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## Eighth International Students' Convention Held in Des Moines from December 31 to Jan. 4, 1920.---Colleges and Institutes from all Sections in Attendance.

The Eighth International Student Volunteer convention will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, from Dec. 31 to Jan. 4, and Miss Catherine D. Salted, student secretary of the Young Women's Christian association, preside a record-breaking attendance.

The convention will be held to bring together representative delegations of students and professors from all the important institutions of higher learning of Canada and the United States and leaders of the Christian enterprise throughout the world, to consider unitedly the serious situation existing in all countries today and the problem of evangelizing the non-Christian peoples; to gain inspiration and a vision of the world wide missionary responsibilities of the church and to unite in prayer and work for a great advance in the direction of extending the kingdom of Christ among all nations.

Some of the ablest statesmen and strongest spiritual leaders from various sections of the world will address this gathering. There will be about seven thousand students from the United States and Canada. The secretaries of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. for students in colored schools have been recruiting delegates for the convention and to date 256 have registered from colored schools.

The following institutions of learning will be represented: Selma university, Tuskegee, Talladega, Philander Smith college, Shorter college, Branch Normal, Walter institute, Howard university, National training school for women and girls, State Agricultural and Mechanical college, Florida; Edward Waters college, Albany normal and agricultural school, American institute, Atlanta university, Clark university, Morehouse college, Morris Brown, Hahnemann college, Fiske college, Gammon theological seminary, Fort Valley school, State college, Georgia; Topeka normal and industrial institute, Western university, State university and state normal, Kentucky; Southern university, Straight university, Morgan college, M. I. college, Alcorn college, Rust university, Jackson college, Tougaloo university, Utica institute, Southern Christian institute, Lincoln institute, George R. Smith college, Bartlett college, Middle university, Bricks national training school, A and T. college, Hen-

ry normal, High Point normal, Kittling college, Shaw university, Livingston college, Mary Potter memorial, Wilberforce university, Oklahoma state normal, Lincoln university, Chesey training school, Allen university, Benedict college, Voorhees industrial institute, Claflin university, State A and M of South Carolina, Morris college, Knoxville college, State A and I college of Tennessee, Le Moyne normal, Howe institute, Fisk university, Roger Williams university, Meharry medical college, Bishop college, Wiley university, Paul Quinn college, Prairie View normal, Texas college, Tillotson college, Hous-

ton college, Saint Houston college, Hampton institute, Virginia theological seminary, Hartshorn memorial college, Union university, collegiate institute, Storer college and Bluefield institute.

The Students International Volunteer convention opened its first session at the Coliseum Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Every available seat in the building was occupied by student delegations from all over the world. It was a wonderful inspiring sight when all races were seated, mingled one with the other. Before the meeting was called to order by the presiding officer Mott, each delegation vied with the other in giving their university and college yells, and each delegation held aloof their banner to let you know who were who. Dr. John R. Mott called the meeting to order. His opening address was a masterpiece of eloquence. In it he said "There are gathered here today, forty nations who have assembled to receive a new challenge. God has done 100 years work in the last five years and

we must quicken our pace. What is the challenge? It is the call to us to lend ourselves to work as leaders who will see that the challenge goes through us to other men and women. A tremendous work is before us. Nations are warring against nations and races against races. All the pillars of civilization have crumbled at our feet save our Lord Jesus Christ who is the today as yesterday."

The convention will leave a lasting impression upon the lives of thousands of people.

Many of the leading secretaries of the convention will speak at the different churches throughout the city and sectional meetings are held at all the churches during the afternoons. No meetings are being held at the Coliseum except in the morning and night.

### NOTED NEGROES IN ATTENDANCE

Among the distinguished members of the convention who arrived in the city the past week and are actively engaged

in this wonderful movement are Mr. Tobias, chairman of the entire Negro student department of the international committee Y. M. C. A. Max Yergan, who has recently been assigned as general secretary of all the Y. M. C. A.'s in Africa and who expects to return to African next June Dr. Haynes, assistant to the secretary of labor, Mr. Craver, international secretary.

### Dr. Haines Speaks

On Thursday morning at the symposium meeting of the convention Dr. Haynes spoke in behalf of the Negro students. He pleaded for equal economic opportunities for all Negroes. In as much as this is a missionary convention Dr. Haynes closed his remarks with the plea that this work be carried to the colored Negro of Europe and Asia, not five or six million Africans and uneducated by the white missionaries, but by the educated Negroes selected from the two million Negroes in America who are both prepared to carry the "Message" to our less fortunate brothers.

### HEADQUARTERS OF MISSOURI DELEGATION

The Missouri Negro institutions for higher learning were well represented

here at the students national volunteer conference, by able men and women of that state.

The institutions and their representatives were as follows: Lincoln institute, Jefferson City; Dr. Clement Richardson, president; Mr. Lafayette Wilson and Miss Hattie Clay, Martlett; A. S. I. school, Dalton, Mr. R. S. Cobb, Geax, and Mr. Raleigh Taylor; Geo. B. Smith college Sedalia, Prof. B. Cameron Neal, Miss E. H. Simpson and Mr. A. L. Reynolds



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NOTED DELEGATE TO CONVENTION

Dr. Haynes is a native of Arkansas. He took his A. B. degree at Fisk university. After receiving his master of arts degree at Yale he entered Columbia university and was one of the fellows at this college in the school of philanthropy from which he graduated with the degree of Ph. D. While attending Columbia, Dr. Haynes was executive secretary of the Urban league of New York. He is a writer, having written a book "Negro at Work in New York," which is a gem. After finishing Yale he was student secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for a number of years having charge of the Y. M. C. A. work in the various colleges in the south and east. After receiving his doctor's degree at Columbia he was called to chair the chair of sociology and economics at Fisk university, Nashville. Aside from this work he established a community center here known as Bethlehem center which enabled students to work under him and study the social problems.

During the world war Dr. Harris was appointed special assistant to secretary of labor as director of Negro economics. His work was so valuable to the department that he was asked by the secretary to remain with the department. While he remains with this department he is still connected with Fisk university as they only gave him a leave of absence to serve the government.

## Dr. W. R. Arthur, New Superintendent People's Hospital, St. Louis

Dr. W. R. Arthur returned from fourteen months service in France, where he acted as secretary to the Knights of Columbus. He returned in August bearing a medal and diploma of merit for services rendered. He was commissioned first lieutenant medical reserve corp in camp. On the 17th inst., Dr. Arthur was appointed superintendent Peoples' hospital, 3449 Pine street, St. Louis. Certainly the people of the city appreciate the valuable service which Dr. Arthur is going to render the public. He is no doubt one of the best qualified men we have in the city for the place. His residence at 4232 West Cook avenue, over which his delightful companion and wife, Mrs. Vitula Arthur, presides is to be open house for their many friends. The doctor says that she is more than his better half. He will practice medicine and surgery with hours at the hospital, 9 to 12 a. m. and 6 to 8 p. m. Dr. Arthur is well known in Des Moines, having been secretary of the C. of K. building No. 2 for almost a year and his many Des Moines friends extend their congratulations to him for he well deserves this highly honored position.

## ASK FOR NO MARBLE SHAFT

Col. Charles Young Says the Dead Soldiers Fought for Justice and Liberty, not for Monuments. New York, Jan. 2.—Referred to in the same breath with the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and General Leonard Wood as one of the three great Americans, who was refused participation in the world war, Colonel Charles Young, military attache of the American embassy in Liberia, spoke here at St. Marks Sunday night. Colonel Young told his audience that he was opposed to a monument of bronze or stone in honor of the Negro soldier dead. But he did request of congress a memorial to the Negro dead and that that memorial be "the thing for which these Negroes gave their lives—liberty, justice, equal opportunities and educational facilities, the suppression of lynching by making it a federal crime, the abolition of jim crow cars. He contended that all the monuments of great men in America belong to Negroes as well as to whites and Negro children should be taught to love them and reverence them, and also to learn the history of the African people, learn that there is an African culture perhaps older than that of any modern people in literature, in art and in science. Colonel Young advised his hearers to buy up farm lands and enter every kind of business then he said, "you can walk in Jerusalem just like John."



CLARENCE CAMERON WHITE Celebrated Violinist, Mr. Malcolm Griffith, Accompanist, will appear at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church under the auspices of the Crocker St. Branch, Y. M. C. A., Friday, Feb. 6th.



**REV. M. R. RHONENE**  
Rev. Rhonenee is the very popular pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church of Council Bluffs, Iowa. He had added new life to this church. When he first took charge, there were only thirty-eight members, now they have 172 active members. He is well thought of and highly esteemed by both the colored and white people of Council Bluffs. He is an ardent worker in the building up of Christ's kingdom and deserves great success.

### DENOMINATIONAL MEETINGS

Sunday, Jan. 4 you are cordially invited to be present at the Corinthian Baptist church Fifteenth and Lindon streets at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, to hear a number of the best speakers who are attending the student volunteer convention in this city. The following program will be rendered: Opening choir; by choir; invocation; music; choir; welcome address, Mr. T. C. Boon; solo, Mrs. Dalza Hammitt; Prof. E. C. Robinson, presiding.

### Mrs. MARY B. TOLBERT, PRES.

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The Mary B. Tolbert club entertained a large number of their friends at a

Christmas party Monday night at the home of Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Refreshments were served during the evening and a good sum was realized from this.

The Marchal Neal club was entertained Wednesday by Mrs. Dalza Hammitt at her home on North Union street. The social committee of Mt. Moriah Tabernacle wishes to announce that the order will celebrate their eleventh anniversary at the community center Monday night, Jan. 12. Special papers and musical numbers will be given. Come out and enjoy this leap year homecoming. Everybody welcome.—Mrs. Kelley, chairman.

Rebecca Household of Ruth No. 339 will hold its regular meeting Thursday afternoon, Jan. 8, 2:30 at the community center, Ninth and Mulberry streets.—Mrs. Goggins, M. N. G.

### NORFOLK NEGRO BANKS PAY OFF CHRISTMAS SAVINGS

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2.—The two colored banks of Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va., distributed \$180,000.00 on the Tenth and Twelfth of December of their 8,000 members of the Christmas Savings clubs. Placing a hundred and eighty thousand dollars in the hands of our group in any city is no small item, and institutions that can do that for our people within a week are real factors for thrift and uplift among our group.

The Brown's Savings and Banking company of Norfolk, was the first colored bank to inaugurate the Christmas club, who saved \$10,000 which was handed to them on the Twelfth. Their 1920 club opened the same day with a flattering outlook. The Mutual Savings bank has recently moved into its new home where every feature of the bank is new and the most modern obtainable.

In 1920 there will be three clubs instead of two as this year for the Tidewater Bank and Trust Co., which opened the Ninth of last June, opened its 1920 club on the Sixth of December. This club has nearly a thousand members and ready. This bank has reached the \$500,000 mark in resources.

(Special to Bystander.)  
Miss Violet Fisher of 917 West Seventh street announces the marriage of her mother, Miss Emma Fisher to Mr. Capthus Fansh of Sioux City, Iowa, which took place Tuesday morning at their home at 10 o'clock. Rev. P. M. Lewis performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives.

Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission 21-23 North Fourth Street Keokuk, Iowa Phone Red 819

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IOWA NEWS

MT. PLEASANT ITEMS. Mrs. M. Hughes, a highly respected member of the Baptist church, died at her home on East street Thursday, Dec. 18 at 9:20 p. m.

Hollingsworth this week. Mr. Burt Jones of Hiteman was in Albia Christmas week, also a few others of the Hiteman young men.

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named. The temple was just organized in 1919 and are progressing nicely from the turnout they displayed Sunday afternoon.

OTTUMWA ITEMS. (By Ida Davis.) Quite a large number of pupils attended Sunday school Sunday at the A. M. E. church.

CLINTON ITEMS. Christmas was appropriately observed in Clinton on Christmas eve. The scholars of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school assembled for their annual festivities.

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tan. At 11 o'clock the following guests arrived, Mrs. J. Butler, Mrs. T. Franklin, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. E. Perkins, Mrs. G. Perkins, Mrs. O. Buckner, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mrs. E. V. Freels, Mrs. A. Jackson, Mrs. F. Coleman, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Stepple.

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FORT DODGE ITEMS. (By Mrs. Fred Coleman.) One of the most unique affairs was the Watson-Dishman wedding which occurred Christmas morning at 10 o'clock at 25 North Eighteenth street at the home of the grooms' parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Dishman when Miss Bertha Watson of Decatur was married to Mr. C. Dishman of Fort Dodge.

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# CITY NEWS

By Ada F. Hyde

## MIXON-BARLOW WEDDING.

Mrs. Ina Mixon and Mr. James Barlow of Kansas City, Kan., were quietly married in this city Saturday morning, Dec. 27. Mrs. Mixon has resided in the city for a number of years and Mr. Barlow is a prominent businessman of Kansas City, Kan., where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Johnson entertained at a wedding breakfast Sunday morning at her home at 831 Thirteenth street in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James Barlow.

Mr. James Lloyd Davis of Lincoln, Mo., stopped in Des Moines one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. John DeWitt. Mr. Davis was enroute to St. Paul to be at the bedside of his uncle, Mr. John Coleman.

Mrs. U. S. Grant and baby of Kansas City are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stanton of Pleasant street.

Mr. Smith, a student of the Iowa State college at Ames, returned to school Monday after a holiday visit in Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Dameron of Iowa City are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mason, 601 Twenty-third street.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Powell entertained Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Payton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Platter at a family dinner Christmas.

Mrs. Nancy Murray was hostess to a number of friends at 3 o'clock dinner Christmas at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Branham, 619 Fifteenth street. Her guests included Mr. and Mrs. E. Winn, Mrs. R. N. Hyde and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Branham.

Mr. William Spriggs is spending the holidays in Chicago. He expects to be gone until after the new year.

Mr. Crowley is ill at his home in Lake Park.

Mrs. Gertrude Harris and daughter, Richmond, Ind., are the guests of her mother, Mrs. Bell of Jefferson street.

Mrs. J. W. Bowles has moved from Waterloo, Iowa, and is making her home with her sister, Mrs. J. G. Davis of 828 Thirteenth street.

Miss Edna Lee of Waterloo, Iowa, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lewis of Chicago are spending a few days in the city visiting their mother, Mrs. Lewis and brother, Mr. John Smith of Fourteenth street place. Mr. Lewis is well known in Des Moines having spent his early life here and attend the public schools and West High. Since leaving Des Moines, Mr. Lewis has been very successful and is at present on the mail carriers' force of Chicago.

Mr. S. S. Suggs of Netawaka, Kan., is visiting at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown, 1516 Illinois street.

Mr. Edward Brown of Atchison, Kan., is spending the holidays with his brother, G. W. Brown and son, Pearl Brown.

Mr. S. S. Suggs were guests at a Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown and family.

Mrs. Sadie Saunders Johnson and her mother, Mrs. Anna Saunders of Chillicothe, Mo., arrived in the city Friday for a visit of several days with their aunt and cousin, Nancy Murray, 619 West Sixteenth street.

Mrs. Helen Dameron Beshears of Iowa City arrived in the city Wednesday for a few days visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Mason, 601 Twenty-third street.

Mr. Harry Shaw, well known police officer, suffered a broken leg when he fell into a coal hole while walking his beat last week. His friends are glad to learn that he is now able to be out on crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stewart accompanied by Mrs. George Powell spent Christmas in Perry, Iowa, as the guests of Mr. Stewart's father and mother.

Mrs. W. E. Jeffries entertained twelve guests at a 6 o'clock dinner Christmas day at the Hoyt-Sherman place. Miss Daisy Baker of Buxton and Mr. Sol Brown of Grinnell were out of town guests.

Mrs. Sim Jeffries entertained sixteen guests at dinner Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. James Baker of Buxton were among the guests.

The girls of the Sojourner Truth Dramatic club enjoyed a Christmas party Monday, Dec. 23 at the home of Miss Iva Mae Tomlin. The afternoon was spent in playing games and looking for surprises. The officers of the club elected at this meeting are: Iva Mae Tomlin, president; Lillian Jacobs, secretary; Bernice Hamilton, treasurer, and Enola The D. W. Y. K. Art club held their annual Christmas social Dec. 23 at the home of Mrs. Simmons, 503 Scott street. A beautifully decorated tree held the presents which were exchanged by the members. The ladies at the protection home were also remembered with a well filled basket of good things.

The club held their regular meeting of Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Toliver, 1629 Walker street. Mrs. Bryant of Indianapolis, Ind., and a club visitor were present and gave a very interesting talk. The next meeting will be at 2 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 5 at the home of Mrs. Emma Todd, 94 Fourteenth street place.

The various churches of the city are planning to entertain the student volunteers of their denomination at a reception Saturday afternoon, between the hours of 4 and 7. The Congregational students will be entertained at the Union Congregational church, the Baptist students at Corinthian Baptist church and the students of all the Methodist churches will be entertained at St. Paul's A. M. E. church. Refreshments will be served and programs rendered.

The Royal Arch chapter, C. F. Topson was installed as high priest; Bert A. Harris as king; Thos. Ringo as scribe; Gus Watkins as secretary and J. A. Wilson as treasurer.

For the two Eastern Star chapters Mesdames Bertha Long and Henrietta Groves were installed as matrons; S. Joe Brown and Gus Watkins as patrons; and Willis Booker and Gertrude Hyde as associate matrons, for which ceremony Mrs. S. Joe Brown, grand matron acted as installing officer.

The Union Congregational church will hold a public inter-denominational mass-meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church, Tenth and Park streets in honor of the 300 colored students and professors here from every college, academy and university in America. It will be a great meeting to see and hear some of the best talent of our race and to see all of the students here. The speakers are the best in attendance of the convention that will appear on the program. The Iowa State university girls will act as ushers. Mr. Howard Drew of Drake university the world famous sprinter will welcome the students here. Mr. Carrol Curtley of Drake university will render an instrumental solo while Miss Mildred Griffin of the Iowa State university will render an instrumental solo, "Come Out early to get a seat."

The army club sign has been taken down and the community service put up over the door of community center.

The community Christmas tree was a most wonderful success. Mrs. Rush, Mrs. Coalson and their committee are to be congratulated for making so many many little hearts happy.

The community band is progressing, the boys are practicing twice a week. Community center is busy this week entertaining the delegates to the students volunteer convention.

New Year's reception afternoon and evening at which time the girls clubs will receive the delegates and the public.

Burns M. E. church is serving dinner and supper to the delegates at Community center.

## COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Over five hundred childish hearts were gladdened on Christmas eve day when they were guests of the community center Christmas tree, which was held under the director of the social workers of the city. Too much praise cannot be given to Mrs. Mary Coalson, police woman who was instrumental in securing the tree and donations of both toys and money.

There were gifts for everybody including 200 dolls, 500 oranges, 100 pounds of candy and toys of all kinds to delight the children. Mrs. Coalson secured the use of the patrol wagon and with the assistance of Chief Ab Day and Officers Skinner and Jackson, collected the donations from all parts of the city.

Mrs. Coalson was assisted by a number of women and girls including Mrs. Gertrude Rush, Mrs. Maud Woods, Mrs. Jessye, E. McClain, Mrs. Pearl Thompson, Mrs. Amos Adams, Miss Alice Dameron, Mrs. J. P. Hamilton, Mrs. R. A. Dobson, Mrs. Ralph Burnaugh and Mrs. Dickinson.

Music was furnished throughout the afternoon by an orchestra.

Mrs. Maude Jones was hostess to the Pleasant Hour club Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burman on Seventeenth street. Cards formed the evening diversion after which a two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Burman received the first ladies prize and Dr. Booker the first gentlemen's prize. Mrs. Colleen Jones received the lady's booby prize and Mr. Archie Alexander the gentlemen's booby prize.

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Mrs. L. Barber and little grandson, LeRoy Bingham of 113 Des Moines street left our city Monday night for Chicago where they expect to make their future home.

Mr. Frank Scott, who went to New Mexico in September for his health, has been seriously ill but is improving and will return at once to Des Moines as his health is no better there than here.

## CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Sunday services were well attended as usual. The pastor, Rev. G. W. Robinson, preached a splendid sermon in the morning. The Sunday school at 12:45 was well attended. The B. Y. P. U. was at its best. All the young people are urged to attend this service.

In the evening a splendid sermon was delivered by the Rev. Dr. T. L. Griffith. Mr. Fred Marrow the new president of the Ushers association is anxious to greet all members at the annual meeting Jan. 5 at the home of Mr. S. Roan, 1420 Crocker street.—Selma C. Brown, secretary.

The Mission workers of the Baptist church will send a barrel of provisions to Western college the first of the year. Friends and members of Corinthian are asked to give eggs or tomatoes. They will please bring their donations to prayer services Jan. 7 or phone Walnut 2061 or Drake 5197 W and a workers will gladly call for it.

One of the most unique Christmas parties was given by Mr. Hobart Helton at his home 936 Fourteenth street place. The home was beautifully decorated in Christmas greenery. A four-course luncheon concluded the pleasant evening. The twenty guests departed at a late hour declaring Mr. Helton an unexcelled host.

The mothers will hold the regular meeting Sunday afternoon Jan. 4. The young men and ladies of the city are especially invited to attend.

The B. Y. P. U. has started the weekly prayer services for 1920. Mr. Riphon Spriggs has been appointed leader. The meetings are held on Wednesday from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m. and are conducted by young people.

Mrs. John Ford is ill at her home on Eleventh street.

## Churches

### BETHEL A. M. E. NOTES.

(Rev. H. C. Claybrook, pastor.) Glory to God in the highest on earth peace, good will toward men.

The song of the heavenly host is bursting forth anew in the hearts of the Bethelites these days. Never before in the history of the church has the Christmas spirit ran higher.

Christmas eve the Sunday school children made glad the hearts of all present as they told the story of the Christ child in songs, speeches and dialogs. The beautiful Christmas tree was laden with gifts. Rev. H. A. Perry former pastor of Bethel preached to a large congregation on the night of Dec. 22. Wedding bells will ring for him Dec. 29 at Tuskegee, Ala. On account of the illness of pastor, H. C. Claybrook there was no services Christmas morning. At this writing he is much better and with the aid of Rev. Sayles conducted Sunday morning services. His text was found in Matt. 3:9. Theme "The Kingdom is at Hand." Sunday school was well attended. A. C. E. a record breaker, thirty-two present thirty-two active. Sunday evening at 7:30 Mr. A. Claggs and Miss Nellie Bell were united in marriage by Rev. H. C. Claybrook at the home of the bride on Anita avenue. Mrs. F. B. Scholer preached Sunday night from 2 Cor. 7-10. Theme, "The Seasons of Grace."

The sermon was beautifully illustrated and inspiring. Rev. and Mrs. Scholer are members of the Missouri conference of the A. M. E. Zion church. She will soon hold a series of meetings at Evansville, Ind. Bethel club met last Tuesday for business at the home of Mrs. D. Williams. A good time was had.

Purity club met with Mrs. Turner. Bethel club will meet Tuesday next at the home of Mrs. Campbell, 1421 Fremont.

At the Sunday morning services the Rev. I. W. Mans, president of the Allen university, will preach. In the afternoon a platform meeting will be held at which time African students from Yale, Wilberforce and Minnesota will be present. Sunday school will be held in the main auditorium at the usual time. The Rev. Dr. J. K. Williams of Paul Quinn college, Waco, Texas, will preach in the evening.

Mrs. Julia Frank, wife of the president of Morris Brown college, Atlanta, Ga., is a guest at the pasonage.

## CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY

At 11 o'clock we shall have a representative from the student voluntary movement conference to preach for us and we are expecting a great sermon and your presence to help make it a great meeting.

A massmeeting will be held at 3 o'clock, at which there will be speakers of national reputation to address you if you come. The music will be furnished by the best talent in the city and the ushers will be charming young ladies from the state university. This will be an opportunity to hear some speakers at their best. You can help them to do their best by your attendance.

At 7 o'clock the Christian endeavors will have an address from some one of the visitors of the student voluntary conference. This hour will be a great hour if you will show that you love the Lord's work by your presence and taking part.

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## CLUB NOTES

The Mary Church Terrell club will hold the regular meeting Monday, Jan. 5 with Mrs. Johnnie Shaw. A full membership is desired as the semi-annual election of officers will be held.

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## ARE YOU 100 PER CENT ABOVE LAST YEAR

Even a rough survey of the previous year will find the greater number of us below the 100 per cent mark. It is up to every woman, man, boy and girl to take inventory of themselves and find out whether they are worth more this year than last. Not money only, but in every line that takes to play the drama of life. We are living in an age that everything counts, let it be good or bad. It will grow and the harvest must be reaped if the good overcomes the bad. We are that much closer to the crust of the hill.

Our efficiency will even uplift the lowest of humanity. The responsibility of leadership lies in oneself. Whether he wants to increase his efficiency and that is what he must do if he ever expects to lead his people to success.

No race or person can rise above their teachers or leaders. Economic conditions can't come to any race or country when their peoples' intelligence is below par of civilization.

The school and colleges will train us to a higher culture of understanding, but will not make us a leader.

No bias teaching or self aggrandizement will ever raise an ignorant class of people, but on the other hand will send them deeper in degradation. A race emerging from darkness as the Negro race is like a little child making its first efforts to walk and talk—its little brain like a new slate. Every lesson good or bad taught, is marked upon the slate, and is much harder to erase than what it was to stamp it there.

Let him or her be black or white who has gained money, land or a political position by false teachings and misrepresenting the truth, they have decreased their per cent, and retarded the progress of the race.

When we notice the crisis and calamity that is befalling us, we then cry out, "Where are the churches, what are they doing to stem the tide?" They seem to have gone to sleep. The is not the beneficiary to the boys and girls of today as it was in the days of our father and mothers for sincerity of heart and purpose of mind did they pray and work until God made them 100 per cent in Christ and gave us an even chance in churches and schools equal to that of other races.

I sometimes wonder if education makes us stray from the old and work of our forefathers or treat it hypothetically.

Our churches are filled with tribes and alleys, formed in grades of societies. The church is made a place for club meeting, instead of a place of worship.

The less fortunate comes to the church in love, but is humiliated and turned away without a morning greeting, heart to heart talk or a warm handshake. The aristocrat has overlooked this grade of Christians, that may drift in some other direction, that may reflect upon the woman and manhood of the race and these precious souls be lost. In the day of judgment God will command these souls to our hands for appealing to pride instead of God and closing our hearts to our brother and sister.

Sons and daughters give me your heart and the kingdom shall be until thine. We are entering in the year of '26—let us try and make our church 100 per cent perfect.

I know that that have a home can enjoy the pleasure of life and feel the hospitality of prosperity—for there is no place like home sweet home.

While in your comfortable and easy home, have you invited someone not so

fortunate as yourself, to dine with you or to help him or her to better their conditions.

Have you left your lights burning in your home that some wayward boy or girl that has no home, when passing may catch the inspiration that will make their lives better and happier? Have you led some sinner to Christ?

Have you visited the sick? Have you fed the hungry and gave the thirsty drink?

Have you clothed the wicked and helped the poor.

For so much as you have done this for the least of my little ones you have done it even so unto me.

These deeds glorifies the Lord Our Father who are in heaven.

And if you have done these things—you have increased your efficiency 100 per cent this year.

Before this old year is gone and the new year comes in many backs will be turned to the wall and our face to the sun facing our God, then our book of life will be closed, in it conceals our deeds, and the chances we now have will be no more.

May God bless and help this race that needs so much and has so little, that they may take what they have got and get what need.

D. G. PATTERSON, Rock Island, Ill.

## COUNCIL BLUFFS ITEMS.

Rev. J. B. Jackson, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church preached both Sunday morning and evening to a well filled house. Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. were well attended. He had one joiner and the collections were excellent.

The Tabernacle Baptist church had their Christmas tree Friday night and all present had a joyful time. Rev. Jackson received an overcoat and cap from his church.

During the Christmas season Rev. Jackson solemnized five marriages.

Rev. M. D. Johnson, pastor of Beulah Baptist church reports a glorious service all day last Sunday. All services were well attended which shows a great future progress of his church.

The Bethel A. M. E. church pastored by Rev. M. R. Rhononce had hardly standing room in their church Sunday. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor were well attended. Three conversions and four joiners. Collection best in the history of the church.

Mrs. M. R. Rhononce, who has charge of the missionary department held a meeting Sunday evening. This department is doing much good work.

The Bethel church held their Christmas tree Wednesday night. This was conducted by Mrs. E. H. Madison, the best in the history of the church.

Rev. Rhononce and family were well remembered through the entire Christmas season by gifts of money, clothing, toys for their young son, Charles. They were the guests at several dinners and social functions.

Rev. Rhononce solemnized two marriages during the season and was a guest at the wedding dinner of Miss Ethel Richardson to Mr. Percy Stock of Boone, Iowa, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Richardson.

Others who entertained during the season were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Gamble, Mrs. Gus Hupp, Mrs. Herndon, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Payne gave a family reunion; Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pharmer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pharmer of Brookfield, Mo., were in the city visiting relatives at their reunion; also Mr. and Mrs. Minor and Mrs. J. W. Ridley of Louisville, Ky.

We urge our readers to subscribe and read the Bystander.

## BENIER, MO., ITEMS.

(By J. L. Williams.)  
The Ruth Baptist church under the leadership of Rev. J. L. Williams is pressing in the upward way. The Sunday school, B. Y. P. U., Woman's Missionary circle are all doing a big work. We are expecting to put on a big rally soon for the interest of the church. Mrs. N. S. Douglass Braxton entertained Club No. 1 at the residence of L. B. Anderson.

Rev. Ross of Seattle, Wash., arrived in the city Friday, Dec. 26 to take charge of the A. M. E. church. Prof. Dave Brown and Mr. Bob Wright gave a swell dance in the city. A large crowd was in attendance.

## CHILLICOTHE, MO., ITEMS.

(By M. E. Alnutt.)  
We are enjoying delightful weather. Mrs. Jewel Center is visiting relatives in Arkansas.

Miss Laura Belle Hayes one of the teachers of Garrison school has returned from a visit in Brunswick, Mo. Mrs. Mary Cutis of St. Louis, Mo., spent a few of the holidays with Mr. Malissia Hardin and friends.

A very nice Christmas tree was prepared at each of the church and interesting programs rendered by the little folks.

Mrs. Minnie Kianey of Booneville, Mo., spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bellivar Payne.

Mrs. Rosa Blanton of Brunswick, Mo., visited her son, Mr. Andrew Ward during the holidays.

On Friday evening Dec. 26, the young people were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ward at a party given in honor of his sister, Miss Mary Blanton of Brunswick, Mo.

Rev. and Mrs. I. L. Talley of St. Joseph, Mo., a former pastor of Mt. Zion church visited their many friends the latter part of the week. They were the recipients of much social honor.

Rev. and Mrs. Talley at breakfast Saturday morning at the Anderson Bros. cafe.

The people of Chillicothe donated a purse of \$7 to Rev. Talley and wife to buy a turkey for their new year's dinner at their home in St. Joseph, Mo.

The six knights and daughters gave an entertainment at the U. K. T. hall Friday evening. Everyone spent a pleasant evening.

Mrs. Juanita Payne is her mother, Mrs. Georgia Lee in Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Harold Estes of Des Moines is home visiting relatives and friends.

## GALESBURG ITEMS.

The A. M. E. church choir under the management of Mr. Huff gave a sacred cantata entitled "The King Cometh," Dec. 29. Mr. George Dunn of Burlington and Mrs. Bolder, city, rendered solos. Prizes were given to the persons selling most tickets. Miss Florence Fletcher won first prize, \$2.50 gold piece; Mrs. Alice Angdon, second prize \$1.50 in silver.

The A. M. E. Sunday school gave a Christmas program under the direction of Miss Florence Fletcher Sunday. The program was a great success.

Mr. Webb of Canton was in the city Sunday visiting Mr. Trimon Webster.

Miss Elois Elms of Peoria is visiting Miss Fanny Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fletcher will spend New Years in Chicago with her mother, Mrs. Young.

The choir of the Second Baptist church will have a sacred cantata Sunday, Jan. 4.

Miss Ruby Brown is on the sick list. The Christmas ball was a success. Music was furnished by the Quincy orchestra.

The heroines of the Templar Crusade guild had their annual sermon at the A. M. E. church Christmas eve.

## PARIS, MO. NEWS.

(By Tom House.)  
Bruce Ragland came home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ragland. He is attending Lincoln institute school at Jefferson City, Mo. Bruce is a bright boy. We hope to see his success in the future.

Mrs. Bessie Davis and sister, Emma Moore came home from Bloomington, Ill. to visit their mother, Mrs. Lizzie Moore.

Mrs. Alice Telson was in Moberly, Mo., shopping. While in the city she saw Miss Elcie Harris whose name has changed now Mrs. Elcie Smith. She will make her home in Moberly, Mo.

George Reed Butler, a grandson of Mrs. Wesley Porter, is doing fine now. He is out playing in the yard again.

Mr. V. C. Bradley and wife left for Bloomington, Ill. Her father, Mr. John R. Carter, is out again and doing nicely, he is somewhat weak yet.

Prof. T. B. Burris left for Macon City, Mo., from there he will go to Bloomville, Mo.

Miss Nellie Burris has changed her name to Mrs. Nellie Lane. Mr. Lane is a fine young man. He is principal of the Sweet Spring, Okla., school. Success to them.

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Mrs. Claudie House spent Christmas day in Madison, Mo., with her mother, Mrs. Matilda Collins.

Mrs. Kate Moore was here on business from Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Andrew Martin, who has been in poor health for over five years, is not expecting to live only a few days longer.

Mrs. Malinda Donaldson of Galesburg, Ill., spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Lucinda Kipper.

Rev. Isaac Stone and wife of Peoria, Ill., are spending Christmas with his father, Mr. Minor Stone. Melvin Stone of St. Louis, Mo., is here spending the holidays with his parents.

Myrtle Moss of Jackson, Mo., is here visiting her parents, Mr. George Moss.

John Bryant of Shelbina, Mo., is here spending Christmas among his friends.

and little George and Prof. Donaldson are hatching. Miss Jeannette Donaldson chief cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman spent Sunday in Moberly with Mrs. Marlan Moore and grandson.

Mr. John Sage is spending the holidays with Mrs. Coleman.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES

### Y. M. C. A. SCHEDULE—1920.

Inter-denominational religious training institute, Union Congregational church, Tenth and Park streets, under the auspices religious training committee, Crocker street branch, Y. M. C. A. Mr. E. C. Robinson, secretary 782 West Ninth street.

Popular lectures will be given each evening from 7:30 to 8 as follows:  
Monday, Jan. 5—"Possibilities of a Religious Training Institute," by Prof. Z. C. Thornburg, superintendent city board of education.

Monday, Jan. 12—"The Teacher; His Training and His Teaching," by Hon. Hubert Utterback, judge Polk county District court.

Monday, Jan. 19—"The Use of the Bible in Teaching," by Rev. Dr. J. Edward Kirby, Plymouth church.

Monday, Jan. 26—"The Sunday School and the Pupil," by Rev. Dr. Howland Hanson, First Baptist church.

Monday, Feb. 2—"The Girl Problem," by Miss Virginia Robinson, secretary, Tenth street Y. W. C. A.

Monday, Feb. 9—"The Boy Problem," by Mr. E. C. Robinson, secretary Crocker Street Y. M. C. A.

The period from 8 to 8:40 each institute evening will be devoted to departmental study under the following department leaders:

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Primary department (for teachers and leaders of boys and girls under the age of 8 years) Attorney Gertrude E. Rush, leader.

The period from 8:40 to 9:20 will be occupied by another course of popular lectures by the following pastors: Monday, Jan. 5, "The Life of Christ," by Dr. H. E. King; Monday, Jan. 12—"The History of the Jewish People," by Rev. Dr. T. J. Jones; Monday, Jan. 19—"The Life of St. Paul," by Rev. Dr. George W. Robinson; Monday, Jan. 26—"Old Testament Characters," Rev. Dr. S. L. Birt; Monday, Feb. 2—"The Influence of Character," Rev. S. Bates; Monday, Feb. 9—"Harmonizing Science with the Bible," Rev. H. C. Claybrook, B. D.

The small sum of 25 cents is required of each one who enrolls to cover the expense of heating and lighting the building for which no other charge is made. Each person is requested to bring a pencil and a permanent note book.

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## MOUNT PLEASANT ITEMS.

Mr. Clay Reed spent Christmas in Eldora, Iowa, with his daughter, Mrs. Mamie Wickes.

Mr. Eugene Bailey spent the holidays in Ottumwa.

Christmas was litly observed by both churches Christmas eve with pro-

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grams and Christmas trees. All the children were made happy by little tokens from the Sunday schools.

Prof. and Mrs. James Watts of the Star Jubilee company remembered the members of both churches by sending them Christmas cards and the Sunday school pupils with candies and nuts.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Paterson had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Mr. George Harris and daughter, Miss Viola, M. Joe Pickett and Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey of Ottumwa, Iowa. A sumptuous dinner was served and all had a very pleasant time.

The mothers council entertained their husbands Friday eve, Dec. 26 at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Handy. Dainty refreshments were served by the ladies. A splendid time was had.

Mr. Rupert Role of Muscatine, Iowa was in the city visiting his uncle, Mr. William Burnaugh.

Mr. James McNeal, who spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Margaret Mc-

Neal has returned to his home in Chicago.

Mr. Lewis Bedford has returned his work in his old after spending Christmas with his family.

**DES MOINES BOYS ENTERTAIN AT OIL DEALERS BANQUET**  
The hit of the Manhattan oil dealer banquet given at the Hotel Savary last week was the entertainment given by a group of Des Moines boys. A widely varied program consisting of ballads, Hawaiian songs to ukulele accompaniment and the even popular delighted the guests. Carrol Currier the male soprano carried away the honors. Aside from the vocal numbers entertainers composed a three piece orchestra. This group of artists consisted of Carrol Currier, Jerald Hayes, Blagburn Charles Woods and Sam Morrison.

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