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The Observer Race Pageant Will Close Carnival At Saint Paul Church

By Chas. P. Howard
YOU

The other day there came into my hands a pamphlet written by W. L. Hutchinson, the Y. M. C. A. Secretary at Wichita, Kan. This is an excellent condensed account of the progress of the pageant. They were compiled four years ago and in some of them there is a material increase, it follows:

- At the time of his emancipation, the Negro was without any worldly possessions. The following figures will give some idea of his economic status to date:
 - Land holdings equal to the area of Ireland—22,000,000 acres of land.
 - Homes owned, 700,000.
 - Wealth accumulated, \$1,700,000,000.
 - Churches 50,000.
 - Church property valued at \$1,000,000,000.
 - Number in Sunday Schools, 3,000,000.
 - Communicants, 5,000,000.
 - Property for higher education, \$30,000,000.
 - Teachers in all schools, 44,000.
 - Number in public schools, 2,000,000.
 - Colleges and Normal schools, 500.
 - Annual cost of education, \$28,000,000.
 - Raised by Negroes for special schools, \$1,620,000.
 - Amount subscribed to war drives by Negroes, \$2,000,000.
 - Number that served with the Army and Navy in World War, 500,000.
 - Number that received commissions as officers, 1,400.
 - 200 were decorated for bravery.
 - Physicians and surgeons, 4,000.
 - Trained nurses, 2,500.
 - Business establishments, 50,000.
 - Authors, 500.
 - Dentists, 578.
 - Chemists, 123.
 - Inventors registered with patent office, 1,000.
 - Negroes in the professions, 57,000.
 - Architects, 28.
 - Lawyers, judges, justices, 600.
 - Civil and Mining Engineers, 37.
 - Banks, 64.
 - Newspapers, 389.
 - Negroes in Government employment, 25,440.
- If anybody doubts we are here to stay, look these figures over, and we are going to make progress while we stay here to, nothing can stop us. Take these figures, digest them, teach them to your children. You must have respect for yourself before anyone else will respect you. What race should not be proud of this record? That Ethiopia shall come into its own cannot be denied.

Vestris Negro Heroes Released From Charges

Investigation Blames "Stupidity" of Captain and Officers and Unseaworthiness of Vessel

New York, Dec. 12.—(CNS)—The Negro heroes of the Vestris disaster were completely vindicated when Captain E. P. Jessop, nautical expert for the government at the investigation into the sinking of the steamship Vestris, on November 12, read his findings before United States Commissioner O'Neil.

He reported that a flimsy cover on a booby hatch leading from the forward well deck of the ship, which first leaked and then was carried away by the sea, leaving a gaping hole through which water poured, had been the first factor which set in motion a chain of accidents culminating in the vessel's foundering with the loss of 111 lives, many of them Negroes.

Finds Officers Incompetent

Despite that leak, the ship could have been saved but for incompetence on the part of Captain Carey and his chief officers, Captain Jessop told the court, incompetence with which he said "history holds no incidents to compare." And but for that same incompetence and "sheer stupidity," he added, even though the ship sank, not a life need have been lost. He severely criticized the delay in sending the S. O. S.

Praises the Crew

Captain Jessop gave high praise to the crew, the majority of which was colored: "I would state here from all the evidence in this record that the crew, as separate from the officers, seem to have been competent, but no crew in such an emergency can possibly be efficient with no leadership, and even in the face of the master's thirty-six years in the employ of this one company, and in the face of his perfect record it seems incredible that owners operating a steamship should know so little of the competence of their officers as is shown in this case, and I must insist that owners have a responsibility, moral though it may be, for knowing the competence of the men they put in charge of ships carrying passengers."

Center Art Exhibit Now At Library

An appeal is being made to all persons both locally and over the state who have articles of artistic or novel value to place them on exhibition at the city library before the middle of next week. The committee in charge does not feel that previous exhibitions have met with sufficient responses. As this is the first time our local group has been granted privilege to use the exhibition room at the library, it is very necessary that the fullest advantage be taken of this opportunity in order to insure future privileges.

Many Articles Displayed
Although a number of articles have been on display at the library yet because of the large size of the art room the exhibits appear fewer than they are. Mr. Forrest B. Spaulding, librarian and Miss Orwig in charge of the art department have had these arranged to their best advantage. Among the articles displayed are paintings, plaque modelings, woodwork, crystal trees, charcoal sketches, pen and ink drawings, clay designs, leather work, fancy needlework and a number of other types of art work.

Open to Every Artist
Because of some misunderstanding many of the persons who had articles on exhibit at the Community Service several weeks ago, many have failed to put them on display at the library. This it becomes necessary to re-emphasize the fact that the exhibition at the library is open to every Negro who produces things of art. In order to make the effort at the library a success, every artist should exhibit some of his work. Persons who have no way of getting their exhibit to the library are requested to leave them at the Community Service or phone E. L. Dimitry, Walnut 8614-J and arrangements will be made to take them there.

NOVELIST AIDS NEGROES

New York, Dec. 12.—Katherine Holland Brown, who won \$26,000 for a prize novel, received many suggestions as to how to spend the money. Most suggestors wanted some of it. She is devoting considerable to a turnip growing contests at Orlando, Fla., in an effort to save Negro children from malnutrition. Some is being spent for scholarships.

Council Bluffs NAACP Asks Howard to Defend Alleged Omaha Slayer

The Council Bluffs Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. has asked Chas. P. Howard of Des Moines to defend Jack Bird, accused of being the ax-murderer who terrorized and murdered several people in that city and Omaha. Mr. Howard has indicated that he will probably take the case if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the parties concerned.

Crazed Negro Wounds Eight; Killed by Police

Chicago, Dec. 12.—A 16-year-old crazed boy today shot and wounded eight policemen, before more than 200 policemen and firemen using shotguns, pistols, tear bombs, streams of water and machine guns, succeeded in breaking into his barricaded home and killing him.

Three Negro Minstrels Drown in Texas River

Victoria, Tex., Dec. 12.—Three members of a minstrel troupe were drowned near here when a bus in which they and thirteen other members of the "Louisiana Blackbirds" were riding overturned in a creek which had overflowed a low-water bridge. The dead are I. W. James, 35, New Orleans; Jack Bryant, 23, Nashville, and Jessie Smith, 17, Beaumont.

Police Release Holdup Suspect

William Moore, living at 1127 Third street, arrested Tuesday night by detectives as a suspect in connection with the series of holdups during the last week, was released from the city jail Wednesday, by Inspector of Detectives A. H. Pedersen.

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR SPINGARN MEDAL AWARD

New York, Dec. 12.—Nominations for the 1929 Award of the Spingarn Medal, which is to be presented in Cleveland next June, at the 20th Anniversary Conference of the N. A. A. C. P., are now being invited.

Library Discrimination Is Declared Illegal by W. Va. Supreme Court

New York, Dec. 12.—"We won a sweeping victory in library case and Supreme Court sustained every point raised," reads a telegram from T. G. Nutter, Charleston attorney who, in behalf of the Charleston Branch of the N. A. A. C. P., vindicated before the highest tribunal of West Virginia the right of Negroes to use, jointly and equally with whites, the Charleston Public Library.

Mr. Nutter, who has been a member of the West Virginia legislature, and is now President of the Charleston Branch of the N. A. A. C. P., was authorized to test the order of the local Board of Education excluding Negroes from use of the Public Library.

Courier Raps Miller's Request for Feast

Pittsburgh, Dec. 12.—The Pittsburgh Courier, in its current issue, puts a damper on the feaster sent to Kelly Miller of Howard University for another "talk-fest" similar to the Sanhedrin in 1924.

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Negro Voters Worry Arkansas Democrats

New York, Dec. 12.—Arkansas Democrats are worried about Negro voters. Not because they won't vote, but because they will. Messrs. Booker and Booker, attorneys of Little Rock, inform the legal department of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, that a temporary restraining order has been issued by a local judge, restraining the election officials from denying ballots to Negroes who qualified at the city primary as Democrats in other respects than that of race.

Window Washers Defeat Hatred In New York

New York, Dec. 12 (CNS).—Representatives of the Window Cleaners Protective Union, Local 8, are successfully meeting the efforts of the mass employers to throw a dividing wedge between colored and white workers in the industry.

Marse Henry's Idea

Colonel Henry Watterson wrote an editorial in his newspaper, the Louisville Courier Journal, in which he remarked that the dominant and thoughtful outlook had long been of the opinion that "the people of New York are incapable of self-government."—M. E. Warner in *Commonwealth*.

A. A. Alexander Returns From Kappa Tour


A. A. Alexander, local civil engineer and Grand Polemarch of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, returned home Monday night from an extended trip through the south and east where he visited seventeen chapters of the fraternity. He was accompanied by Mrs. Alexander and reports all chapters visited in splendid shape. He was highly entertained by all chapters attended during his itinerary. He visited chapters in St. Louis, Nashville, Atlanta, Philadelphia, New York and smaller cities. He reports the general business condition in the south and east as being somewhat normal.

HARLEM GIVES COLD SHOULDER TO EXPLOITATION OF LICORISH

New York, Dec. 12 (CNS).—Sensational exploitation in the exhibition of Lionel Licorish, one of the Negro heroes of the sunken Vestris crew, Harlem, which two weeks ago turned out in thousands to honor the Vestris Negro heroes at a mass meeting held by the American Negro Labor Congress, failed to show up last Thursday night at Rockland Palace for the "gala civic reception and ball" in honor of Lionel C. Licorish, which white financial interests tried to put over.

2 Weeks to Christmas

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The Ship of Health Is Santa's Flagship

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THE INTERNATIONAL CLUB

Last week the dedicatory exercises of the opening of the new International House at Howard University, which is to be occupied by the International Club was held. It is the first of its kind sponsored by Negro students and has for its objective among other things the elimination of prejudice in all forms and the promotion of international understanding and good will. The British Ambassador at Washington was the principal speaker.

These clubs are not new. They have marvelous possibilities for students learn to eliminate prejudice and misunderstanding in their stage of preparation which will fit them better to cope with these same situations from a practical standpoint in later life.

For instance, it would be much easier for two men representing their countries as ambassadors to see the point of view of the other even though possibly against their own interest if they had learned to eliminate prejudice and come to a real understanding on the merits of the facts in such clubs as these. We are learning more and more to make our universities start students on practical things which they can use every day in their life work.

THANKS

Negroes should read the report of Captain E. P. Jessop, drawing his conclusions from the testimony given during the hearing conducted by the Federal Government, in an effort to determine the cause of the sinking of the Vestris. It is all too often that people in authority stand at the head of the list for decorations when honors are forthcoming.

This seems to have been the object of some of these officers. It is gratifying that such a man as Captain Jessop was placed on the board for it is too often that people who should fix responsibility and speak out fail to do so.

GOING TOO FAR

An associated press dispatch states that under the Michigan law, mandatory under the habitual criminal clause of the code, a mother of ten children must spend the rest of her life in prison for selling liquor.

Of course the court and the jury had no alternative under the law. But what a ridiculous statute? We pose as no defender of the violators of the law, but insist that many legislatures have gone crazy over this matter of liquor enforcement. The liquor law, like many others, cannot be enforced one hundred percent for a long time. People must be educated up to it. To pass and enforce such drastic measures simply make the situation more difficult to handle and lose friends for the cause.

KU KLUX CHIEFS

WERE AUTO THIEVES

Indianapolis, Dec. 12 (CNS)—Disbarment proceedings were filed today in the Supreme court against W. Lee Smith, former grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan; E. F. McNay, former

Klan titan, and Jesse T. Hamrick, attorney. The petition cited that Smith and McNay had been convicted of auto theft conspiracy and Hamrick had served a sentence in prison for arson.

THE NEGRO IN AMERICA

J. G. Browne

The Negro is dissatisfied. This in itself is a hopeful sign. When an individual becomes satisfied, progress ceases. We do not mean that quality of dissatisfaction that sours one's nature and causes men to become misanthropists, making them lose confidence in all things and people, but urges on toward greater effort and makes existence more tolerable. We are satisfied and happy in the realization of more ambition to make life better and in that more wholesome degree which the fact that we are American citizens due every right and consideration legally and otherwise due any other either from priority, loyalty or patriotism.

Our dissatisfaction is the result of circumstances, we want more opportunities or rather every opportunity granted to all other citizens. Many do not use the intelligence we possess in securing them. We take it for granted that we are incapable of breaking these barriers down and entering into the land of promise.

We take our place in the struggle because others more fortunate do not exert themselves in our behalf; the remedy lies with us. We must hit the trail for ourselves by building up a foundation in the economic field of endeavor. Here in Des Moines we have nearly five hundred thousand dollars invested in churches and not ten thousand dollars invested in any kind of business. Half a million for Sunday worship and one-fiftieth of that amount for the other six days of the week is bad business as well as poor Christianity. Like the cricket singing the spring and summer away and making no provision for winter! The Bible says, "He who provideth not for his own household the same is worse than an infidel."

Produce something and the world will furnish a market and thus we can open up avenues of endeavor and labor for ourselves.

A LITTLE BOY'S XMAS DREAM

Viola P. Jones

Xmas time has come at last
And I am glad 'tis here,
For I think 'tis the happiest time
We have in all the year.

Santa Claus has come to town
Bringing all the toys,
Mother says he brought them
For the good little girls and boys.

I am going to try and be
As good as I can be,
For I can hardly wait to see
What Santa's bringing for me.

I guess I don't want very much,
Just a sleigh and drum,
And one of those electric trains
And a great big bebe gun.

I think I'd like some roller skates
And a Rolly Coaster wagon,
So when I want to hurry fast
My sister can't come taggin'.

Gosh, I'd like to have an auto too,
One of those roadster kinds
That has a little rumble seat,
I'd let sis sit behind.

I don't want very much this year,
Cause mother says Santa's poor;
But I guess if he would bring these
Things I'd let the others go.

FT. MADISON, IOWA

Bethel A. M. Church held their regular service Sunday to a large congregation. The pastor preached morning and evening. The Nora F. Taylor Missionary Society met in their regular session, Saturday afternoon at 2:00 P. M., at the residence of Mrs. Izetta Brown, 408 Avenue C. After the routine of business the hostess served a dainty lunch. They have taken up for the special effort work, piecing a quilt and have made four blocks already. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mack and Mrs. Nellie Seum remain about the same. Those who attended the play last week from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malloy and Mr. and Mrs. Coleman of Keokuk. The Rev. C. J. Bannister, Lucy King, Evangelist Lillie A. P. Jones and Mrs. Ida Waldon, assisted with their service Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Nellie Seum who is very sick. Mrs. Willa Moore is reported on the sick list, also Mrs. Ella Lee Johnson.

Weekly Health Talks

By Dr. Hubert H. London

Chronic Gastritis or chronic stomach trouble is a condition



which comes from eating too rapidly or from overeating or from overindulgence in certain articles of food; particularly pies, pastries and hot breads. This statement is not intended to influence the consumption of any article and it does not mean even that the chronic dyspeptic himself should put the ban on them entirely. It does not mean that the person with a normal, healthy stomach should give it any consideration. But one who is already affected would welcome the knowledge which would afford any relief from the condition, I'm sure.

Of conditions which predispose to it I think overeating and hasty eating are most important. With the varieties of foods which are usually presented at any meal anywhere it would not be logical to suppose that such a condition would come from a deficiency of any article. The stomach usually accommodates itself to its load whether it be large or small, but an overload results sometimes in the retention of food within it, resulting in fermentation, gas formation, a very uncomfortable feeling and belching. That can be demonstrated at any time you feel like overeating.

Acute indigestions may occur from the same cause or the stomach may continue to accommodate itself to an extra load for a long time but the increased accommodation continually calls for more food until the limit is reached and the condition becomes chronic. It is well at such a time to lighten the load and give the organ a chance to regain its normal function if possible.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA
The Young People's Missionary entertained the Senior Missionary, The Allen Stars and the Mother's Pearls in a joint meeting at the church. A splendid paper was written by Carl Moore on the topic, "Why Missions," and a fine talk on the subject, "Love," The Allen Stars and the Mother's Pearls were introduced to the Senior Society as this is the first joint meeting they have been in since their society has been organized. One representative from the Senior Society was chosen to speak on the subject, "The Organization of the Missionary Society," and Mrs. A. G. Clark responded to the call. It was an excellent talk, and many good points were brought out in her talk. After the program was rendered, light refreshments were served by the Young People's society. Mrs. Clara Western and daughter, Alma, have just returned from Des Moines, where she spent the week of Thanksgiving with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Benning on West Fourteenth Street. Miss Thelma Dabner and brother of Fairfield, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Charley Allen on D Avenue West. Tuesday, December 11th, the Methodist Church will give a concert at 7:30 and they are asking everyone that can, to attend.

Unappreciative Guest.
Ralph, three years old, was spending the day with his aunt. Thinking a custard would appeal to him, she inquired if he liked them, at which he answered: "Oh, my, yes." However, upon being served, he fell short of his expectations. He ate a little and, passing it to his aunt, said: "You can have it, Aunt Myra. I am so full, and if you want some water to wash it down, here's my glass."

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The Power of the Christmas Seal

In 1927 millions of Christmas seals were sold in this country to control and prevent tuberculosis, but in 1928 they originated in a small way to give shelter and a chance for health to a group of tuberculous children in a foreign country.

At that time a children's hospital was needed in Copenhagen, Denmark. Elmar Holboell, a postal clerk in that city, heard of this and decided that stamps designed to decorate Christmas letters and packages could be made to finance the cost of the building. He won the endorsement of the Danish royal family, and the first Christmas seal was designed and placed on sale in the post office.



MISS EMILY P. BISSELL

Jacob Riis, a pioneer in social service in America, received a letter bearing one of the little stamps and inquired about its purpose. Impressed by its possibilities, he wrote an article in which he described what the stamp had achieved in Denmark. In that article, Miss Emily P. Bissell, of Wilmington, Delaware, found the solution to her own problem; namely, how to raise \$3,000 for a tuberculous pavilion in her state.

As a result of this first successful sale held in December, 1907, Miss Bissell was able to induce the authorities of the American Red Cross to undertake a nation-wide sale of tuberculous Christmas seals in 1908.



To strengthen the work of the National Tuberculosis Association, then a young organization, the American Red Cross joined forces with it for the purpose of conducting the Christmas seal sale jointly.

The partnership between the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association lasted for ten years. During that time only the scarlet emblem of the American Red Cross appeared on the annual issues of Christmas seals. In 1919, however, the double-barred cross, international emblem of the anti-tuberculosis campaign and trade mark of the National Tuberculosis Association was also embodied in the seal. In 1920 the regulations were finally dissolved and since then only the double-barred cross has appeared on Christmas seals. The new arrangement was made because the American Red Cross desired to continue its annual Roll Call, begun in the years of the Great War, and because it did not wish to appeal to the public for funds twice a year. Since 1920 the seals have been known as "Tuberculosis Christmas seals." There is no longer in the United States any "Red Cross seal."

Through the power of the Christmas seal, state after state has been organized to attack tuberculosis with a scientific program. Together, led by the national body, they have brought into existence nearly all of the present-day community machinery that combats tuberculosis.

As the money raised by the Christmas seal is not sufficient to build and conduct hospitals, clinics, open air schools and other necessary measures, the tuberculosis association's program consists largely of preventive work and of arousing public opinion to the need for institutions that can be maintained by official agencies, state, county, municipal or federal. Through the Christmas seal, health laws have been passed and are being enforced; tuberculosis specialists and nurses reach the most remote country districts; printed matter on disease prevention is circulated in schools, homes and factories.

The Christmas seal has become an annual institution. The little stamps help to pay for our own and our families' health protection. They help to control the sources of infection especially to children, to teach health habits and to prevent economic loss due to the death of producers. Surely, the power of the Christmas seal penetrates deeply into human life and happiness.

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DUBUQUE, IOWA

The Dubuque Ladies' Social Club met at the home of Mrs. John Wells, Thursday of this week. Moses Gibbs, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs, underwent an operation on his leg at Iowa City Hospital. He is getting along nicely. Miss Mae Green of Lancaster, Wis., is in the city for an indefinite stay. A reception was given by Mrs. Edward Martin in honor of her son's marriage, James Martin to Miss Ada Boone. Lovely presents were received by the couple, among which was a beautiful picture painted by the groom's aunt, Mrs. B. V. Johnson, of Burlington. Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Miss Walter Grimes, Mr. Joe Grimes, Miss Hilda Green of Lancaster, Rev. Joseph Washington from Madison. Mrs. John Wells has been in bed sick for the past week. We are hoping she will be out soon. Mr. Geo. Hopkins has left the city. Mr. I. L. Blake entertained the Dubuque Ladies Social Club, Thursday evening, Henry A. Martin, the oldest son of Dr. H. A. Martin, is ill at this writing. Rev. J. Washington of Madison, Wis., visited the Sunday School, Sunday morning. Prayer services were held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Wells and in the evening at the home of Mrs. Gibbs. Mr. Watson employed at the Hotel Julien has purchased a car. Mr. Eugene Johnson, William Boone, Albert Coleman and LaVergne Blake motored to Davenport. Dr. H. A. Martin and family motored to Lancaster, Wis., Sunday.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA

Sunday was quarterly meeting at Shorter Chapel A. M. E. Church. In the absence of our Presiding Elder J. P. Sims, Rev. H. J. Parker filled the pulpit Sunday morning. His sermon was very interesting. Rev. Allen of Ottumwa, preached the sacramental sermon. The Willing Workers are planning to give a dinner, December 20th. The musical program given by the Stewardesses was a success. We wish to thank the young people who helped to make it a success. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and son, Virgil and Rev. and Mrs. Allen of Ottumwa, motored over Sunday to attend the quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. Church. Mr. Singleton, Bonnie Grayson and Alfred Kopper were Sunday visitors in Oskaloosa. The Sunday School and Young People Missionary Society are planning to give a Xmas program, December 24th. All are looking forward to a year of great success.

OTTUMWA, IOWA

Health talks were delivered to seventeen City churches Sunday, the first days of the health week campaign being conducted by the physical department of the Y. M. C. A. in cooperation with the Wapello County Medical Association. The Second Baptist Church was honored by having a speaker Sunday evening from the Y. M. C. A. The home of Mrs. Harry Owens, 814 West Mill St., was badly damaged by fire which was caused by the furnace. Miss Alvie Beverly and Helen Gunn, Yvonna Williams, Mary Louise Williams, were in Fairfield Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. Dobson. An enjoyable evening was spent. Dr. Watts of Mt. Pleasant was in the city Sunday evening and attended the Second Baptist Church. Mrs. Armstrong of Fairfield was in the city Sunday, visiting at the home of Mrs. Greenup.



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Wisdom in Pictures

One of the finest cartoons that has been published in some time is that showing a lot of Tammanyites rushing to save a struggling farmer who had fallen into the water. When the drowning farmer saw who was approaching him, he yelled back: "Go away, you fellows; I don't want to be saved."

On Building

He that alters an old house is tied as a translator to the original, and is confined to the fancy of the first builder. Such a man were unwise to pluck down good old building, to erect, per chance, worse new. But those that raise a new house from the ground are blameless, if they make it not handsome, according to their method and confusion are both at a rate.—Thomas Fuller (1642).

James Morris Lawyer

Special Attention to Pension and Tax Questions—Abstracts Examined and Collections

OUT OF TOWN BUSINESS SOLICITED

As I am certain many worthy people throughout the country have had the same sad experience that befell me about 16 years ago, I felt it my duty to make public certain facts in the belief that for 14 years I labored under the impression that I would eventually go blind, as my eyesight was gradually leaving me. I consulted some of the best doctors, both Sweden and Germany, but their treatments availed nothing. Since then I was fitted with glasses by some of the most noted eye specialists in this country, but with only the same unsatisfactory results. Not only did my sight grow dimmer at each change of glasses, but the glasses brought on headaches which was so light and often had to give up work altogether. For 3 years I had to use a strong hand magnifying glass in order to read ordinary newspaper print. Two circular published by Lew Arntz, Director of Optics, in looking through it I saw several testimonies from people I knew who had been afflicted as I was using special ground glasses described by Lew Arntz. I at once went to him to have my eyes tested. He informed me I had a bad case of astigmatism which he assured me could be relieved by the use of properly fitted glasses. I could not help but laugh at only trade talk, as I should have been pleased that time if only half a dozen people had been brought out, as I had previously consulted and had my eyes examined by some very noted specialists who informed me that my sight would never be perfect and I was seemingly gradually going blind, but in some, I ordered the glasses, and to my surprise, when I first put them on, vision was at once fully restored, not seen for years, read the finest print distance without any inconvenience over 2 years ago and in that time I have almost been entirely free from headaches. I think Lew Arntz is a man of great abilities, an optician who does more good for eyesight sufferers than any other man in the state of Iowa. Respectfully,
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Society and Clubs

EDITED BY Mrs. Viola P. Jones

The Virginia Picnic Association was entertained at its November meeting by Mrs. Mary Carl and Mr. John Drew at the home of Mrs. Carl. It was decided by the association to hold a December meeting at the Protection Home, Sunday, December 23. Each member present drew a name for whom he is to bring a gift for the tree. A silver offering will be lifted for those whose Xmas may not be a very merry one. All members who are not present at the November meeting will please come prepared with a gift for the tree and a silver offering.

The original Larks Club met at the home of Mrs. Wm. McGruder, 1028 Center Ave., on Friday, December 7th. The day was spent in sewing and plans were made for a Xmas party to be at the home of Mrs. J. S. Coleman, December 21st. The next meeting will be with Mrs. G. W. Scott, at 981-24th St.

Little Joseph C. Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. P. Howard, entertained about thirty-five of his little friends, Saturday, December 8th, at his sixth birthday party at his home, 3230 E. 8th Street. The house was beautifully decorated with wreaths and Christmas colors. The afternoon was spent in playing games and singing songs. Joseph received many nice presents for which he wishes to thank his friends. Refreshments were served and the little folks returned to their respective homes after having an enjoyable time.

The T. O. B. Club was entertained Friday, December 7th, by Pauline Brown at her home on Fourth Street. The next meeting will be with Geraldine Burke on School Street. All members are urged to be present.

The Royal Dukes met Tuesday, December 11th, at the Community Center.

Mrs. Sarah Jeti is ill at her home, 930 14th St.

The Corinthian Quartette sang at Indianola, Iowa, Saturday night, December 8th.

The Corinthian Usher Board had their annual banquet at Corinthian Church, Thursday evening, December 13th.

The Fidelis Club will give a dinner-dance at the LaMargarita Hotel Annex, December 6th.

The Roosevelt Club met at the Community Center, Wednesday night, December 12th, for the election of officers.

North Star Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., elected John Rhodes Worshipful Master to succeed E. L. Dimitry who was not a candidate for re-election after a term of four years in office. The election was held Thursday, December 6th, at the Lodge hall. Other officers elected were: R. C. Tucker, Senior Warden; Roy Todd, Junior Warden; William Walker, Treasurer; Branham De, Secretary and E. L. Dimitry, Master. The installation of officers will be joint with all Masonic bodies in the city at the Fraternal hall, Saturday, December 22nd.

The members of the Liberty Royal House No. 112, will serve light refreshments at the Community Center, Tuesday night, December 18th. Everyone is invited to come out and help the organization.

Mrs. J. G. Browne was hostess to the La Mercedi Club Wednesday, December 12th.

The Mesdames Ella Willis, Birdie Winn and Mabel Brooks have been the last three hostesses to the Mary Church Terrell Club. At the meeting Monday night, a Xmas program was given. After current events, refreshments were served.

The Monarch Club minstrel show was given Thursday evening, December 6th, at the Ritz Hall. The show was very well presented and enjoyed by a very appreciative audience. The Monarch Club wishes to thank the people of Des Moines for their splendid patronage.

Mrs. Helen Beshears has been ill at her home at 1167 11th St., but is very much improved.

Mrs. Rachel Dysart spent the Thanksgiving holiday in Omaha, visiting with friends.

The Social Workers Club has changed the time of its meeting to the second and fourth Tuesday nights in each month.

The Deaconsess Board of Corinthian Baptist Church sent out twenty-one Thanksgiving baskets this year. Each basket had a valuation of about three and one-half dollars. Mrs. Lucy James, chairman, Mrs. M. E. Cassell, secretary.

The St. P. C. U. Naborhood club met November 25 at the home of Mrs. W. H. Hammett their president to receive their Christmas savings. The sum of \$60.03 was divided between 16 members. We also have a sick treasure and have done much toward helping the sick. We are always glad to help not only our own members, but others as well. This club will be two years old May 12, 1929 and has saved over \$95.00.

Mrs. J. W. Mitchell has returned from Chicago where she spent several days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCree.

READ THE ADS

MAPLE STREET CHURCH NEWS

Rev. S. Bates preached two wonderful sermons Sunday morning and night. He is feeling fine over the work of the Big Four committee of Maple Street church. They are helping to raise money for the church. All those who have pledged \$2 to Mrs. S. Bates and Mrs. Minnie Wilson will kindly get in touch with either and pay their pledges by Sunday, December 16. The committee met at the home of Mrs. Anna Williams last Monday night. The Sunday School Christmas program will be held at Maple Street church Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Before the program there will be 6 o'clock prayer meeting and breakfast will be served. Mrs. Opal Jacob, Julia Boyd and Ruby Cooper are in charge of the program. The Mission Circle met at the Protective Home, 750 W. 11th Street, Friday afternoon. The Wiping and Ready club gave a chattering social Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Anna Walker, 615 E. 2nd. Mrs. Maggie Jones, chairman of the Sewing Circle is giving an entertainment called the Lost Dollar at McCree's hall, E. 16th and University, Saturday night, December 15. Everyone is invited to come. The Circle No. 2 met at the home of Mrs. Davis last Tuesday afternoon. Circle No. 3 met at the home of Mrs. Mable Smith, 1410 W. 2nd Thursday afternoon. The present help in Time of Need club gave a leap year party last Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Maggie McCann, 1519 Illinois Street. Mrs. Douglas who has been visiting in Chicago for the past month has returned. The Laymen's met last Sunday afternoon.

LOCAL WOMAN OPENS LEATHERCRAFT SHOP

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Mrs. Irene Dimitry recently opened a leathercraft shop in her home, 917 W. 12th Street. She makes to order hand tooled faced leather goods with monogram and emblems especially tooled into the leather. She repairs as well as makes faced and tooled pocket books, bill folds, cigaret cases and other goods.

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Crocker Street Y Notes

The program for Sunday afternoon at the Crocker Street Y will be in charge of Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, director of the Community Service. The program will begin at 3:30 P. M. A wonderful program has been arranged for this occasion. Everyone is cordially invited to pay the Y a visit.

The Gym activities opened with a bang last Wednesday evening at the East High gym. Some fifty odd boys and young men took an active part in the recreation. The opening night at West High drew many more boys because the school boys and young men spent two hours in play and recreation. We are at the East High gym every Wednesday evening from 7 to 9 P. M. for employed boys who are not in school and at the West High school every Friday evening for all boys. We still have room for a few more.

The Sunday School Basketball League will open immediately after the holidays. Sunday schools must have their teams ready to start playing. All scheduled games will be played at the West High gym on Friday nights.

PAY A PORTION OF YOUR PLEDGE BY CHRISTMAS

THIS WILL BE A FITTING CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE BOYS AND YOUNG MEN OF YOUR CITY.

The Committee of Management will meet in an important meeting at the building Saturday evening, December 15th, at 8:00 P. M. Every member is expected to attend and all chairmen are requested to make reports.

The Book-A-Week Club met at the building in its regular meeting last Thursday afternoon. Napoleon Morrow, president, was in the chair. The B Square Club met in its regular meeting at the Roadside Settlement last Wednesday afternoon. Harold Sharp, president, was in charge of the meeting.

During the vacation from school duties, the Crocker Street Y will conduct tournaments in Ping Pong, Checkers, and Basketball. The different clubs will take hikes through different manufacturing concerns of the city. The gyms will be open through the holidays.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Susie King who resided at 1510 Walker Street, died Thursday, December 6th, at her home, at the age of 47 years. She was a faithful working Christian in the Bethel A. M. E. Church and was kind to everyone. She was well liked by everyone with whom she came in contact. Prior to her death she lived in Buxton, Iowa. She was sick for more than a year, but was very patient in her illness, yet the Lord knows best and we shall miss our dear one. Rev. J. W. Fant officiated at the funeral. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, Mr. King and one son, Mr. Lonnie King.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their beautiful flowers and their kindness and sympathy shown during the illness and death of our wife and mother. We wish to thank also Rev. J. W. Fant for his wonderful remarks and L. Fowler and Son for their untiring service rendered. Mr. King, Lonnie King.

IN MEMORIAM

To our father R. N. Hyde, who departed this life December 8, 1922. Your memory is ever fresh in our better to have loved and lost, than to have never loved at all.

It hold it true, what 'ere befall, I feel it when I sorrow most; 'Tis better to have loved and lost, Than never to have loved at all.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey North, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Johnson, Bobby Hyde, grandson.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

The Young Married People club met December 6th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Yauncy Dawson. All members of this club were present. The following officers were installed: Goldie Steele, president; Nolan Edwards, vice-president; Frank Clayton, secretary. The club was organized November 25th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Black, The Mt. Zion Sunday School was well attended Sunday, Rev. Ed. Louis preached the morning and evening sermons. Both of them were very inspiring. Mr. Jake Vicks at 1012 S. 6th St., E. just returned from Chicago, where he has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary White. He was highly entertained before leaving Cedar Rapids where he owns a cafe. Vick's cafe is a real place to dine. When in Cedar Rapids do not fail to visit Vick's cafe. Miss Louise Johnson of Burlington, came to Cedar Rapids to have an operation and is rapidly recovering at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Williams, 1116 S. 6th St., E. On last Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clayton entertained at a dinner party as a pre-holiday social event. The dining room was beautifully decorated with Xmas colors and a five-course dinner was served. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Jr., Mrs. Williams and Mr. Fremont Herman. Mr. and Mrs. Warren of Chicago are visiting in Cedar Rapids. They are stopping at the home of Mrs. Sydna Tate. Among the distinguished visitors at Mt. Zion church, Sunday, was Mr. T. Myers of Chicago. He is in the city on business. While here he is stopping at Mrs. Thorp's residence. Rev. A. M. Smith of Ft. Madison has been called to Mt. Zion Baptist Church. He will leave for his new charge Wednesday or Thursday of this week. There will be a reception given at Bethel A. M. E. Church Wednesday, in honor of the chauffeurs in their financial drive. The Aid Club met at the home of Mrs. Sydna Tate, Monday, December 10th. They are sponsoring a Bazaar December 13-14. The visitors present were: Mrs. Warren of Chicago and Mrs. A. M. Davis and Mrs. Tate. After roll call the hostess served a two-course luncheon. The meeting adjourned to meet December 11th, at 7:30 P. M., at 827 8th St. E.

KEOSAUQUA, IOWA

Mrs. Mary Garrett and family spent Thanksgiving in Burlington with Mr. and Mrs. James Bowles. Miss Julia Green is indisposed with a cold. Mrs. Mary Garrett and family stopped at Mt. Pleasant on their way home from Burlington. They had dinner with Mrs. Nettie Thompson. Mrs. John Johnson called on Mrs. Wm. Green Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Wm. Green and daughter, Julia, called at Miss Minnie Bennings, Wednesday afternoon.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE—WATER CONNECTIONS

To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that plans and schedule of assessments have been prepared showing assessments for the cost of Water Connections, Hartford Ave. from Indianola Ave. to So. Union St. and that said plans and schedule of streets on which said improvements have been made, showing the separate lots and parcels of ground subject to assessment therefor, and lists or schedule of the names of all owners of such property, so far as known, and the amount to be assessed against each lot or parcel of ground are now on file in the office of the City Clerk of Des Moines, Iowa, and that within twenty (20) days after the first publication of this notice, all objections to such assessments or to the prior proceedings on account of errors, irregularities or inequalities must be made in writing and filed with said Clerk in order that said errors, if any, may be corrected. Unless within said period of time objections are made, all such errors and assessments, as shown on the said plans and schedule, will be made a condition of the City Council and delivered to the City Auditor as provided by law. Date of first publication, December 8, 1928. Time for objections expires December 23, 1928.

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Baseball, American League, horseshoe cover
Necklace, pearl, 24 in. strand
Baseball Bat, semi-professional
Pen and Pencil Set, in case, men's
Carving Set, silver, genuine star handle
Percolator, electric, aluminum, 7-cups
Comerote, nickel-plated, trainer, putter lined
Scooter, all-steel, 34 in. long, 33 in. high
Chair, Kicker, all steel, with back
Skates, ice, for boys and girls
Cigarette Set, lighter and case, genuine
Skates, Roller, for boys and girls, ball-bearing
Cosmetic Set, 10-pieces, full-size
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MAISON CITY, IOWA

...and by an auto while waiting for the first car. He was actually left but in waiting at his home on Quincy Ave. Mr. Oueli Crane had an operation on his hand at the Park Hospital Tuesday, but is some better. Miss Eva Bates who has been sick for the last two weeks is improving rapidly. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Spenger, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. James McDaniels entertained Wednesday evening at a dinner party at Mr. and Mrs. Horace Spenger's in honor of Mrs. Wesley Riley and daughter who are visiting in this city. The guests are from Kansas City, Mo. The evening was spent in playing games. Prayer meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Maul Brewton Wednesday evening. The Senior Stewards Board held their business meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Anna Banks on Van Buren Ave. Mr. Robinson who is ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith is somewhat improved. There was a very large attendance at the Sunday School. The Senior Stewards Board had a social at the home of Mrs. Anna Banks on Van Buren Ave. Everyone enjoyed the evening. The Golden Shield had their social meeting on Friday. Mrs. Mary Johnson was in the city from Manly to the meeting. The Calanthe had their meeting Friday evening. Rev. McGinty left the city Saturday afternoon for Des Moines, to attend the Quarterly meeting. Mr. P. L. Scott preached the morning service. His subject was the Seven Kingdoms. A special solo was given by Mrs. Paul Scott. Mrs. Butcher played for the morning service. The Calanthe is giving a Chattering social Tuesday evening, December 11th. The Daughter Elks and Brother Elks held their memorial services at the Union Memorial Church, Sunday afternoon. They had a very nice attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith entertained Mr. and Mrs. Paul Scott, Mr. Chas. Williams of Hampton, at dinner Sunday. Mr. Theodore Brewton, Mr. A. Caldwell and Mr. James Newsome are in Des Moines over Sunday. Miss Lucille Dewing is sick at her home but is some better. Mr. John Stephenson is ill but is some better now. Miss Kathryn Walmsack who left a few weeks ago is back on business. Friday evening Mr. Theodore Brewton, Mr. A. Caldwell, Mr. Jessie Cabbell and Mr. Le Roy Jackson were in Waterloo. Mr. Pearl Miller is visiting with his relatives. He is from Minneapolis. Mrs. N. L. Lee is reported ill at this writing. Rev. John Taylor filled the pulpit Sunday evening at Union Memorial Church and gave a splendid sermon. On last Tuesday evening, Mrs. P. S. Scott entertained Mrs. S. W. Stratton, Miss Estelle Stratton, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mr. Delevin Smith to a hot oyster stew.

SIoux CITY, IOWA

Honoring the pastor, Rev. W. M. Majors and family, a banquet was given by the Stewards and Stewardesses of the Malone A. M. E. Church. Candles and autumn flowers graced the tables which were decorated affectively for 75. Mr. M. F. Askew was the toastmaster. The welcome address was given by Rev. H. W. James and the response by Mr. Joseph Harris. Short talks were made by the pastor and family and other auxiliaries of the church. Last, but not least, of worthy mention is Mr. T. H. Ford and Mr. W. M. Midgette, who were in charge of the kitchen and prepared the menu which included all the delicacies of the season. On departing the guests reported a very enjoyable evening.

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA

Rev. G. W. Jackson was called to the pastorate of the Second Baptist

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Church on November 28th. He will re-visit on N. Street. Rev. E. C. Al-... to hold preach-... on Sunday, December 9th. ... has been on the sick list. Mrs. Joe Miller has been on the sick list.

PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND UNITED ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS

The following article was written by Mr. Frank Harris. Because of the fact that it was mixed with another article last week, we reprint it.

In relation to the affairs of the Household of Ruth No. 4837 and Household of Ruth No. 339 (Des Moines, Iowa), it was ordered that "Sister Sophia Nichols must comply with the order of the Committee of Management, and she is hereby directed to, without further delay, return the charter of Household of Ruth No. 4837, and the \$25 to Grand Secretary James F. Needham, Twelfth and Spruce Sts., Philadelphia." No consideration will be given her petition for a rehearing until the order is complied with—Odd Fellows Journal, by Frank Harris.

Posodas

The nine-day celebration in Mexico just before Christmas is called the "Posodas." It is a combined Christian and Aztec year-end holiday. The Aztecs originally celebrated December 16 to 21, and the Christians December 22 to 24. Being unable to suppress each other, the two tribes finally compromised and extended the Posodas to include both festivals.

Famous Tournament

The originator of the idea of the tournament of roses in Pasadena was the late Prof. Charles Frederick Holder. The first tournament was held January 1, 1899, and it has been held the first of January ever since.

Origins of Names Old Glasgow, the second city of the British empire today, obtained its name from two Celtic words, "glas," meaning green, and "glen," meaning dear-dear green place. Dublin came from "Dubh" meaning black, and "linn" meaning pool. Rutland is a corruption of Redlands.

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WORKERS' SPORTS, NEW MAGAZINE TO APPEAR IN JANUARY

New York, Dec. 12 (CNS).—The first American proletarian sports magazine will see the light of day on January 3, 1929, with the issuance of the first number of "Workers' Sports," to be published by the Labor Sports Union, an organization of white and colored worker athletes. The new sports periodical will contain news of working class sports activities in this country as well as in other parts of the world.

NATIONAL INTER-RACIAL CONFERENCE TO MEET IN WASHINGTON, DEC. 16-19

Research Experts to Pool Knowledge of Negro-White Problems

New York, Dec. 12.—A national inter-racial conference, participated in by agencies throughout the United States, dealing with the problem of the relationship of Negro and white, is to be held in Washington, from December 16 to 19, inclusive, for the purpose of pooling all authoritative information on race relations in the country, it was announced today.

The Social Science Research Council appropriated funds to cover research designed to construct a reasonably faithful picture of Negro life and the status of race relations as revealed in recent social studies and in official statistics, and the results formulated by the research committee under the leadership of Charles S. Johnson of Fisk University, will be discussed in Washington.

The officers of the National Inter-racial Conference are as follows: Chairman: Mordecai Johnson, President of Howard University; Robert R. Moton, President of Tuskegee Institute. Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mary Van Kleeck, Treasurer, Eustace Seligman, of Sullivan and Cromwell, New York; Research Secretary, Charles S. Johnson, Fisk University. Executive Secretary, George E. Haynes.

WALTER WHITE'S "ROPE AND FAGGOT" ANNOUNCED FOR PUBLICATION

New York, Dec. 12.—An exhaustive study of American lynching, "Rope and Faggot," product of ten years' investigation and study of race riots and mob murders, by Walter White, assistant secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., is announced for March publication by Alfred A. Knopf, 730 Fifth Ave., New York. Mr. White wrote this book during a year's Fellowship in Europe, granted him by the Guggenheim Foundation.

Event Worth Remembering In 1838, on the twenty-fourth of January, Samuel F. B. Morse gave his first demonstration of the code of dots and dashes used in telegraphy and now known as the Morse code.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE

In the District Court of Iowa, in and for Polk County, January Term, 1929. Mrs. Edna Fletcher, Plaintiff, vs. Mrs. John M. Kelly, Defendant. TO MRS. JOSIE MAC KELLY: You are hereby notified that there will be on the December 16th, 1929, in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the above named County and State, a petition of the above named Plaintiff, asking the adoption of the child Jane Evelyn, as her child. Now, unless you appear, answer and defend on or before the 1st day of the second day of the next term of said Court to be held at the District in said County, commencing on January 7th, 1930, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon to accord with the prayer of said petition. JOHN L. THOMPSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for December 16 PAUL AND HIS FRIENDS

LESSON TEXT—ACTS 21:36-38; ROM. 15:14. PHIL. 2:25-30; PHILEMON 1:1-13. GOLDEN TEXT—A friend loveth at all times. PRIMARY TOPIC—Paul Writes a Letter to Philemon. JUNIOR TOPIC—Paul's Letter to Philemon. INTER-MEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Paul as a Friend. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Place of Friendship in the Christian Life.

1. Paul Praying with the Ephesian Elders (Acts 20:36-38).

This incident reveals the real spirit of fellowship which had developed between Paul and the elders of the church at Ephesus. Knowing the seriousness of his mission to Jerusalem and the probability that he would never see them again, he asked these elders to meet him at Miletus, that he might give them the proper instructions so as to enable them to meet the issues which confronted them. Before leaving them he knelt down and prayed with them.

11. Concerning Certain Ones at Rome (Rom. 16:1-14).

Phoebe commended to the Christians at Rome. Phoebe was a Christian woman from the church at Cenchrea who was making a visit to Rome. Her business is not defined, but it was such that he could ask the Christians not only to receive her, but to render to her the proper assistance therein.

2. He asks that the Christians greet Priscilla and Aquila (vv. 3, 4). The ground upon which this greeting was urged was their own loyalty to himself.

111. Concerning Appaphroditus (Phil. 2:25-30).

Not being able to revisit the church at Philippi, Paul sent his friend Appaphroditus to minister to them.

IV. Paul Writes to Philemon.

Philemon was a member of the church at Colosse. Onesimus, his slave, wronged him; perhaps stole from him and fled to Rome and there came under Paul's influence and was converted. Paul sent Onesimus back to Philemon with this letter. This is one of the most tender and beautiful letters ever written and the first anti-slavery petition ever penned.

1. The salutation (vv. 1-3).

His aim was to touch Philemon's heart; he, therefore, refers to himself as a prisoner and links Philemon to himself as a fellow-laborer in the gospel of truth.

2. Philemon's reputation (vv. 4-7).

(1) His faith and love toward the Lord and all the saints (v. 5).

His earnest desire was that this faith bear fruit in Christ Jesus.

(2) His ministry to the saints (v. 7). Philemon generously ministered of his substance to the poor saints.

3. Paul's request (vv. 8-16).

He requested Philemon to receive back Onesimus, the runaway slave, as a brother in Christ.

(1) Beseeches instead of commands (vv. 8-10). Though conscious of his right to enjoin, he pleads as a prisoner of Jesus Christ, for love's sake.

(2) He pleads on the grounds of grace (vv. 11-14). He admitted that Onesimus had been unprofitable, had forfeited all claim upon Philemon, and that on grounds of justice his plea might well be rejected, and yet, because Onesimus was brother in his bonds (v. 10), was in a real sense part of his own suffering nature (v. 12), he ventured to suggest that he should be accepted.

(3) Paul desired that Onesimus be received back, not as a slave, but as a brother in Christ (vv. 15, 16). Here is the real fugitive slave law. Paul never attacked slavery, though it was contrary to Christianity and therefore hateful to him, but emphasized the principles which destroyed it. The wise thing to do is to get men and women regenerated and thus transform society, instead of seeking change by revolution.

4. The basis upon which Onesimus was to be received (vv. 17-21). The debt of guilty Onesimus to be put to the account of Paul and the merit of Paul to be put to the account of Onesimus. This is the illustration of the atonement of Christ. Whatever wrongs we have committed, debts incurred—all our shortcomings are debited to Him, Jesus Christ, on behalf of the whole universe, said to God, "Put that to my account." Onesimus was taken back, not as a runaway slave, but as a beloved brother in Christ.

5. Paul requests lodging (vv. 22-25). He expected a speedy release from imprisonment and purposed to lodge with Philemon. What a welcome he must have received!

What They Realize

Children may not understand all the realities used nor thoughts expressed in the family worship hour, but they do feel that this is a time when the whole family enters a holy place. God is made real, and family life is made a part of His plan and a thing within His care.—The Main Land Messenger.

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There is always good company on the highway of God.

CHARLESTON JIM CROW LIBRARIES DEFEATED

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 12 (CNS).—The right of Negro citizens to joint use with white citizens of the Charleston Public Library was upheld today by the State Supreme Court. The decision, which reversed the ruling of the Kanawha County Circuit Court, was given in an action of militant Negroes against the Charleston Board of Education. The lower court had quashed the action on the ground that the board was within its right in providing separate libraries for Negroes.

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You are hereby notified that on the 15th day of December, 1929, the following vested real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, owned by Let Twenty-six (26) to First Standard's Addition, being in and a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for tax delinquency and unpaid taxes against the same for the year 1924 to T. H. Winfrey, that the undersigned, T. H. Winfrey, is still the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from said sale is made within thirty days from the date of this notice.

Dated this 15th day of September, 1929. T. H. WINFREY, Attorney for T. H. Winfrey.

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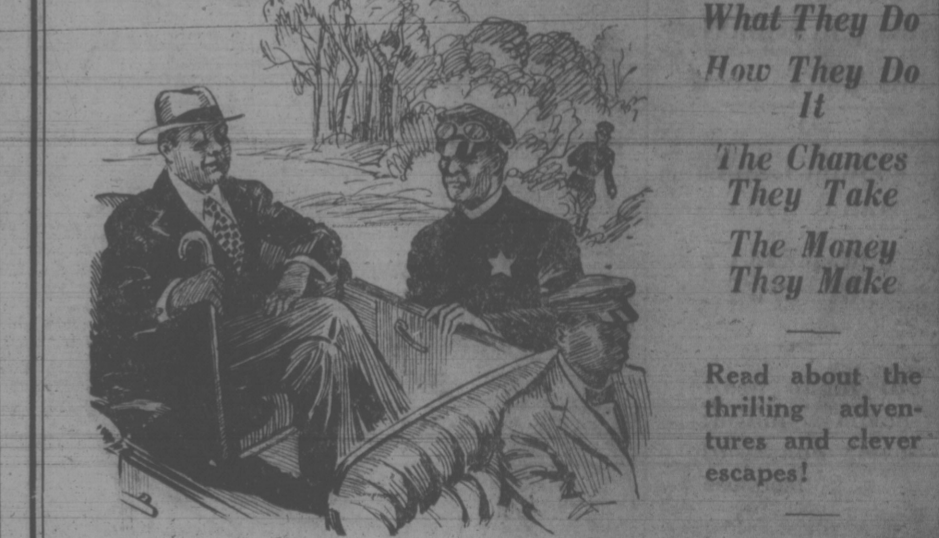
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