

"OUR WOMEN OVERSEAS"

In June, 1918, three women went to France in the service of the Y. M. C. A. to aid in the welfare work for colored soldiers. These were Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Hinton and Miss Catherine Johnson. Five months after the armistice was signed, sixteen others were sent by the same organization. These were Mrs. Laura Williamson, Mrs. Hattie Craigwell, Mrs. Florence Williams, Miss Harriet Edwards, Miss Althea Roehon, Miss Florence Thomas, Miss Meta Evans, Miss Alice Turner, Miss Ernestine Suarez, Miss Bilda Phelps, Miss Helen Hagan, Miss Marion Garbon, Miss Josephine Bruce, Miss Childs, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Talbert. These women were classified as secretaries in canteen service, and placed for periods of from two to eight weeks at Bordeaux, St. Nazaire, Brest, LeMans, Chaumont, Reimacourt, Chamberg, Chailiseaux, Marseilles and Paris, usually in groups of two or more.

In April, 1919, there were about 100,000 colored soldiers in France. A large number were in the rest camps, and were visited by the women who operated the rolling canteen provided for our boys. Most of the others were in regular camps. Of this number, perhaps two thousand enjoyed the privileges of the leave area, located in the French Alps, by far the most wholesome, interesting and enjoyable spot to

which they were allowed to go.

The welfare work in most cases was housed in barracks, hut or tent, furnished with tables, chairs, books, newspapers, and magazines, games, writing material, usually a stage and a piano, always a victrola and records, and a canteen outfit.

The duties of the secretary or hostess were to keep the place so bright, cheerful and attractive that the boys would prefer to spend their spare time at this improvised club to wandering about in the towns and villages adjoining the camps.

Each week educational and religious programs, entertainments, musical and dramatic, and moving picture shows were provided by the entertainment bureau of the Y. M. C. A.

The canteen service furnished hot or cold drinks with cakes and was prepared and served by the secretaries often free of charge.

In every spot where these women worked, their services were not only gratefully received and thoroughly appreciated by the soldiers, but quite as much by the organization and the camp officials. It is to be regretted, however, that a larger number were not sent about a year sooner.

Banker John Whitelaw Lewis Builds Beautiful Structure—Six Day Celebration Marks Opening of the White-



Colonel Young to be sent to Liberia

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Col. Charles Young Young, retired, the only Negro officer of the army to attain that rank, has been selected as military attaché to Liberia at the request of the African republic. Some years ago Colonel Young organized the military establishment of Liberia. He was recalled to active duty during the war and detailed to train recruits.

KILLED PROTECTING COLORED OFFICIAL

Three White Men Die in Louisiana Rather Than Allow Mob to Get Colored Brother.

The dead:

L. E. WILLIAMS, president of the local Federation of Labor and editor of the Press, a union labor newspaper.

A. BOUCHILLON, a union carpenter.

THOMAS GAINES, a union carpenter.

THE WOUNDED

A. J. O'BOURKE, a leader in labor union circles, shot fatally.

JULES LE BLANC, former army captain and member of the Loyalty league.

Bogalusa, La., Dec. 5.—Willingness of white union men to stand by Saul Dechus, president of a colored labor union, not only prevented a mob from lynching him, but resulted in the death of three white union men and the wounding of two of the mob. Dechus escaped and has not been caught.

The trouble arose between the Great Southern Lumber company, which built Bogalusa, and the white union men, who claimed they were locked out. Word received here that white union leaders from New Orleans were on their way here caused the Lumber company people to organize and march out to meet them. The train was held up five miles from town, and chagrined because no undesirable were found, the mob decided to look up Dechus, who was said to be organizing the company's colored workers.

Dechus was finally found protected by two white union men with shot guns and the fight began. The three men took refuge in a garage, and both white men were killed by shots and two of the mob wounded. Dechus escaped unhurt.

In a telegram to Attorney General Palmer, Wm. L. Donnell, head of the Carpenters' union asks for an investigation, saying that the lumber company is agitating the deporting of all union men on the false ground that they are radicals. "If something is not done at once, we will take the law into our own hands," read the telegram.

CHAPTER MEETS CHRISTMAS

The grand chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi, one of the two national Greek letter fraternities in the United States holds its eighth annual meeting Dec. 31 at Illinois university, Champaign, Ill. The Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, founded in 1911 at Indiana university, elected E. W. Diggs, a charter member, First Grand Polemarch. I. Armstrong, also a charter member, was elected in 1917 march. The title of Past Grand Polemarch was conferred on the former.

The fraternity has an honor roll of over two hundred men who served their country both as officers and soldiers. Attorney S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, Iowa, and Wilkerson of St. Louis are members of the Kappa Alpha

OUR NEW CARTOONIST.

Des Moines may well be termed the "city of cartoon makers." The fame of "Ding" which has gone far and wide has given Des Moines a prominent place in this artistic field. The colored population has still more cause for elation since it counts as one of its number a young man who has elicited much favorable comment on the cleverness of his drawing, Mr. James Lloyd McGuire, whose cartoon appears in this issue, has the promise of the real thing along this line of art. At present Mr. McGuire is a student at the Cumming art school. The Bystander has been unusually fortunate in securing the services of this coming cartoonist.

THRIFT WORK.

During these days of high cost of living let no body of club women be satisfied with mere study programs and cut lines on thrift.

Seek to get all members actually practicing these "Thrift Suggestions" which are being urged very strongly at every town. Leaflets will be sent out from time to time.

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Plan the daily menu with care. More time for careful preparation means more added to the savings account for the future.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH BOARD MEETS

At the regular monthly meeting of the executive board of the Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people held at the residence of Mr. R. N. Hyde 821 Thirteenth street, Monday evening, the following standing committees were elected for the ensuing term: Membership, Mrs. Elbert R. Hall, chairman; Mrs. S. Bates and Mr. L. L. Bowles; Finance, the president, and the treasurer and Mr. R. N. Hyde; meetings, Mrs. George C. Young, chairman, Mrs. Harrison Gould and Mrs. A. M. White; press, Hon. Harvey Ingham, editor of the Des Moines Register and Tribune, chairman; Miss Ada Hyde and Mrs. H. R. Graves; legal redress and legislation, Attorney S. Joe Brown, chairman; Attorney Gertrude E. Rush and Attorney George H. Woodson; grievance, Rev. T. J. Jones, chairman; Dr. W. H. Lowry and Mr. Harry Seymour; education, Rev. George W. Robinson, chairman; Mr. Rufus King and Mrs. R. A. Dobson and clipping department, Hon. A. J. Small, state law librarian, chairman.

Elbert R. Hall, president; Dr. W. H. Lowry, vice president; Carol E. Curley, secretary and Dr. J. A. Jefferson, treasurer, elected at the annual meeting of the branch held last month, assumed their duties. Each one expressed a willingness to put forth every effort to increase the membership and push forward the aims of the local department and the national association. Plans were instituted to make the emancipation day exercises on New Year's evening eclips anything of its kind ever held in Des Moines. A speaker of note will deliver the principal address.

Hon. Gardner Cowles, publisher of the Des Moines Register and Tribune; Captain Casper Schenk, late of the 88th division A. E. F.; Mrs. Casper Schenk, Hon. A. C. Gustafson, secretary to former Governor George W. Clarke; Hon. Frank S. Shaw, auditor of state, renewed their membership in the branch. The Rev. Oilman Smith, chaplain of the Iowa Methodist hospital, was elected to membership.

Attorney S. Joe Brown was elected to represent the branch at the meetings of the Equality league, a local organization. Mr. Harrison Gould was authorized

TO CLUB WORKERS.

The following clubs contributed to china shower to date: Cedar Rapids—J. S. Y., C. R. & B. A. and L.; Oskaloosa, L. P. C.; Washington, D. C.; Centerville, A. & I; also box of jelly and canned goods; Burlington, B. V. I. club; Ottumwa, P. W.; Des Moines, W. C. T. U.; Des Moines, two sets, also one chocolate set. No name given from Mrs. Jackson, Miss Wilson friends also contributed. More clubs will contribute later.

Cards sent out to club women of the state during the past week are deserving of careful consideration. "Shall we or shall we not own the beautiful, comfortably furnished, splendidly located piece of property on Iowa avenue in Iowa City by September, 1920."

This question can be affirmatively answered by club women if each one will only do their duty.

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To date we have something like \$500 in our treasury.

We also have between 400 and 500 club women in the state. Do you not see how easily we can pay \$6,000 and cancel note No. 2?

Mrs. Young, secretary, will announce names of women who contribute also clubs to which they belong.

NEGROES PICKED FOR STAR TEAMS

Since the Negroes achievements must far surpass those of his white brothers in order to be given equal recognition we may safely say Iowa has two of the greatest football players this section has ever produced.

When Walter Eckersall, western football authority recently chose his all conference team which included the best all round players from the ten big universities in the conference, Slater, Iowa's big tackle was unhesitatingly given a place.

Curtis Morton, North high's star full back, has been selected for both all city and all state elevens.

TO WRITE PHOTO PLAYS.

(Special to Bystander.)

Miss Maude Dorian Shields of Cedar Rapids has just signed a contract to write scenarios for the Essanay and Goldwyn Film corporations. She wrote for these corporations two years ago but has recently been giving her time to art.

Miss Dorian is an Iowa girl and well known throughout the state. Her many friends will be glad to know of her success.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO IOWA BAPTIST

This comes to inform you that the first quarterly board meeting of the Iowa Baptist association will convene with the Second Baptist church of Ottumwa on Tuesday, Dec. 16. Let every church and circle please report. It is better to keep up than it is to stay up. Please send your quarterly amount to me with your address so that you can properly secure a receipt for the same. Send all money to Rev. G. W. Robinson, 1009 West Twelfth street, Des Moines, Iowa until Dec. 14 after that send them to Ottumwa.

ALBIA ITEMS.

(By Miss May F. Davis.)

Mrs. Joe Robinson of Hocking was in Albia this week looking after her hair dressing business.

Sunday, Dec. 7 is quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. The rat visit for the recent elected presiding elder.

Thanksgiving day was a day of home coming and thankfulness to Albia people. Nearly every family in town had a friend or a relative at their house. Following are a few of them at the home of Mrs. Hattie Bennings visited: Madam E. Jeffers and Estes, Mrs. Estes and Miss Marguerite Estes of Des Moines at the home of Mrs. Joe Hollingsworth was Mrs. Allie Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bowman of Des Moines. At the home of Mrs. C. Thomas was Mrs. Stella Miller, Mrs. Marie and Cornelius Miller and children of Hawkeye. Mrs. Carrie Griffith and children, Miss Anna and Mr. Malcolm Griffith of Des Moines and at the home of Mrs. G. A. Davis, Mr. Charles Davis and Mrs. Edna King of Ottumwa.

OTTUMWA COMMUNITY NEWS.

(Special to Bystander.)

The Lyrical Music club entertained Mr. Eugene Bailey, a student of Iowa Wesleyan at the home of Mr. Russell Downey, Thursday, Nov. 30.

Miss Constance Downey spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Downey, 236 Bashaw street.

An evening of music and games was spent Saturday in honor of Miss Constance Downey after which she returned Sunday morning to Provident hospital, Kansas City, Mo., where she is receiving nurse training.

The Lyrical Music club rendered a very pleasing program at the Gared school Tuesday evening.

A party for an elderly couple will be given by the sewing circle of the Mt. Zion A. M. E. church.

The Second Baptist church and Benevolent club served a splendid dinner on Thanksgiving day at the K. P. hall.

The Boy Scouts of our community are progressing nicely under their captain, Mr. Bryan Williams.

SCHOOL TO BE MODELED AFTER TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE TO EDUCATE INDIANS OF YUCATAN.

A recent press dispatch from Yucatan says: "Preparations are under way to establish in the city of Epitla a school modeled on the plan of Tuskegee institute for the benefit of the Maya Indians of Yucatan. These Indians, many of whom were in former years in a state bordering on slavery, will be given instruction both in manual training, agriculture, and in elemental studies. The plan is to devote a portion of the pupils' time to work in the fields and shops and another part to work in the schoolroom. A small theater will be included in the equipment of the school."

SETS UP LODGE.

Mme. Mattie Brooks of this city, G. H. P. of Iowa and jurisdiction of the tabernacle set up Beacon Light Tabernacle No. 589 of Cedar Rapids last month. Mme. Brooks is very active in this order and has had unusual success as an organizer. The following officers and members of Beacon Light were initiated, Mesdames Alice Thompson, H. P.; Mamie Fletcher, V. P.; Golden H. Dorsey, C. R.; Julia McGee, V. R.; Ruby Crawford, C. T. R.; Mattie Patterson, I. H.; Ida Ruthram, O. H.; Mobealla Neal, B. E.; Eliza Blakey, B. E.; Minnie Gray, B. E.; Carrie Perkins, B. V.; Corrie Allen, B. U.; Mary Jackson, B. V.; Annie Joyce, C. T. S.; Georgia H. Jones, C. T.; Laura Franklin, E. T. S.; Farnelia Wilson, P. H. P.; Laura Parke, Almira Wilson, Martha Simmes and Maggie Downs.

Princess Zorah chapter, No. 10, O. E. S., held their annual election of officers Tuesday night. The following officers were elected: Mrs. H. R. Graves, matron; Mrs. Gertrude Hyde, associate matron; Mrs. E. Mayweather, conductress; Mrs. Anna Tomlin, associate conductress; Mrs. W. H. Warwick, secretary; Mrs. C. B. Woods, treasurer; Mr. Gus Watkins, worthy patron. The initiation will be held Wednesday, Dec. 10 at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Hyde, 821 Thirteenth street.

Washington's New \$1,000,000 Hotel

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—The Whitelaw hotel, corner Thirteenth and T streets, northwest was auspiciously opened with a six-day celebration. A literary and musical program was given each evening. Thousands of our citizens assembled to pay honor and homage to the master mind who conceived the necessity for such an enterprise and who had the courage to carry it out. Too much credit cannot be given to John Whitelaw Lewis, the banker, who bent all his energies to its accomplishment. The most prominent of our citizens, social and fraternal, took in the exercises each evening, and a number of ladies formed a reception committee who welcomed the guests and took delight in pointing out the attractive rooms. An orchestra was provided to entertain the guests, also a buffet supper and light refreshments were served each night. This hostelry has long been needed in the nation's capital. The visitors and traveling public will hereafter find a well appointed and first class hotel at their disposal during their brief visits from

time to time, leaving private homes from the necessity of opening their doors to accommodate those who visit here.

Localities

The hotel is six stories high, centrally located in one of the most beautiful and attractive neighborhoods of the city; convenient to all street car lines and is furnished throughout with the latest and most approved equipment. The main entrance on Thirteenth street has a drive-way to the door. Later on, in the spring, a roof garden will be one of the special features, the view from which will embrace all the public buildings and the monument.

The Whitelaw Apartment House company (incorporated) extends to the traveling public an invitation to make their home at this hotel while in the city.

This imposing structure, a gift to the public in general, is due primarily to that master mind and financial genius, John W. Lewis. The architect was a colored man, contractor colored, and all workmen were colored men.

"CARRY ON! CARRY ON!"

You remember the story of the haunted house, the man who tried to tarry there, the succession of cats, each one larger than the other, the last one always saying: "Let's go get him," and the others replying, "We can't do nothin' 'til Martin comes." The nerve of that lonely brother failed him, and he finally, running out exclaimed, "When Martin comes, tell him I've done been here and gone."

The times are changed! We, as a group of American citizens, take the place of the "lonely brother"; the scheming, designing, prejudiced, inconsistent, unreasonable, steadily growing smaller group of whites represent the various sizes of cats that come into the pathway of our liberty and progress. But we are sitting up with them and waiting for "Martin." Sizes and numbers do not frighten us any more. WE ARE GOING TO STICK AND CARRY ON, CARRY ON!

We are going to carry on our fight for equal justice and opportunity, and we will be guided only by the eternal principles of life. We know what they are, and we know that we know what they are, and we know that all the other folks know that we know what they are, and we propose to CARRY ON, CARRY ON! We will not be sidetracked, "banfoozled" or frightened.

Today we are doing the seemingly impossible things. We are going forward in very avenue of American progress, economic, political and social—and fighting the demon prejudice every inch of the way. We are what we are, because we have been weighed in the balance and not found wanting. If we have made progress, and we have, it has been by the stern edicts of MERIT and NECESSITY—there is no sentiment in the transactions. All these things, wherever we are, in whatever line of endeavor, we must realize in the concrete, and govern ourselves accordingly.

We must take heart and know that we are farther along in life's pathway carry on without ceasing.—Associated Negro Press.

Going Out of Fashion

(From New Orleans Item.)

Some months ago, Alabama gave a party of lynchers notice that mob law has been set aside, at least temporarily, in that state. The notice took the form of nearly a score of penitentiary and jail sentences distributed among murderers of helpless prisoner in a county jail. Later, seven white men were convicted at Winston-Salem, N. C. of attempting to lynch a Negro. They carried the case to the Supreme Court. That body has found their conviction was proper, and they must undergo their punishment.

This week Kentucky adopted a constitutional amendment providing for the automatic removal of all officials responsible for the maintenance of law and order in a county where a lynching occurs. An enabling act is required to "put it in force," but this will undoubtedly pass as soon as the legislature meets.

Lynching has had its day in the south. Other southern states will soon follow in the footsteps of those that have taken vigorous measures against it and either punish the lynchers or penalize public officials who let them have their way. The law-abiding citizens of every southern state regard it with horror and detestation, and their influence in the matter will be increasingly felt. It is not merely a grave moral wrong, an outrage aimed at law and order, which endangers all the people, white and black, but it is an economic blunder which injures every community stained by such occurrences.

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CITY NEWS

By Ada F. Hyde

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Ray and daughter, Miss Irwin Warthal, a prominent family of Knoxville, Iowa, have moved to our city. We are glad to welcome them as they will be a helpful addition to the community.

Mrs. Emma Fisher and daughter, Violet of Sioux City, Iowa, were over Thanksgiving visitors at the home of their sister and aunt, Mrs. L. R. Willis of Fourteenth street.

Mr. John Wright of Chicago was in the city this week looking after his business interests.

Mrs. John Davis and Mrs. Alice Franklin were called to Waterloo Monday on account of the death of their brother-in-law, the Rev. J. W. Bowles.

Mrs. Haven Miller of Milwaukee, Wis., arrived in the city Wednesday for an over holiday visit with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Fowler.

Mr. Ed Morton, who has been in Chicago for the past two years arrived in the city Thanksgiving morning to spend the remainder of the winter.

Mme. Mattie Brooks, G. H. P., of Iowa and jurisdiction and H. P. of Antic Tabernacle No. 472, was very pleasantly surprised on Thanksgiving by the gift of a silver offering from the Daughters of Tabor.

Mr. V. R. Fields of Muskogee, Okla., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Houston, 842 Small street.

Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Keller of Bismark, S. D., uncle and aunt of Mrs. Frank Houston are visiting in the city. Rev. Keller is an evangelist. Rev. Keller is the sister of Mrs. Emily Roland whom he has not seen for thirty years.

Attorney J. B. Morris made a business trip to Missouri and Oklahoma this week.

Mrs. Birdie Burns of Hocking spent Thanksgiving day with her niece, Mrs. Effie Brown in Highland park.

Mr. and Mrs. James Page of Bowling Green, Mo., spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Brown. They returned home Monday night.

SOCIAL REALM

Thanksgiving day was very quietly celebrated in Des Moines this year. Most of the affairs were family dinners or groups of old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Coccaunt entertained at a family dinner. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. William Hammitt

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and son, Mr. Otto Hammit, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Topson and Mrs. Sarah Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde had in addition to their family groups, Mr. Jeff Logan and son, Mr. George Logan.

Another family group was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Archie Alexander. They entertained Mr. Elice Alexander and family and Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Perry f 3119 N. Union street entertained Mr. and Mrs. Luke Ragland at a three-course dinner Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Payton entertained at a four-course dinner Thanksgiving twelve guests who enjoyed their hospitality.

Mrs. Birdie Burns of Hocking, who was the house guest of Mrs. Effie Brown was delightfully entertained at a four-course Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mrs. A. J. Wilson.

Mrs. Victor Cogswell also entertained the same guest at 6 o'clock dinner Friday evening.

The largest affair was the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gater in celebration of their twelfth wedding anniversary. A large number of friends called during the hours from 2 to 6 and a wedding supper concluded the evening festivities.

The house was beautifully decorated with pom poms and the yellow ribbons used for tags were in keeping with the anniversary. Mrs. Gater was gowned in white with a corsage bouquet of roses. Mr. Gater wore the convention full dress. During the afternoon a musical program was given by Misses Ethel Bowmer and Aurora Brooks. In the evening Mr. J. H. Manning, a nephew of Mrs. Gater furnished several numbers.

Those who assisted the hostess were Mrs. G. W. Scott, Mrs. C. W. Williams, Mrs. A. W. White, Miss Bernice Hamilton and Miss Osceola Jones.

Many beautiful gifts were received. Mrs. E. H. Gater of Ames was an out of town guest.

CLUB NOTES

The Mary Church Terrell club met Monday night at the home of Mrs. V. L. Jones, 700 Grandview street. The members present enjoyed a very interesting lesson on the Hunchback of Notre Dame. The next meeting will be with Mrs. W. H. McCree. The study of the Hunchback of Notre Dame will be continued.

The D. Y. U. Y. K. Art club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carrie Law, 105 Holcomb avenue. After a business session refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be at 2 p. m. next Tuesday at the home of Mrs. E. K. Knox, 945 Fourteenth street place.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. D. E. Henderson was well attended and proved very profitable to those present. The annual election of officers was held.

Madame Walkers Agency association met last Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. Izola Robinson. After attending to business they adjourned to meet again Monday evening, Dec 8 at the same residence, 1627 Walker street. All Madame Walker agents are requested to be present.

NOTICE.

The community concert which was to have been held Dec. 7, has been indefinitely postponed on account of the coal situation.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES

A very interesting service was held by the Girl Reserves at the close of the Junior Christian endeavor hour at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday evening. This was the first public initiation and took the form of the candle light service. The ceremonial opened with the singing of the Girl Reserves song to the tune of "Keep the Home Fires Burning." Next came the initiation at which time each girl lighted her candle from the corps light and their arm bands were pinned on. In the closing ceremonial the girls marched around singing the closing song to the tune of "The End of a Perfect Day," after which the candles were extinguished. These corps are composed of girls from St. Paul and Bethel A. M. E. churches. The regular meeting will be held Saturday afternoon.

The Sunset corps of Corinthian Baptist church will meet Saturday at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. H. R. Graves on Fourteenth street.—Miss Mamie James, leader.

The new Y. W. C. A. center on Tenth street is rapidly nearing completion and it is hoped that the building will be ready for occupancy within the next few days.

Miss Robinson the Y. W. C. A. secretary has been able to secure a large number of homes for the student volunteers coming to attend the student volunteer conference. Any others who have places will kindly notify Miss Robinson.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The religious training institute of the Crocker Street Y. M. C. A. is again postponed owing to coal shortage. When conditions permit the work will begin with full force. The religious committee under chairmanship of Attorney S. Joe Brown is determined to have a most interesting and helpful session.

The "Young Friends" club of South East Des Moines was forced to discontinue their basketball practice at Roadside settlement on account of coal situation.

The Y. M. C. A. bible class still holds its weekly meetings at the residence of the secretary, 1009 West Twelfth street. They are planning great things. Their program has been arranged to cover the following debates, Bible and literary discussions and athletics.

Mr. Elbert E. Hall, chairman of the social committee is expecting great results from every member of his committee. He is to tackle big problems and expects great results.

Churches

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES.

Rev. W. N. DeBerry, D. D. of Springfield, Mass., was chosen vice moderator of the national council of Congregational church that met a few weeks ago in Grand Rapids, Mich. For several years, this body of Christian men has chosen as a vice moderator a colored man and it reflects credit on the Congregational churches and ministers to do such a thing. The Congregational order can claim about 50,000 colored members and for them to elect a colored man for such a high office is a fine step and is worth of notice.

Rev. DeBerry has had but one church for twenty years. He has built that one up and it is one of the leading churches among colored people and it is a church that is highly respected by white people of New England. His work is an achievement and should be a light to younger men.

Howard university inaugurated their new president last week and the program was made out by Dr. Emmitt J. Scott, lately of Tuskegee. He has been assisting the secretary of war in his hard duties. But now Dr. Scott is a professor in Howard university. Great things are to be expected of Howard university.

The supposed causes of the race riots of Arkansas and the real cause are very different. The press has given as the cause; the Negroes were banding themselves together to kill all the white people and take their land from them. The real cause is this, according to true reports, the colored people were trying to get the white people to settle with them for a year's work on the farms of that section. The system of peonage in labor exists in that section and wherever that system exists the whites seldom, if ever, settle with the men that work for them. The colored people urged a settlement; and went so far as to demand a settlement. They were lynched and run off, and treated unfair because they wanted a settlement. Now they are tried by the courts and they are not given counsel and they are rushed off to prison. This is quite a different thing to race riots for the purpose of killing all the white people.

Write to your congressmen about this riot and other disturbances and tell him to take a stand in favor of the RIGHTS of the Negro of America—and especially of the United States.

Services as usual at the Union Congregational church. Business of much importance will be attended to. Subject of our morning service will be "Rise and Let Us be Going." The Christian Endeavor will meet at 6:30 in the evening. These meetings will be held in the lecture room. You are welcome to attend.

BETHEL A. M. E. NOTES.

(Rev. H. C. Claybrook D. D., pastor.) There will be communion services Sunday, Dec. 7. Rev. Wright will



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The musical given by Mrs. D. Williams last Saturday evening was a great success.

The Pulpit aid will entertain Saturday, Dec. 6. Mr. and Mrs. Bell f Missouri are visiting their son, Kenneth, for an indefinite period.

All members are urged by the pastor to pay one dollar rally money for trustees.

NOTICE FOR CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH

On account of the coal situation services will be held at the Corinthian Baptist church as follows: Regular services at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 1 p. m. Baptismal services by Maple street at 3 p. m., at which time all of the Corinthian members are urged to be out. There will be no night services. The Lord's supper will be observed at the morning services. The B. Y. P. U. and Heralds will hold a 30 minutes service at 4:20 p. m. Then

the church will be closed for the day.—G. W. Robinson, pastor.

COMMUNITY SERVICE NOTES.

On account of the shortage of fuel all activities at the army club will cease until further notice.

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IOWA STATE NEWS

CLINTON NEWS.

(By A. A. Bush.)

Mrs. Anna Johnson, son and daughter, John and Lucille, have returned home after some months absence in Ottumwa, visiting relatives.

The A. M. E. church is very much improved with the installation of the electric lights. When the permanent fixtures arrive and are installed the members will be proud indeed.

G. W. Slater attended the Iowa-Illinois game in Chicago on the Fifteenth, also the home coming at Iowa City last Saturday.

Many offerings of the harvest season was placed on the Altar of Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday.

One of the events of the autumn season was the marriage of Miss Adaline Mitchell, daughter of Mrs. Neyman Redow, 216 North Second street to Garland Peterson of Evanston, Ill. The ceremony taking place at the Second Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Bates officiating. After the ceremony luncheon was served at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. John Burke of Prophetstown, Clifford Peterson of Evanston and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell were out of town guests. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson will reside in Evanston.

The Iowa Social club will give their initiatory party on Tuesday evening, Nov. 25 at the Masonic hall on Fourth street. On this occasion the families of the members will be the guests. A pleasant evening is looked forward to with social features of various kinds, interspersed with a delightful supper.

Thanksgiving will be observed in a fitting manner at Bethel A. M. E. church at 11 o'clock a sermon will be delivered by the pastor followed by the annual dinner for which the committee is preparing.

Mrs. Grace White of Chicago is a guest of her brother, Rev. B. Thomas and wife at the A. M. E. parsonage.

There are some of our subscribers who are several months in arrears, in their subscriptions. We ask you kindly won't you do the right thing, and show an effort to settle up.

COLFAX NOTES.

Mrs. J. J. Beasley expects to spend Thanksgiving at the capital city and attend Thanksgiving services at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Harry Strother from Des Moines visited his parents between trains one day last week returning in the evening.

The Ladies Missionary circle will serve Thanksgiving dinner at the Odd Fellows hall Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Brodus and children are visiting in Des Moines.

Mr. Charles Olliner and wife from Des Moines visited his mother, Mrs. Edzie Olliner and other relatives one day the past week.

Mrs. Lewis Strother visited several days last week in Duxton at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Martha Gaines and Mrs. Della Lewis, remaining here

CENTREVILLE NEWS.

(By Mrs. A. L. Crittenden.)

There was a grand reception given at the church on Wednesday evening for the new pastor and his wife. A good program was rendered and everyone enjoyed themselves. Many good things to eat were brought by the members and friends and all seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Rev. Alford made some good and encouraging remarks and thanked one and all for such a surprise reception.

Sister Beanie Nash is still improving. The superintendent of the Sunday school had a very bad cold but is better at this writing.

We are having good services every Sunday. All who miss these services sure miss a gospel feast.

The Sunday school is doing nicely; also the mission circle. God is with us and still giving us blessings as we had another former Sunday. This makes six to unite with the church since the Rev. Alford has been here.

Mrs. Anna Keaney entertained quite a number of friends at Sunday dinner. The social given by the A. and I. D. club Thursday evening at Mrs. William Noah's was quite a success. A large

Mr. S. H. Jones and daughter, Aildine were out calling Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown and son W. E. were visiting in the city from Mystic Sunday. They took dinner with her mother Mrs. Crittenden.

Mrs. Robert Terrell ate supper with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lewis Monday quite a number of friends were calling on Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nash Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Hick and daughter, Mrs. Baker were out calling Monday afternoon.

Rev. Alford and wife were calling on members and friends are 1 Esau Dr.

DELTA SIGMA THETA DELTA CHAPTER.

Mr. Russell Jackson of Des Moines was a visitor at the Kappa Alpha Psi house during the week end.

Mr. A. A. Alexander, an alumni, accompanied by his wife and father, Price Alexander, were guests at the Delta Sigma Theta house during home coming. They came especially to witness the Iowa-Ames game.

Mr. Slater of Clinton, Iowa, father of Fred Slater our football star, attended the Iowa-Ames game Saturday.

Mr. Lloyd McGuire of Des Moines spent Saturday and Sunday in Iowa City.

The Kappa Alpha Psi boys entertained the Delta Sigma Theta girls by accompanying them to the benefit dance given by Dr. W. H. Beshears and Attorney Milton Fields Saturday night in Cedar Rapids. The student boys furnished the music. A large crowd attended and all reported a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Alexander, Lloyd McGuire and Russell Jackson attended the dance held in Cedar Rapids Saturday night.

Miss Imogene Wilson spent the week end visiting her parents, who live in Keokuk.

Mrs. Mattie Dameron, the matron at the Delta Sigma Theta house chaperoned the girls to Cedar Rapids Saturday evening.

KEOKUK NOTES.

(By Miss Selby.)

Persuaded to the call of the president of the Keokuk branch of the N. A. A. C. P. on Tuesday evening at Pilgrim Rest church there was not only a good attendance of the members but also several prospective ones. They was not a dissenting word in any phase of the many topics discussed but all worked in perfect harmony from beginning to end. The officers for the ensuing year were elected by acclamation unanimously. They are as follows: Rev. J. Sterling Moore, president; Rev. C. R. Waters, vice president; Mrs. Selby Johnson, secretary; George W. Snoddy, treasurer. Those in connection with the following are the executive committee: W. W. Gross, A. W. Draine, Mrs. V. Olive Phillips, Rev. W. H. Clark, Dr. T. H. Phillips and Solomon Williams. The 30 days drive for membership will be continued. Realizing fully the stringency of the times and of the many needy and decrepit ones right here in our midst in the city of Keokuk.

This association went on record as heartily endorsing the work of the Phyllis Wheatley Rescue club, which is the only organization endorsed by all of the colored churches of Keokuk doing this kind of work. It is composed of at least fifty women from every part of the city, from every church of the city actually aiding all the needy whenever the case is reported to them. The N. A. A. C. P. not only promises its support unstintingly but asks that not only its friends do likewise but also anyone desiring to help the needy ones give their donations through this channel. The officers of this club are Mrs. C. Cleo Phillips, president; Mrs. Cecil Bates, secretary; Mrs. Naomi P. Fields, assistant secretary; Mrs. L. C. Lowe, treasurer; Rev. J. Sterling Moore and wife, Rev. C. R. Waters and wife and Rev. W. H. Clark and wife are honorary members.

The Sunday Afternoon Lecture club rendered a splendid program at Bethel A. M. E. church the 22. Mrs. Anna Holmes deserves much credit for the same. Rev. W. H. Stark read an instructive and timely paper on "Envy." Mrs. Selby Johnson recited an original selection entitled "A Trip to the West in Rhyme." The duet by Marie Scott and Amanis Battle was well received. Mrs. Anna Holmes choir with Miss Ruth Johnson at the piano, furnished the music for the afternoon. George W. Snoddy is president; Miss Anna Pyles, secretary; F. B. Johnson,

treasurer and Rev. C. R. Waters is chairman.

The old folks concert given by the trustees of Pilgrim Rest Baptist church was a howling success. The auditorium of the church was packed and jammed and all were so pleased that on Thursday night it will be repeated. The characters in the concert ranged in ages from 16 to 18 years and past. They were: The Over Seas Quartette, Miss Volin and Opal South, Mrs. Etta Blandy Mrs. Carl Buckley, Mrs. Maggie South, Mrs. Della Wilson, Mrs. M. E. Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Smith, Mrs. Myrtle Harrison, Mrs. Marjorie H. Toombs, Richard Franklin, Charles Amos, Mrs. Juliette Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Perkins will spend Thanksgiving day with the former's mother in Croton, Iowa.

M. Joseph Byrd is in Mississippi for a visit.

Mrs. Laurence C. Jones of Piney Woods school, Braxton, Miss., had a delightful visit here. Besides seeing her old friends and relatives she entertained many new ones. She was nicely entertained by the Carnation club at the home of Mrs. W. H. Dickson and by the M. Y. O. B. club at the home of Mrs. Selby Johnson. Mrs. George W. Snoddy also entertained her at a private dinner party. Mrs. Jones expressed her appreciation for one hundred dollars left their school by the late Selby Johnson. The check has already been received.

The luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fields on Thursday evening was indeed a fine social event and was well patronized. We hope they'll have these splendid teas oftener.

Mr. Fred Vaughn is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Mr. Vaughn is now located in Chicago.

The three nights program at Bethel A. M. E. church under the management in general of that gifted financier Rev. C. R. Waters promises to be a howling success. A splendid Thanksgiving dinner will be cooked and served by the ladies of the stewardess board No. 1. It promises to be one of the best ever given in the history of the church and that will follow the usual sermon on Thanksgiving day. Watch for report of programs next week.

Mrs. Garland of Chicago an old member of the African Baptist church worshipped with them Sunday.

The members and friends of the African Baptist church are still rejoicing over their financial success in their rally. Fred Thomas and his helpers raised \$59, John Thomas \$32, Mrs. Susan Clark \$53, and Mrs. Laura Blanchard \$24. The sewing circle \$10. All told the rally netted about \$200.

Watch the papers next week for a great report on Thanksgiving week from all of the churches.

Rev. W. H. Clark his members and friends were much disappointed over the new arrival of Prof. C. W. Rogers who failed to appear Nov. 12 according to arrangements.

OSKALOOSA ITEMS.

(By Mrs. Cora Moore.)

Charlie Ailanes has been suffering with a sprained ankle the past two weeks.

Mrs. Mina Johnson, served luncheon Thursday evening at her home, but at 6 o'clock p. m. Everything was sold out. Mrs. J. served corn and believe me she's some meat cook. The luncheon was under the auspices of the Ladies aid of Wesley chapel church.

Born, Friday, Nov. 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson of Ottumwa at the parental E. E. Jones home a no baby girl. The little miss has been named Edna May and mother and baby doing fine.

Rev. D. W. Brown preached a good sermon Thursday morning. His text "God's Great Love to Man."

Mrs. Henry Hockaday is suffering with rheumatism the past week.

Rev. R. J. Palmer fell from the roof of the new Baptist church last week and sustained a sprained ankle. Rev. Matthews Kelley filled his pulpit Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Cabbell of Des Moines is here attending his father, Abe Ford who met with a painful accident last week.

Little Cora Franklin, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Franklin, has been quite sick the past two weeks teething. At this time she is much better.

Mrs. Venice Fuller Wilson is expected to arrive Wednesday from Chicago to be a guest in the Frank Allen home on West B avenue.

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vs.
John Beard,
Defendant.

You are hereby notified that on or before the 15th day of November, A. D. 1919 the petition of the plaintiff in the above-entitled cause will be filed in the office of the clerk of the District Court

of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk county, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.

For further particulars see petition, and unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the January term of said Court, which will commence at Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, on the 5th day of January, 1920, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

Dated this 8th day of November, 1919.

Gertrude E. Bush,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

ORIGINAL NOTICE.

In the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, January term, A. D. 1920.

Sylvester McCaster,
Plaintiff.

vs.
Lena M. McCaster,
Defendant.

You are hereby notified that on or before the 15th day of November, A. D. 1919 the petition of the plaintiff in the above-entitled cause will be filed in the office of the clerk of the District Court of the state of Iowa, in and for Polk county, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of drunkenness and desertion for a period of more than two years.

For further particulars see petition, and unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the January term of said court, which will commence at Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, on the 5th day of January, 1920 default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

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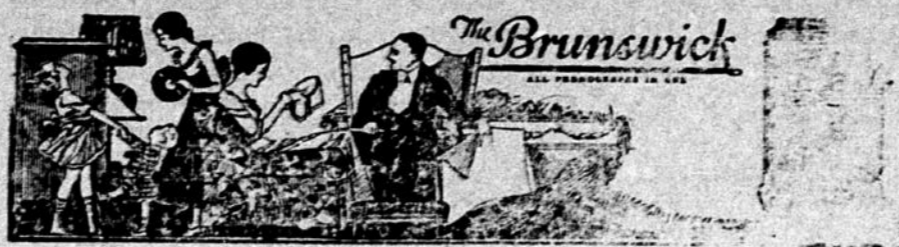
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