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## Letters from Boy "Over There"

Below we are publishing some letters from First Sgt. E. D. Love, who was formerly stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa, to Mrs. Jas. Banister and Miss Bessie Ewing, who mothered him while here. These two ladies deserve great credit for what they have done for this young man, as will be evidenced by his letters to them. While many people had different reasons for entertaining many of the young men stationed at Camp Dodge, yet these two mothers took this young man into their home and made it a real home for him, and his letters show how much he appreciated their effort. They both have tried to "Do Their Bit" in giving this young man a clean, wholesome home in which he could spend the few hours that were not taken up at Camp Dodge.

Sat. A. M., 6:30 o'clock, May 30.  
My Dearest Mothers:  
Just a little "farewell" not to say good-bye again, and to add my very sincere regrets that I was unable to see you again, so much as I desired. We are off for the east, New York, I imagine, feeling fine and dandy. But at this moment I am experiencing the moments, hours and days that are to come no more. The time I must live away from those who have been so extremely kind and good to me, and in whom I found the truest friendship that the good God gives to hearts true, pure and brave. Words are inadequate, yes are indeed, too weak for me to send to you that which holds dear in my heart. They cannot express nor convey to you that which I would have you know. Say to Mr. Banister, how very much in future days I shall remember his goodness and the hospitality of his home. It has been my very good fortune to enjoy, and that deep down in my heart dwell only thoughts of gratitude and that to you all I am deeply indebted for that which I have so vastly enjoyed in the charmed circle of your household, amid endearing and affectionate friendship and charming personalities. I shall miss them, I am sure, and you all, all the more. But in my going I shall have an inspiration in remembering the friends that I am leaving, and even when days shall seem dark and dreary for me I will find consolation in reflection of friends, left behind, that are real friends. When trouble and temptation lurks near me and in my hour of dire distress and need, memories that are sometimes good and sweet will lend a helping hand and bring me back again to the three that made life in my camp of imprisonment seem worth living. A last good-bye and I promise I shall not forget to write whenever chance prevails itself. May the almighty God bless, direct and guide all with many kisses for my mothers.

Ever tenderly and unchangeably  
Your only son,  
1st Sgt. Eugene D. Love.  
On Board "Special," en Route to N. Y.  
Lehigh Valley R. R., 3:30 P. M.,  
June 3rd, 1918.

My Dear Mothers:  
We are still on our way. I sent you a card from Niagara Falls this a. m. All are well and enjoying trip immensely. We have crossed the St. Lawrence and are hitting a merry pace, presumably up the Hudson. The afternoon is indeed lovely and I have just woken from one of my celebrated naps that I occasionally steal. We arrived in Chicago Sunday a. m., about 6:30, but were soon off for Battle Creek, Mich., arriving at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, where we had our exercise for half an hour. Again boarded our train and were off through Canada for New York. At Port Huron, Mich., last night the Red Cross entertained very royally for us with cigarettes, candies, magazines and cookies, and there was a monstrous crowd at the station. The Canadian Red Cross did likewise, and in Niagara Falls we had a little parade and were

cheered very warmly. Millions have seemed to wave at us along the way and thousands have given us words of encouragement when our cars would stop for a moment, and as I am at this moment speeding over the country, I am made to wonder how when we are out in civil life the Pecks knock us on every hand? I can't believe they mean their words of good cheer nor their little wave of the hand or handkerchief. Niagara Falls is indeed a wonderful scene, with its gigantic peaks and beautifully sloped mountains. Its majestic loveliness is one grand sight to behold. We stood thousands of feet above and watched the water as it fell to the surface below to join the millions of other drops that had preceded it. Its grandeur and beauty is marvelous and the rainbow that forms at the bottom of the bed add to the fascination. We were permitted to go below and once down there we found snow and ice that must have been there for some time.

Well, we are due in Buffalo about 5 o'clock, and are due to have our exercise in Syracuse, arriving in New York in the morning after spending the night in Jersey City. I will probably spend the night with Lieut. Johnson in New York City, as he has a brother who is a captain in the 367th Infantry, the regiment we are now joining. Well, my dear mothers, I want you to know that I am not going to forget you all. How could I when you all have been nothing but goodness and kindness itself? And I have much to be proud of in remembering that I left those that were indeed mothers, the part you represented and did fulfill so nobly, graciously and cheerfully.

In days to come I hope to make you all understand how much your kindness meant to me. Be real good mothers and if you must adopt some one, I hope it will be some one that was more deserving of your love than the ones you chose in Sgt. Gruher and I.

I must say good-bye, and promise to write again soon. Love for you three, let me ever remain your son,  
E. D. Love.  
Write me at once here, Camp Upton, New York. Lovingly and many kisses.

**MEETING OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AT DENVER, COLO.**  
The Eleventh Biennial Convention of the National Association of Colored Women will be held July 8-13, 1918, at Denver, Colorado.  
This association was organized in Washington, D. C., July, 1896, by the consolidation of the National League and National Federation of Colored Women. Was affiliated with the National Council of Women of the United States in 1900; was incorporated in 1904.  
One of the most important features of the convention will be the Frederick Douglass Memorial Night, July 10, at which time Mrs. S. Joe Brown, chairman of the Douglass Memorial Committee, will read the roll of honor and the mortgage on this home, which through the indefatigable efforts of Mrs. Brown and others of this association to pay off, will be burned.

Another interesting feature will be the War Activities Program Thursday afternoon, at which time it will be shown what the women of the National Association have done and are doing along the lines of "Women's Council of Defense," Red Cross work, Soldiers' relief and Recreation, Y. M. C. A. activities, and Food Conservation.  
Help the National Association of Colored Women do their bit. If you can't afford to attend the National Convention, you can't afford to stay off its membership roll. Their aim is 1,000,000 members by 1920.

**PROGRAM, WESTERN BAPTIST CONVENTION**  
in session with Calvary Baptist Church, Monmouth, Ill., Rev. C. Lindell, pastor, Monday, July 15th, to Friday, July 19th, 1918:  
**OFFICERS.**  
Rev. T. L. Griffith, D. D., President, Topeka, Kans.  
Rev. S. Bates, Vice-President, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Rev. E. A. Wilson, D. D., Secretary, Muskogee, Okla.  
Rev. J. Goins, D. D., Cor. Sec., Kansas City, Mo.  
Rev. Geo. MacNeale, D. D., Treas., Kansas City, Kans.  
Rev. C. G. Fishback, D. D., Sec. of Foreign Missions, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Rev. D. A. Holmes, D. D., Auditor, Kansas City, Kans.  
Rev. T. J. Carr, D. D., Statistician, St. Paul, Minn.  
Prof. C. W. Rodgers, Field Secretary, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Officers Women's Auxiliary, The Woman's Missionary and Educational Convention:  
Mrs. E. E. Hicks, President, Chicago, Ill.  
Mrs. F. B. Watson, Vice-President, Kansas City, Kans.  
Mrs. S. Hazel, Secretary, Galesburg, Ill.  
Mrs. Ida B. Frazier, Cor. Sec., Wichita, Kans.  
Mrs. S. Bates, Treas., Des Moines, Iowa.  
Mrs. W. A. Brown, Field Secretary, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.  
Motto: "Leave No Stone Unturned."

**MONDAY EVENING.**  
**Joint Opening Session.**  
7:30—Praise service conducted by the two Corresponding Secretaries: Rev. J. Goins, D. D., Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Ida B. Frazier, Wichita, Kans.  
8:00—Addresses of welcome—  
On behalf of City, Hon. John H. Hanley, Mayor.  
On behalf of A. M. E. Churches, Rev. James L. Wharton, Monmouth.  
On behalf of St. James A. M. E. Church, Mrs. Emma Peoples, Monmouth.  
On behalf of Mite Society, Mrs. D. Lash Mason, Monmouth.  
On behalf of Baptist Women of the State, Mrs. E. Dean, Champlain, Ill.  
On behalf of the District, Mrs. Rebecca Murrell, Springfield, Ill.  
On behalf of Calvary Baptist Church, Miss Marie Webb.  
On behalf of Mission Circle, Mrs. Flo Hall.  
Response on behalf of Women's Convention, Miss Nellie Ellis, Topeka, Kans.  
Response for Convention, Rev. Wilkerson, Omaha, Neb.  
Collection. Enrollment. Adjournment.

**TUESDAY MORNING.**  
**Women's Missionary and Educational Convention.**  
8:00—Conference of Officers, Vice-Presidents, and Board members.  
9:00—Devotional exercises, Mrs. S. Bates, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. H. Lewis, Chicago, Ill.  
9:30—Bible Study, Mrs. J. C. Mapp, Chicago, Ill.  
Report of Enrollment Committee.  
10:30—Children's Hour, conducted by Mrs. Narcissus Davis, Monmouth, Ill.  
Conventional Singing, led by Mrs. B. P. Robinson, Chicago, Ill.  
11:30—Introductory Sermon, Rev. F. B. Woodard, Buxton, Iowa.  
General Business.  
Adjournment.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON.**  
**Western Baptist Convention.**  
1:30—Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. T. Elias, Pittsburg, Kans., and Rev. F. C. Bolling, Buxton, Iowa.  
2:00—Annual address of the President, Rev. T. L. Griffith, D. D., Topeka, Kans.  
Report of Cor. Sec. and Treas., Rev. J. Goins, D. D., Kansas City, Mo., Rev. G. MacNeale, D. D., Kansas City, Kans.  
Report of Field Secretary, Prof. C. W. Rodgers, Des Moines, Iowa.  
3:00—Election of Officers.  
3:15—Address, Rev. J. T. Castor, M. D., D. D., St. Louis, Mo.  
3:45—Address, Dr. T. J. Carr, St. Paul, Minn.  
4:15—Sermon, Rev. E. L. Scruggs, D. D., Jacksonville, Ill.  
Appointment of Committees.  
Adjournment.

**TUESDAY EVENING.**  
**Women's Missionary and Educational Convention.**  
7:30—Song Service, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Miss Nellie M. Ray, Lexington, Mo.  
8:00—Annual Address of President, Mrs. E. E. Hicks, Chicago, Ill.  
Music, Ladies' Quartette, Galesburg, Ill.  
8:30—Sermon, Rev. D. A. Holmes, D. D., Kansas City, Kans.  
Offering. Adjournment.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING.**  
9:00—Devotional Services, Mrs. F. D. Michael, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. E. Hawkins, Chicago, Ill.  
9:30—Report of Executive Board and Treasurer: Mrs. Ida B. Frazier, Wichita, Kans.; Mrs. S. Bates, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Reports of State Vice-Presidents—  
Mrs. R. A. Broyles, Missouri.  
Mrs. S. B. House, Illinois.  
Mrs. Selma C. Brown, Iowa.  
Miss Nellie Ellis, Kansas.  
Report of Field Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.  
10:30—Young People's Hour, conducted by Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Quincy, Ill.  
11:00—Conventional Singing.  
Address, Miss Jeanie Sumtunzie, Milledrift, South Africa.  
Offering. Adjournment.

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.**  
**Western Baptist Convention.**  
1:30—Devotional Service. Inspirational Address, Rev. I. A. Thomas, A. M., Evanston, Ill.  
2:00—General Business.  
2:30—Address, Rev. J. H. Van Leu, Wichita, Kans.  
3:15—Address, "The Negro and the World War," Rev. B. N. Murrell, St. Paul, Minn.  
4:00—Sermon, Rev. G. W. Robinson, D. D., Des Moines, Iowa.  
Announcements. Adjournment.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING.**  
**Women's Missionary and Educational Convention.**  
7:30—Song Service, Mrs. S. B. House, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. M. E. Jeffries, Des Moines, Iowa.  
8:00—Paper, "Christian Education Through Service," Miss Mattie Bradshaw, Topeka, Kans.  
Solo, Mrs. W. A. Brown.  
Educational Sermon, Rev. S. E. J. Watson, D. D., Topeka, Kans.  
Offering. Adjournment.  
**THURSDAY MORNING.**  
9:00—Devotional Services, Mrs. C. C. Cullers, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. G. W. Stanton, Des Moines, Iowa.  
9:30—Bible Study.  
10:30—Woman's Hour—  
Paper, Miss Nannie Walker, Lexington, Mo.  
Solo, Mrs. B. P. Robinson, Chicago,

Ill.  
Paper, Mrs. Selma C. Brown, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Paper, "Patriotism and Christian Womanhood," Mrs. S. B. Butler, Wichita, Kans.  
Paper, Delegate Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill.  
11:30—Sermon, Rev. S. J. Williams, D. D., Joliet, Ill.  
Offering. Adjournment.  
**THURSDAY AFTERNOON.**  
**Western Baptist Convention.**  
1:30—Devotional Service: Inspirational Address, Rev. M. J. Burton, Topeka, Kans.  
2:00—General Business.  
2:30—Address, "Western College," Prof. I. E. Page, Macon, Mo.  
3:15—Address, "Soldiers of the Civil War and of the World War," Rev. J. F. Thomas, D. D., Chicago, Ill.  
4:00—Sermon, Rev. S. A. Moseley, D. D., St. Louis, Mo.  
Announcements. Adjournment.  
**THURSDAY EVENING.**  
7:30—Devotional Service: Inspirational Address, Rev. S. Bates, Des Moines, Iowa.  
8:00—Sermon, Rev. L. K. Williams, D. D., Chicago, Ill.  
Foreign Mission Address, Rev. C. G. Fishback, D. D., Cleveland, Ohio.  
Foreign Mission Rally. Adjournment.  
**FRIDAY MORNING.**  
**Women's Missionary and Educational Convention.**  
9:00—Devotional exercises, Mrs. M. V. Robinson, Bedford, Iowa; Mrs. R. A. Broyles, Hannibal, Mo.  
9:30—Memorial Service in honor of the late ex-president, Mrs. F. B. Grant-Myers, conducted by Mrs. F. B. Watson, Kansas City, Kans.  
10:00—Reports of Committees. Banner Contest.  
11:00—Financial Rally. Announcements. Adjournment.

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON.**  
**Western Baptist Convention.**  
1:30—Devotional services: Inspirational Address, Rev. F. K. Nicholson, Davenport, Iowa.  
2:00—General Business.  
2:30—Address, "Responsibility of Colored Baptists to the Boys in the Army Campments," Prof. W. R. Carter, Topeka, Kans.  
3:15—Service of Prayer for our boys in the army, conducted by Rev. W. M. B. Scott, A. B., B. Th., Galesburg, Ill.  
4:00—Sermon, Rev. W. A. Bowen, D. D., Kansas City, Kans.  
Announcements. Adjournment.  
**FRIDAY EVENING.**  
7:30—Devotional Service: Inspirational Address, Rev. G. MacNeale, D. D., Kansas City, Kans.  
8:00—Address, Rev. Parker, St. Louis, Mo.  
8:30—Closing Sermon, Dr. W. F. Botts, Omaha, Neb.  
Closing of the Convention.

**EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.**  
(By John L. Thompson.)  
Again during (a part at least) of 1918 ye editor will chronicle his observations as he sees things upon his travels, which perchance will not be very long. Whenever we start out upon a collecting trip there are so many things of vital interest to me that I feel that it is my duty to tell the public. Then again there are so many changes within a year in each town that those things are of interest to all the readers. Therefore we left Des Moines, the metropolis of Iowa, the temporary home of more than 40,000 young men draftees, both colored and white, from Iowa and other states, which has caused us to be proud of Des Moines.  
The first stop was three hours at Ames, Iowa, where is located the Iowa State College, the largest and finest agricultural college in the world, with the possible exception of Tuskegee Institute. There were several colored students attending here this school year. The colored families of Ames, though few in number, are all doing well and all owning or buying their homes. Mr. G. W. Madison, formerly of Texas, a graduate of Ames College, went into the plumbing business for himself after finishing the course about two years ago in this northern white city, and today he has one of the finest plumbing shops and one of the largest businesses of any other shop in town. He is a credit to any race. He is the only colored plumber in business in Iowa. Through in his trade, liked by the business men of the town. He recently married a young lady from the south and owns a beautiful modern home.  
Mr. M. D. Lowrie, a tailor, formerly from St. Joseph, Mo., has located here and runs a tailoring shop and panorama out in the college, doing a good business. He too has bought a nice modern home, where he and wife are enjoying life. Our good friend, Al Gaiter, who was the first colored family to move here about ten years ago, owns a nice home. We enjoyed dinner at this home. He has enlarged it to eight rooms. His brother George took inspiration from Al and he and his family moved up here about two years ago and has bought him a home, doing nicely.  
We next rolled into Marshalltown, the county seat of Marshall county. Here we have the Soldiers' Home, located on a beautiful sight just one mile northwest of the city. Both races enjoy this great and sacred home that

## Sell Your Flour and Buy a Liberty Bond, or Help the Red Cross

Food Administrator Deems has announced that the government will buy all of the excess flour in the hands of the people of Iowa and ship it to our soldiers in the trenches and our allies.  
During the next three months the state will require 22,000 barrels of flour. All above that must be collected and sent to Europe. Attention is called to the law which provides that hoarders may be punished by a \$5,000 fine or two years in jail or both.  
Consumers will return their excess flour to the dealers from whom they bought at a price to be agreed upon between them.  
D. G. Thompson, chief of the flour division of the Deems organization, will survey the state and locate the stocks of flour. He also will discover those who have orders booked for flour. He will supply the latter from the former stocks when possible, and this will release the bookings to be shipped at once and directly to our soldiers in the trenches and to our allies, this state being given full credit therefor. If there is an excess still on hand it will be reshipped for export. The proposition will be financed in Iowa.  
It is estimated that at least 500,000 sacks or quarter barrels will be sent in this way out of Iowa to the soldiers.  
Only original, unbroken packages can be used. None under 24 pounds in size can be accepted.  
Administrator Deems, Governor Harding, the Council of Defense, the Women's Committee, and all other patriotic organizations, have united in this appeal to Iowa people.

**Deems Makes Appeal.**  
Administrator Deems, in his appeal to the people, says:  
"To meet a desperate food situation among our allies and which affects our own soldiers over there the nation calls upon Iowa people to sell to it every surplus sack of flour held by them."  
"Starvation imperils our allies abroad. To save them we are asked to release the flour we have stored."  
"We can eat corn and potatoes and other substitutes for wheat flour until the next harvest, but we cannot ship them. If we could they could not be used because baking is not done in homes in Europe but in bakeries. Durable loaves are essential in the trenches and in the homes and wheat, alone, can be used to make the durable bread."  
"Nearly 45,000 Iowa boys are fighting over there. They are giving their very lives. We are asked only to sell our flour to back them up. Iowa's loyalty has been tested before and not in vain. I have told Mr. Hoover that Iowa is no slacker, and that she will respond to this test and this call instantly and to the very limit."  
"To that end the loyal co-operation of every civic organization in the state is solicited. Commercial clubs, fraternal societies, the churches, the councils of defense, women's clubs—all can, if they will, contribute to the success of the campaign and are urged to enlist at once in this vitally important drive in the food-saving program."  
"Sell your flour and buy a Liberty Bond or help the Red Cross is a slogan to which every loyal Iowan will subscribe."

is dear to the boys of the sixties. The colored population is increasing very rapidly. Several hundred laborers have come from the Southland within the past year and they are being employed in factories, railroad machine shops and the other factories. Many have brought their families. There are two churches, a Methodist and Baptist. Each of the present pastor's name is Rev. Smith, so you can't go wrong by saving Rev. Smith. Both churches are doing well now. There are two secret societies here, the Masons and Knights of Tabor, each prospering. Mr. M. J. Jackson, a pioneer citizen here, recently died and he is greatly missed in this community. Mr. Edward Roberson, the magnetic doctor, who has a nice Turkish bath parlor, the only one in the town, has a large trade. His able wife assists him. They dined ye editor at at 6 o'clock dinner. He is the Chief Grand Mentor for the International Order of Twelve. I. L. Brown, Geo. L. Sutor, Galloway Johnson, Cal Wheeler and H. Flippins are the pioneer lodge men of this city owning their own homes. Mr. Sutor is still working at the City Water Co. His only two boys have both gone to war in different branches of the service. Mr. C. P. and C. C. Gilmore are working at the same place. They own nice homes. The Wolder brothers, H. L. and A. C., are also working at a drug store and a dry goods store. Mr. N. A. Ragland is building a nice new house on his lot and will soon move into it at 301 N. 10th Ave.  
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EDITORIALS

WHY WE CELEBRATE JULY 4.

Yesterday, we Americans celebrated  
the birthday of our United States, July  
4, 1776. Three hundred years after this  
country was discovered Americans gave  
to the world the Declaration of Inde-  
pendence. Today we Americans are re-  
minded of the truths of the Declaration  
of Independence and we consider why  
our country and its laws were estab-  
lished. The Declaration of Independ-  
ence is as dear to the hearts of all true  
Americans as the Sermon on the Mount  
is to all Christians.

One hundred and fifty years ago the  
people of America were governed by a  
king who treated the Americans as  
though they had no rights which he was  
bound to respect. After years of un-  
just treatment these Americans united  
for the purpose of being independent  
and free as a nation. On July 4, 1776,  
America gave to the world the Declara-  
tion of Independence.

"We hold these truths to be self-  
evident, that all men are created equal;  
that they are endowed by their Creator  
with certain inalienable rights (that is,  
rights which men themselves cannot  
give away or take); that among these  
are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of  
Happiness. That to secure these rights,  
governments are instituted among men,  
deriving their just powers from the con-  
sent of the governed."

The Declaration of Independence  
gave notice to the world that the United  
States, consisting of the thirteen  
states, took its place among the nations  
of the earth as an independent  
people or nation.

The Declaration of Independence  
states that life, liberty, and the pursuit  
of happiness belong to each human  
being, and that only the Creator can  
take these rights away. When the  
Golden Rule is written in the souls of

men, then and not until then will our  
government attain these ideals.

The supreme law of our land, the  
Constitution of the United States, be-  
gins with these words:

"We, the people of the United States,  
in order to form a more perfect union,  
establish justice, insure domestic tran-  
quility, provide for the common defense,  
promote the general welfare, and secure  
the blessings of liberty to ourselves and  
our posterity, do ordain and establish  
this Constitution for the United States  
of America."

Thus a democracy was established—a  
government where laws are made by  
the people themselves.

The citizens of this country have  
tried and are still trying to perfect  
their laws so as to give to each citizen  
full life, liberty and freedom.

Go to your history and read how man  
in the dim ages of the past created the  
first democracy—a government in  
which the people made their own laws.

You will read of the trials and tribula-  
tions which races of people as well as  
nations have suffered as they tried first  
this and then that form of government.

All the time they were trying to make  
a better democracy. Some succeeded;  
some failed. Many times it looked as  
though their efforts were useless and  
they would never gain that freedom  
they now possess. As you read, you  
will be surprised that man was not dis-  
couraged in his efforts to have a gov-  
ernment in which all men should be  
free and have justice. The spirit of  
freedom which is in the souls of men  
cannot be killed, for it goes marching  
on and on more determined than ever  
in spite of all opposition, discouragem-  
ent and failure. This idea of freedom,  
which was God-given to man, was not  
appreciated until His Son came to set  
up His Kingdom in the hearts of men.

Man has been trying ever since to have  
the kingdom come on earth, as it is in  
his soul.

From one country to another, from  
the east to the west, the idea of free-  
dom marched until it reached the shores  
of America; and today, after thousands  
of years of suffering and sacrifice, men  
has set up in these United States a  
government of the people, by the peo-  
ple, and for the people.

NEGROES PROVE THEIR FIGHT-  
ING QUALITIES, REPULSING  
HUN RAID.

By Frank J. Taylor, United Press Staff  
Correspondent.

With the American Army in France,  
July 1.—American Negro troops proved  
their value as fighters in the line east  
of Verdun on June 12, it is now per-  
missible to state. The Germans attempted  
a raid in that sector, but were com-  
pletely repulsed by the Negroes.

The Boches began a terrific bom-  
bardment at one minute after midnight,  
throwing over between 3,000 and 4,000  
shells from guns ranging in size from  
67 to 340 millimeters. The bombard-  
ment was concentrated on small areas.  
Many of the shells made holes from 10  
to 15 feet across.

Enemy Losses Heavy.  
In the midst of this inferno the Ne-  
groes coolly stuck to their posts, oper-  
ating machine guns and automatic ri-  
fles, and keeping up such a steady bar-  
rage that the German infantry failed to  
penetrate the American lines.

The Americans miraculously sus-  
tained only one wounded.

"Dixie luck was a-workin' with us,"  
explained one. "We all got knocked  
down lots of times, but every man got  
right up."

During the attack a crew of a ma-  
chine gun was bowled over by a big  
shell, which made a 15-foot hole near  
them. They all got up, remounted the  
gun and continued shooting until it  
jammed. Then, despite the terrible  
bombardment, they fixed it and again  
turned it on the Germans. This inci-  
dent was repeated twice.

Lauded by Officers.  
Both French and American officers  
reported that the Negroes performed  
like veterans. They obeyed orders  
promptly, took risky duties voluntarily  
and compared well with the best troops  
on the west front.

NEGROES ARE MAKING GOOD.

It is conceded that there has been far  
less disposition to escape military ser-  
vice on the part of the Negroes of the  
country than among the whites.

And this despite the fact that the  
Negroes have less reason to fight for  
our government than the whites.

Already thousands of colored troops  
are in France and on the fighting line.  
They are making good over there. Al-  
ready two colored troopers have been  
decorated with the French medal of  
honor on account of distinguished brave-  
ry. Two colored troopers, both  
wounded, stood off a German raiding  
force and enabled their own comrades  
to get to safety. There were 20 Ger-  
mans against two wounded colored  
troopers, but the odds didn't daunt the  
black men.

It is a Negro riveter who has been  
awarded the special prize offered for  
the workman who would make the best  
record driving rivets in building the  
new ships. Among all the thousands of  
workmen this colored laborer took the  
prize for the greatest efficiency.

In the face of the record they are  
making are the doors of opportunity to  
remain closed to the colored men of this  
country? If so, then we lack a sense of  
justice and a sense of gratitude.

What are white men afraid of that  
they should refuse to give black men a  
fair deal?

Is it possible that they believe that  
if the black man was afforded a fair  
chance he would outstrip his white fel-  
low workers? If not why deprive this  
colored youth of the opportunities to  
earn trades and become skilled work-  
men? Why deprive citizens of the  
country of their constitutional right  
simply because of color?  
The greatest sacrifice any man can  
make for his country is his life, and the

greatest service he can offer to make is  
to risk his life. The government has  
demanded that the colored men make  
this sacrifice and it is being made will-  
ingly. Can the government then re-  
fuse to protect these men in their con-  
stitutional rights? If so the govern-  
ment is not a just government.—Editorial  
from the Farmer's Mail and Meal,  
Topeka, Kans.

LYNCHING ON INCREASE.

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., July 1, 1918.  
The Editor.

Dear Sir: I send you the following  
relative to lynchings for the first six  
months of this year. According to the  
records kept by the Division of Rec-  
ords and Research of the Tuskegee In-  
stitute, there have been in this period  
35 lynchings. This is 21 more than the  
number, 14, for the first six months of  
1917, and 10 more than the number, 25,  
for the first six months of 1916.

Of those lynched, 34 were Negroes  
and 1 was white. 8 of those put to  
death, all Negroes, were charged with  
the crime of rape. Of those put to  
death 3 were women.

The states in which the lynchings oc-  
curred, and the number for each state  
are as follows:

- Alabama, 1; Arkansas 1; Florida 1;
- Georgia, 8; Illinois, 1; Louisiana, 8;
- Mississippi, 2; North Carolina, 1; South  
Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 4; Texas, 7.

Yours very truly,  
Robert R. Moton,  
Principal.

Mrs. Burns' Letter.

Here is a letter that is certain to  
prove of interest to people in this vic-  
inity, as cases of this sort occur in al-  
most every neighborhood, and people  
should know what to do in like circum-  
stances:

Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916.

"I used a bottle of Chamberlain's  
Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine  
years ago and it cured of flux (dysen-  
tery). I had another attack of the  
same complaint three or four years  
ago and a few doses of this remedy  
cured me. I have recommended Cham-  
berlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy  
to dozens of people since I first used it."

PATRIOTIC INVESTMENTS.

Law and order underlie all invest-  
ments. If life and person are inse-  
cure everything else is in danger.  
That is the reason why the French  
poet wrote the lines.

"There is only one future—that of our  
country!

There is only one foresight—our  
country!

There is only one economy—our  
country!"

No matter how many farm mort-  
gages you may have; no matter how  
many skyscrapers you may own; no  
matter how many flat buildings you  
may have for rent, or how many fac-  
tories you may be operating—every in-  
vestment you have rests on the sov-  
ereignty of the United States of Amer-  
ica. The slightest danger that con-  
fronts the United States acts as a de-  
preciation of every piece of property  
you own. Your farm is valuable to  
you because the United States of  
America has enacted laws which in-  
sure your right to the fee and title  
of your land. Anything that weak-  
ens the authority of the United States  
weakens your hold on your farm. Any-  
thing that cheapens the United States  
of America in the eyes of nations  
cheapens all the investments you  
have. Anything that tends to bring  
the nation into subjection to foreign  
powers, tends to bring your invest-  
ments to a position of danger.

Every shrewd investor—every wise  
property owner—every sane work-  
man—knows that the safety of all  
persons and of all property in the  
United States rests on the safety of  
the United States as a sovereign pow-  
er. If the United States is lost, every  
dollar of our invested capital is  
depreciated or entirely wiped out.

We are engaged at the present time  
in a desperate war. The issue is our  
right to remain "free and independ-  
ent." If the military tyrant of Eu-  
rope beats us we must be his vassals  
and his slaves. To whip him and re-  
tain our liberty and to insure our in-  
dependence, we must win a complete  
victory over Germany. If we fail our  
mortgages and flats are worthless.  
The moral is: Invest in Liberty  
Bonds and Win the War!

Farmer's Patriotism and Profit.

Don't waste your time speculating  
on peace. Speculate on war and in-  
vest your money in Liberty bonds.  
The farmer has come splendidly to the  
front with his muscles and knowledge  
of agriculture and has provided the  
allies with food. He has been paid  
handsomely for his crops.

If he reinvests those dollars in Lib-  
erty bonds he will be making a profit-  
able deal and at the same time pro-  
viding his government with the funds  
to pay him higher prices for his grain  
and his corn and oats now in the  
ground.

Food will win this war, but it won't  
win it if it must lie in the field and  
rot for want of funds to purchase it  
and move it to Europe where our  
young men are fighting the kaiser.  
Invest in Liberty bonds and help  
move it.

Worrying Always Weakens.

Worrying is always weakness, it is  
always danger. In a sense, though  
often excusable and sometimes un-  
avoidable, it is cowardice; and cow-  
ards, as Shakespeare tells us, "die  
many times before their death." We  
may regard worry as the price paid by  
humanity for advance in education  
and refinement of feeling; but it is a  
higher price than need be paid.—  
Exchange.

Why We Fight

No. 4

Because Germany for Years Sought  
to Undermine Our Government  
and Our Ideals

By CLARENCE L. SPEED  
Secretary of the War Committee of the  
Union League Club of Chicago.

We are fighting Germany for the  
right to live our own lives as we see  
fit. We are fighting for our laws, our  
ideals, our homes, our institutions.

"But, how," one may ask, "were all  
these things threatened by Germany  
before the war started? It is easy to  
see how they may be threatened now,  
for if we are defeated we are lost, but  
before the war started did Germany  
menace those things we hold most sac-  
red?"

Let the Germans themselves answer.  
After you have read the evidence out  
of their own mouths, you may decide  
whether or not Germany planned to up-  
set our institutions, our ideals, our very  
mode of life.

In 1901 the National German-Amer-  
ican alliance was formed in the United  
States. In 1907 it was incorporated  
by act of congress. Its charter is  
now being attacked in that same body.  
One of the objects of the alliance, as  
officially announced, was "to check na-  
tivist encroachments." In other  
words, to keep the Germans from be-  
coming Americans. Another object  
was "to awaken and strengthen the  
sense of unity among the people of  
German origin in America."

"This alliance," its preliminary  
statement of aims concludes, "is  
pledged to bring its entire organiza-  
tion to the support of any state fed-  
eration which is engaged in the strug-  
gle for any of these objects."

It was pledged, in other words, to  
have its members vote, not as individ-  
uals, but as German controlled units,  
for or against anything of which  
they did not approve.

The desire for resisting "nativistic  
encroachments," was particularly abhor-  
rent to American ideals, because  
the effort in this country has always  
been to keep politics free from racial  
or religious influences. Yet here was  
a body, proclaiming itself German in  
origin and thought, seeking to perpetu-  
ate this German feeling in the midst  
of America.

From its very start the alliance  
sought to foment discord with England.  
It always spoke of the American press  
as "the Anglo-American" press, and it  
carried out a long and well-directed  
campaign for the introduction of the  
German language into the schools and  
its use in civil life.

"The National Alliance," according  
to an issue of its official Bulletin be-  
fore this nation entered the war, "is  
waging war against Anglo-Saxonism,  
against the fanatical enemies of per-  
sonal liberty and political freedom, it  
is combating narrow-minded, benig-  
ned know-nothingism, the influence of  
the British, and the enslaving Puritan-  
ism, which had its birth in England."

"The race war which we will be  
compelled to go through with on Amer-  
ican soil will be our world war," said  
the New York Staats Zeitung in fight-  
ing a proposal to amend the New York  
constitution to make ability to speak  
and write the English language a  
requisite for suffrage.

Ludwig Fulda wrote a book, "Amer-  
ican Impressions." They were im-  
pressions of a German who had stud-  
ied this nation with a view to seeing  
it ultimately Germanized. "German-  
ization is synonymous with causing to  
speak German," he said, "and speak-  
ing German means to remain German."

Wherever there were signs of dis-  
content, of a movement which might  
tend to disrupt this country, or any  
other which Germany might find as a  
commercial rival, the German-Amer-  
ican alliance was sure to be on the  
job. It gave support to the Irish-  
American societies, because these soci-  
eties, before the war, were working for  
the separation of Ireland from Eng-  
land, a matter in which Germany, at  
that time, could have no legitimate  
interest. But Germany, even then,  
was preparing for war, and was doing  
every possible thing to weaken its  
coming enemies. A disorganized  
America, one filled with German re-  
servists, would be in no position to  
side with her enemies, Germany fig-  
ured. On this subject the much-quoted  
Bernhardt wrote:

"Measures must be taken at least  
to the extent of providing that the  
German element is not split up in the  
world, but remains united in compact  
blocks, and thus forms, even in for-  
eign countries, political centers of  
gravity in our favor. The isolated  
groups of Germans abroad greatly ben-  
efit our trade, since by preference they  
obtain goods from Germany; but they  
may also be useful to us politically, as  
we discover in America. The German-  
Americans have formed a political al-  
liance with the Irish; and, thus, un-  
ited, constitute a power in the state  
with which the American government  
must reckon."

With the outbreak of the war in Eu-  
rope the actions of the German-Amer-  
ican alliance became bolder. The cam-  
paign for membership took on new  
vigor.

Can we talk of peace with a Ger-  
many, that, even in times of peace, is  
trying to disorganize our country, fo-  
ment strife, and destroy our unity,  
simply because a strong, united nation  
on the other side of the world is not  
German? Can we make peace with a  
country that fills our land with paid  
embassies in an effort to make its  
language supplant our own? Can we  
talk of peace while a government that  
considers the world its prey domi-  
nates Germany?

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before medicine could be procured or a  
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lain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. No  
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Mrs. Jennie Couch of 1351 Fremont is visiting her sister in Kansas City.

Mrs. Wade H. McCree, who has been ill, is better.

The city board has called many of our boys to form the quota of Polk county to go to Camp Dodge July 16th.

Miss Harriett Alexander has been appointed head of the Junior Red Cross work at Franklin play grounds.

Mrs. Maude Knight of Perry, Iowa, was in the city this week attending to business.

For neatly furnished rooms, strangers and soldiers' wives look me over. Mrs. S. Cooper, 1312 Center St.

It is definitely known that the entire 366th Infantry, stationed at Camp Dodge, have all reached the other side safely.

Mrs. I. N. Daniels of Evingston, Ill., delegate to the Mito Missionary Convention, was the guest of Mrs. R. N. Hyde last week.

The members of the M. C. T. Club with their husbands and friends enjoyed a picnic out on the urbandale line Thursday, July 4th.

Mrs. N. M. Brewer and family left Wednesday a. m. for Kansas City to spend a few weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Peter Bell received a telegram of the death of her daughter, Mrs. N. D. Valentine, in Los Angeles, formerly Miss Laura P. Bell. An obituary will be published later.

Miss Mary Ellen McCree has returned from her vacation and will be pleased to consult with a limited number of people who wish to take piano lessons. Phone Wal. 1724.

Mrs. Audra Alexander left last week for a visit with her relatives in Denver, Colo. While there she will represent the Mary Church Terrell Club at the National Association which convenes in that city, July 8th to 13th.

Mr. Wm. Shackelford left Saturday evening for Nebraska City, Neb., called there by the death of his mother, Mrs. Millie Simmons. He will visit relatives and friends in Omaha before returning home.

Mrs. P. King of Burlington, a delegate to the Missionary Society in our city, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Burnaugh, on 16th St. She was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson Sunday.

Mrs. Lowry and daughter, Mrs. Oliver, of St. Joseph, Mo., passed through our city Wednesday en route to Ames, Iowa, to visit with her son, Mr. Mose Lowry of that city.

Mrs. J. L. Neal and Mrs. T. B. Stovall of Minneapolis, Minn., who were here last week attending the Mito Missionary Society of the Chicago district, spent a few days visiting our city. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Griffin.

The Phyllis Wheatley Art Club met Wednesday with Mrs. Emma Todd. Election of officers. Mrs. Hattie Jackson re-elected President; Mrs. Todd, Secretary; Mrs. Lillian Burrell, Treasurer; Mrs. Mary Winslow, re-elected Chaplain. Installation of officers next Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Winslow, 1056 4th St.

Those who will leave next week for Council Bluffs, Iowa, to attend Masonic Grand Lodge are B. J. Hack, B. J. W., C. C. Johnson, G. Custodian; Past Grand Master E. T. Banks, John L. Thompson, S. Joe Brown, C. B. Woods, W. M., Jas. B. Mitchell, Jas. B. Bush, A. Wilson.

The D. Y. W. Y. K. Art Club will meet during the summer at Union Park. Mrs. Berdie Wells hostess Tuesday, July 16. These dutiful young women you know are doing a great work crocheting and knitting helmets, scarfs and sweaters for the Red Cross. At pres-

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Mesdames J. L. Neal and T. B. Stovall of Minneapolis and Mrs. P. King of Burlington enjoyed an auto sight seeing of our city Sunday afternoon to the Ft. Des Moines new base hospital, also our parks, escorted by Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson.

**DES MOINES HOTEL GUESTS.**

W. S. Cormin, St. Joe; W. M. Mason Cormin, St. Joe; L. P. Kersko, Kansas City; Wm. Currey, Danville, Ill.; Tancy Lillie, Waterloo, Iowa; Chas. Hall, Cedar Rapids; W. A. Vance, Stewart, Iowa; M. Ousley, St. Louis, Mo.; J. Nelson, St. Louis; Clarence Newder, Kansas City.

Miss Billie Rickmon is visiting Mrs. Crump.

Little Bobby Hyde celebrated his second birthday Wednesday, July 3rd, by entertaining fourteen of his little friends. The children were entertained at the Franklin play grounds by Miss Adale Hyde, supervisor, with games and stories, after which Bobby escorted them back to his home, where delicious refreshments were served. The birthday cake, a gift of his grandmother, Mrs. R. N. Hyde, was decorated with two candles. He received many presents.

The Mary Church Terrell Club Girls met with Miss Talitha Mash, at which time the following officers were elected for the next six months: Mrs. Nellie Esters, President; Mrs. Emerald Mash, Vice President; Mrs. Adah Hyde, Secretary; Miss Tabitha Mash, Treasurer; Mrs. Coleen Jones, Chaplain; Mrs. Johnnie Shaw, Critic; Miss Margaret Roberts, Journalist; Miss Marie I. Bell, Parliamentarian; Miss Gertrude Hyde, Reporter. Mrs. Lula McCree will install the officers at the next meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Anna Perkins on 14th St.

**ROCK ISLAND NEWS.**

Sunday, June 23, was St. John Day. Rev. Boyd preached a grand sermon. A large number from Monmouth, Galesburg and Kewanee was present. The Masons served a lovely dinner at 12 o'clock in the dinner room of the Mc1 Kinley Baptist Church. The Masonic order marched from their hall down to the church, led by the colored band boys, and it certainly was one grand sight.

Louis Winsor has one of his schoolmates visiting him.

Mr. Colbert may stay in the city until he is called into service.

Mrs. Kipper is on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. G. Pearson met with bad luck. He run a nail in his arm.

Miss B. Edmunds attended the Dav- enport grammar school exercises.

Mrs. S. Overton's baby, who has been very sick, is much improved at present.

Miss Emily Harper called Saturday afternoon on B. Edmunds.

C. White and sisters, E. Harper, B. Edmunds, L. Winsor and Colbert were visitors at the A. M. E. Sunday school Sunday.

Sunday, June 30, was the last day for the George Jazz Band at the Watch Tower.

Monday, July 1, a large number attended the first dance at the Tower this season.

Mrs. Harper called on Mrs. M. Pearson Sunday afternoon and she made a few more calls.

Louis Winsor is working in one of our white drug stores and we are very glad to have one of our color there and we hope he will carry himself so he can remain there until he is called for camp.

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**A Question.**

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**MAPLE ST. BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
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11:00 a. m.—Preaching.  
1 p. m.—Sunday school.  
6 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.  
7:30—Preaching.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.  
**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. E. King, pastor.  
11 a. m.—Morning worship.  
12:15 p. m.—Sunday school.  
Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m.  
Lieut. M. H. Thompson, president.  
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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.

**Union Baptist Church**  
Sixteenth and McCormick.  
Rev. J. H. Reynolds, Supply Pastor.  
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.  
11 a. m.—Preaching.  
6 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.  
8 p. m.—Preaching.

**First A. M. E. Zion Church.**  
Rev. E. S. Hargde, Pastor.  
511 S. E. Fourth St.  
11:30 a. m.—Preaching.  
1:00 p. m.—Sunday school.  
6:30 p. m.—V. C. E. Society.  
8 p. m.—Preaching.

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Worshipping temporarily in Masonic hall, 11th and Center Sts.  
Rev. F. D. Woodford, Pastor.  
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10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m.—Preaching.  
12:00 m.—Class meeting.  
6:30 p. m.—Epworth League.  
7:30 p. m.—Preaching.

**Bethel A. M. E. Church**  
Sixteenth and Filmore Sts.  
Rev. H. A. Perry, Pastor.  
11 a. m.—Morning service.  
12:30 p. m.—Class meeting.  
1:00 p. m.—Sunday school.  
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**SIoux CITY, IOWA.**

Mrs. Etta Grant of St. Paul, Minn., formerly of this city, spent the week in the city, returning to St. Paul Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Williams entertained at dinner Friday evening, June 28, Mrs. Etta Grant of St. Paul and Mrs. J. H. Shores.

Mr. C. B. Watkins, Worshipful Master of Decatur Lodge No. 14, A. F. & A. M., and Mr. M. Askew, Senior Grand Warden of the Iowa Masonic Grand Lodge, will depart Monday, July 8, for Council Bluffs, Iowa, to attend the annual session.

Mr. Edward Askew has been informed by the doctor that he must go away for his health. Mr. Askew will depart soon for Idlewild, Mich., a summer resort. While there he will build a cottage on one of his lots that he purchased several years ago. Mr. Askew has resided in Sioux City 22 years. He owns a lovely home here. He has been an Odd Fellow 20 years, a Mason 17 years; he is also a member of the H. H. of Ruth and O. E. S. and a member of Malone church. We hope Mr. Askew will soon recover his health.

Mrs. Anna Roberts has purchased four lots in Idlewild, Mich., and will build in the near future.

Sunbeam H. H. of Ruth, G. U. O. of O. P., held its election of officers Tuesday evening, June 25. The following were elected for the ensuing six months: Mrs. C. Gordon, M. N. G.; Mrs. E. Walker, B. N. G.; Mrs. E. Wilkinson, H. M. N. G.; Mrs. P. Milluns, N. G.; Mrs. M. Ward, Chamberlain; Mrs. L. Washington, Shepherd; Stewards, Mrs. M. Thompson, Mrs. L. Hodges, Mrs. F. Green and Mrs. C. Harrison.

Miss Celia Mae Green will depart Wednesday for Clarinda to visit.

Mr. F. W. Roberts will depart Wednesday, July 3, for Clarinda, his future home.

Mrs. J. Johnson and daughter, Miss Alice, departed Sunday, June 30, for Clarinda to visit their daughter and sister, Mrs. M. Fields.

A very sad event of last week was the death of Mrs. Mabel Caven, who was burned to death in the awful disastrous fire which occurred in the Ruff block in 4th and Douglas streets, Saturday, June 29, at 1:30 p. m. Mrs. Caven was a member of the Malone church and had been an employee of the T. S. Martin Co. She is survived by a loving husband, mother, brother,

father and other relatives, and a host of admiring friends, who will sadly miss her bright, smiling face. Mrs. Caven's body was extricated from the ruins Sunday noon. The funeral was held Tuesday, July 2. The bereaved loved ones have our deepest heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour.

The patriotic concert given last Tuesday at Malone church was a success. Over \$20 was realized.

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**MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.**

Miss Jessie Walker entertained 20 people at a whist party Wednesday, June 26. Mrs. Grace Humphrey won the first prize for ladies. Mr. A. C. Wolder won the first prize for men. Refreshments were served by the hostess

and Mr. Albert Walker and Mr. D. N. Crosthwaite.

The new M. E. Church is doing fine. The members are planning to build a church of their own.

Mrs. Mattie Lemon is here on a visit with her sister and brother, Miss Jessye and Albert Walker.

Miss Vivian Wickerson is enjoying a visit in our city, the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Gilmore.

The Knights and Daughters of Tabor held the annual sermon June 16.

A number of Marshalltown people journeyed to Waterloo to Grand Chapter. Mrs. Goldie Wolder, W. M.; Mr. Lowry, P.; Mrs. L. L. Brown, G. A. P.; Miss Jessye Walker, G. A. C.; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wolder, Mr. and Mrs. Warn, Mrs. Addie Sutor, Mrs. G. Johnson.

Mrs. Wilda Warn Lowry and small daughter are visiting at her parents' home.

The Eureka Lodge, A. F. & A. M., held a public installation of officers on Tuesday evening, as follows: Mr. C. C. Gilmore, W. M.; Mr. Walter Warn, S. W.; Mr. Tom Lowry, J. W.; Mr. G. Johnson, Sr. Steward; Mr. Henry Flipping, Jr. Steward; Mr. I. L. Brown, Sr. Deacon; Mr. George Sutor, Jr. Deacon; Mr. H. Howard, Chaplain; Mr. Calvin Meller, Tyler.

**BURLINGTON NEWS.**

(Special to Bystander.)

Mr. Adelphus Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott E. Jones, took special civil service examination for city carrier and has been notified of his eligibility for appointment. Mr. Jones graduated from the Burlington High School in the academic course and was awarded his diploma June 7. He was a member of the Boys' Glee Club, Science Club, and also received nine credits in foreign languages, Latin and Spanish.

**ALBIA NEWS.**

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Allen had the sad loss of their second little baby boy.

Miss Edith Harris is in Des Moines the past week attending the District Missionary Convention.

The body of Mr. Spears, the father of Lawyer James Spears of Buxton, was brought to Albia and buried in Oak View cemetery one day this week.

Mrs. Walter Bennings returned from Des Moines Sunday evening and little Marguerite Esters of Des Moines returned with her.

**CLINTON, IOWA.**

Mrs. F. J. Nott, who has been confined to her home on account of illness, is able to be out again.

St. John's Day was appropriately observed at Bethel A. M. E. Church on June 23d, Hiram Lodge No. 19 of Davenport uniting with McNeil Lodge No. 21 of this city. A large number were in attendance. Musical numbers were rendered by Miss Mary Wallace and Mr. Wilbur Toney, who gave vocal solos. A patriotic address was given by Rev. G. W. Slater, Jr.

Friends in Clinton were surprised to learn of the marriage of Mrs. S. C. Smith, formerly a resident of this city, but of late years of Waterloo, Iowa. The wedding took place a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Charlotte Vaughn of Quincy, Ill., is the guest of her parents, Rev.

and Mrs. F. J. Nott.

Mrs. E. S. Heron and Mrs. Holland Williams have returned from the annual session of the O. E. S. in Waterloo.

Mrs. Letha Sayles of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, is a guest at the home of Mrs. E. S. Heron and sister, Miss Sayles. She is accompanied by her granddaughter, Josephine Crawford.

Mrs. Carl Culberson leaves this week for a visit with relatives in Bedford and other towns.

Rev. F. J. Nott returned home this week for a visit with his family.

Carl Culberson will be in attendance at the Masonic Grand Lodge at Council Bluffs next week.

The members of the Second Baptist Church will give an all day picnic on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Junkins on Maple avenue, July 4th.

Seven of our boys expect to leave some time between the period of July 16th and 20th for an army cantonment.

A celebration will be given at Union Park on July 4th by some of our citizens. A real good time is anticipated.

McNeil Lodge recently installed the following as officers for the ensuing year: W. M., Carl Culberson; S. W., F. F. Jackson; J. W., Wesley Porter; Sec., C. I. Thompson; Treas., M. O. Culberson.

Mrs. Ezra Carter, the Misses Alice and Nellie Jones and Mrs. William Jackson are reported as quite sick.

Mrs. Lydia Lobbins has returned from Moberly, Mo., where she visited her mother. She was accompanied by her niece.

The collector is on his annual rounds, so be ready to meet him when he calls.

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**Sponges in Australasian Seas.**

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**Social Etiquette.**

Mrs. Fashionplate—"Poor, dear Mrs. Upperton is to be buried today. Are you going to the funeral?" Mrs. Etta Quet—"I really can't you know. I have just discovered she owed me a call."—Los Angeles Times.

**She Put the Toe in Ptomain.**

A seven-year-old Columbus girl came home from school and reported one of her classmates had hurt his toe and was unable to be at school. "It's very serious," she said, "and they are afraid he is going to have ptomaine poisoning."—Indianapolis News.

**COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOW FOR 1918.**

Eleventh biennial meeting of the National Association of Colored Women will meet in Denver, Colo., July 8-13.

The Iowa Masonic Grand Lodge will hold their annual meeting in Council Bluffs, Iowa, in July.

National Negro Business League will meet in Atlantic City, N. J., August, 1918.

The U. B. F.'s of Missouri and Iowa will hold their annual session in Moberly, Mo., in August.

The biennial convolve of Knight Templars and Shriners will hold their meeting in Kansas City, Mo., in August.

Iowa-Nebraska Baptist Association will meet in Des Moines in August 28 to September 1.

Iowa-Nebraska Sunday school convention will meet in Sioux City, June 11-14.

National Baptist convention will meet in Washington, D. C., September 5th.

Des Moines District Conference Sunday School, District Missionary and Allen C. E. League Convention will meet in Cedar Rapids, Ia., June 4th to 7th.

The Grand Lodge of K. of P. and the C. of C. will convene in Davenport July 23, 24 and 25, 1918.

Grand Lodge No. 30, G. U. O. of O. F., will hold their annual meeting in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, August 27-28-29.

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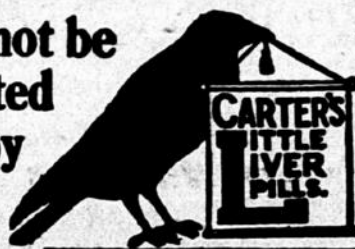
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