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EDITORIALS

OUR HOLIDAY NUMBER.

This year we have changed somewhat the tone of our holiday number. We have added some extra holiday stories and pictures, also some special contributions for this issue. Our advertising has been made more attractive. We are also running the cuts of some of our strong race men who have played a great part in making good the history for our race in the last half century. We simply run the picture that it might be an incentive for many of these 600 or more of our young men who were recently commissioned officers in the U. S. army. The many ads. that we secured are the stores and business houses who will welcome and appreciate your trade. Therefore if you want to buy anything in their line, go to them and tell them that you saw the adv. in the By-stander. Help us and we will help you. Wishing all of our subscribers and friends a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

CAMP DODGE SOLDIERS.

For the past two weeks we have experienced some of the coldest weather so early in beginning of winter that we have had in 30 years. Therefore most everyone in the north and northwest suffered immensely, but the soldiers at Camp Dodge stood the weather well considering that many thousands of colored men were from Alabama. They are becoming adjusted to their new situation and are working hard to make good. It is true that several have failed in their physical examination, and already fully 300 have been sent back. The peculiar thing is to see them go out rab-

bit hunting. They go out in companies of 100 to 200 men, without dog, gun or revolver and just surround the rabbits and kill them with sticks and their feet. They often bring in from 25 to 100 rabbits and sometimes squirrels. They are being clothed heavily and no more sickness than is generally expected in so large a number. Our colored ladies, assisted by the best white ladies, are doing all they can to make their camp life home like and cheerful. Each colored company has a respected married lady known as company mother, in whom all of the company boys can confide in her and she is to oversee their social life both in camp and while in town. The same as do the white companies have their company mothers. All of these colored mothers are under one chief mother, a white lady, named Mrs. Irish, who has appointed Mrs. S. Joe Brown to assist her. So we of Iowa feel that our colored soldiers who are quartered in Camp Dodge, Des Moines, are receiving more and exactly equal treatment than are the colored conscripts in any other camp in the U. S. In addition to what I have said, nearly every colored club are giving something toward the comfort and happiness of their colored soldiers. One white man sent out 700 sweaters and 500 of these were given to the colored boys. So mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, wives, sweethearts and friends who have boys in Camp Dodge cheer up and feel happy, since he is in camp, that he is here.

CHRISTMAS.

The Yuletide season has again made its annual visit and next Tuesday the Christian people throughout the world will celebrate the natal day of our beloved Jesus, the Savior of the world. It is true that this time last year we did celebrate the birth of Christ in the United States when we were at peace, but now we have declared war on Germany, and here a few days ago declared war on Austria-Hungary. Therefore this Xmas season we all cannot feel like we did last year, for now many of our young soldiers are being killed in foreign countries, while here we have been about six months to get our first contingent ready to send into battle. While war is terrible, yet we must accept the seemingly inevitable and now prepare to assist our soldiers wherever they may be found. Last Christmas we were praying for widows, the orphan and the separated families of Europe; now we must pray for our own people.

Let us ask this Christmas that the Prince of Peace may restore peace. Sheath the sword, dry the tear, unite the separated homes and give us all more brotherly love that will bind and cement us as true brothers and Christians.

ALBIA, IOWA.

Iowa being three hundred miles east to west and two hundred miles from north to south, would call Albia one of the industrious little mining towns of southern Iowa, the county seat of Monroe county in the coal district of the state and also a fine agricultural county, within a radius of ten miles is the large mining camp of Buxton on the north. Hiteman and Ward on the west and Hocking on the south, while others are almost within the city limits. Its inhabitants number nearly 3,000.

The Afro-American or colored population of the town is numbered at 100. There are between twenty-five and fifty children in the public schools, one church, the A. M. E., in active work in all departments. Rev. J. W. Dowden is the present pastor. A Sewing Circle club in connection with the State Federation of Colored Women, one fraternal order, the K. of P. lodge, in good working order, with a membership of about fifty members. The three oldest families, who located here fifty years ago, are namely, Rev. Cornelius Thomas, Henry Jones and Monroe Davis. There are between twenty and twenty-five property owners in the town, namely, Cornelius Thomas, Henry Jones, Monroe Davis, Henry Harris, B. T. Lewis, Burt Allen, Pearl Thomas, Brittan Thomas, Moss Johnson, Thomas Williams, E. F. Butler, William Richie, Chas. Washington, Mrs. Elizabeth Grayson, Mrs. M. F. Ward, Mrs. Allie Bowman, Mr. Lou E. Franklin, Oscar Roper, Geo. Hollingworth and Mr. Joe Jameson. The principal occupation of these people is general work and mining, but others have the following occupations: Mr. Burt Allen in Strausburger store, Mr. E. F. Butler, the Monroe County News office, Mr. Pearl Thomas, farming; Mr. Brittan Thomas, plumber; Mr. Henry Jones, teamster; Mr. Roy A. Grayson, engineer at Hocking No. 3. B. T. Lewis, janitor of Jefferson school; Miss Sadie Lewis in Dr. Gray's office; Mr. Clayton, a newcomer to Albia, a general repair man. These people like to read their race literature. The By-stander, the oldest colored newspaper in the state, is in nearly all their homes.

The Gift Divine

By WM. BRADFORD DICKSON

At this fair Christmasticide,
When joy bells ring out
The song of plenty and ring in
The reign of peace throughout
This wonderful land of ours—
The while across the sea
Old Mother Earth is drenched with blood
And hate and carnage reign supreme
While sucklings wait for milk
And children faint for lack of food;
While strong men fall beside the way
And homeless women kneel in prayer—
I do not ask for gifts
Of frolicsome and myrrh,
Of gold or silver or of either Ind.
Of jewels rare or priceless merchandise,
Of marble halls or vast estates,
Nor e'en the costly homage of mankind;
But this—

II
That I may give each day full meed
Unto the willing mind and heart,
Of light of truth and warmth of love,
Of matchless skill in comfort's art—
That magic all transforming touch
Which heals the leper's spots
And turns to naught the wounds and scars
Deep seared upon the heart of man
In life's great battle field;
That I may bind earth's broken hearts,
Lifting up the drooping heads
Of the oppressed and burdened ones,
That I may plant within young hearts
A deeper longing for the Right—
Of mercy for the hapless weak
And those who suffer daily throes
Of hunger, pain, disease, neglect;
That I may know forgetfulness
For daily aches and wrongs;
That I may hourly grow
In love of liberty, of friend and foe,
And all the world
May grow in love—a fruitful love
For all the beauty and true
In nature, art, the heavenly realm
And for the noble deeds of all mankind;
That I may fill the widening hours of
life
With courage, cheerfulness, and hope;
That I may help my fellow man
Behold the dawn beyond the night.
The gentle calm beyond the storm.
These are the gifts I crave
Above the blind world's treasure trove
Of gold and gilt.

Who gives his better self the whole year
through
Gives life's own priceless gift to all the
world and you—the gift divine.
—Chicago Evening Post.

May the deepest happiness of this Christmas-tide come to each and every reader, and may it last all through the coming year.

Home Celebrations.

"I believe in Christmas Day home celebrations; their friendliness, their mystery, their joyous excitement; and in the feeling of security and peace a child has in the midst of them," writes a well-known authority. And I believe that the memory of child has of them fifty years later should still be strong and sweet."

Christmas Carols.

Then arose a joyous clamor, from the wild fowl on the mere, and a voice within cried, "Listen! Christmas carols even here!"—Charles Kingsley.

A Letter to Santa



I'm sending a letter to Santa Claus
To tell him just what I need.
It's printed all out in purple ink,
But I wonder if he can read.

Only Once a Year.

But how seldom Christmas comes—only once a year; and how soon it is over—a day and a night! If that is the whole of it, it seems not much more durable than the little toys one buys of a faker on the street corner. But surely that need not and ought not to be the whole of Christmas; only a single day of generosity, ransomed from the dull servitude of a selfish year. If every gift is a token of personal thought, a friendly feeling, and unselfish interest in the joy of others, then the thought, the feeling, the interest, may remain after the gift is made.—Henry van Dyke.

Her Christmas Present comic strip with 10 panels. Panel 1: 'MERRY XMAS BAH!' Panel 2: 'MERRY XMAS BOSH! THERE AIN'T NO SUCH THING.' Panel 3: 'MERRY XMAS BAH!' Panel 4: 'YES-BUT WOT'S TH' IDEA?' Panel 5: 'LEAVE IT THE I KNOW SOME ONE YOU CAN MAKE VERY HAPPY.' Panel 6: 'YOUNG MAN-D'YE KNOW THE GREATEST PLEASURE AT XMAS TIME IS DERIVED FROM MAKING OTHERS HAPPY. COME WITH ME.' Panel 7: 'ALLOW ME TO PRESENT YOU TO MISS HASBREN.' Panel 8: 'HAVE A HEART!' Panel 9: 'OH, SANTA! HOW LOVELY! I'M SO NEPPY!' Panel 10: 'PRESENT ME, HUH! I AIN'T NO XMAS PRESENT.' Panel 11: 'MERRY XMAS BAH!'

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To Jno. F. Shultz Est.: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, 1914, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot one hundred (100) in Boulevard addition, being in and a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for the then delinquent and unpaid tax for the year 1913 to W. E. Kersey; that the undersigned, Geo. Harnagel, is now the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To T. K. Nelson: You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of December, 1914, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot eighty-one (81) in Polk Place, being in and a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for the then delinquent and unpaid tax for the year 1913 to W. E. Kersey; that the undersigned, Geo. Harnagel, is now the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of the above mentioned sale and that the right of redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

Geo. Harnagel.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To Fanny Tuke: You are hereby notified that on the 8th day of December, 1914, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot twelve (12), in block nine (9), of Newwood Park, being in and a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for the then delinquent and unpaid tax for the year 1913 to the undersigned, Geo. Harnagel; that the undersigned is still the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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Mr. and Mrs. Orey Weldon expect to leave Sunday to visit his mother in Keokuk, Iowa, and also take a trip to Quincy, Ill.

The Mary Church Terrell club met at the home of Miss Marie I. Bell on Friday evening. Adjourned to meet next Friday.

Mrs. J. E. Ivey, wife of Lieutenant Ivey at Camp Dodge, who has been ill at the base hospital, has recovered and has returned home again.

Miss Ulysses Gilbert of Rockford, Ill., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. A. L. Smith, 1330 Day street, also her uncle, G. W. Brown, of 1516 Illinois street, for an indefinite stay.

Mr. Fred H. Johnson, private of company A, 366th infantry, Camp Dodge, left Thursday evening for his home in Gravity, Iowa, where he will spend a week's vacation.

The Marchiel Neal Art club met at the home of Mrs. Bernice Wilkinson. After the routine of business a dainty lunch was served. They adjourned to meet January 2nd at the home of Mrs. Clara Winn, 776 W. Eleventh street. All members requested to be present.

On account of the regular meeting of the Home Makers League coming on Christmas day, the meeting will be deferred until the second Tuesday in January, at which time the league will meet with Mrs. Jno. Jackson, 912 E. Thirteenth street.

On December 27th the Progressive Art club will have a bazaar at the home of Mrs. Robert Brown, 1408 E. Eighteenth street. There will be many pretty pieces of embroidery and crocheted work on sale. The proceeds are to be a donation to the old folks' home. All the clubs in the city are cordially invited.

Our city collector will start out next week upon his annual city subscribers delinquent collection. Please be prepared to pay up on the first call. Don't put him off. Look for and pay for your paper now when we call.

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Miss Mattie Morris, 1117 Cherry St., Des Moines.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The members of North Star lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M., with their families and friends, will celebrate the birthday of St. John the Evangelist Thursday evening, December 27, 1917. Program: Master of ceremonies, H. Gould. Singing by lodge. Invocation by chaplain. Song. Address, Mr. J. B. Rush. Baritone solo, Mr. Chas. Woods, Jr. Address, "St. John," Bro. B. N. Hyde. Remarks by Past Grand Master John L. Thompson.

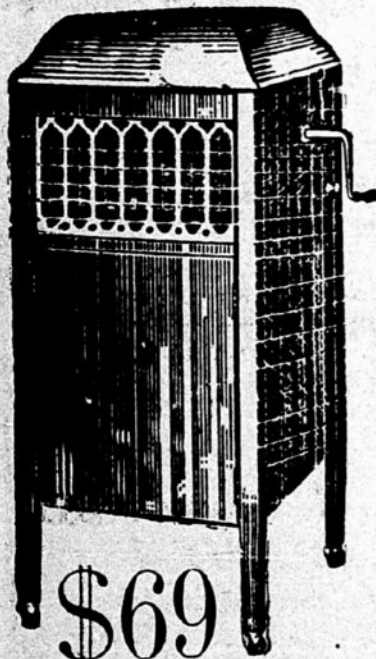
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The Des Moines society women will entertain the soldier boys at a card party New Year's afternoon from 2 to 5. Proceeds to be used to buy helmets for the 366th infantry of Camp Dodge. Tickets 25 cents.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

King Solomon Commandery, No. 6, Knights Templar, will celebrate the nativity of the Savior with appropriate services in their asylum at North Star Masonic temple Christmas morning, Tuesday, December 25th, at 11 o'clock. Rev. G. W. Robinson, pastor of Corinthian Baptist church, will deliver the sermon. All sir knights are ordered to be present in full uniform. All master Masons are cordially invited to attend. By order of, Jas. B. Mitchell, Rec. J. B. Rush, E. C.

Many friends of Mrs. Maud M. Wilkinson are glad to hear of her improving, after having such a painful accident at her home, 223 E. 31st street from a coal stove explosion caused from freezing of hot water pipes. Mrs. Wilkinson is confined to her bed. Mrs. Wilkinson is well known throughout the state as being a grand officer of the three lodges she is connected with, which are the Grand lodge of O. E. S., O. C. C. and I. O. of 12, also past president of some of the subordinate lodges and a good and faithful member of Corinthian Baptist church. We hope her condition will be better at next writing.

The Calanan club met at their regular meeting Wednesday p. m., December 12, at the home of Mrs. Anna Jefferson, 1322 Day street. After the business proceedings were over covers were laid for eighteen or twenty persons, who participated in the annual Christmas dinner at a round table talk. The table was decorated with pink carnations and white roses. All left expressing themselves as having had an enjoyable time. Meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Rivers 6012 Sixteenth street, January 2, 1918, at which time all members are urged to be present. Election of officers.

OBITUARY.

In memory of Mrs. Frank P. Johnson. By Curtis W. Reese, minister First Unitarian church, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. Frank P. Johnson was born on December 24, 1874. Her maiden name was Gertrude S. Garnett. On May the 8th, 1902, she was married to Mr. Frank P. Johnson. This union was made most happy by intelligent, mutual respect and affection. Mrs. Johnson died December 2, 1917, at the Evanston sanatorium, Evanston, Ill. All who knew Mrs. Johnson knew her to be gold of the finest quality. As a wife she was devoted and thoughtful, and as church member she was earnest and active; as a club worker she was thorough and efficient; as a human being she was a true friend of humanity. Her sympathy and insight penetrated externals and went to the soul of things. She was as brave in sickness as she was active in health. Her strength of will during painful days and nights weakened not at all, and to the very last, while fearing not to die, she defied death to abate her will, and thus she went out well equipped to challenge the mysteries of the great unknown.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the Princess Zorah chapter of the Eastern Star, Mothers' Congress, Intellectual Improvement club and the First Unitarian church of this city; an active worker in the Des Moines board of charity and an earnest member and past officer of the Iowa State Federation of Women's Clubs, all of which organizations will miss her wholesome counsel and helpful hand.

May we, like our departed sister, so live that when the "summons comes to join the innumerable caravan" we too may enter "the silent halls of death," "sustained and soothed by an unflinching" will.

We are indeed very sorry to chronicle the death of Mrs. Beulah Allen Williamson, who died Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Annie Allen, on Park street. The deceased was born and raised in Des Moines and was well known, highly respected and well thought of by all who knew her. She was joined in marriage to Mr. Williamson on June 27th and leaves to mourn her death a husband, mother, two sisters and other relatives and friends. She was and had been a member of St. Paul's A. M. E. church from childhood and was active in the Sunday school and missionary society. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from St. Paul's church, conducted by Rev. S. L. Birt, who was assisted by Revs. Perry, Rev. Robinson, Rev. Bates and Rev. Lee. Interment at Glendale.

On Tuesday morning, December 11, grim visage death entered our home and took from us our dear sister, Nannie Wilkins Brown. She was born March 10, 1873, in Quincy, Ill., and departed this life December 11, 1917, in

Des Moines, Iowa. She was educated in the East Des Moines public school and a graduate of Bowen's college. In 1894 she was married to Attrus Brown of Atchison, Kans. One son, Raymond, was born to their union, and still survives. In 1909 they moved to Atchison, Kans., to reside on a farm. Early in June she was removed to her mother's home on account of illness. She was a member of the St. Paul's A. M. E. church from a mere child. She was a patient sufferer and death came without a struggle. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, son, mother, two sisters, three brothers, relatives and a host of friends. Ere sin hath seared the breast, Or sorrow waked the tear, Rise to thy throne of changeless rest, In your celestial sphere.

WEDDINGS OF INTEREST.

A wedding of interest that will take place during the holiday season will be that of Miss Verna Thomas, niece of Mrs. S. L. Birt, to Lieut. Reed of Camp Grant, Ill. The wedding will be solemnized December 24 at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Birt. Both these young people are graduates of Wilberforce. Miss Thomas has been teaching school in Mobile, Ala., and will arrive in the city Sunday morning. Lt. Reed is a fraternity man, being a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha. He is a fine young man.

Invitations have been received in the city by several to attend the wedding of Mrs. Avannia Gertrude Waldon of Danville, Ill., to 1st Lieut. Walter L. Hutchinson. Mr. Hutchinson is a well known young man in this city. Before entering the officers' training camp this summer he was traveling representative for Tuskegee Institute. He is considered an exceptionally fine young man and we wish this young couple the very best of success. They will be home after December 31st at 955 Fourteenth Street Place.

We understand that Lieut. J. W. Mitchell of the machine gun company at Camp Dodge is to be married during holidays to Miss Azalia Hogan of Atlanta, Ga. While in the city they will stop at Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. McCree's.

'Tis Christmas time, and far and near, Kind gifts we send to those most dear,

With joyous laughter, clear and sweet, Our friends, and all we daily greet. But why not make this happiness last?

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DES MOINES NEGRO WOMEN TO BE COMPANY MOTHERS TO COLORED REGIMENT.

On Wednesday, December 19th, seventeen of Des Moines' representative Negro women who had consented to serve as official "mothers" for the various companies of the 366th infantry, the colored regiment now stationed at Camp Dodge and composed largely of young men from Alabama, chartered an interurban car and went to the camp, where through the courtesy of Sec. L. W. Tucker, of the Camp Dodge colored men's branch of the Army Y. M. C. A., they were met by a representative of each of the companies and each "mother" escorted to her respective company, where she presided at a sumptuous repast especially prepared for the occasion and gave to her boys such motherly advice as she felt the occasion required, after which the "mothers" assembled at the "Y" and exchanged reports of the most cordial reception they had received by these splendid young men many of whom

had not had the pleasure of hearing a woman talk since they had been bidden good bye by their own mothers in the far away southland.

The next official visit of the camp mothers will be on Christmas day, when each will carry to her company some much needed articles that are not provided by the government, and will preside over the company Christmas "mess," as the dinner is called in army parlance.

The official list of the "mothers," with the companies to which they have been assigned, is as follows:

- Headquarters Co., Wm. Hill, captain; Mrs. S. Joe Brown, mother.
- Co. A, Geo. A. Holland, captain; Mrs. S. L. Birt, mother.
- Co. B, Geo. W. Winston, captain; Mrs. John L. Thompson, mother.
- Co. C, Emmett White, captain. Mrs. W. H. McCree, mother.
- Co. D, Byrd M. D. Hart, captain; Mrs. W. L. Lee, mother.
- Co. E, Alonzo Heard, captain; Mrs. A. McGuire, mother.
- Co. F, Chas. W. Owens, captain; Mrs. J. L. Edwards, mother.
- Co. G, Thos. Tucker, captain; Mrs. John Jackson, mother.
- Co. H, S. J. Tipton, captain; Mrs. W. H. Humburd, mother.
- Co. I, Frank W. Love, captain; Mrs. S. Bates, mother.
- Co. K, Edw. C. Dorsey, captain; Mrs. M. Brooks, mother.
- Co. L, Dee Jones, captain; Mrs. G. G. Nichols, mother.
- Co. M, M. M. Green, captain; Mrs. R. N. Hyde, mother.
- 1st provisional Co., C. G. Kelley, captain; Mrs. W. H. Lowry, mother.
- Supply Co., A. N. May, captain; Mrs. G. W. Robinson, mother.
- Machine gun Co., Wm. Gillum, captain; Mrs. L. Glass, mother.
- Infirmary Co., W. H. Williams, captain; Mrs. L. W. Tucker, mother.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown will leave Wednesday a. m. for Kansas City, Kans., where she has been invited to address the literary association of Kansas and the west Thursday evening.

NEW HOTEL.

Our city is now favored with another new hotel, the Des Moines hotel at 121 West Fourth street, just one-half block north of the Rock Island depot and one block east of the union depot in the downtown district. A cafe, barber shop, cigar and news stand will be operated in it. All the furniture is completely new and first class. Mr. H. D. Williams owns the cafe and he will manage the hotel for the owner, which is John L. Thompson, who also owns another hotel known as the Thompson hotel on Ninth and Park streets. The opening was held Thursday evening and a large crowd visited the hotel. We invite the public to patronize the Des Moines hotel.

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Peace is not something sell or to buy,
Every carol that merrily sings,
Every anthem that gladdens the sky,
Sings of a peace that forever is ours,
Sings of a peace that can never depart—
Peace of the Christmas,
God-given Christmas,
Christmas that brings us the peace of the heart.



Deep in the heart is the dwelling of peace,
There is the temple, the innermost shrine.
"Be ye not troubled," for sorrow shall cease—
Christmas is here with its message divine.
See you the star in the heaven of blue,
Lighting the meadow the mill and the mart?
It is our Christmas,
Star of our Christmas,

Christmas that brings us the peace of the heart.

Centuries so it has lighted the world,
When we were weary has given us calm,
Flags have been flaunted and flags have been furled,

Still it has lighted the pine and the palm,
Man on his earth cannot dim it with wrong,
Change it with all of his warrior's art—
Still we have Christmas,
Glorious Christmas,

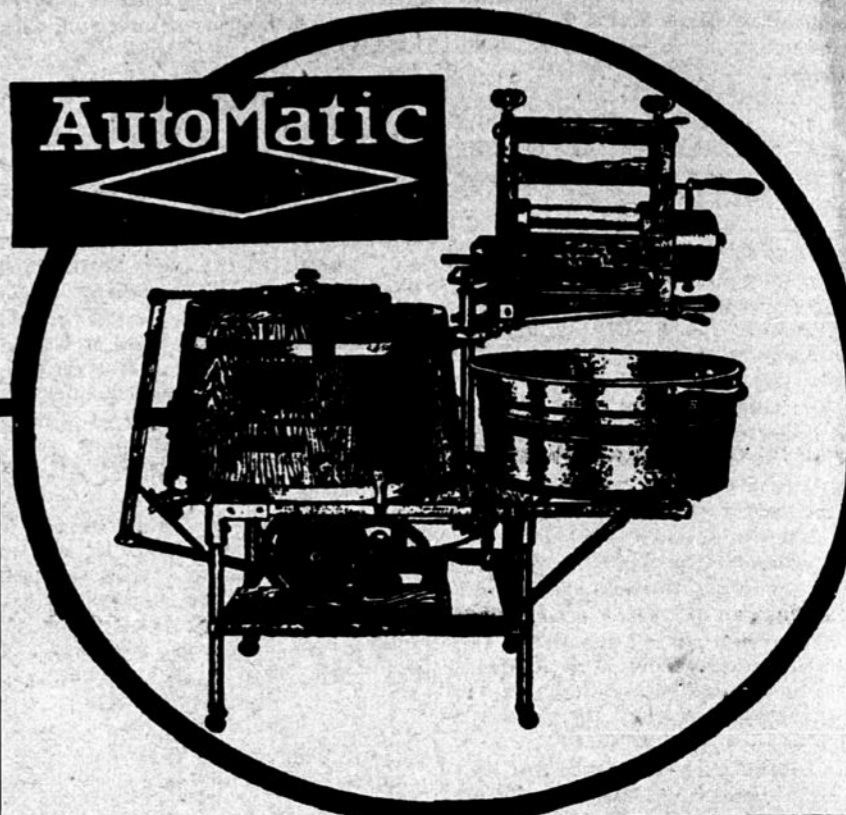
Christmas that brings us the peace of the heart.

Life is a labor, and labor is long,
Only by effort we come to the goal,
We shall have need of the star and the song,
Lamp for the highway and light for the soul,
Lift up your eyes to its radiance clear,
On a new year of your pilgrimage start,
Gladdened by Christmas,
God-given Christmas,
Christmas that brings us the peace of the heart.



Kind and courageous, un-daunted by doubt,
Faithful to duty, to God and to man,
Working your ultimate destiny out,
Filling your place in the infinite plan—
Thus you shall come to the end of the task
Knowing the pleasure of playing your part,
Making your Christmas,
Merriest Christmas,
Christmas that brings you the peace of the heart.

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EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

By John L. Thompson.

ing Des Moines overland in the first stop was in Knoxville, It was a delightful drive, as roads were good. We traveled 25 miles without throwing in low. town of Knoxville is the county seat of Marion county. Here live about fifty colored people, but there are several hundred in mining camps within a few miles radius of this town. Mr. Ray is one of the well known and highly respected citizens here. His daughter, Miss Ora Warthal, is a dressmaker and has all the work she can do. Rev. R. P. Palmer, the Baptist minister, lives here. He also preaches at Andersonville, a mining camp about five miles from here, of which I shall write more. Mr. Jacobs and folks still live here and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson all of whom are highly respected citizens here. Mr. John Cavil lives over at Flagler a mining town at which about a hundred or more colored people now live. Mr. R. A. Crew is a farmer living about a mile and a half from town. W. M. McCartney is also another farmer who lives about three miles from town and about one and one-half miles from Andersonville. He owns a nice farm and is doing well. We visited his farm and stopped a few minutes. From here we went into Andersonville, a mining camp that has been here for several years, but which was the first visit Ye Editor has made, it being an inland town. There are about 150 colored people living here and all are doing nicely. They have a Baptist church, of which Rev. Palmer of Knoxville is pastor. He preaches there every other Sunday. I spent Sunday night here and attended their church services. They did not have any preaching, but a very religious and enthusiastic praise meeting, which carried out thoughts back to the earlier period when our people were just released from bondage and it is my belief that these people are sincere followers of the lowly Nazarine. Their prayers and songs had the ring that would affect the hardest sinner. It was indeed a unique meeting for me to attend and one that I thoroughly enjoyed. There are about fourteen families here and we secured about fourteen subscribers, which was the best financial work done this year in Iowa. We selected Mrs. H. Boyson as our agent for both Andersonville and Knoxville. The new subscribers who will read the only Iowa colored paper are R. A. Crew, W. W. McCarty, Mrs. H. Bayson, James McDonald, J. H. Woody, Lee Medley, Wm. Taylor, Mrs. Ella Douglas, Arthur Wilson, J. P. Mitchell and Archie McWhite.

The next morning bright and early we continued our overland drive to Buxton, a town that is famous by being one of the finest and best governed mining camps in the United States. Years ago there was a population of 5,000, 4,000 of which were colored, but in later years, the mines having been worked down and work for this large number of miners was not sufficient, a large number moved away and most of those who took their places were white miners, until today there are only about 2,000 people living in the camp, of which 1,200 are colored. It is true that many of the colored miners, as well as the white, have scattered to the neighboring min-

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NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.

To Granite Brick Co., the person in whose name the real estate described below is taxed: You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale held in and for Polk county, Iowa, on December 2nd, A. D. 1912, the following described real estate, to wit: Dawson estate, the west 5 acres of lot 6, section 15, township 78, range 23, West 5th P. M., Polk county, Iowa, in Four Mile township, was sold to F. H. Noble for the payment of the taxes for the year 1911, thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, therefore, which certificate is now lawfully held and owned by him.

That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said lot will be issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice. Dated December 10, 1917. F. H. Noble, Agent, and Director.

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The Meeting by Harry Irving Greene



THE bosom of Sergeant Lyndham was filled to the brim with disgust and loathing. Nor was this disgust and loathing entering like a pig in the mud of trenches does not sweeten the soul, and when it is combined with endless duties in the cold fall rains of a shell-swept region that is akin to the borders of inferno, the nerves become ragged. Hence had come about the curdling of the milk of human kindness which had previously existed within him. Nor had a few little midnight surprise parties over the top in which the bayonet had been the principal piece of resistance tended to decrease these sensations. Even being bowled 20 feet by the concussion of a shell had not cheered him. But it had remained for a whiff of poison gas and a squirt of liquid fire to set and solidify his mind to its present condition. Alive, dead, or as yet unborn, Sergeant Lyndham was of the fixed opinion that he did not like the Boches.

And the last 24 hours had been particularly obnoxious from the fact that they had been entirely sleepless. The horizon was still lurid with cannon flashes and the uproar remained lendish despite the fact that it was hours after midnight, but he was accustomed to such things, and knew that once asleep, they would not trouble him. Also, for all he knew, he might dream of something pleasant. He was free now for a few hours within his blankets, and was in the act of removing his boots when his captain thrust his head within and motioned for him to come forth. Knowing that something both new and disagreeable confronted him, he arose and stepped out as commanded.

For a quarter of a mile they silently wound their way along a muddy road until the dim lights of a partially shell-ridden house appeared before them. Into this they entered, and the sergeant, casting his eyes about, saw the colonel of his regiment sitting at a table. Saluting he stood at attention.

"Sergeant Lyndham," said the colonel thoughtfully. "A few months ago when you accompanied one of our airmen over the line and destroyed a plant of the enemy, you did a very brave and skillful thing. For that act you were made a sergeant. Tonight we must have another duty performed, and I have selected you because of my confidence in your courage and ability. It is very likely that you will not return, yet war demands its sacrifices. Without knowing more of this new duty do you volunteer to try and accomplish it?" It was plain enough now that there would be no rest or sleep for him again this night, and the sergeant's disgust and loathing mounted accordingly. Yet he managed to swallow them.

"Yes, sir," he grunted. The colonel nodded. "You are a brave and willing soldier, sergeant. Were it not for the fact that the regiment contains so many men like you I would sometimes become filled with fear and sadness. Now for the reason I sent for you. You will remember the trenches which run through Thier's woods, do you not?" "Slightly, colonel. I helped capture them from the Boches at the point of the bayonet."

"And in turn were driven from them by the same amiable gentlemen," Lyndham made a wry face. "Yes, colonel. But they surprised us most unfairly. It was all very disgusting and made me loathe them."

"I have no doubt. But now listen. We have reason to believe that they have evacuated the position, while it has become important that we regain it. You will follow my reasoning. If the enemy has deserted the ditch we wish to know it, while if he has not, it is equally important that we should know, since we must be advised beforehand what we may expect when we make our advance—whether resistance or unopposed occupancy. Therefore, we are compelled to send someone as a scout to ascertain the conditions."

"And because of the darkness and the treetops the airmen are useless?" "Exactly. Therefore, you will crawl upon your stomach to the wood, going along the better to escape observation. By working your way flat upon the ground and instantly becoming still should their lights fall upon you, you may be mistaken by them for what you are likely to become—one of the dead men of which you will pass many, if you are lucky. Should you return with this information, well and good; if not, we will be compelled to adopt other means to secure our information. You had best plan to arrive there by the first light of day that you may be able to observe conditions. If you find the trenches empty, you will have to run for it coming back. We will be watching and if we see you returning, even though you may not succeed in reaching our lines, we will understand that

you found no one over there. Otherwise, of course, they would not let you come back. You see it is all very simple, sergeant."

"As simple as suicide, colonel."

"I can do no more than wish you good luck. However, you will start at once." With another salute Lyndham turned upon his heel and walked away. Well upon his way, he lay in the darkness on the field between the opposing battle lines. Over his head shells were hurtling, shrieking off into the distance with the wall of banishes. The glare of search bombs threw their ghastly light upon a field still more ghastly. Occasional flights of machine gun bullets swept over him like gusts of cyclone driven hail. He came to a shell crater the size of a cellar, and crept into it. It was half full of mire and the sudden blaze of a rocket revealed horribly torn and bleeding things half submerged in the drainage water of the hole. Filled with unutterable repugnance he abided his time, and in a moment of pitch darkness clambered over the edge and resumed his snakelike crawl through the murk.

He reached the wood, found the maze of entanglements, and making a breach with his wire-cutter, crawled to the edge of the excavation, peered and listened. No sound came from the blackness below, and he slid over the top. Silently he sat until the first faint light of morning came peeping down through the foliage, then cautiously he began his advance. Around the turns he zigzagged his way in the gathering light, revolver in hand, seeing nothing but the greswome evidence of the strife that had raged about him. Then he made another sharp turn; he stopped suddenly. Before him, sitting with his back against the wall, was a German, who held a revolver leveled at his breast. Swiftly Lyndham's glance swept the other.

Above the unshaven beard of the one who confronted him the cheeks were the sickly color of death, yellow with the unwholesome color of a mushroom. Mud coated him as an envelope from head to toe, and down his breast a small red trickle was creeping. Slowly the bearded lips parted as words bitter with hate fell from them. "Ach! You have come again, have you, abominable Englishers! But you return to an empty victory, since we have withdrawn our force to a more desirable place. You may have this abandoned sty in welcome, but first you I shall kill!"

Lyndham thought rapidly. Though he had a revolver in his hand, his hand hung at this side, while the muzzle of the other man's weapon was full upon his breast. Into the eyes of his foe he saw leap the deadly glare of hatred as the grimy hands tightened about the butt as the finger prepared to press the trigger. Sergeant Lyndham had more than half expected to be killed before the war was over, but he never pictured his end as coming like this—at the hand of one who was already little better than a dead man. Yet what was to be would be, and in what he believed to be his last moment upon earth a thought flashed across his mind. For the first time throughout the black night he had just passed he remembered what day this was, and

"A Merry Christmas to You, Fritz," He Grinned.



the sardonic humor of the thing filled him. "Shoot. And a merry Christmas to you, Fritz," he grinned. Slowly the fingers of the other relaxed. His eyes softened, and a deep sigh came from the heaving chest. The bloodless lips opened again. "Himmel! And so it is Christmas morning! I had forgotten." The hand sank to the ground and the head fell forward. Very faintly the voice was arising.

"Peace on earth and good will to man." What good that I should shoot you, when many more are doubtless at your back—and none of mine? These trenches you have regained—for the time being. Five minutes more and I shall be dead. I die—it is the holiest hour of a man's life as this is the holiest day. Nein. I will kill no more." His face raised, and a faint smile lighted it. "Merry Christmas, Englisher."

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Cornithian Baptist Church Fifteenth and Linden Sts. G. W. Robinson, Pastor. 11 a. m.—Preaching. 1 p. m.—Sunday school. 6:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. 8 p. m.—Evening worship and preaching.

Union Congregational Church Tenth and Park Sts. Rev. H. M. McCraven, Supply Pastor. 11 a. m.—Morning worship. 12 m.—Sunday school. Everybody welcome.

St. Paul's A. M. E. Church Second and Center Rev. S. L. Birt, D. D., Pastor. 10:45 a. m.—Preaching. 12:30 p. m.—Class meeting. 1 p. m.—Sunday school. 6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor. 8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

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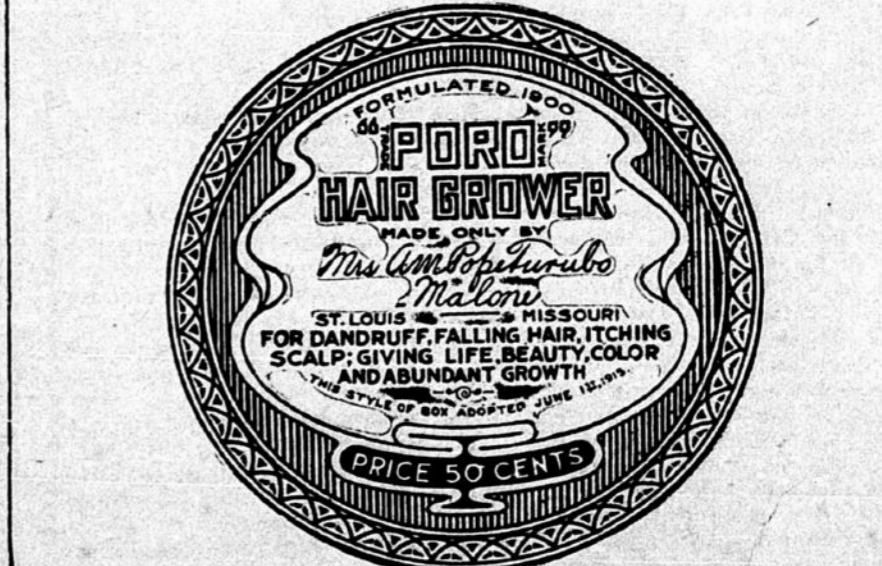
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pleasure of kings,
Peace is not something
sell or to buy,
Every carol that men
sings,
Every anthem that glad
dens the sky,
Sings of a peace that for
ever is ours,
Sings of a peace that can
never depart—
Peace of the Christmas,
God-given Christmas,
Christmas that brings us
the peace of the heart.

Deep in the heart is the dwelling of peace,
There is the temple, the innermost shrine.
"Be ye not troubled," for sorrow shall cease—
Christmas is here with its message divine.
See you the star in the heaven of blue,
Lighting the meadow the mill and the mart?
It is our Christmas,
Star of our Christmas,
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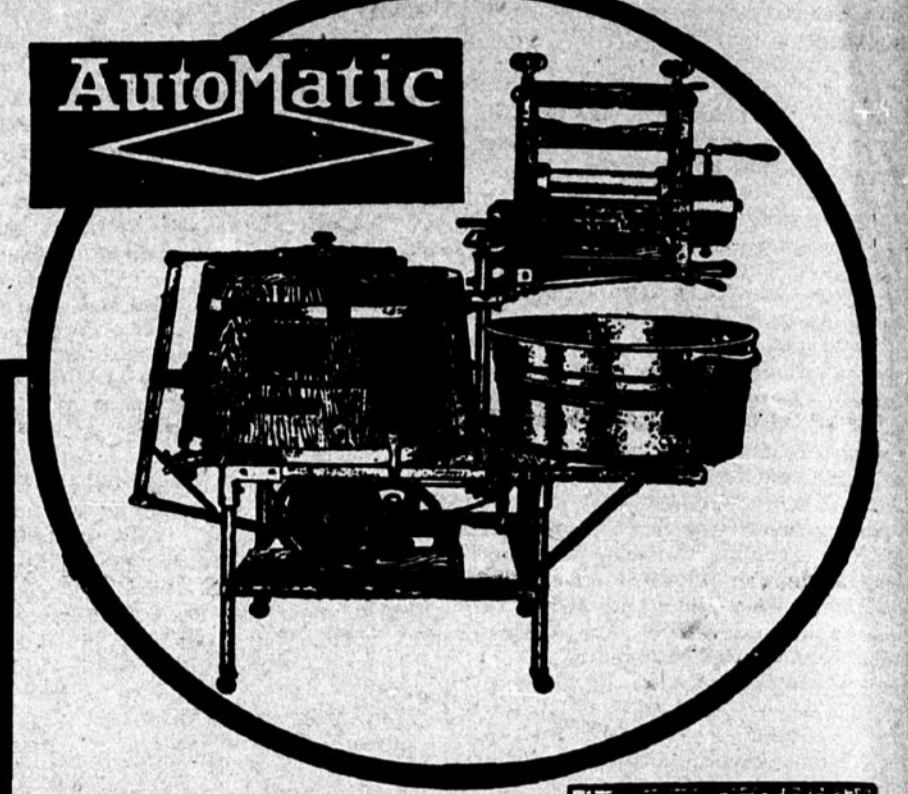
Centuries so it has lighted the world,
When we were weary has given us calm,
Flags have been flaunted and flags have been
furl'd,
Still it has lighted the pine and the palm.
Man on his earth cannot dim it with wrong,
Change it with all of his warrior's art,
Still we have Christmas,
Glorious Christmas,
Christmas that brings us the peace of the heart.

Life is a labor, and labor is long,
Only by effort we come to the goal,
We shall have need of the star and the song,
Lamp for the highway and light for the soul,
Lift up your eyes to its radiance clear,
On a new year of your pilgrimage start,
Gladdened by Christmas,
God-given Christmas,
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Kind and courageous, un-
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Faithful to duty, to God
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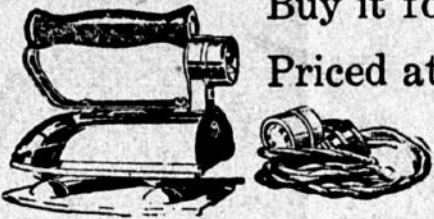
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colored doctor is C. G. Robinson, who has been here several years and has a good practice. He has recently purchased an auto, as also has Doctor Carter. The only peculiar thing about Doctor Robinson is that he is still a single man. Perhaps he will not always be so. Hon. Geo. H. Woodson, the nestor of the colored Iowa lawyers, lives here and has been looking after the legal needs of this county. Mr. Woodson has practically retired from active practice, his health not permitting him. He is now attending to his financial and personal matters. He is well fixed financially and is still a single man. He has seen service in the United States army many years ago and has practiced in this county about twenty years and is well known in the middle west. He has the honor of being the first and only colored man that has received the republican nomination for member of the legislature, but was defeated at the general election by a small vote. Rev. F. B. Woodard has charge of the Mt. Zion Baptist church and has the largest church in this town. He is an able minister and is well thought of in this community. He has a wife and family and is one of the leaders here. The pastor of the A. M. E. church, Rev. J. J. Evans, is a new man of his conference. He is a man of many years' experience and a thorough Christian gentleman highly respected and very interested in the development of our race. He comes from the east, where he has been from the background for more than one-half century. As he stands in his pulpit with the people that he is the conviction to his race is worthy, a power of which he here this year. His wife just now results from Buxton and we expect good ton.

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