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EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS

(By John L. Thompson.)

Again the time of the year 1919 has come when we must begin the great work of collecting the annual subscription from our many hundreds of subscribers located in the great northwest, however arduous and unpleasant it may be, yet somebody must do that work along with that work a question with the Bystander that the collector shall observe in each town the progress that our leading men and women are making in their various cities and towns and so inform our many readers throughout this country. We think such observations when published are indeed appreciated by our readers and the facts stated is true and reliable. Therefore these observations by your editor are beneficial to the colored race in many ways, at least there are three positive good in observation: 1st. It encourages the colored person to live right and strive harder to become an influential citizen in his community. 2nd. It acquaints us with what our neighbors are doing. 3rd. It seeks to give a brief yearly history or report as to immigration or emigration of the race. With pencil in hand and bicycle on the C. B. & Q. Ry. we left Des Moines Monday, but just before we got out of the city limits of Des Moines my editor did not know nor perhaps did many of our Des Moines readers know that out in South Des Moines near the Great Western round house there lives and houses in box cars a colony of 21 colored families in a community to themselves, and they have been here for more than two years, employed mostly by the Chicago Great Western Ry. Co., working in the round house and on the section with colored man as foreman. As we do not have our city note book with us we cannot give the names of all the leading men here, however we remember a few. Mr. John Blackburn, who is foreman of a section gang. He owns a home, well fixed. They have one child, a talented little girl. Mr. Duncan, Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Quinn, the two brothers of the Whites, Mr. Duncan and many other families whose names I cannot now recall. They have an organization known as United Brotherhood of Railroad of America with headquarters in Chicago. Will tell more about this community later. Our first real stop was in Osceola, the county seat of Clark county, a beautiful located town of about 3,000 inhabitants, about 100 colored people, with one church, the A. M. E., pastored by Rev. Jones. They have a nice parsonage. Mrs. Anna Williams is one of the oldest colored citizens here, having lived here nearly 55 years and worked at one place, the old Howe Hotel, for almost 40 years. Mrs. J. Bryant is another pioneer settler here, having been here more than a half century. She has recently moved to Minneapolis, Minn., to make her home with her youngest son, Roy. One of her sons, Frank Bryant, is the only one of them now living here. He is a good, reliable, steady man, having worked for one firm for 25 years. He is now manager of the U. S. Express Co. office, owning his own wagons and team and owns good property. W. Griffin is a repair mechanic in an automobile company. The Mr. John and J. A. Draden are new people here, but own their homes, doing well. Mr. L. W. Jackson and Mrs. M. A. White are still here. The former is a well digger and says that has all the work that he can do. Our next stop was Creston. Here live only a few colored people. C. R. Hawkins is still running the shining parlor. Mr. L. H. Grant and M. Young are enrolled as new subscribers here to the Bystander. Mr. Ealey Baldwin, mother and brother still live out on their farm about two miles east of Creston. They are farming as usual on a large scale. They control 417 acres of some of the best land in Iowa. They are one of the modern, up-to-date Iowa farmers. They have a seven passenger Overland car and ship their cattle and hogs direct to Chicago by the car load. This is a fine family to meet. We next rest our weary feet in Clarinda at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Headley. Here lives about 500 colored people, a prosperous, most all owning their homes. Mr. H. H. Clark still lives here, doing well. Mr. Joe Jones is working at the large Berry Seed Co., also is Mr. Headley and Ed Pemerton. Dr. Gipson is still running his feed barn and veterinarian barn. He is to my knowledge the only colored veterinarian in Iowa. He is well fixed. C. W. Williams, Past Grand Chancellor of the K. of P., is still in the restaurant and confectionary store, doing well, and from his physical appearance we believe him on this point. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lane are still running the Busy Bee restaurant and hotel. They are fine people. They have had some sickness this winter. One of the most progressive colored men in business here is Mr. Farrier and George Jones, who are operating a first class auto paint shop on one of the main streets of the city and I am told they are the best painters in this town, and from the high class cars that they had convinced one that they are master workmen in their line of trade. The firm have

been in the paint business here for the past seven years. His wife will be the Bystander official reporter for this year. Mrs. Laura Jones, who died here several months ago, is greatly missed as one of the society and church workers here. We stopped over in Shenandoah, Iowa, one hour while making train connections. Here we found our old friend and citizen, R. P. Caldwell, and wife still living here, also R. L. Collins, who is still working in the U. S. postoffice. He has the unique distinction of having four children to graduate from the Shenandoah high school and two more in the school. Two of his boys are students in the Coe College and have won many honors for their college in the athletic field. Two were in the U. S. service. Mr. J. S. Jenkins and wife are chief at the Delmonico Hotel. Arriving in Red Oak we only had about two hours here so our observations must necessarily be limited. Mr. P. S. Everhart is still here in his fine piano and music store. This young man grew up here, beginning life as a newsboy about 30 years ago and has managed now to own the largest and most up to date piano and music house in Red Oak or southwestern Iowa. His rise in life reads like a novel, at one time he owned a string of music stores in this part of Iowa. He has recently married a daughter of a well to do colored farmer living about 15 miles from here. He has a large patronage and the highest esteem of the best people here. C. W. Chappell has bought him a home and is repairing it. W. A. Baker is still here. Thos. G. Jones is still in the automobile washing and cleaning business, having a thriving trade. Mr. O. A. Davis and Mr. Ed Stewart are also two progressive young men with families, doing well. We next found shelter in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

Community-Religious Meeting at Union Congregational Church. These meetings will be by the community, for the community, and of the community. The singing is expected to be given by the best talent in the city and will be made up from the audience. The topics for discussion will be taken from the people directly and they will follow the following lines: "Righteousness," "Social Life," "Industrial" and "Political." No creeds or rules will be discussed. We aim at developing the people. We expect hearty cooperation. The first meeting will be held June 15th, 1919. Rev. H. E. King.

KEOKUK, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.) To the Editor of the Bystander: Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper to announce our second and third quarterly conferences which was held in Bethel A. M. E. church, Keokuk, Iowa, Monday evening, May 19, 1919, presided over by Rev. N. J. McCracken, the P. E. of the Keokuk district. We feel that God has wonderfully blessed us in this charge for the past six months. He has brought us through another winter, every department of our church is alive. Tabulated report: Trustees raised \$378.93; special fund, \$67.19; stewards raised, \$626.25; Sunday school raised, \$99.83; Carnation Club raised, \$108.03; Sewing Circle raised, \$14.00; Sunshine Club raised, \$47.90; Stewardess Board No. One raised, \$52.90; Stewardess Board No. Two raised, \$53.40; Allen C. E. League raised, \$3.82; grand total, \$1,452.25. Mrs. C. R. Waters left this morning for Chicago to visit mother, sister, daughter, son and grandson. She will be there about two weeks. A. W. Drain, Sec. Trustee Board.

IOWA CITY, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.) The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority is making a state wide campaign to encourage young women to enter the State University. We would be glad to correspond with any one interested. Address Ola E. Calhoun or Helen D. Beshears, Delta Sigma Theta House. Miss Mamie Diggs represented the sorority at the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs at Marshalltown last week. Misses Helene Lucas, Mamie Diggs and Mrs. Helen Dameron Beshears attended the Junior Breakfast Saturday morning. The Junior Breakfast is an annual affair given by the Dean of Women and her assistants, the staff and Circle. Mrs. Adele Wilson was a guest at the Delta Sigma Theta house for several days, having been called here by the illness of her daughter, Miss Imogene Wilson. Miss Wilson returned home with her mother Tuesday. Mrs. Helen Beshears spent Sunday in Cedar Rapids. Rev. J. D. Peterson and Mr. R. L. Crawford were guests at dinner Tuesday at the Delta House. The Delta Sigma Theta and the Kappa Alpha Psi will picnic Decoration Day. The Junior "Hawkeye," the University Annual, contains pictures of Misses Helen Lucas, Mamie Diggs and Mrs. Helen Beshears. The Kappa Alpha Psi has been well represented in athletics this year by Messrs. Fred Slater, R. L. Crawford and J. K. Titus.



MADAM C. J. WALKER, GREAT PHILANTHROPIST, LAID TO REST.

Daughter Had not Arrived from South America Remains Placed in Vault in Woodland Cemetery, N. Y. Dr. W. Sampson Brooks Officiates at Funeral.

Mme. C. J. Walker died from chronic nephritis (or Bright's disease) and arterio sclerosis (or hardening of the arteries), complicated with uraemia, blood pressure varying from 220 to 260. Mme. C. J. Walker, the world's wealthiest colored woman, the foremost manufacturer and philanthropist of her race, passed away at her mansion, Villa Le Waro, at Irvington on the Hudson, from a complication of three diseases, any one of which is fatal. To that end a corps of eminent specialists, including the world famous Jacobi, and eminent physicians of his race, including Maj. Ward, Dr. Leo Fitz Neuron and Dr. Louis T. Wright worked with might and main to prolong her life until the arrival of her daughter, Mrs. Lelia Walker Robinson, racing by steamer and rail from Panama, South America. Mrs. Robinson was on a South American tour for the famous beauty culture corporation founded and owned by her mother, cabled from Colon that she would arrive in New Orleans on the first steamer out, due in the Crescent City at 5:30 p. m. Monday. From there she came direct by train to Irvington. Mme. Walker's illness dates from a breakdown two weeks ago while in St. Louis. She was accompanied by a physician and a trained nurse, to Irvington, where her decline was uninterrupted and sure. Everything that could be done was done, all to no avail. A last desperate operation has been contemplated, depending entirely upon the strength of the cheerful, optimistic patient.

Last Act to Fight Lynching. After her arrival home, Mme. Walker wrote a check for \$5,000 and sent it to the National Association at Carnegie Hall on Monday, May 5. Her death was due primarily to the long and constant strain and concentration on her mammoth business. A year ago Mme. Walker had her first nephritis attack. Despite the advice of her physician, Dr. Fitz Neuron, she continued her devotion to her business as well as the affairs of her race.

Mme. Walker's Biography. From toiler at the washtub in St. Louis 18 years ago to mistress of a \$250,000 mansion in New York, was the remarkable achievement of Mrs. Sarah J. Walker, and a fortune estimated at \$1,000,000 in real estate and investments. Mme. C. J. Walker was born at Delta, La., Dec. 23, 1867, the daughter of Owen and Minerva Breedlove. Both of her parents dying she became an orphan at the age of six. When 14 years of age she married and became a widow when 20 years of age. From the union resulted one child, now Mrs. Lelia Walker (John D.) Robinson. Moving to St. Louis she received a meagre education at St. Louis, which she gradually and constantly perfected by reading and traveling. Inspired by a dream to begin the practice of beauty culture for her people she introduced a hair growing preparation and began its manufacture in 1905. She then moved with her daughter and her business to Denver, where she remained one year. After two years of traveling and prospecting for a suitable business location, settled in Pittsburg in 1908. Leaving her business in charge of her daughter and continuing the selling of her products on the road, she finally settled in Indianapolis, Ind., in 1910, since which time

her business has developed a thousand fold, extending throughout North America, the West Indies and South America. The Mme. C. J. Walker Manufacturing Co. now employs 15,000 agents, her annual business exceeding \$100,000. Her Irvington home is worth a quarter of a million dollars.

Her Beautiful Home. For her home she could hardly have chosen a more attractive spot. The site is in the most exclusive part of Irvington Village, on Broadway near Fargo Lane, commanding a magnificent view of the Hudson, the hills beyond and the surrounding country. It sweeps the Hudson for miles about, and may be plainly viewed by pleasure craft passing up and down the river. The structure, a three story and basement affair with roof of red tile, is in the Italian renaissance style of architecture and was designed by V. W. Tandy, a colored architect. It is 113 feet long, 60 wide and stands in the center of a four and a quarter acre tract. It is fireproof, of structural tile with an outer covering of cream colored stucco, and has 34 rooms. In the basement are a gymnasium, baths and showers, kitchen and pantry, servants' dining room, power room for an organ and storage vaults for valuables.

The main entrance is on the north side. The visitor enters a marble room, where a marble stairway leads to the floor above. On the first floor are the library and conservatory, a living room 21 by 32 feet, furnished in Italian style, a Louis XV drawing room 18 by 45 feet, and dining room with a hand-painted ceiling. Adjoining the two drawing rooms is a chamber for an \$8,000 organ, which may be played automatically or by hand. Mme. Walker likes music. When the organ is played sounding pipes will carry the strains to different rooms in the house. The second floor contains bedrooms, bathrooms, showers, dressing rooms, sewing rooms and two sleeping porches. On the third floor are servants quarters. The owner employs eight servants.

Had Distinguished Friends.

Mme. Walker was a member of the colored committee that visited President Wilson to protest against the East St. Louis riot. A few months ago she was deeply interested in a league of darker peoples, and offered to contribute \$25,000 toward such a league, which was to fight for the world-wide rights of darker peoples. The picture in which she is shown, taken in the Waldorf-Astoria, Jan. 7, at a conference with the Japanese delegates to the peace conference, is her last photo ever made. She is paying the expenses of several students at Tuskegee Institute and she is assisting colored people in other institutions to get an education. She numbers among her friends professors, teachers, physicians, lawyers, merchants and preachers, and also had many friends among the poor of the race. She is self-educated, of course. Her taste in books runs to history, especially American history. She regularly reads the works of colored authors. Her interest in politics, commerce and current events was always in her conversations. Her recreation were the theatre, baseball, football and basketball. Mme. Walker became ill in St. Louis last Easter Sunday, while visiting at the home of C. K. Robinson, editor of the St. Louis Clarion. Besides Drs. Ward and Kennedy at the bedside when death occurred were: Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Ransom, Mrs. Edna Thomas, Mrs. Lulu Thompson, madam's three nieces, Annetta, Gladys and Mat-

tie Breedlove, of Oakland, Cal., who arrived at Irvington Saturday morning, and Mrs. Prosser. Most of those in the big mansion did not have to dress when word was sent around that the madam was dying, as Dr. Ward the night before had said she could not last longer than Sunday. Sunday morning dawned bright and warm. Outside, where the trees and lawn were green and pretty, the flowers blooming and the birds merrily singing, all was gayety and happiness. Inside, where several people gathered around a beautiful four-posted bed and watched a magnificent soul go into eternity, all was grief and sorrow. Notwithstanding her previous sufferings the madam left this world in peace and quietness, and not until Dr. Ward turned to those around the bedside and said, "It is over," was it really known to all that she was dead.

Her funeral services were held from her residence at 10:30 on Friday morning, and the eulogies delivered by Rev. Sampson Brooks, formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, and now of Bethel A. M. E. church of Baltimore, Md., and Rev. J. W. Brown of Mother A. M. E. Zion church, this city. Solos by eminent soloists and at the conclusion of the services her remains were interred in Woodlawn Cemetery. Mme. Walker was buried in a handsome bronze casket lined with satin that cost approximately \$3,000, furnished by Undertaker H. Adolph Howell, who had charge. Men and women bow their heads in grief for she who had spent fifty-two years of usefulness.

GALESBURG, ILL.

Rev. Garrison is attending the commencement exercises in Wilberforce, Ohio.

O. E. S. was well attended at A. M. E. church Sunday. Quite a number were up from Monmouth.

Misses P. Ashby and A. Wilkins were elected delegates to the S. S. convention in Burlington this month.

Mrs. F. Coleman is visiting in Chicago, Ill.

Meeting which was to be at Allen Chapel Thursday-even has been postponed until a later date.

Mrs. E. Mason of Monmouth was a Galesburg caller Monday.

Lawn social will be given at Mrs. J. Bell's Monday, June 16.

Mr. P. Livingston has returned to the city after visiting relatives in Omaha.

Mrs. C. Anderson spent the week end in Mt. Pleasant, guest of her brother and family.

Mrs. Groff, Mrs. E. Murphy and daughter of Monmouth spent Decoration Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hawkins.

Saturday, June 14, Allen Chapel will hold their second annual tag day.

Mrs. B. Berry and children are visiting relatives in Chicago.

Mr. T. Webster, senior of high school, was the only colored graduate this year.

A large number from the surrounding cities attended the dance at Central May 29.

Mrs. H. Pruitt is on the sick list.

Mr. J. Shoots and J. Hardin spent several days in Quincy visiting friends.

Mr. George King spent the week end with his parents as they left for the coast Sunday afternoon.

Grandma Turpin remains the same.

Mr. and Mrs. U. Shoots are visiting the parental home.

AMES, IOWA.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, Iowa, spent Thursday in the city visiting at the Gater home on Kellogg Ave. In the evening Mrs. Brown in her pleasing manner addressed the ladies of the A. M. E. Club at the home of Mrs. Walter Madison, 1204 3rd St. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. Come to our city again, Mrs. Brown.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Lowrie pleasantly surprised them last Wednesday evening, the occasion being their thirteenth wedding anniversary.

Madam Mattie Brooks and daughter, Miss Aurora, of Des Moines, were the over Sunday visitors of Mrs. Arthur Marshall.

NOTICE.

To the Ministers and Deacons Union in the program that has been sent throughout the state calling your attention to the thirty-third annual session of the Ministers and Deacons Union of the State of Iowa in connection with the Sunday school convention which convenes in Cedar Rapids Tuesday and Wednesday before the third Lord's day in June, 1919. Hoping that you will govern yourselves accordingly, I remain, very truly your co-worker for the Master's cause. L. M. Brown, Secy.

Indians Good Orchardists.

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

18th Annual Session of Iowa Federation closed May 28

The 18th annual session of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs which was held at Marshalltown, Iowa, May 26th to 28th, was without a doubt one of the most successful sessions ever held.

Monday night the citizens of Marshalltown welcomed the visitors; the mayor on behalf of the city, Mrs. Warn on behalf of the churches, and Miss Jessie Walker on behalf of the Dunbar Club.

The business of the Federation was transacted Tuesday and Wednesday, at which time some very important questions were considered. One of the most important of these was the plan to assist the young women of the State University of Iowa after a most touching appeal by Miss Mamie Diggs, a student of the university.

Particular mention should be made of the secular and eloquent address delivered by the State President, Mrs. Martha White, of Indianola. Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines gave an interesting report of the meeting held recently in New York City by the committee of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, at which time a reconstruction program was outlined.

Tributes were paid to the memory of the late Theodore Roosevelt by the following women: Mrs. Elvora Gresham, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Helena Downey, Ottumwa; Mrs. Geo. Young, Des Moines, and Mrs. Mattie Lewis of Kansas City.

The installation of officers took place Wednesday night. Mrs. Jennie Johnson of Davenport, delegate to the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, gave a report of that meeting. Attorney Geo. H. Woodson of Buxton paid tribute to the colored soldiers. A telegram of condolence was sent to Mrs. Leila Robinson, daughter of Mme. C. J. Walker.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Martha White, Indianola, president; Mrs. Jennie Johnson, Davenport, first vice president; Mrs. Lulu Horn, Cedar Rapids, second vice president; Mrs. Theresia Adams, Davenport, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Roberta Bailey, Buxton, recording secretary; Mrs. Jessie E. McClain, Des Moines, treasurer; Mrs. Grace Humphrey, Marshalltown, state organizer; Mrs. Mattie Waurick, Des Moines, parliamentarian; Mrs. Minnie Gray, Cedar Rapids, statistician; Mrs. Baker, Buxton, chaplain.

The following were elected chairmen of committees: Education, Mrs. Gresham; social service, Mrs. Nichols; music, Miss Marie Williams; home economics, Miss Scott; young women, Mrs. Beverly; child welfare, Mrs. Brewton; temperance, Mrs. Thomas; civics, Miss Phillips; arts and crafts, Mrs. C. B. Woods; suffrage, Adah Hyde; health, Mrs. Marshall.

WOMEN'S CLUBS BEGIN DRIVE.

The Scholarship Committee of Iowa Federation have been doing much for the education of the girls throughout the state. This work is being enlarged every year and after a speech by a student from Iowa City at the annual meeting, who explained the difficulties the girls have in maintaining a home, the Federation through its Scholarship Committee launched a campaign to raise money to buy a home for the girls who desire to attend college at Iowa City. This will put a college education within the reach of every colored girl in Iowa. There are eight girls in college now, the rent for a home has been \$23 a month. We are going to buy a place now that will be a home for generations to come. Will you help!

All clubs and organizations are asked to raise at least ten dollars and send to us by August. We are going to have an honor roll and the names of persons contributing five dollars or over will be placed on this roll and hung in the home. We have money to start the ball rolling, but we want YOU to help us "go over the top" with our first payment.

Scholarship Committee. Mrs. Helen Downey, Chairman, 236 Bashaw St., Ottumwa, Iowa.

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Mrs. Sadie Young, 1041 16th St., Des Moines.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown, 1058 15th St., Des Moines.

Miss Jessye E. Walker, 4th Ave., Marshalltown.

Mrs. C. B. Lewis, Kansas City. Mrs. Jennie Wright, Buxton. Mrs. Mattie Hicks, Centerville.

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WESTERN RAMBLER.

Des Moines, Ia., June 2, 1919.

Dear Editor Bystander:
After two weeks silence, I will now take time from my rambling to give a brief account of the happenings. Before beginning to narrate the doings of the convention, I wish to relate an important event which will be interesting to all readers of the race, especially when referring to the days of abolition. In 1837, the editor of the Alton Observer, Elijah P. Lovejoy, was mobbed in the streets of Alton, and his press thrown in the Mississippi river. He said on one occasion: "I have sworn eternal opposition to slavery, and by the blessings of God I will never turn back." I wish to inform the readers of your journal that one section of the Lovejoy press which was destroyed by mob violence and thrown in the river Nov. 7, 1937, was recovered in 1915 by the Sparks Milling Co. I saw it.

Now we come to the main feature of our rambling. I arrived home on the 17th and remained several days. Sunday morning I worshipped at Maple St. Baptist church, of which Rev. S. Bates, the moderator of the Iowa Association, is pastor. The congregation was not as large as I have witnessed on Sunday mornings, nevertheless there seemed to be the same spiritual enthusiasm which is characteristic of a live church. Rev. Bates, in his usual canner, is sparing no pains to condemn sin without any compromise, giving scripture references. I hope to make my visit to Maple before the closing of my work. Sunday evening I found myself in my home church, Corinthian. The pastor, Rev. Robinson, was in St. Louis, Mo., conducting a series of meetings for Rev. W. H. Harris. Before leaving he arranged that I would speak at the evening hour, which I did.

The congregation was not more than half of its usual number, owing to the fact the pastor was away, many took vacation. I tried as best I could to entertain those present, which is usually

a hard thing for one to do at his home. Collection \$11.80, making in all \$15.90. The following Friday I left for St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. Sunday morning I found myself worshipping in Bethesda Baptist church, the oldest Baptist church in Minneapolis. Rev. D. E. Beasley pastor. Getting through their usual services, the pastor then introduced me that I might present the claims of the Western Convention. The congregation listened with patience and showed by their giving that they heard the "Macedonian cry" and were willing to co-operate. Collection and subscription \$25.00. Sunday evening I was with that stalwart Baptist, Rev. V. S. Cooper, the pastor of Zion Baptist church. This church seemed to have had a new birth. It was the largest congregation I have had the privilege of meeting in the Twin Cities. This congregation seemed more like one of our Southern congregations than a Northern, from the fact they are not ashamed to say amen. And do you know they have learned how to shout at Zion? The church is alive, the auxiliaries are endeavoring to make Zion the "Hot Bed" of Baptist activity. They are looking forward to the coming of the Iowa Baptist Association, which will be the first gathering of Baptists in Minnesota. I mean of our people.

I was given the evening hour. I spoke on the subject, Co-operation, and it seemed to have been the thing. Rev. Cooper has been hammering hard in this city, endeavoring to get the Baptists to co-operate. The people of this city, especially the Baptists, are beginning to realize the duty of the Baptists in so far as church government. The Zion Baptist church has realized this for it has joined the Iowa Baptist Association and this body will meet with the Zion Baptist church in August. It simply took a Cooper to strike the match for this great movement among the Baptists of Minnesota. This church will for the first time unite with the Western Baptist Convention in St. Louis in July.

The members and friends of the Zion Baptist church are raising a fund to purchase an automobile for the pastor. This shows the high esteem in which he is held for his noble work for the church and Master. I saw one of his members, Bro. R. B. Montgomery, editor of the Minnesota Advocate, pay in five dollars on the car. Many others are doing likewise.

Since Rev. Cooper has been in Minneapolis with his sound doctrine, the Baptists are realizing the worth of a pastor firm in the doctrine of the church. Collection and subscription \$27.50.

Sunday afternoon I was with the Memorial Baptist church of St. Paul. Rev. T. J. Carr is pastoring this church. This is the youngest church of the Twin Cities, yet it has a good membership. This was an unusual time for a meeting at this church, hence the attendance was very poor. I presented the work and those present seemed delighted to hear the message. Had the people turned out our financial effort would have been as successful as the other churches. Collection and subscription \$6.25.

Wednesday evening I was with Pilgrim Baptist church, St. Paul, Rev. Benjamin H. Hodge of Madison, N. J., having recently come to take charge. This church was pastored by Rev. W. D. Carter, now of Seattle, Wash., and was once field secretary of the Western Baptist Convention. I am unable to say much of this church other than from all indications it has made no mistake in calling Rev. Hodge, for I find from a conversation with him he stands firmly for the doctrine of the church and Christian principles as taught in the New Testament scriptures. From all indications Pilgrim has a pastor who believes that Christianity means a separation from the world and worldly practices to be followers of the lowly Nazarene. The Pilgrim church is one of the strongest churches of the Twin Cities, and if sentiment stands for anything this church will be represented in both the Iowa Association and Western Convention.

I wish to say the collection was small owing to the fact I had never visited this church for the convention and they did not come prepared for the demands, but agreed that the matter would be taken up by the church and comply with the requirements, which will be accepted and appreciated. I feel almost certain that all the churches of the Twin Cities will unite with our association and the convention.

I find too there are churches of our denomination in certain sections of the West do not know how to take members in the Baptist church. When persons join by baptism, letter or watch-care the pastor extends the right hand of fellowship without the applicant being voted for by the church. And a person can become a member of the Baptist church properly unless voted in by the church.

Sister Cooper, the wife of Rev. Cooper, has been ill for two months, not able even to get out to services. And how the members care for her is gratifying. She does not show for attention. The membership wants the same respect for her as for the pastor, both are held in high esteem. We are rambling on toward the convention. C. W. Rodgers, Field Sec.

NOTICE TO MASTER MASONS OF IOWA JURISDICTION.

On my return after making my official visits, I beg leave to submit the following report: On my arrival at Marshalltown, May 29, bringing a pleasant surprise to the brothers of Eureka Lodge No. 20. I was received just after the lodge was opened and by request of the W. M., Bro. Geo. L. Sutor, I then officiated in the ceremonies of raising of 8 Master Masons, after which a four course luncheon was spread which was greatly enjoyed by all.

From Marshalltown I went to Davenport, where I was met by Grand Master

W. W. Gross and R. W. Deputy Grand Master H. E. Bradford, R. W. G. Secy. H. W. Rose, G. S. S. Thomas Lloyd and Rev. S. B. Moore in the hall of Hiram Lodge No. 19, wherein a lodge of instruction was opened by W. M. Bro. Oscar South. After the reception of the Grand Master and Grand Custodian the Grand Custodian presided over the school of instruction, at the conclusion of which interesting remarks were made by the brothers and an address by the Grand Master, W. W. Gross.

I highly appreciate the many courtesies shown me on all my visits and I enjoyed meeting many old and new friends, especially in Rock Island, where courtesies were extended me by the Masons and Eastern Stars of the Illinois Jurisdiction. Respectfully submitted. C. C. Johnson, G. C.

Booze Is Not a Good Cure.

From the Ames Iowa Intelligencer. When a man comes to you all doubled up with pain and declares he will die in your presence unless you procure him a drink of whiskey, send him to a doctor or else give him a dose of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. There is a mistaken notion among a whole lot of people that booze is the best remedy for colic and stomach ache.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Last Week. Rev. Handay of Waterloo arrived in the city Saturday and filled the pulpit for us Sunday.

Mark Carrington, who has been ill for several months, passed away at his home on 419 S. 16th St., Sunday morning, May 25, at 7 o'clock. He was born Jan. 25, 1904, and at the time of his death he was 15 years and 4 months old.

He was laid to rest in the Oakland Cemetery, Tuesday, May 27. Rev. F. J. Knott, Sr., of Clinton, Iowa, preached the funeral, assisted by Rev. Handay. We all extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Bro. Joe Saunders was taken to the home of his daughter from the St. Joseph Hospital Sunday, May 26.

Those on the sick list are reported better.

Several out of town people attended the funeral.

Elmer Carrington arrived in the city from Des Moines to attend the funeral of his brother, Mark Carrington.

Mr. Leonard Lewis, who has been in service several months, arrived in the city from Newport News, Va., and expects to make this his future home.

Olive Mae Crittenden was visiting in Mystic Saturday with her sister, Mrs. E. F. Brown.

Several from Mystic attended the services Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks have returned home after spending several days in Des Moines.

Mrs. Hazel Penniston of Trenton, Mo., is visiting in the city with her friend, Mrs. Edna Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald has now bought a nice home on East Wilson St. and are nicely located.

Deacon Carey Noah is building a new bungalow.

ALBIA NEWS.

Rev. J. W. Dowden was in Omaha on May 25th to attend the annual sermon of the K. of P. lodge, his home making lodge in Omaha. He returned to Albia on Tuesday.

Mrs. Delia Thomas has been to the State Colored Women's Federation of Clubs of Iowa in Marshalltown the past week.

The Juniors of the A. M. E. church put on a play at the church on Monday evening. They had some very fine players.

On Tuesday evening there was a surprise party given at the home of Mr. Chas. Washington on Mr. Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Washington contemplate leaving Albia in the near future and they will be greatly missed.

On her third birthday little Marcella Grayson last Sunday, May 25th, entertained fifteen merry little youngsters to ice cream and cake at her home on West Third St.

Mrs. Joe Robinson of Hocking passed through Albia on Monday enroute to Marshalltown to attend the State Colored Women's Club convention.

The Albia high schools have closed this year with 60 colored students in the schools and five in high school and two seniors, Mr. Creola Morris and Miss Alberta Robinson, who will graduate with the class of 1920.

Sunday, June 1st, was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. In the morning quarterly meeting services were held. In the afternoon the National American Protective Association of Ottumwa came up and organized a club of this organization in Albia. They had a special program of the Ottumwa people, speaking by Mr. Page, solo by Mr. Baily, also a cornet solo by Mr. Weeks. To this organization twenty-seven joined in Albia, making an Albia club. Collection for all \$27.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People from Ottumwa was represented in Albia by Rev. Page, Mr. Baily, Henderson and Mitchell. These gentlemen succeeded in setting up this organization in Albia, Iowa, June 1, on Sunday afternoon at the A. M. E. church and received applications for membership to the number of 31. Rev. Page acted as the spokesman. Mr. Baily played saxophone and sang a solo, Mrs. Downing as the pianist, also Mr. Henderson solo. Mr. Edward Butler introduced the gentlemen to the Albia audience. They had a full house, all appreciating the coming of the organization to our town. Hocking also joined Albia and gave membership to the organization.

Mrs. Chas. Washington has gone to Wisconsin for an indefinite stay. They may move in the midsummer.

Please pay your subscription.

NOTE FROM ST. JOHN A. M. E. CHURCH.

The pastor and members of St. John church are pitched to the highest key of enthusiasm. The results of their strenuous efforts to build a new church for the Lord in Southeast Des Moines is very encouraging.

The work has been started, the basement is being dug, much material is being put on the ground every day. Mr. J. H. Spriggs, colored contractor of this city, is in charge of the work.

Too much credit cannot be given to the sainted and scholarly Bishop L. W. Kyles, A. M. S. T. B. of the Seventh Episcopal district, for helping the pastor, Rev. E. S. Harge, to get this work started. There are not many Kyles who hear the call for service of the mission churches as well as the large.

Last Sunday was a day of much rejoicing, when the captains appointed by the pastor to raise \$2,500 made their reports of six days effort and laid on the table in clean cash \$111.50.

The captains of the clubs are as follows:

No. 1, Fred Myers and Viola Harge, \$20.00.

No. 2, W. J. Clinton and Nellie P. Broadus, \$27.00.

No. 3, A. Ashcraft and B. Brown, \$17.50.

No. 4, Major Ray and Myrtle Lewis, \$27.00.

No. 5, Willie Hilliard and Mary L. Jackson, \$20.00.

We ask the aid of everyone to help build a church for our people and others where it is so badly needed. People are fastly moving to this part of the city and they need a church home. We thank those who have already given and thank those in advance who may help us.

COUNCIL BLUFFS NEWS.

Bethel A. M. E. church, Ave. A and 16th street. Rev. Matthew Riscoe Rhonence, pastor. At 11 a. m. Sunday morning Rev. R. E. Ewing of Denver, Colo., preached a soul stirring sermon. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor, both were good. At night the Rev. Melrose Goda Sishuba, a native of South Africa. Rev. M. G. Sishuba is a pulpit orator and a theological expositor of the New and Old Testament and very historical. He has just returned from overseas, where he has been servink in the British army, and has traveled very extensively in Europe, visiting all places of interest and historical significance. He is now visiting his own countrymen in Council Bluffs, Iowa, in the person of Rev. M. R. Rhonence, pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church.

Rev. M. G. Sishuba is now traveling in the west, preaching and lecturing on his experience overseas with the boys.

The entertainment given by the Stewardless Boards for the trustees Friday night proved to be a success. There will be a feast in the wilderness given at the Bethel A. M. E. church June 9, 1919, by the Iowa Club No. 5.

The Eastern Star will have their entertainment June 11 at the Masonic Hall, 18 S. Pearl street.

Rev. M. R. Rhonence preached at St. John A. M. E. church, Omaha, Monday night for Rev. W. C. William in his campaign on subject they had a mine to work.

The Bethel A. M. E. church are still working and raising money to make our church building what it ought to be. Some of the good people have paid up their pledges and we are asking to pay so that we can start our work. The Lord is blessing the work and everybody seems to be happy in so doing.

Mrs. Gertrude B. Rhonence and little son Charles were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Inis Smith, 2425 Sixth Ave.

Mr. R. V. Robertson is just about the same at this writing.

Rev. J. P. Jackson, D. D., pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, we are glad to say that the good work is still moving onward. We are about able to say that we will be ready to go in our new church within a few weeks by the help of the Lord. We have some of the windows at the church now. Sunday was a good day also with us in the work. We are still having our rally to carry out the work.

We are having many people coming in our city and some of them are buying homes.

Sore Nipples.

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

DAVENPORT, IOWA.

On last Thursday night three of the Davenport colored scouts were admitted to the life and drum corps. One of the scouts in person of Raymond Moore was equipped with instrument and knowledge of playing it enough to be permitted to march with the life and drum corp on Decoration day. The other two scouts have taken up the bugle and drums. It is hoped they will not only learn but stick to it. On Friday the scouts went on a hike from Davenport to Milon, Illinois. They had a fine time. When they reached the camp they built the fires, then while the two cooks prepared the good eats the other scouts went fishing. One of the scouts had a very funny mishap. He had quite a large bait on worms on his throw line and suddenly at the sign of a jerk he began pulling his line in, then a look of defeat came upon his face. What had happened? The fish he had caught had eaten his bait and at his own pleasure flung himself back to deep water, and left this scout's hook as it were and his hands empty. Soon the mess call was given, and the hungry and anxious scouts grabbed their eating utensils and were in their places in one minute's time. After a hearty meal they proceeded to games and wading. When the sun began to hide his face

behind the western hills the scouts trudged their way homeward, all feeling somewhat tired but full of pep yet. Lots of the scouts were waiting for the assistant scoutmaster to say "pitch camp for the night," but its a nice thing to sleep upon a bed called Mother Earth with the beautiful stars as a cover, but it's still better to sleep on a feather bed with a nice bright colored quilt that grandmother made. So the scouts gladly chose the latter.

Sunday the Methodist church in Davenport was favored with the coming of the O. E. S. lodge, who had the Rev. Dr. S. B. Moore to preach their annual sermon for them. They had a fair crowd and raised a sum of \$14.00.

Thursday night, as a favor to the public and a membership drive for the N. A. A. C. P. the same will present to the public as its speaker of the hour Attorney S. Joe Brown, who will speak to the colored citizens of Davenport on "The Aims and Achievements of the N. A. A. C. P." Attorney Brown is a very able speaker and it will be worth your while to come out Thursday night and hear him.

Owing to the large incoming of colored citizens to Davenport the real estate men have raised the rent upon houses and it is being impossible for the colored citizens to rent houses.

Sunday will be quarterly meeting. Let every one do his bit and our church will once more be over the top as we have done the past quarters. Dr. N. J. McCracken, P. E., is expected to be with us. Let all the church auxiliaries not forget to make their third quarterly report Monday night at the quarterly conference.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Sunday was a beautiful day and all services were well attended. Rev. F. J. Nott preached for us both morning and evening. He left for his home in Clinton, Iowa, Monday, June 2.

Bro. Joe Saunders is able to be out again.

Mr. William Kearney is able to work again.

Mrs. Susie Williams Davis left for Chicago Monday night to take a post graduate course and beauty culture at the Molter College and expects to be gone about three weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Clark and son Harold left for Kansas City, Mo., Sunday morning for a four weeks visit with relatives and friends. They have purchased a home on East J St. and it is under repair during her absence.

Rev. M. Carrington is packing his household goods to move to Ottumwa.

Mrs. E. F. Brown and son W. E. spent Memorial Day with her mother, Mrs. A. L. Crittenden.

Mrs. Wm. Ousley arrived in the city from St. Paul and other points for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. E. Hicks is still improving nicely.

Mrs. Lizzie Taylor is much improved at this writing.

Miss Ruth Smith left for Minneapolis Saturday night to visit her sister, Miss Cornelia Smith.

The Sunday school has elected the officers this year. Supt., Sister Bernice Price; Asst. Sister Maggie Clark; Secy, Bro. Theodore Jones; Treas., Sister A. L. Crittenden.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lewis are nicely located on East Wilson St. and he has returned to the Elks, where he was working before going into training camp.

Mrs. L. D. Price is able to be out again.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends for their kindness and sympathy extended to us during the short illness of our son and brother, also the beautiful floral offering.

Rev. M. Carrington and Family.

GOOD THOUGHTS FOR TODAY.

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Save and have.

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Spend one penny less than thy clear gains.

Money can beget money, and its offspring can beget more.

It is foolish to lay out money in a purchase of repentance.

Learning is to the studious and riches to the careful.

Waste neither time nor money, but make the best use of both.

Remember that money is of the prolific, generating nature.

All things are cheap to the saving, dear to the wasteful.

If you would be wealthy, think of saving as well as getting.

"Alma Mater."

The phrase "alma mater," as applied to colleges and universities, is said to have originated in the University of Bonn, Germany. A statue of the Mother of Christ—the alma mater, or beloved mother, stands over the doorway of that famous seat of learning. From it the phrase received its origin.

Plow Evolved Slowly.

The plow evolved slowly from a crude instrument of wood into the steel tool of today. In many parts of the world even today a very primitive form of wooden plow is still in use.

Some Strategy.

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CLUBS.

The Mary Church Terrell Club met Monday evening with Mrs. Pearl Thompson at the McCree Tea Room.

On Monday night four of the Step Lively girls, the Misses Mildred Griffin, Jerada Clay, Osceola Jones and Lilly Anderson, assisted by Mr. Thomas Harris and Master McCraven, entertained the soldiers in the Auditorium at Fort Des Moines.

Miss Mitchell entertained the club leaders of the War Camp Community Service at a six o'clock tea. The following club leaders were present: Mrs. Goggins, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. White, Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. Young.

NOTICE.

All persons who are desirous of becoming members of the Needle Craft Club will please meet at the residence of Mrs. John Mayweather, 1086 14th St., Tuesday evening, June 10th.

Marchiel Neal Art Club met June 4 at the Community Service Club rooms. Mrs. Pearl Thompson, hostess. The meeting was well attended. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Mable Tymony, president; Mrs. Edna Davis, vice president; Mrs. Daisy Beverly, secretary; Mrs. Addie Anderson, assistant secretary; Mrs. C. A. Garth, treasurer; Mrs. Bernice Wilkerson, critic; Mrs. Pearl Thompson, chairman sick committee; Mrs. Taylor, chairman entertainment committee; Mrs. Dalza Hammit, chairman entertainment committee and reporter.

HOME MAKERS LEAGUE.

At a recent meeting of the Home Makers League it was decided to hold their regular meetings the last Tuesday in each month.

QUILTING.

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On the 30th of this month at the Girls Club room in the Army Club there will be a special program given, at which time all members are requested to be present and visitors are welcome.

The "Camp Mothers" assisted by the Chas. Young Auxiliary entertained the colored soldiers of Fort Des Moines hospital at a six o'clock dinner on last Saturday at the residence of Mrs. S. Joe Brown, the Regimental mother. Mrs. Brown wishes to express appreciation for assistance given by the ladies, especially Mesdames E. Crockett, N. C. Marshall, R. N. Hyde, S. Bates and Anna Harris. These two organizations are asked to meet at the same place, 1058 5th St., Monday evening at 8:30.

PERSONAL.

Dainty little announcements have been received by relatives and friends in the city from Buxton of the arrival of an eight pound baby, boy, May 31st, to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clay. Mrs. Clay was formerly Miss Minnie Mills. Mr. Clay is with the 804th Pioneer Infantry in France. The young man's name is Everett Arthur Clay.

Madame Mattie Brooks and daughter, Miss Aurora, were over Sunday guests of Mrs. Arthur Marshall, Ames, Iowa.

Mrs. C. L. Hampton has purchased a lovely home at 1410 Dixon Ave. Mrs. Andra Alexander spent over Sunday with her husband, who has charge of constructing a bridge near Marshalltown, Iowa.

Miss Almada Green of Keosauqua, Iowa, a graduate of Wilberforce University, arrived in the city last Thursday to take a position as stenographer and typist at the Historical Building. She is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Will Buckner.

Mrs. Nettie Davis of Chicago spent Decoration Day in the city. While here she visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Burrell.

Mrs. E. L. Burdette of 1719 Walker St., who has been very sick for several weeks, was taken this week to the home of her parents, Mrs. Black, in Moberly, Mo., to recuperate in health.

Atty. Gertrude B. Rush left Monday night for Atlantic City, N. J., to attend the National Conference of Social Service. She will be gone about a week.

Mrs. Wade H. McCree, Mrs. W. H. Harper, her mother, and baby, Elizabeth Ann, left Wednesday night for Boston, Mass. Mrs. Harper has been visiting her daughter here since winter. While in the city she made many, many dear friends, who were indeed sorry to have her leave the city for her home.

Mrs. Stella Hyde left last Sunday for an extended visit at her home in Macon, Mo. She was accompanied by her little son, Bobbie.

Among those who graduate from the various high schools this year are Miss Lillian Jacobs from West High, Miss Willa G. James and Mr. Clarence Chapman of North, and Doris A. Hutchinson of North High. We congratulate these young people, but are indeed sorry there are so few of them to graduate.

Mr. J. Solo Billings, the undertaker from Buxton, Iowa, is in our city attending the State Undertakers Association meeting. He is the only visiting colored undertaker here. Mr. Billings is one of our successful and influential business men. He is preparing to make an overland trip in his big car to California this summer, spending several weeks in company with his family.

Mr. Bert Patrick of Chicago, Ill., the traveling salesman for the Kashmir Chemical Co. of Chicago, spent two days in our city introducing his goods and establishing agents. Mr. Patrick was formerly with the Monitor of Omaha, Neb. He is a fine young man, well qualified for this work. He is meeting with great success in Iowa and wherever he goes.

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SOCIAL. The "At Home" for soldiers Sunday will be held at MacRae Park from five to seven p. m. If the weather is inclement same will be held at the usual place.

The first big picnic of the Community League will be held Thursday, June 12. For further information call Market 1111.

The members of Union Congregational Christian Endeavor held their weekly entertainment last Friday in Goods Park and had a lovely social time.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Miss Aurora Brook will appear in song recital at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Thursday evening, July 12th. Those holding tickets for the recital which was to have been given Feb. 28 can use the same for this recital. She will be assisted by Miss Mary Ellen McCree, pianist, and Mr. Charles Woods, vocalist. Program begins at 8:15 promptly. Miss Brooks has a beautiful voice and is a pupil of Mrs. Grace Clark-DeGraff.

JOIN THE NAVY.

Below a list of our young men who left our city this week for Hampton Roads, Va., to take a six weeks training course there, then to be sent to the various ships for service. The young man in charge of the men was Clarence J. Eaves. The others are Arthur P. Crosby, Randolph J. Hunter, Lester L. Moore, Jessie Hathews, Raymond L. De Manuel, Joseph H. Greene. There will be another group of boys to leave next week. Their names will appear then.

FORT DODGE.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lewis are the proud parents of a 12 pound boy. Mother and baby doing fine.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Washington died; was only 10 days old. The surprise birthday party given on Mrs. C. Coffman by her husband was a real surprise to Mrs. Coffman. She received many beautiful presents. They were cut glass, silver and china. The evening was spent in cards and music. After a three course repast the 18 guests departed wishing Mr. Coffman many more such birthdays.

Services were well attended Sunday at both churches, Coppon A. M. E. chapel and Second Baptist. Mr. George Perkins is back in the city again for an indefinite stay. On Tuesday night at 8 o'clock the Fort Dodge Improvement Club banqueted 20 guests at their first anniversary, May 26, at the F. E. Coleman residence. Rev. and Mrs. Biggs were honored guests. The tables were decorated with the famous June bridal wreath flowers. G. E. Perkins was toastmaster. Prayer, Rev. Biggs. After first course address by the president, A. Seppe, why the club stands for improvement. After the second course, the work of the club during the year, Mrs. M. Buckner. Between each course each member responded to the toastmaster's call, and after an eight course supper the guests departed and decided the evening a pleasant one and were glad they were members of the Fort Dodge Improvement Club.

Well Buxton, the wedding bells rang all the way from Buxton to Fort Dodge and Mrs. Daisy Brook heard them. J. F. Baker rang them and came and made her his wife Sunday at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Brooks has been employed at the largest ready-to-wear department store (white) for about four years as maid, and they regret very much to give her up, and must say she will be more than missed among the colored population as she was very active in church work and did all she could for the uplift of humanity. Our loss is Buxton's gain.

The members of the Fort Dodge Improvement Club toured to Envil Park for a picnic Decoration Day. J. L. Thompson, the editor, was in town last week in the interest of the Bystander.

Mrs. Eva Thomas is still on the sick list. The Franklins, Mutlers and Raglins picnicked at Olson Park Decoration Day.

The Candellilla Plant. The wax of the candellilla plant is used in making candles, phonograph records, wood and leather polishes, floor wax, certain varnishes, linoleum, rubber compounds and celluloid, and it also enters into use in pharmacy and in the making of electrical insulation. The candellilla plant grows on the poorest quality of soil, and before it was found to have a commercial value for the wax contained it was considered a pest.

Getting Worried. Clarence constantly played with Marguerite, one of twins, until his parents teased him about his "girl." One afternoon Clarence's mother was sitting on the porch. Clarence, Marguerite, and a few other children were playing in the yard. Suddenly he left the group and coming to his mother said: "Mother, when you marry a twin, do you have to marry both of them?"

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Cornithan Baptist Church Fifteenth and Linden Sts. G. W. Robinson, Pastor. 7 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. Evening services at 7:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday. Everybody invited at all of these services.

St. Paul's A. M. E. Church 12th and Crocker Sts. 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. M. Toomey, Pastor. 9:30 a. m.—Sunday school. 11 a. m.—Preaching. 6 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. 8 p. m.—Prayer.

St. John A. M. E. Zion Church. S. E. 19th and Scott Sts. Rev. E. S. Harge, Pastor. 10:00 a. m.—Sunday school. 11:00 a. m.—Preaching. 6:30 p. m.—V. C. E. Society. 8:00 p. m.—Preaching. 8:00 p. m. Friday—Prayer and class meeting.

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. 6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor. 7:30 p. m.—Evening worship. Prayer, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Asbury M. E. Church. Services in Knights of Tabro Hall, 12th and Park Sts. Rev. Spencer Ray, Pastor. Phone Wal. 8241. Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Evening Service. Preaching, 7:45 p. m. Class Meeting, Friday, 8 p. m.

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KEOKUK, IOWA.

The Negro industrial fair at Pilgrim Rest church was very successful.

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The culinary department, with Miss Bessie Rose and Mrs. Nannie Owen in charge, served lunches and refreshments to all who came, and made a fine showing.

The laundry department, with Mesdames, Berdie Williams and Pearl Buckley in charge, was second to none ever held in this section of the country.

Mrs. Carrie Smith had charge of the school exhibits, and various lines of work were carefully and ably shown.

Fancy Work Booth.

The home-made textile and fancy work booth, with Mesdames Selby Johnson and V. Olive Phillips in charge, surprised not only the superintendent, but every visitor and judge. The minimum value of the two hundred articles exhibited is \$1,000. In size these articles ranged from a handkerchief to a bed quilt or spread. In value they ranged from 10 cents to \$50. The prizes were as follows:

- Best silk quilt—Mrs. Mary N. Brown.
- Best cotton quilt—Mrs. Selby Johnson.
- Prettiest pillow top—Miss Ella Weldon.
- Best embroidered centerpiece—Mrs. Jennie Snoddy.
- Best drawn work—Miss Ola Tucker, Farmington, Iowa.
- Best hemstitching—Mrs. Nora Harris.
- Collection of best embroidery—Miss Margaret Buekner.
- Best point lace—Mrs. Selby Johnson.
- Best bed spread—Miss Ola Tucker.
- Best apron—Miss Ola Tucker.
- Best crochet—Miss Ella Weldon.
- Best hand-made dress—Miss Lizzie Russ.
- Best tailored suit—Mrs. M. E. Moore.
- Best specimen of embroidery—Mrs. Selby Johnson. This specimen carries a Marshall Field blue ribbon from the national exposition in Chicago, 1915.
- Best specimen of tatting—Miss Ola Tucker.

In the laundry department, the prizes were awarded as follows:

- Best washed and ironed pleated shirt, Mrs. M. E. Moore; best washed and ironed white waist, Mrs. Georgia Ann Webster; best washed and ironed skirt, Mrs. M. E. Moore; best washed and ironed white dress suit, Mrs. M. E. Moore.

School Exhibit.

In the school exhibit the awards were:

- Best drawing in pencil, Melvin Smith; best drawing in water colors, Thelma Seal; best composition on "The Resources of Iowa," Elizabeth Rose; best maps of Lee county, Melvin Smith; best maps of Iowa, Maceo Byrd and Rosetta Pyles.

The culinary department awards were as follows:

- Best loaf of bread, Mrs. Eula Fields; best loaf of bread, Mrs. Rachel Aikens; best angel food cake, Essie Cook; best white cake, Mrs. Julia Thomas; best

doughnuts, Mrs. Nannie Owen.

The only special premium voted on was that for the most popular miss, which resulted in the selection of Miss Thelma Seal.

The painstaking and fully competent judges have won the highest degree of appreciation from the exhibitors and church, and perfect harmony exists among the contestants. Mrs. Ed S. Lofton was chairman, with Mrs. F. L. Griffey, Mrs. F. S. Johnson, Mrs. George Banks, Mrs. W. H. Starks, Mrs. D. J. Breitenstein, Mrs. C. G. Meister, Mrs. Jennie Toombs and Mrs. Nora Harris as the rest of the jury.

The program, under the leadership of Mrs. M. E. Moore, was in harmony with the other splendid programs she has rendered.

"All feel with one accord that too much praise cannot be given Rev. J. Sterling Moore and his co-workers for this event, which was one of the greatest in this section of the country."

Rev. Cain White preached an excellent and soul stirring sermon at the First African Baptist church Sunday evening.

Rev. Clark and congregation wishes in this way to thank Mrs. Ulissus Johnson, 1723 Concert street, for a beautiful communion set.

Rev. W. H. Clark of the First African Baptist church preached an excellent sermon at the Pilgrim Rest church Sunday afternoon, it being their rally day.

Dr. J. H. Williams of Kansas City, Mo., Grand Master of U. B. of F., and S. M. T. Lodges, is being royally entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Phillips.

Mrs. C. R. Waters is visiting friends and relatives in Chicago for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. W. H. Taylor has returned from a visit to Hannibal, Mo.

Mrs. Florence Jackson is visiting Keokuk friends and will return to Chicago soon.

Mrs. Etta Wilkins is still at St. Joseph's hospital, however she is improving.

Miss Jennie Dandridge, proprietress of the Farmers' Restaurant, has moved across the street directly opposite her former place.

The Pyles children, also the Buckneys, are out after having the measles.

Nate Mitchell remains very feeble. Grand Master Williams is making his annual tour visiting lodges and temples.

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CLINTON, IOWA.

Rev. W. W. Williams assisted Rev. Lewis, pastor of the A. M. E. church, at Moline, with his quarterly meeting on Sunday, May 25th.

Subscribers get your money ready. The collector is liable to call on you at any time.

Mrs. Lulu M. Greene and Miss Genevieve Bush returned to Chicago Monday morning, after a few days visit at the home of the parents of the latter, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bush, on Eighth avenue.

Rev. Mr. Judon of the 2nd Baptist church filled the pulpit at Bethel A. M. E. church recently during the absence of the pastor from the city.

Subscribe for the Bystander, the race family paper.

Leah Chapter, O. E. S., appropriately observed Esther Day Sunday afternoon at Bethel A. M. E. church in place of the regular sermon, an interesting program was rendered suitable to the occasion.

A. A. Bush was called to Galesburg last week in response to the call of the reconvening of the Electoral College, the previous meeting having been called by mistake. The action of the previous meeting was legalized by the endorsement of the action of that date.

The race will be represented at the coming graduation exercises of the C. H. S. in the person of Mr. Roscoe I. Johnson. His friends with him rejoice in his coming honors as a graduate.

Sunday, June 16th, has been set for the third quarterly meeting at Bethel church.

141 pupils will graduate from the grammar school this year. Among them will be three of our boys and girls, viz.: Isabelle Thompson, Helen Slater and Richard Slater.

Mr. Scott Robinson is slightly under the weather. His friends hope he will improve.

The entertainment given under the auspices of the Missionary Society passed off nicely. A neat sum was realized.

Word from our boys overseas are that they hope and expect to be soon in the states again.

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For full particulars see petition. And that unless you appear and defend on or before noon of the second day of the next, July, 1919, term of

this court, which will commence at Des Moines, Iowa, on the 7th day of July, 1919, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

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