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Pershing Backs Race Youth in Place to Re-organize U. S. Army

Great World War General Strongly Advocates Educating the Colored Man for the Good of the Nation.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—The testimony presented at the recent meeting of the point house and senate committees on military affairs, Senator Wadsworth of New York presiding, brought forth the following pertinent testimony when General John J. Pershing appeared before the committee, relative to the part the colored youth would play in the reorganization of the army.

General Pershing: Can you consistently fail to take advantage of the splendid opportunity you are giving these young men for broadening themselves, by association with their fellows? They get in three months or six months a view of life which they probably never would get otherwise. It would be a large step toward preventing class distinction. Are you not giving them value received, and are you not by that method increasing their efficiency as laboring men? I think you are.

I think they go back into civil life better prepared more aggressive, more imbued with a spirit of leadership and initiative than if they had not had this training, and even if we were assured of never having another war. I should be in favor of some such system as this, simply for training young men to be more law-abiding citizens. There is too little regard for law and order.

Mr. Quinn: I would not agree with your promise. I come from a section of the country where we have the black men in large numbers, and it is actually demonstrated that it is a very dangerous thing to train him as a soldier. He has come back into society now and is a menace to the white race. What would you do under this plan for universal training to keep those sections of the country, some of them in the south and some of them in

the middle west and in the north, from being menaced in such a way? That is not hearsay, but it is an actual reality which I am relating to you.

General Pershing: I am not entirely familiar with that situation nor with the result that would be produced by giving these men this sort of training. But from a broad standpoint I think any additional educational we give the colored man would be an advantage to the nation.

Mr. Quinn: So far as education is concerned those sections are educating him in free schools. The proposition is that this military training has demonstrated that it develops a real danger. He is coming back home with all that esprit in him.

General Pershing: I do not know that, that can be entirely attributed to his military training. May it not be attributed to some extent, to the peculiar circumstances under which he served abroad? I am not prepared to analyze it entirely or give you a complete answer, but it seems to me that the feature of it should be considered. You remember that the relations that exist over there and the attitude toward the colored man are different from what they are with us.

Mr. Quinn: Would you object, after you had had time to analyze it and study it, to put a complete answer to that in the record?

General Pershing: Of course, I think the question is going to come up, if congress in its wisdom concludes to adopt any system of military training; and if I should be called upon to assist in the preparation of the details of a bill I would be glad to comply with your request. I may state, however, that my information is that few, if any, of the colored men who were in the army, have been engaged in any of the recent racial troubles.

78 Lynched in the Year 1919

1919 RECORD LYNOHING YEAR 78 MET DEATH FROM MOBS.

Complete lynching statistics for the year 1919, made available today by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, showed seventy-eight mob murders during the year, the greatest number of any year since 1915, when ninety-six persons were lynched.

Georgia leads the list of states with twenty-one lynchings, Mississippi follows with twelve, and Alabama and Arkansas are third and fourth in the list with eight and seven lynchings respectively.

Of the persons lynched in 1919, four were white Americans, two were Mexicans and seventy-two were Negroes. Shooting to death claimed twenty-seven victims, hanging twenty-three and burning at stake thirteen. Nine of the victims were ex-soldiers of the United States army.

In the list of alleged causes of lynching, murder is given in twenty-seven cases, assault in fourteen cases, shooting of a white man in seven cases.

In less than one-fifth of the lynchings of 1919 was assault upon women even alleged as a justification.

WHOLE CITY WITHDREW INSURANCE FROM COMPANY WHOSE AGENTS LED MOB.

Mayor Pleads in Vain Colored People Then Establish a Company of Their Own.

How 16,000 colored people withdrew from a single white insurance company at one time in revenge for the lynching of two colored men, was told by Bishop John Hurst before the A. M. E. ministers' meeting Monday. Bishop Hurst returned from visit to the A. M. E. conferences in Florida.

In Jacksonville, recently, two colored men, killed were said to have stabbed a white man to death after an all day's gambling, in which the latter won most of the money. The two men, said the bishop was put in jail and that night when a crowd of lynchers gathered, a crowd of colored people also gathered to prevent violence.

Seeing that the colored population meant to uphold the law with their lives, if necessary, the mayor and police treated with them and promised protection to the two men provided the colored crowd would go home. The crowd went home, and no lynching took place.

A week later, on a rainy night the heads of the murdered white man who were found out to be agents of an insurance company in which the dead man worked, broke into jail and lynched the two suspect colored men, afterwards dragging their victims through the town.

Incensed beyond all measure 16,000 colored folk, who were members of the white insurance company withdrew from the company and put to flight insurance agents when they called to collect money. Loss of so many thousands of dollars aroused prominent white men who had the mayor call colored leaders to a conference in which he spoke of the necessity of colored people dealing with their white friends.

Not to be moved by false arguments, ten of the leading men of the city met; out of \$1,000 each, organized and incorporated what is now known as the People's Industrial Insurance company. This company is now making up the business lost by the white company.

Bishop Hurst added that Negroes of the south are meeting race prejudice with more seriousness and more real courage than their brothers in the north and that the southern Negro is getting ahead with startling rapidity.

After the rendition of the program the audience retired to the dining room where a sumptuous two-course luncheon was served by the Ladies aid and home mission ladies and where glad hearts and voices mingled till the hour of departure.

AMES ITEMS.

Mr. G. L. Fisher of Des Moines is working with Lewis the Tailor.

The Ames Mutual Aid club gave a popularity contest at the home of Mr. John Shipp last week to see who could raise the largest amount of money. After the contest the evening was spent in playing games. Afterward refreshments were served.

Mr. C. S. Smith who was a delegate to the Students Volunteer Convention made a report of the conference at the College chapel Sunday morning and at the Baptist church in the evening, in connection with his report he explained briefly what the Negroes of America have accomplished and that they are now demanding the rights of American citizens.

Mr. J. R. Seatt, a member of the Inter-state club is now in Chicago. We are glad to have Mr. B. H. Crutcher with us again. He has been recently discharged from the service and has taken up his school work.

Mr. Harry Marshall is now cooking at the Sheldon Munn hotel.

ST. PAUL, MINN., ITEMS. (Mrs. Mattie Wade Hicks).

St. Paul has been blessed with plenty of snow this winter and still it comes.

St. James A. M. E. church is in the midst of a financial rally for the building of a new church. Rev. J. C. Anderson, a splendid financier and church builder hopes to have the members and friends lay on the table the first Sunday in April the sum of \$10,000.

Mrs. Anril B. Tolbert, president of the N. A. C. W.'s clubs is in the city

Col. Young Boosts American Legion

Declares That Organization is the Most Potent Influence for Justice—Frowns on Anarchy.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 16.—The American Legion was recommended as the most potent influence for justice the race can tie to by Col. Charles Young, ranking colored officer in the United States army, in an address before a colored audience that filled Tremont Temple, Col. Young was the main speaker at the open session of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity called to discuss the aspirations of the race and the duties of the race to America.

While the other speakers urged that colored people assert their rights of citizenship and abandon reactionary leaders, Col. Young found this theme, America's expectations from the Negro.

"The black quota, which we as a group must add to American life, will include the spiritual and cultural things," he said. "What we want every privilege any race has we cannot get along without the white man. There is enough Americanism in all the races in the country to keep America intact."

"I would not have you cringe before any man. But you must have no more bloodshed, no more race riots. No Negro must shed any blood not demanded in the defense of his family and of his citizenship. Human life is sacred. There is nothing in anarchy for the Negro."

IMPORTANCE OF THE FOUR-TEENTH UNITED STATES CENSUS TO THE COLORED PEOPLE

Because of the many economic changes since 1910, the importance of the approaching decennial census to the colored people should not be underestimated. These changes will be a matter of record in the history of the growth of the race, and of the nation, and the statistical information which will be compiled from the data collected by the census enumerators, who will canvass the United States in January should constitute a source of reliable information for this and for future generations.

Through migration the colored population of some states has considerably increased, while in others it has decreased since the United States census of 1910. Agricultural activities appear to be extending in new directions. Thousands of colored men and women have entered into the industrial life of the nation as producers. Indications, in certain states, point to a large increase in home ownership. A substantial growth in the number of business enterprises owned and operated by colored men is reflected in their newspapers and magazines which are growing in number and influence. The number of professional men and women are steadily increasing and the percentage of illiteracy is rapidly decreasing.

The accuracy of the census reports depends largely upon the willingness of each individual to answer fully each question asked by the enumerator, and it is only in this way that reliable data can be obtained from which can be determined the social and economic progress made by each element of the population in the United States.

The census bureau emphasizes the point that all information collected by the census enumerators is strictly confidential. It can not be used as a basis for taxation, for the enforcement of any federal, state or local law, or in any way whatsoever that will cause harm to the person giving it or to his affairs. No one, therefore, should hesitate to give to the census enumerators complete and truthful replies which the enumerators can use in filling out the printed census schedule carried by them, nor should any attempt be made to anyone to cover up the true facts that pertain to each man and woman.

a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Hardy, 518 St. Anthony avenue. Mrs. Tolbert will give a lecture at Memorial Baptist church on the Nineteenth under the auspices of the state federation C. W. clubs.

Mrs. J. W. Koger and Luther Abbey of Minneapolis were guests of Mrs. L. Hyde Thursday.

A mock wedding at St. James church on the 20th by Queen of Sheba chapter O. E. S. and the Excelsior club. Fun galor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hatton of Arch street entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Quintman Hicks.

Crispus Attucks Orphanage and Old Folks Home, 469 Collins street is progressing nicely. The management is greatly improved and every one seems anxious to add their little mite towards its support. They have about twenty-five inmates at present. During the holiday enough provisions were sent out to last at least six months.

Rev. B. N. Hodge, pastor of Pilgrim Baptist church seems to be just the man for that place and the church is getting along nicely under his pastorate.

Mrs. R. D. Wiley of St. Anthony ave. was hostess for the King's Daughter club Monday evening.

A new church has been started in our city known as Campthor Methodist Episcopal church named for the late Bishop Campthor. They have about twenty-five members. Rev. T. A. Smith is pastor. Miss Thelma Hopson is reported sick also Mrs. Emma Archer and Mr. R. Blair.

The American syncope orchestra will appear here on the 18, 19 and 20 at the auditorium.

National Negro Advancement Society Doubles Membership

Race riots and lynchings in 1919 have only served to increase the determination of Negroes throughout the United States to organize to wipe out these evils, according to announcement made today by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, whose membership more than doubled in the year.

"Colored people of the United States are awake as never before to the need

of organizing," said the announcement "to obtain justice and maintain peace. The membership of this Association, which 8,427 in November, 1917, jumped to 40,729 in November 1918, and more than doubled this, reaching 88,292 on the first of December, 1919.

"The number of branches throughout the country jumped from eighty in 1917 to 145 in November, 1918, and was more than doubled in the current year, reaching 310 on Dec. 1 last."

Students offered \$100 in Prizes

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, announces an offer of \$100 in prizes for the best essay by a student at a colored institution of learning on the subject "The Economic Element in Lynching and Mob Violence."

The first prize is of \$50.00 and the second and third of \$30.00 and \$20.00 respectively. Essays are limited to 5,000 words and must be at the office of the Association not later than, May 1st, 1920.

The prizes are offered to enlist the interest and co-operation of Colored Students in dealing with the problems of race relations in the United States.

Letters have been sent to the presidents of colored institutions of learning throughout the United States, asking them to acquaint their students with the terms of the offer.

The names of the successful contestants will be announced at the Spring meeting of the National Assosion for the Advancement of Colored People.

Richmond Men will Open Big Shoe Store

Richmond, Va., Jan. 15.—The Union Progressive Company, Inc., has purchased the two-story building and lot at 1018 Church street, and will begin remodeling and preparing the building to open a first-class shoe store.

This company had a unique start. Working on the hull of a battleship or on a dry dock is not ordinarily an inspiration to enter the commercial world. One cold day last winter several men were working on the dry dock at the Portsmouth navy yard. The conditions were anything but agreeable, and it brought on a conversation that resulted in a call meeting, at which four men met. They discussed the possibility of a business and agreed there and then to start a company. The Union Progressive Shoe company was the result of this meeting.

The Union Progressive Shoe company is authorized to issue stock to the amount of \$25,000 which has been more than half sold.

American Negro Academy

AMERICAN NEGRO ACADEMY. The Messenger Editor Defines His Position—Twenty-third Annual Meeting—Election of Officers.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—The American Negro academy, an organization of authors, artists, scholars, and other distinguished men of African descent, for the promotion of letters, art and science, and to foster as far as possible a form of intellectual taste, convened in this city during the past week, and its four sessions, covering a period of two days, were well attended.

For the second time in the history of the organization the academy gave a place on its program to a non-member, who was Mr. A. Philip, editor of the Messenger magazine, New York City. The following papers were read: "A New Religion for the Negro," by John R. Clifford, editor of the Pioneer Press, Martinsburg, W. Va.; "The Shame of America," by President A. H. Grimke; "The Status of the Foreigner under Various Haytian Constitutions," Bishop John Hurst, of Baltimore, Md.; "The New Radicalism and the Negro," was the subject of Mr. Randolph's address.

John W. Cromwell, of Washington, D. C. was elected president. Other officers elected were Robert T. Browne of New York City; Prof. J. E. K. Aggrey, of Salisbury, N. C.; Bishop John Hurst, of Baltimore, Md.; and Dr. C. V. Roman, of Nashville, Tenn.; vice presidents, Robert A. Pelham A. Pelham, corresponding secretary; T. Montgomery Gregory, recording secretary; Lafayette M. Hershaw, treasurer.

On the executive committee were named Prof. Kelly Miller, Prof. Geo. M. Lightfoot, F. H. M. Murray, Prof. William Pickens, of Baltimore, and John E. Bruce ("Bruce Grit") of New York City.

90,000 NEGROES TO BE REPRESENTED IN MEETING HERE

More than 90,000 Negroes of the United States will be represented in a mass meeting to be held in Cooper Union, New York, on Monday evening Jan. 5, under the auspices of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was announced today.

"The Negro and Labor" is the subject announced and the speakers will be Dudley Field Malone, former co-editor of the port of New York; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, editor of the Crisis; John Haynes Holmes, and Professor M. H. Gassaway who will tell of his expulsion from Anderson, South Carolina.

Music at the meeting will be in charge of the Clef club.

CONGRESSIONAL HEARING ON LYNOHING AND RACE RIOTS, JANUARY 14

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, today announced that a preliminary hearing on the resolution for a federal investigation on lynching and race riots in the United States would be held in Washington on Wednesday, January 14. Information to this effect has been sent to the Association by Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas.

The members of the Senatorial sub-committee which will conduct the hearing are Senators Dillineham of Vermont, Walsh of Montana, and Kellogg of Minnesota.

Among those who will urge federal



COLORED BOY MAKES RAPID PROGRESS

In an interview with Mr. J. F. Erhard, a Bystander reporter discovered that one of the best meat cutters in the city and state is a colored boy, in the person of Toussant Howard. Mr. Erhard told of how nearly six years ago he asked a boy to run an errand for him. The boy did so and from then on was given a steady job after school hours. He worked on the delivery wagon a short time but seemed very eager to learn to cut meat. He was given a trial at meat cutting and not long afterward was made foreman of the retail department. His rise was rapid and at present he is general manager of the shipping department and ships to all parts of the state. Although only 21 years of age he ranks as one of the highest salaried Negroes in the state.

Mr. Howard who is married and has one child, resides at 515 Penn avenue. Mr. Erhard, who is the owner of the new public market, 313-315 West Third street and of the S. & K. chain stores has pushed Mr. Howard forward despite much opposition on the part of his customers. He also has three other colored boys in his employ.

WHAT IS THRIFT?

It is anticipated that all Iowa clubs and club women will actively and heartily support National Thrift week January 17 to 24 inclusive. Thrift means applying high principles of business, economy, and ethics to every act of life. It means good management of the business of living.

It means care and prudence in the management of ones affairs, for today, for tomorrow, for next year, for all time for future generations.

It means weighing all that goes into the satisfaction of life; good food, clothing, shelter, amusement, education, public affairs, the general welfare.

Thrift consists of making the most of ones resources tangible and intangible, benefit of one's self and one's fellows. A nation whose citizens measure up to this standard is a stable independent dependable nation.

When thrift becomes a national habit business will be stabilized as never before; the individual will find a measure of independence security, and influence never before experienced. A community of thrifty people, buy steadily and judiciously and meet their obligations conscientiously. That all club women may receive much benefit from the program sent out from national headquarters I have been able to perfect arrangements whereby the following women will address mass meetings among club women during "Thrift week," Des Moines, Mrs. W. H.

at community center, Ninth and Aul-Sneider, state secretary of women's work berry streets, Jan. 18 at 3 p. m. Mrs. Jesse McClain will preside. Ottumwa, Mrs. F. Thall, Burlington; Mrs. W. H. Davidson, Okaloosa; Mrs. Cora Martinstein, Davenport; Mrs. D. Burrows, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. C. C. Loomis, Centerville; Mrs. L. I. Hanson, Waterloo; Mrs. E. Pickett, Mason City; Mrs. Aurora Potts, Washington, Iowa; Mrs. W. Miller, Marshalltown, district chairman (Hocking, Albia, Buxton), Mrs. F. Bickert. Musical numbers will be furnished at these meetings by club members.

Executive officers and club presidents will preside. We are urging that as nearly as possible a massmeeting be held on Sunday, Jan. 18 in each of these towns.

Not holding a regular meeting club pres may as nearly as possible carry out the ideals call a special meeting that you program as outlined for the week by the treasury department of the government savings organization. As American citizens it is our duty to take an active part in national and state affairs.

Thrift concerns each individual. Thrift will solve the high cost of living problems. In this great national movement we solicit your co-operation. Thrift literature will reach all club presidents for use during "Thrift week" Program for "Thrift week" follows:

Jan. 17.—National thrift day. To enlist the nation in a campaign to "save first and spend afterwards." In other words, to stick resolutely to the program of making the present insure the future by the regular saving and investment of some part of every pay envelope to finance future opportunities or needs; to invest saving safely, preferably in loss-proof government securities; to curb the profiteer by demanding a dollar's worth of goods for every dollar spent.

Jan. 18.—Thrift Sunday. Sermons in all pulpits on the relation of economic life to religious well-being, and the need of sharing with others.

Jan. 19.—National life insurance day. To emphasize the importance of protecting one's family with life insurance.

Jan. 20. 20.—Own-your-own-home day. To show how desirable and possible it is to own a home.

Jan. 21.—Make-a-will day. To urge men to make wills, and in so doing impress upon them the necessity of making provision for the future.

Jan. 22.—Thrift-in-industry day. To emphasize the need for factory thrift, and the economic value of co-operation between capital and labor.

Jan. 23.—Family budget day. To show the importance of using the budget plan in family finance.

Jan. 24.—Pay-your-bills day. To emphasize the moral obligation to pay debts.

As president of the I. F. C. W. C. I am urging that as many club women of the state as possible attend the meeting in the city of Des Moines, Jan. 20 at the Corinthian Baptist church, Fifteenth and Linden streets, at which time Iowa club women will have as their guest, America's foremost club woman, Mrs. Mary B. Tolbert of Buffalo, N. Y., president N. A. C. W. C., life member Douglas memorial committee, active worker in N. A. A. C. P. Mrs. Tolbert spent some time in France during the late war and will bring a message directly from the front of the part taken by our own soldiers in the last war. A capacity house should greet this most distinguished guest. Every club woman in the city of Des Moines should be present to greet their national president, and extend to her the welcome she so rightfully deserves.

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HEALTHY MIND AND TIMELY TOPICS

A. Booker, M. D.

When he came from the great unknown to take his place with us mortals, he brought with him a mother's love to keep his soul. He quickened the hope of his father, his mother was happy beyond expression when she clasped the man-child in her arms. The long months of alternating hope and fear ended with the excitement, the terrible pain and almost cruel demand of life for the tender brown eyes full of love and humble gratitude that the crisis was past, the mother forgot herself as she held the tiny bundle and pressed love into the kisses placed on his soft cheeks. Dumbly and deeply thankful to God for his great gift.

Months passed and his tongue lipped the words: "I love you mother mine," his tireless feet patterned and out ever under the watchful guidance of eyes such as only mother can bestow. Soft prayers and hopes ascended as the day began and the evening closed. Dumbly and deeply thankful to God for his great gift.

Lesson of simple honesty and faith, learned by precept and practice filled his soul. At school and church his eager mind took in the temporal truths. The neighbors and passers-by stroked his curly head and love and faith in all the good he had heard in the temple and home shine forth from his eyes. The father worshipped his first born and told him tales of valor, virtue and usefulness. This man-child should grow fine in form and rich in spirit, the dreams and hopes of a past generation should not be frittered in his soul. Strong in body, wealthy in spirit, keep in intellect, lofty in ideals. The soul of the young is as an unwritten book, indelibly write truth and faith upon its pages.

Months roll by as swiftly as silently, but age in one's first born is not in a mother's knowledge.

Then gradually comes a little cloud over the horizon of the brown boy—what means the change, gradual though noticeable, the lighter skinned dominant race adults no longer caress him, the menichildren of his kindergarten days no longer walk arm and arm and reward him with their smiles and eyes and a pain begins to gnaw about his heart; at last he must challenge his home teachers. Did they not tell him that application to books would bring him honor and reward; did the declaration of Independence and equal, and are endowed with certain inalienable rights, among them the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, was the virtue of character and good honest parents had invented? The mother had known that somewhere he must come face to face with this humiliation, but kept back the painful fact, hoping that with him and his might change the man made practice, and for him and his hosts of fellows in turn, brown and black a new order would come. But she could not bring to his high ideals the recognition of such injustice.

The pages of history told him of brown men who were wise, valiant, kings and prophets. He knew that the ancestors of the dominant race were cruel blood thirsty and had been slaves. His own sense of justice and God kept his feet ever in right paths and his soul upon a high plane. Wrong he knew could not forever rule, his faith in his homely teaching was kindled anew each day, for he honored his father and mother.

What that physically and morally deformed war lord of Germany supposed that he could stretch forth his good arm in mighty conquest, he fanned into a blue flame the spirit of the brown men here, was the chance to strike wrong and might a death blow.

In camp, in France in his heart most of all he burned to emulate the deeds of L. Overton and his followers; the deeds of a hundred heroes kept his spirit high. The hardships of trench and front discipline he knew not for he wanted a world safe for democracy.

The orders, the high pitch of moves, the prayer to God to keep his feet equal to his faith; the singing shell, the zip of bullets, the noxious odors, the blinding Verg lights, the tangled cries, the complete forgetfulness of self, the exaltation of spirit—then a dizziness, a brief dream of mother and home. The war departments form: "I regret to inform you that your son was killed in action."

The mother lived again the pain of bringing her man child, a tear, a prayer, a realization that he had lived the highest life of a man, and a mixed sorrow and joy that he was with his heroes of antiquity and no longer was puzzled by the injustice of man to man.

MOBBELY ITEMS.

(By Mrs. Katie Black.)
There is lots of sickness in the city at this writing.
Mrs. Bettie Johnson of St. Louis is here at the bedside of her father, Mr. William Smith, who is very sick at this writing.
Rev. J. H. Downey was out of town several days last week.
Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Paly was hostess to an elaborate dinner last Sunday to friends.
Mrs. Lovel Wiley is very sick at this writing. We hope Mrs. Wiley a speedy recovery.

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recovery.
The Negro Patriotic league met Tuesday night and had quite an interesting meeting.

The Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Blanch Williams Tuesday evening. The hostess served a two-course lunch. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Katie Black, 510 South Ault street.

MT. PLEASANT ITEMS.

Mrs. Oscar Green has been on the sick list.
Mrs. Bernice Boston and little daughter, Betty, returned to her home in Mason City, Iowa, last Monday. She was accompanied as far as Oskano, Iowa, by her mother, Mrs. Jane Carter.
Mrs. Irene Neal accompanied by her little niece and nephew, Agnes and Peter Waples returned to the city last Sunday after visiting relatives in Peoria and Chicago, Ill.

The first quarterly meeting of the conference year was held at St. John's A. M. E. church, Jan. 11. P. E. T. E. Stovall was present and preached a fine sermon. A good collection was taken up.

Mrs. Clara Hubbard was a business visitor in the city last Tuesday.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Round table talk, men only, Y. M. C. A., 782 Ninth street, Sunday 3 p. m.
A live discussion for men only will be held at the Crocker street, "Y" 782 Ninth street Sunday at 3 p. m. Cooperation of civic organization will be discussed. Dr. W. H. McCree will lead the discussion. Brief round table talks will follow. There are times when men should talk frankly to each other on problems that concern them. This is your chance.

The religious training institute was in full swing last Monday night. With nearly one hundred enrollment at beginning each night brings new members. Twenty-five new members enrolled the first night and sixteen the second. Judge Utterback made a most helpful and sympathetic talk on the subject assigned him. The departmental studies were so interesting that neither leader nor members wanted to adjourn when the allotted time was used. Dr. Jones gave us an entire new light on the history of the Jewish people.

Next Monday will be used as follows: in Teaching," Dr. J. E. Kirby, 7:30 to 8 lecture, "The use of the Bible

8:40, departmental study; 8:40 to 9:20 lecture, "The Life of Paul," Geo. W. Robinson.
Committee of management of Y. M. C. A. will be held at Y. M. C. A. new headquarters, 782 Ninth street, Saturday evening, Jan. 24 at 8 o'clock.

A GOOD MAN REWARDED.

We were very glad to learn of the recent action of the Maple street Baptist church towards its pastor, Rev. S. Bates. In a recent meeting of the church it was voted by the whole body to give him a large increase in salary. We think that a better way in showing the love they have for the one who lead them in the way of truth. But there comes some more; the church also donated him two tons of coal. They have the golden rule well applied now. No church can do too much for a good pastor. The burden that rests upon them of some of those responsibilities is a great rest. It should not take much for a large membership to donate a ton of coal to their shepherd.
Maple street Baptist church has taken the lead of all the churches in the city, whose pastors who have to supply themselves. Let others follow.

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First Prize.

(By Mrs. Elby Johnson, Keokuk.)
First—Secure the services of a correspondent in every city, village and settlement especially in Iowa and the mid-west news of all of our people within his or her jurisdiction regardless of religious denominations, prejudice or favoritism.
Second—Said correspondent to send this news to the office punctual. Third—Said correspondent to send this news regularly. Fourth—The editor must insist that this news is published the week it is received. Fifth—That an editorial appear weekly. Sixth—Give the readers of our paper the benefit of the history of our people especially in Iowa and other nearby sections by having the photograph of the homes, business enterprises, churches and prominent individuals accompanied by short sketches written weekly. Seventh—Encourage the writings of our people in verse and other literary productions by publishing their original productions weekly. Eighth—Add another sheet at least making the paper a six-page issue. Ninth—Have a woman's column, men's column and a children's column on this new sheet. Tenth—Invite the women throughout the country like Mrs. Booker Washington, Mrs. Terrell, Mrs. Talbert, Mrs. S. Joe Brown and Miss Hallie Q. Brown for a contributive article whether of club, church or purely literary work. Anything that will uplift our people. Eleventh—Encourage our splendid ministers by asking them for some of their manuscript sermons, Rev. Harvey J. Moore (white) of the First Baptist church here preached one of the best sermons I ever heard of and at a time when it was most needed on "Drawing the Color Line" and had not Mayor Lofton of Keokuk heard it and asked for its publication we as a race would have never known what he thought concerning us nor of its wonderful influence at that critical period. Rev. J. Sterling Moore has some masterpiece ones "The Snow," "The Lion or the Lamb" which wins and scores of others. I am not sure that Rev. C. R. Waters uses a manuscript but I am sure some of his excellent sermons can be secured. Twelfth—Never neglect the children. Funny stories, puzzles, etc., should be provided for them. Their own funny sayings and doings are so interesting that many of your correspondents would become real good story tellers by writing them occasionally. Thirteenth—In the literary column, a real good story of one of the most important events that has occurred during that month. Fourteenth—A current events column is always interesting. Fifteenth—A marriage column. Sixteenth—A death list. Seventeenth—A National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples column especially of Iowa. Increase interest along that line in the state and people in various states can compare the work much more easily.

Second Prize.

Burlington, Iowa, Nov. 22, 1919.
Bystander Pub. Co., Des Moines, Iowa.
Your most interesting and highly esteemed favor affords me intrinsic per, but why stay little! It reminds one of the newly weds (baby) in the comic sheet of a Chicago paper, it was always attired in its infant clothes and never grew; The Bystander is old enough to lay aside its infant wardrobe and let the public see its growth. It has evidently grown as we realize from our editors' prosperity, but its clothes remained the same.
The first suggestion is to enlarge your paper, this will afford ample space for the correspondence in the various localities to have their news printed the week it is submitted, thus saving the embarrassment of your agents, besides the public in general, reading the facts, two and sometimes three weeks after the event; I say reading the fact, as it fails to be news when other papers have given it to the public, as often is the case; and it is quite annoying to the agent, when subscribers accuse him of ignoring their news in his paper, sometimes an announcement of an engagement, or pending social affair is submitted to your agent, he in turn submits same to your office, can you imagine his embarrassment, in seeing it appear in gratification in having the opportunity and privilege of expressing my candid opinion and offering a few suggestions, which I hope will be of some interest to you in behalf of our paper the "Bystander."
First—Please accept my hearty congratulations in this new undertaking, and the fact that you are so considerate with your readers in soliciting their criticism and suggestions, assures us, that success will undoubtedly crown your efforts, co-operation is the cornerstone for this new foundation, which I hope all subscribers will realize, not expect a good paper with poor subscribers, let us pay as we go.
Much credit is due the ex-editor Mr. J. L. Thompson affording us a reliable paper for so many years, it often reminded me of the saying "Good goods is done up in little packages." Yes there was good goods in the little package colored papers in the coming week but ignored by his own, and then after it has been discussed for about two or three weeks, have it appear in his paper as (news)? There is another suggestion I wish to make to you, which may seem a bit foreign, but I believe it will add material value and arouse a new interest in your readers.
We undoubtedly realize and deplore the fact that the history of the Negro is ignored in our public schools and it is quite true that many of our boys and girls today and also parents are in ignorance of the part the Negro plays in history, why not devote one column in your paper in which to acquaint the general public of our celebrities, printing the picture when possible of the subject and giving brief, but important facts, this will furnish something entirely new for our papers and something that will be of interest to young and old man, woman and child alike, it will furnish subject matter for club discussions, essays for our children in school and Sunday schools and it is literature easily acquired and I would suggest giving personal note and mention to our distinguished women, it will be an inspiration to our ambitious young women. We might list it under the heading "Our Celebrities" or "The Negro in History" or "Who's Who" or something better.
Third can we have a sporting page giving first place to the Negro in drama and the movies then sporting activities this will be of a great interest to the

Third Prize.

Mystic, Iowa, Nov. 20, 1919.
Bystander Publishing Co., Des Moines, Iowa.
Editor: In reply to yours of a recent date pertaining to "How to Make the Bystander a Better Paper," will say, I am not capable to tell you. With your training and many years of experience in that particular line of business, are in a position to know more about that than I do. I have never been engaged in that line of business nor have I ever given it any particular consideration. However, in compliance with your request I will mention three features that enjoy reading in a newspaper.
First—Inspiration—To read of an tangible thing of real merit that in people accomplish, either vocational or professional. The progress we are making along financial lines; what we are doing as a race and individually; I enjoy reading short biographies of the of our race, who have made a mark life, such men as Attorney S. J. Brown, and others; To read about what the Negro is doing towards advancing to a higher standard fills with inspiration.
Second—Editorials—To read what I term, heavy editorials, is brain food, which is strengthening to the mind, and I enjoy it more when it is from the pen of one of my race. The editor is in touch with many important and interesting things pertaining to our welfare, and when they are direct, to the point, and full of logical facts, I call them heavy editorials.
Third—Local News—I enjoy reading the local events and incidents of my race throughout the state. Would like to hear from every town where there are colored people regardless of its Negro population.
Please accept the above suggestions stating what I enjoy reading in a race, not asking any changes to be made for paper only as my literary taste. I am not capable to tell you how to publish personal concern. Will repeat, I am not capable to tell you how to publish a paper.
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CITY NEWS

By Ada F. Hyde

Don't fail to hear Mrs. Mary B. Talbert Tuesday Evening January 20th at Corinthian Church

Mrs. Brown of Centerville, sister of Mrs. W. S. Thompson is visiting Mrs. H. J. Rogers of 225 Arthur street.

Mrs. Frances Cloyd, sister of Mrs. George Tymony has moved from Kansas City to Des Moines to make her home here with her mother and father.

Mrs. J. L. Lucas, wife of Rev. J. L. Lucas is very ill at her home, 2618 Sixth avenue.

Mrs. B. Rogers of 2645 Sixth avenue is confined to her home by illness.

Little Mack Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson is ill at the home of his parents, 2710 Sixth avenue.

Mrs. Maceo Pinkard and sister Doris Alexander of New York City arrived in the city Saturday morning for a two weeks' visit with their father.

Mr. Arthur B. Wright of Cedar Rapids, who was called here on account of the illness of his mother, Mrs. Florence R. Houston, 824 Small street, returned home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson gave a luncheon Sunday, Jan. 11 in honor of their nephew, Mr. Arthur B. Wright of Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Arthur H. Wright, 1208 West Second street gave a luncheon Monday in honor of his son, Mr. Arthur B. Wright.

Mrs. Myra Snowden of Chillicothe, Mo., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Emily Rowland and cousins, Mrs. Houston and Mrs. Wilkinson.

Mrs. L. J. Shelton and Mrs. E. Tracy Blagburn have returned from a pleasant two weeks' visit with friends in Peoria, Ill.

Mr. William Warwick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Warwick of West Thirtieth street and who now resides in South Dakota is spending several weeks in the city.

Mr. J. H. Perkins is very ill at his home on Fourteenth street.

Mr. Charles Carl is seriously ill at his home, 3113 Amherst avenue. His wife is also confined to their home by illness.

Mr. Parker of Easton Blvd., who has been quite ill for some time is improving.

Mrs. Houston of 828 Small street, who has been quite ill for some time is improving.

Mr. Johnson of West Fifth street is quite ill at his home.

Miss Ruth Birt who has been ill is improving.

Mrs. Marguerite Fields Lee of Chicago was in the city several days last week as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fields of West Eleventh street.

Mrs. James Barlow, formerly Mrs. Ma Nixon and little daughter, Anna Marie left last Friday for Kansas City, Kan., where they will reside.

Mr. Smith, a student of the state agricultural college at Ames, Iowa, was in the city Wednesday on business.

Miss Georgia Blackburn has gone to Chicago where she has accepted a position as a teacher in the public schools there.

Mr. Frank Scott of 207 Ridge street, who has been ill for some time and recently returned from the west has been removed to the tuberculosis camp.

Mrs. Gertrude Harris and daughter, Henrietta, who spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Peter Bell, 1340 Jefferson street left Monday for their home in Richmond, Ind., accompanied by her mother, who will spend the winter.

Mrs. Stella Grant and little son, Ulysses returned to their home Saturday after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stanton of Pleasant street.

Mrs. Emerald Mash, who has been ill at her home for several days, is much improved and able to return to her duties in the Bystander office.

CLUBS. The Mary Church Terrell club was entertained Monday night by Mrs. Pearl Thompson at her home, Twenty-

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ple street and Shiloh Baptist churches. It was a beautiful scene to see two pastors in the pool together in the Corinthian Baptist.

BETHEL A. M. E. NOTES. (Rev. H. C. Claybrook, pastor.) The pastor preached Sunday morning.

ST. PAUL NOTES. The services were well attended on last Sunday.

THE SICK THIS WEEK. Mrs. John Coleman, 1300 Twentieth street; Mrs. Archie McGuire, 1320 Laurel street; Mrs. Morris, mother of Attorney J. B. Morris, 1064 Fourteenth street; Mrs. Willie Smith, 778 Tenth street; Mrs. Fanny Phelps, 1028 Twelfth street; Mrs. Harrison Gould, 955 Sixth street; Mr. William Dozier, 1339 Crocker street; Mrs. Al. Cago, 1020 Chestnut street; Mrs. Crosby, 1121 First street; Mrs. Humburd, 2625 Chester street; Mrs. John Mills, 1222 East Sixth street; Mrs. Ed Clark, 1112 Center street; Mr. Wesley Branch, 1012 Mulberry street; Mrs. C. Nesbit, 1072 Eleventh street who has been ill is improving; Mrs. Lizzie Glass is much improved as well as Mr. George Jett; Mrs. Anna Avery, 114 Tenth street; Mrs. John Rhodes, Mr. Arthur Wilson, Mrs. Grace McCraven, Mrs. John Ford and Mrs. Hayes 856 Eleventh street.

TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE DES MOINES DISTRICT. Dear ones in Christ: As you know, the Christian churches have been called upon to hold ten days of prayer, which call I consider a blessing to humanity.

CORINTHIAN NOTES. The Corinthian Baptist church was up to the average last Sunday. Two large congregations were there for the two regular services.

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ceived a letter of thanks and best wishes for the hospitality shown by St. Paul during the student volunteer meeting. The next big religious gathering to interest Des Moines is the Methodist Episcopal general conference which meets in May and the Chicago A. M. E. annual conference which meets in September.

He has an invitation to install Rev. W. W. Ewing in Waterloo in March. The revival meeting will start at Corinthian Baptist, Feb. 8. Rev. J. Douglas Herbern of Baltimore, Md., will conduct the meeting.

The pastor preached Sunday morning. The Sunday school was pleased to have Mrs. J. L. Edwards, the district superintendent present.

The Christian endeavor was well attended and the topic well discussed. At 8 o'clock Sunday evening the service flag at Bethel was demobilized and quite a few of the returned heroes gave interesting talks.

Church conference Monday night. Sunday evening at 6:30 Prof. C. Robinson, secretary Crocker street branch Y. M. C. A. will lecture at Bethel. We hope every young man and woman in the community will be present for we know there is a treat in store for all of his hearers.

The great financial drive for the first payment on the principle of the mortgage debt, was launched Sunday. One hundred leaders were appointed and necessary instructions given. Those who were selected are well tried and true followers and will bring results.

The sick: Sisters Lizzie Glass, Dora McGuire, Maria Nesbitt, L. Humburd, Ruth Birt and Brother Harry Walden. The Junior C. E.'s held their monthly executive board meeting with the president, Dorothy Owsley, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Andrew Morris, president of the C. E.'s is at her post of duty after a long illness. The Mite Missionary society will give a bazaar in the near future. Watch for the date.

The Sunday school teachers presented the retiring superintendent, C. B. Woods a leather bound book in memory of his faithful service as superintendent of St. Paul Sunday school.

Brother J. L. Edwards will take charge of the Sunday school on next Sunday. He comes into the office with the respect and best wishes of the large membership.

Rev. Birt takes this opportunity of thanking the members and friends for the flowers and fruit sent to Ruth during her recent illness.

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Services at the usual hours Sunday morning service, 10:45 a. m. Evening service, 7:45 p. m. To which you are most cordially invited.

Rev. S. L. Birt, D. D. (pastor in charge). The Dyras Synopated Jazz orchestra is still one of our most popular orchestras for entertainment of any kind. They have just been secured by the Fox Chemical company to play at the convention which meets at the Savery hotel next week.

They also were the principle entertainers at the booster club party at the Army club last Wednesday night and later in the week are scheduled to go out of the city on a tour.

Mr. Dystart, manager, has just secured a "crack" new trombonist, Mr. Thomas Hickman of the state of Oregon. Mrs. Ada Smith his gifted pianist who has been quite sick for some time is again at the piano and they are in tip top shape to give you the highest class music.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. In the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and Polk county, March term, A. D. 1920.

Marshall Wyatt, Plaintiff, vs. Fannio Wyatt, Defendant.

You are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now 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 a divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of desertion and adultery.

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

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IOWA NEWS

WATERLOO ITEMS.

Watch meeting was held at both of the colored churches Wednesday. At the A. M. E. church the audience went down in prayer a few minutes before 12 and prayed the old year out and the new one in. A sermon was also enjoyed by the congregation. Rev. H. C. Boyd preached from Psalms 9:17. The subject was God's judgment upon the unrighteous.

Mrs. Maud Martin of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Susie Haasman, 324 Cottage street.

Rev. S. C. Crutcher, world wide evangelist, is spending a few days in our city visiting in the home of Rev. H. C. Boyd.

Rev. J. H. Ferribee, former presiding elder of the Des Moines district and at present pastor at Bethel A. M. E. church, Cedar Rapids, is visiting in our city.

Mrs. Sarah Cooper on Ash street, Mr. Henry Hart on Mahille street are very sick.

Miss Bernadine Sanniders on Mobile and Mrs. Adams on Halsted street, also Master Samuel Murphy on Merriman street are convalescing.

her trip two weeks ago.

her trip this week.

The services were splendid in both churches on the Sabbath.

The new trustees of the A. M. E. church for the ensuing year were elected and installed. They are: Frank Bright, S. T. Vaughn, O. D. Hood, Harag Fullilove, Edward Saunders, S. C. Scheers and George E. Smith.

ALBIA NEWS.

(By Miss May E. Davis.)

On Sunday, Jan. 4 Miss Gladys Brown entertained a number of her little friends to a party. It was her birthday so each little youngster remembered her with a token.

Mr. S. E. Franklin and Mr. Ed Butler attended the Smart Set in Ottumwa on Saturday evening.

Mr. George Hollingsworth is on the sick list.

A number of the Albia young people were on a bob sleigh party in Hoeking at the home of Miss Alberta Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Grayson have a sick baby at their home while the whole family are on the hoops.

Mrs. M. F. Ward and little Mary Venova are still very ill.

A merry party gathered at the home of Mrs. Zoe Bowman one night of this week for the evening. A few strangers in Albia.

OTTUMWA ITEMS.

(Special to Bystander.)

Sunday, Jan. 4 will be long remembered by the members and friends of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church. This was our first quarterly meeting of the year. Our new presiding elder, Rev. T. B. Stovall looked into the faces of an appreciative audience all day. At 11 o'clock we had love feast and general class, 3 p. m. The presiding elder preached a soul-stirring sermon and administered the Lord's supper. At 8 p. m. his lecture was a treat. The following named persons gave one dollar each that their names might be placed on the honor roll: Rev. Edwards, Robert Harris, Henrietta Home Columbus Gooch, Byron Williams, Mary Williams, J. H. Weeks, Mary Wilson, Minnie Bibb, Lulu Fox, Susan Harris, Mary Robinson, Rebecca Campbell, R. W. Davis, Clyde Robinson, Lawrence Taylor, Lorenzo S. Vincent, Ella Greaves. Collection for the day amounted to \$98. Quarterly conference was held Wednesday evening. Reports were up to the standard Ottumwa is leaving the second class and taking her right place as a first class charge.

OSKALOOSA ITEMS.

(Mrs. Cora Moore.)

Sunday was quarterly meeting at Wesley chapel church in the absence of Rev. W. L. Lee, presiding elder of the Kansas City district. Rev. L. M. Gregory of the Central M. E. church conducted the services in the afternoon. The auditorium was well filled and more than usual partook of the Lord's supper.

The newly elected officers of the Second Baptist church are Mrs. R. P. Palmer, superintendent; Miss Tressola Taylor, assistant superintendent; Miss Juanita Taylor, secretary; Mrs. Fannie Smith, treasurer; Brother Mathew Kel-

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ly, first teacher; Mrs. Mable Crowden, second teacher and organist; Miss Tressola Taylor, third teacher; Master Kenneth Palmer, librarian.

William Crump of Davenport arrived Monday night and is visiting in the Burgett home. Will says he will be here several days attending to business. He reports Mrs. Crump's health fine.

Mrs. Charles Edam will serve luncheon Friday night in her beautiful home in the interest of the Second Baptist church.

Born, Sunday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, a son, and died Monday. The little body was taken Tuesday to Keokuk for burial. This is indeed sad. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have the sympathy of the entire community. Mrs. Brown is very weak at this writing.

If you have news for the Bystander phone Black 725.

Tuesday night, Jan 13, Esther chapter met in its first regular session of the new year with the newly elected matron, Lister Mable Crowder presiding. The meeting was well attended.

KAPPA ALPHA PSI.

Iowa City, Iowa, Jan. 13.—The Kappa Alpha Psi fellows and pledges have now resumed their former tasks, which for eighteen days were left undone, but patiently awaited their return. The sad news was brought back to the chapter that the grim monster, death, had pitched battle against one of our beloved members of the last two years, Mr. Roby L. Crawford, and that the monster was the victor. We were all grieved very much to hear of the death of Brother Crawford. As a means of showing our attitude toward our respect for Brother Crawford, the fraternity used in conjunction with the Du Bois Literary society gave a program at the home of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority on Sunday, Jan. 11. The fraternity used to symbolize Brother Crawford's body a wreath that was marked with much beauty which

brought back to everyone vivid thoughts of the noble deeds that make up his life.

The program as rendered; all of the fraternity members sat in one room. Mr. T. S. Boone as master of ceremony announced the program: Music (dirge), Miss Mildred Griffin; scripture lesson, Mr. J. L. Coleman; resolution, Mr. A. W. Martin; Song "Asleep in Jesus"; Mr. R. L. Crawford as a fraternity member, Mr. H. H. London; Mr. R. L. Crawford as a friend to the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Miss Golda Crutcher; solo, "Face to Face"; Miss Viola Harper; Mr. R. L. Crawford as a dental student, Mr. J. K. Titus; Mr. R. L. Crawford, an athlete, Mr. Fred Slater; solo, "Requiem," Mr. W. M. Allen; Mr. R. L. Crawford, from the south to the north, Mr. W. E. Taylor; Mr. R. L. Crawford as an Iowa citizen, Miss Maymie Diggs; Mr. R. L. Crawford as a true American, Mr. C. Scott; song "Shall We Meet Beyond the River"; Mr. Crawford was loved by all, we with sorrowful hearts mourn his departure from this life.

This week is probation week and the freshmen are being well tried in their many lines, it is the hope of the fraternity that they will be found not wanting.

Brother H. Beshars of Cedar Rapids spent the week end in our city and also was present at the meeting held for Brother Crawford.

OTTUMWA ITEMS.

(Special to Bystander.)

Rose of Sharon court No. 5 at Ottumwa, Iowa, on Jan. 5, held a splendid meeting at the K. of P. hall on Main street. After finishing up the business of the past year, Mrs. Ella Bohannan was presented with a beautiful cut glass ice tea set as an appreciation of her work in the lodge and holding the office of R. of D. for five successful years.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the following: Mary Pratt, W. C.; Mattie Green, W. Inx.; Virgil Bradshaw, W. Inx.; Ella V. Bohannan, R. of O.; Fannie Cropp, R. of Acc.; Daisy Cason, W. S. D.; Anna Adams, W. J. D.; Anna S. D.; Anna Adams, W. J. D.; Ann Fields, W. Con.; Hannah Edwards, W. Con.; Albertha Graham, W. H.; John Bradshaw, W. Pro.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO IOWA BAPTISTS

Dear Brethren: Because of the coal strike we were unable to carry out the resolution that passed in the association in Minneapolis last year which called for a collection to be taken in every church for four of our churches that are in a needful condition. They are Ottumwa, Council Bluffs, Mystic and Mason City. The offering is to be taken on the second Sunday in February and sent to me at once for notation and distribution by order of the executive board.

Yours truly,
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