dr. Joel E. Spingarn, chairman of the national executive committee of the association, upon the success of his plan to have a special training camp for Negro officers, which has resulted in bringing to the camp near this city of more than a thousand of the most intelligent of the flower of the youth of our race.

The Rev. Dr. C. S. Medbury and Mr. J. H. McClain were elected to membership in the Des Moines Branch at this meeting.

On May 27th Rev. D. Donald and Bishop Kyles of the A. M. E. Zion Seventh Episcopal district and escorted him from the union station to the interurban, where he entrained for Scandia. Later in the early evening he returned back to Des Moines and as special guest took supper with Mrs. Phillips and son at 513 S. E. Fourth street. The church was decorated with flowers and flags. At 8 p. m. a host of members and friends were waiting to greet him. The presiding elder, Rev. F. D. Douglas, being present, had the pleasure of introducing the bishop to the waiting audience. The entire congregation stood as a welcome to our grand and noble Bishop Kyles. He preached a most wonderful sermon from the 27th Psalm. Text, "He set me up, up on a rock." The bishop's visit to the city was highly appreciated. The Hon. John L. Thompson and wife, also Mrs. Watkins, presented to us a handsome bouquet of flowers, which was highly appreciated by the members of our little church. The bishop has urged the pastor to go to conference, and as this is the last Sunday for our pastor to be with us, we ask every member and friend to be present to hear his farewell ser-

mon. Rev. Donald is expecting to leave on Tuesday night, June 12th, on the 11.15 train over the Great Western for Kansas City, Mo.

The grand lodge of Iowa, with its grand lodge officers, instituted a new K. of P. lodge in Des Moines. The grand officers present were as follows: L. W. Williams, G. C. of Clarinda, Iowa; H. W. White, V. G. C. of Centerville; S. C. Bolden, G. M. W., of Buxton; R. Johnson, G. M. A., of Buxton; C. Washington, G. P. Act., Albia, Iowa; Mr. Butler, G. T., of Albia; Col. Wm. Bailey, G. M. Eyc., Ottumwa; Col. Chas. Wilson, G. T. Ottumwa, and quite a number of visiting brothers of Truene lodge of Albia. Then we all retired to the banquet hall, where refreshments were prepared by the caterer, Muehlaupt, served by our Bro. Robert Johnson of Pythian lodge, No. 18. We all enjoyed with smoking, with a heart to heart talk, friendship, charity and benevolence. About that time it was about 2:30 a. m. Then again we opened our castle hall and conferred two degrees on our new candidates. Then we all departed for our respective homes about 6 o'clock a. m. The lodge that was set up is known as the Pythian lodge, No. 18, K. of P. The officers were as follows: J. H. Jett, C. C. L. W. Scott, V. C.; Bryant Carr, prelate; L. W. Green, Exc.; H. Gould, M. of F.; W. C. Rhodes, M. of W., and charter members, O. A. Johnson, L. F. Anthony, Harry Wilson, James Shaw, Earl Dunn, Edward Parrent, Joe Rucker, Robt. Johnson and Paul Goodlow.

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MACON, MO., NEWS.
Sunday afternoon the Knights of Pythias and the Dorothy Court held their annual thanksgiving sermon at the A. M. E. church. A very lengthy program, also very interesting one, was given, which was followed by an excellent sermon by Rev. A. R. Fox.

News was received in our city of the wedding of Miss Ida Jones. Miss Jones for a number of years was formerly a teacher of Dumas school.

Mrs. Hazel Davis entertained at a dinner Tuesday.

Mrs. Anna Durdon of Des Moines, Iowa, is visiting in the city.

A very pretty wedding was that of Mr. Euell Clark of this city and Miss Mabel Reece, who were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will be at their home in St. Louis, Mo.

Mrs. Jennie Leland was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. William Brown.

Mr. George Ruthford is visiting his daughter in Moline, Ill.

A trio of colored men, two of which were blind, were on the streets of Macon on Saturday and rendered very pretty music.

Mr. and Mrs. David Noel departed Saturday for Council Bluffs, Neb., where they will make their home.

Mrs. Carrie Garnor departed Saturday night for Omaha, Neb., where she will make her home.

The A. M. E. Sewing Circle are doing excellent work.

Miss Ada Cooper is visiting in the city.

Prof. L. L. Henderson departed Friday night for Little Rock, Ark., where he will conduct a summer school.

Mrs. M. E. Brookin will depart Saturday for Denver, Colo., where she will make her home. Mrs. Brookin for a number of years has been the amiable superintendent of the Vine Street and Broadway Sunday school and she will be greatly missed by all.

Mrs. E. L. Scruggs will depart Saturday for Jackson, Ill., where she will make her home.

Commencement week at Western college began Monday, June 4th, at 8 p. m., rhetorical contest; Tuesday, June 5th, at 8 p. m., annual drama; Wednesday, June 6th, at 8 p. m., oratoria contest; Thursday, June 7th, at 8 p. m., annual debate; Friday, meeting of board of education; meeting of the Alumni association at 8 p. m. Graduating exercises at the theater.

Mr. Lloyd Davis will entertain at a dinner Thursday.

Mrs. J. Johnson of Meadville, Mo., is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leax Perkins.

Mrs. John Green is slowly convalescing.

Ray Houston spent Sunday out of the city.

We are glad to see Mrs. Johnnie Lawson out again, after a serious spell of illness.

The Vine and Broadway Sewing circle was entertained Friday at the home of Mrs. Dan Howard.

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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.
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ATTITUDE OF THE AMERICAN NEGRO

Professor Pickens Declares Race Is Loyal.

MEANING OF GERMAN PLOT

In Scholarly Address at Washington Prominent Educator Enlightens Country on Colored Americans' Position in Nation's Great Crisis—Do Not Need Watching, but Want Square Deal.

Washington. — Speaking under the auspices of the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People at a meeting held in this city on the evening of Wednesday, May 16, on "The Attitude of the American Negro," Professor William Pickens, dean of Morgan college, Baltimore, in part said:

"There is no question as to the Negro's patriotism or loyalty. But the mistake is being made by a misinterpretation of the mind of the Negro which is back of this patriotism. The last year or two of the great war have discovered an unprecedented thing—unprecedented except by the spirit of the Negro himself during the civil war—namely, that America's least privileged and most persecuted class proves to be in a critical time its most dependable citizenship. For several seasons now every white man in America has been watching every other white man, but nobody has felt the need of watching the American Negro. To be sure, a false alarm was recently started in the south about German plotting among Negroes, but those of us who know the south knew at once what that alarm meant. It signified not a fear of Negro disloyalty, but a real and genuine fear of the Negro's growing industrial and economic opportunities which the great war has brought him."

This alarm, which is the most treacherous thrust that has been made at the Negro in recent years, failed. It failed against the solid fact of the Negro's loyalty, past and present. The south, which has fooled the world about the Negro in almost every other particular, which has made the north believe that he is a characteristic libertine, that he is an unprofitable laborer, that he is unreliable as a machine operator and that he is an undesirable in almost every other capacity—this historic traducer of our race, after being backed even by high official "confirmation," failed utterly to stir the blood of the nation with the scarecrow of Negro disloyalty. Such is the universal and unconsciously acquired confidence in the Negro as an American."

But, singularly enough, the people who have been highly favored about the Negro are the classes who are now deemed worthy of suspicion—those who have been permitted to buy a house on any corner, who have been permitted to live in any part of our cities, who have been admitted to work in any business or industry, who have not been disfranchised, but who have been jubilantly naturalized as fresh recruits for the ghost or fetish called "white civilization," the people who have not been jimcrowed or langed without trial or burned at the stake (behold, ye gods!)—these are the peoples whom the nation watches when the nation's security is threatened."

But the Negro, whose ancestry, by the way, was American long before that of the great majority of our white people and whose record of loyal service has been uniform and unvarying, is the only class upon whom all of these abuses have been heaped, and yet by the reluctant confession of his worst enemies he is the class of all classes not needing to be watched."

Although the Negro's dependability is the best attested fact in America today, he is the one man not enthusiastically welcomed in all our great preparations for war. We wish to get along without him if we possibly can. To be sure, we have left the door ajar so that the colored brother can be called, as usual, when sorely needed. Meanwhile some of us are between the devil and the deep blue sea. We must either send the Negro to the glory of the trenches in France or we must permit him the gain of becoming further entrenched in our home industries, and we feel that either trench will have a mighty elevating influence on the American Negro's status."

What could be more effective than the Negro in Europe, freeing big souled France, glorifying America and establishing democracy in the world? On the other hand, what could be of more solid gain to the Negro race in the United States than to be permitted by the incident of war and the iron law of necessity to work in the great industries of America and prove that he can do satisfactorily the very things which his enemies have for fifty years shouted and maintained that he could never be relied upon to do? For the Negro it is a case of "heads I win, tails you lose!" What the Negro's real enemy fears is not the race's fondly catalogued vices, but its virtue."

We repeat that, although there is no question as to the Negro's loyalty in the present crisis, those are in wide error who are taking his loyalty for blind impulse or unthinking docility, like the loyalty of the dog or the horse. The masses of the race are thinking as they never thought before, and they are loyal only for the same reason that

any other group of men in the world is loyal to anything, because they think that their best group interests are bound up in the thing to which they are loyal. As to whether the Negro would be loyal if he were absolutely convinced to the contrary must be answered in hypothesis by the same answer which would be given for any other group of normal human beings."

The Negro is certainly not loyal to disfranchisement, "jimcrowism" and lynch law, but he follows the star of America in spite of those evils and with the deliberate intention and fond hope of overthrowing them. In such a situation the Negro must of course continually face dilemmas. He has had to be a strike breaker to get a job, he has had to flee to a separate and inferior school system to escape ignorance, and he has had to dissect the body of Christ in order to enter the church and the kingdom of heaven."

In the same spirit he would accept a separate military training camp that some of his college trained men might get commissions in the army and serve their country more effectively than as mere "cannon fodder." It is not strange that in the last named dilemma the majority of his leaders and friends endorsed the camp idea, but it is significant that, while some of his leaders and friends conscientiously opposed it, all of his worst enemies consistently opposed it. Those who favored it do not favor discrimination, but they seized that horn of the dilemma which would lend a future advantage—to gain a height from which they could deal segregation a heavier blow. His enemies also saw this and opposed it unambiguously."

This explains the frequent appearance of a lack of union among American Negroes. It is plain to an insider. They are perfectly united in aim and ambition, and they differ only in method and policy. This difference is due to their peculiar situation. No other group of people in the round world is brought oftener face to face with a dilemma, where the choice is not between an evil and a good, but between two evils. A choice between evils is a more disintegrating question, than any choice between an unmixed evil and a definite good. "Which is the lesser evil?" This puzzling dilemma is at the bottom of many of the apparent differences among Negro leaders, whose hearts and souls are perfectly united in ambition and aim and object. The only solution of this difficulty is conference, frequent and widely representative conference."

THE REMEDY FOR CRIME.

Fair Attitude of a Northern Publication Toward Our Race.

Under the caption "Education and Crime Among Negroes" the American Review of Reviews in a recent issue gave this remarkably fair and logical comment on the subject:

"Certain mistaken deductions from statistics of crime and education in the south are discussed by Judge Gilbert T. Stephenson of Winston-Salem, N. C., in the South Atlantic Quarterly."

"In the first place, it appears that the amount of crime for which the Negro race is responsible has been considerably exaggerated. For example, if one counts the inmates of the prisons of this country on any given day he finds that the Negro race, constituting only one-tenth of the total population, is penalized for nearly one-third of the crime, but if he counts the number of commitments for crime during any given period he finds that the Negro race furnishes only about one-fifth instead of one-third of the convictions. This difference arises from the fact that the terms of imprisonment of Negroes are, as a rule, longer than those of white people."

"All the available statistics and the unanimous opinion of men in a position to know the facts would seem to be proof that education—elementary or advanced, industrial or literary—diminishes crime among Negroes. The alarmingly high rate of Negro criminality is as much a condemnation of the community in which it exists as of the offending Negroes themselves."

"Having discovered that the Negro school is at least one institution which successfully combats crime, the community cannot afford to withhold its active interest in and generous support of its Negro school. The more money spent in making such schools responsive to the special needs of the race the less will have to be spent on crime."

"And if it comes to a question of cost it is cheaper in the long run to maintain and equip schools—Negro schools even—than police departments, courts, jails, penitentiaries and reformatories, for the school properly conducted makes the Negro a greater asset, while the court finds him a greater liability of the community."

HAMPTON BOYS TO SERVE.

Trio From School in Virginia Joins Fifteenth Infantry Band.

Sergeant Major C. M. Hooper of the Fifteenth New York Infantry, national guard, has sent these telegrams to Hampton Institute:

"Heywood B. Hill has recommended William McK. Hubbard, Leslie E. Booker and John H. Watkins for the Fifteenth Infantry band. They are to receive \$40 a month in addition to all expenses."

"Am sending transportation from Hampton to New York, including sleeper, for W. McK. Hubbard, L. E. Booker and J. H. Watkins to leave by the Cape Charles boat to join the Fifteenth Infantry band."

The Hampton Institute faculty have granted permission to these students to leave school and report for military service in New York. Heywood B. Hill was a Hampton senior."

HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D.

The country is in the best spirits that it is possible for it to be in; the spirit of democracy never hovered so closely over us. This is a time when it is good to feel the spirit of Americanism."

Those of us who are about Des Moines have tangible evidence of a different feeling on the part of true citizens. It takes a mutual trouble to bring a family together. It is not a question of color, race, politics, religion nor of money now. All the question now is, "Are you for the good old U. S. A.?" This is the time when all little narrow-viewed, short-sighted, peanut-headed leaders must crawl into some hole unless they want to eat their old words. Those people who have talked race exclusively, who have had selfish ambitions, who have made people discontented by holding up petty deeds have no place nor conversation."

Go out to Fort Des Moines and see the stalwart men, men of brains and character who are going into training to do service for their country; then we can get an estimate of how small and

how terribly pin-headed some egotists have been. Some men can never come back into public life because they have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. No man is fit for a leader who cannot think in terms of world values, who cannot measure the effect of his words upon people who look to others for judgment in the facts at hand."

It is better to get into the band wagon just before the parade than to be left, but it is best to see the possibilities of a parade and to help get the wagon ready. Excepting that there is a term called "nerve," no one would be able to explain the right about face of individuals who are doing things contrary to previous utterances. But this war is going to teach great lessons to all Americans; if it does nothing else it will keep the mouths of some fools shut long enough for the people to look around and see that the trend of all things in this country have been upon the upward trend for years."

Every one here in this great country ought to be an optimist about this country and the race problem. There must be a separation of the accidental and the essential; there must be a hope, backed up by earnest work that all things will turn out well."

We must be willing to do our duty, whether that means face bullets or plow fields, in order to live up to the measure of our opportunity and liberty. Liberty is not a gift; it is a reward for work well done, burdens borne and responsibility accepted. There was never a time since the emancipation that we had reason to feel better for our future."

We need teachers to put our Negro citizens into the right ways of acting and thinking. We want to learn the difference between ordinary civility and business coldness and the color prejudice. Everything that happens to the average Negro happens to him because he is black, without any other of his shortcomings being at fault. It is high time to stop talking color and to begin talking in terms of being Americans."

The greatest step towards democracy is the officering of Negro troops by Negro men. From this will come greater things. Every one ought to give the movement the heartiest support morally and conversationally, for it is these flabby mouth talkers who do more harm than all the constructionists can overcome for a long time. Keep the conversation down unless the trend is upward. Their ought to be censors all around these groups to switch the subject or apply plaster."

We are on a great way. Let us think of these things; let us hope for better things and act in such a manner that those who think they are right will be encouraged and strive for bigger things. When you see some misguided soul thinking in terms of pessimism and getting the propositions all backward set him straight. We cannot let even a fool get lost, for they are the ones who rock the boat and turn over the kerosene cans."

When you go to bed tonight thank God that you live in such a great country and ask His blessings upon those who guide the destiny of this nation and ask his guidance in your utterances and thoughts."

The Art of Kissing.

Don't kiss all over, as grasshoppers walk. Don't sit down to it. Stand up. You needn't be anxious to get into a crowd. Two persons are plenty to corner and catch a kiss. Stand firm. It won't hurt you after you're used to it. Don't be in a hurry. Providence will give you strength for the ordeal. Take good aim—the lips meet, the eyes close, the heart opens, heaven itself opens before you, and the art of kissing is learned.—Exchange.

Curiosities of Red Hair.

It is a curious fact that a red-haired person seldom marries a life partner who has hair of a ruddy hue. The reason why parents with glossy black hair so often have red-haired children is because the glossiness is due to red hidden by black pigment. A dark-haired child has never been known to have a parent with flaxen hair. The rule is that children will not have darker hair than that of the darkest-haired parent."

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