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By Chas. P. Howard

HERE'S WISHING EVERYBODY A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

As this is being dictated thousands are milling in and out of the court house to take the last view of the remains of W. C. Walker, sheriff-elect of Polk County who died the other day. In 1911 he took the civil service examination for policeman and fireman and having only a fifth grade education, failed it two times and finally on the third effort, passed it. The opportunity to make good from so lowly a position as that is available only in this country. It is open to blacks as well as to others. That man refused to let the handicap of being unlettered keep him back. If you don't make good you can blame nobody but yourself.

A few days ago at the University of Illinois a colored boy was promoted to second lieutenant in the Reserve Officers training corps of that school. True, that is the first time a colored boy has been so promoted. It is a vast difference from the attitude taken at our State University and State College, because they don't encourage you, however, is no reason why you should not battle on and get it just the same.

LUNDY DECLARES \$55,000,000.00 WORTH KEEPING IN IOWA

Aid in Relieving Unemployment Situation

Albia, Iowa, (Special) Jan. 2.—H. W. Lundy, Secretary of the Iowa Coal Institute, Albia, Iowa, in a recent statement, said "Iowa has almost inexhaustible stores of coal stored in her broad bosom of 55,000 square miles, enough to last for over 4,000 years. Yet in the year 1929 over \$55,000,000.00 was paid out for foreign coals, the most of this money never returned to Iowa. Yet according to the Iowa Geological Survey, on a test made from 36 representative mines in Iowa, it was found that as compared to 36 tests made on mines in Illinois, there was only a differential of 3% in heat units. The additional price asked for foreign coals is not worth the difference. In fact, in many instances foreign coals are inferior to Iowa Coal," he declared.

WRITER FINDS HIGH NEGRO HOMICIDE RATE GIVES ERRONEOUS PICTURE

New York, Dec. 26.—That the high homicide rates reported for Negroes as compared with whites, may be giving an entirely erroneous picture of the facts, is stated as a possibility by H. C. Brearley of Clemson College, writing in the December number of "Social Forces", a quarterly magazine published at the University of North Carolina. Mr. Brearley, whose article is summarized by the N. A. A. C. P., points out that a high homicide rate occurs where Negroes are not present in large numbers, and that in the all-Negro town of Mound Bayou, Mississippi, there has been no murder in more than twenty years. Also, St. Helena Island, off the coast of Carolina, inhabited almost exclusively by Negroes, "has also been remarkably free from crimes of violence."

Cohen Was Collector at Port at New Orleans and Prominent in Republican Circles

New Orleans, La., Dec. 31.—Walter L. Cohen, nationally known political figure and business and fraternal man is dead. "The Captain," as he was known, passed away at his home at 3 o'clock Monday morning after a long illness and after having been in a state of coma for more than forty-eight hours. For years Mr. Cohen has been a prominent figure in political circles. He first moved in prominence in 1892 when he was a delegate to the National Republican Convention. Since that time he has attended every convention and has taken an active part in state and national politics, holding various federal and political positions. Walter L. Cohen was what may rightly be called "an astute politician." Without, in any sense, an influence through National Committee-man Emil Kuntz, of New Orleans, who did all of the bidding of Cohen, in toto, until a time after being made, through Cohen's strategy, collector of customs, in New Orleans, and then Kuntz turned against his political benefactor.

In those lucid and tragic days of the Harding administrations, Cohen commuted to Washington as one going to one of the suburbs of New Orleans. He never showed his political hand, but always had an objective and worked toward it. He was a man of affairs, and yet he always had time for a friendly greeting or a bit of humor. A Roman Catholic in faith, whenever in Washington, he was never too busy, or too tired, to go to early mass. A course of action once determined upon, Walter Cohen never took back water, and at times even called ruthlessly in his aggressive advances. However, he was always reared as loyal to his political friends and his word was his bond in a political promise. In addition to having been active in politics, the deceased was also a successful business man and took part in fraternal activities, being at the time of his death, president of the People Industrial Insurance Co., with headquarters in this city. He held honorary or active membership in every organization for the advancement of the Negro in this section of the country, and was president of the Economy Benevolent Association. He is survived by Walter L. Cohen, Jr., Bernard J., and Mrs. Margot Cohen Farrell.

POLICE OFFICER MADE TO APOLOGIZE FOR INSULT TO "GREEN PASTURES" CAST

New York, Dec. 26.—An apology by a police traffic officer for abusive and insulting language to five members of the cast of "Green Pastures" was made before Inspector Lohdell today in the presence of William T. Andrews, Special Legal Assistant of the N. A. A. C. P., and of the complaining persons. Mrs. Inez Richardson Wilson, who plays the part of "Eve", D. K. Williams, a member of the "Green Pastures" choir and three other members of the cast, reported to the N. A. A. C. P. that on the night of December 11, as they were preparing to take a taxicab to go home after the performance, a traffic officer ordered the taxicab driver to move on as they were entering the car. Mrs. Wilson insisted upon her right to enter the taxicab in safety, whereupon the police officer began abusing her and others present, using vile and obscene language.

Mrs. Edmunds Is Nominated for Community Award



MRS. LILLIAN EDMUNDS Secretary of the Community Service who was nominated by Mrs. John S. Coleman for the Community Award.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—National Benefit Life Insurance Company has just shipped to its Supervisors, Managers, Assistant Managers, Secretary-Cashiers and Assistant Secretary-Cashiers throughout the twenty-eight states where it is licensed to do business two hundred thousand copies of its new calendar entitled, "Daisies Amid Cherry Blossoms." The "Daisies" referred to are five young women of the Home Office Force seated beneath Cherry Blossoms in Potomac park. Both the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial appear in the background. Those appearing in the picture are Miss C. L. Austin, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. M. Carter, Executive Department; Miss D. Hines, Transfer Department; Mrs. M. Jeffries, Statistical Department, and Miss E. Robinson, Auditing Department.

Col. Julian, Head of Abyssinian Air Forces, Sues Hearst Paper

New York, Dec. 31.—In the name of the Negro race as well as his own, Col. Hubert Julian, late of his majesty's air force, Abyssinia, Ethiopia, has filed suit against the New York American, Inc., publishers of the New York American, a Hearst daily newspaper for \$500,000 for libelous and false statements, according to a statement from Colonel Julian's attorneys Monday morning at their offices on the thirty-fifth floor at 10 E. 40th Street. Colonel Julian is represented by one of the largest law firms in New York. The suit, which was filed in Supreme Court of the State of New York, the summons being dated Dec. 1, takes exception to a story published in the New York American on Nov. 1, in which Colonel Julian was referred to as "having smashed the only airplane in Abyssinia, that he ate too much and was flung into jail, and that he was exiled from the country. A copy of the story is attached to the bill of particulars and marked "Exhibit A."

Women in Charge Emancipation Celebration

The Des Moines Branch, N. A. A. C. P., celebrated the emancipation proclamation at Burns M. E. church on Thursday evening, Jan. 1st, and also the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of The Liberator, famed anti-slavery paper which was edited by William Lloyd Garrison. Mrs. Moses T. Frey gave the biography of Garrison and the principal address of the evening was made by Mrs. Geo. W. Slater. Music was rendered by a female chorus made up of ladies of the various churches of the city and organized by Mrs. Gus Thomas. Mrs. Joburns Kelso was the director. A resolution expressing regret of the death of sheriff elect W. C. Walker and extending the sympathy of the association to the bereaved family was passed. Mr. Walker was a member of the association. Mrs. S. Joe Brown presided.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

East Sixth and University Ave. Rev. Jordan W. Tut, Minister The services of the church have been growing in interest and attendance since the pastor began his series of twenty sermons on the "Holy Ghost." The church has closed a wonderful year in finance, in attendance, in membership, there being twenty-five conversions and twenty added by Christian experience and letters. Two organizations have been proving quite a source of strength. The Mission with Mrs. Clara Houston, president, met at the home of Mrs. Mary Turner, 1645 Buchanan St. Thursday afternoon at 2:30 A splendid meeting was had. The Willing Workers Club with Miss Bernice Angles as president met at the home of Mrs. Julia Campbell, 1236 Stewart Street, Wednesday evening at 8:00. After business had been transacted a very dainty luncheon was served. Open house was held at the pastor's home Thursday, Jan. 1st. Many members and friends were enrolled. The pastor and wife wishes to thank all for their kind remembrances during the Christmas and New Year. The sewing circle with Mrs. B. M. Anderson presided.

J. E. SPINGARN SENDS N. A. A. C. P. FIRST PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

New York, Dec. 26th.—J. E. Spingarn, new President of the N. A. A. C. P., today sent to the branches and members throughout the country his first presidential message of greeting. In his message Mr. Spingarn pays tribute to the service to humanity of the late Moorfield Storey, the Association's first President, and sounds a call for co-operation in the great fight that is to be carried onward. "For nearly twenty years, from the founding of the Association in 1910 until his recent death, Moorfield served as our President. The offenses which brought about the lynchings include not stopping an automobile when ordered, being active in politics, testifying against a white man in court, quarreling with a white man, murder assault and attempted assault, robbery and, in one case, offense unknown. One of the mob victims, George Hughes, was burned alive in the jail at Sherman, Texas, and the body of George Johnson was publicly burned at Honey Grove, also in Texas. In a statement on the increase in lynchings, made by Walter White, Acting Secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., increasing repudiation by white women of the south, of lynching as a

WEST VIRGINIA STATE SENATOR SURVEYS NEGRO IN HIS STATE

New York, Dec. 19.—A survey of the Negro in West Virginia, written by State Senator Walter S. Hallanan, is one of the feature articles in the current, January, 1931 "Crisis" Maga-

Congressman Asks About Relief for Negro Farmers

SOUTH DAKOTA CONGRESSMAN QUESTIONS NEGRO FARM RELIEF Sioux Falls, S. D.—Acting upon the request of the South Dakota branch of the N. A. A. C. P., Representative C. A. Christopherson of this district has agreed to investigate the farm relief if any which the Negro farmer has received since the Federal Farm Board has been in operation. Representative Christopherson informed W. F. Reden representing the N. A. A. C. P., that he would be glad to receive from every section of the South, any information tending to show what relief had been extended or whether Negro farmers had been granted any assistance as outlined in the farmer act. The congressman's address is Hon. C. A. Christopherson, M. C., Washington, D. C. son president, will meet at the home Mrs. Josephine Snyder, 1446 E. Eighteenth St., Friday afternoon at 2:30. A short program will be given. All members of the Frederick Douglas Club are requested by their president Mrs. Hannah Brent to meet Monday night at her home, 1343 McCormick street. Election of officers to be held. The church motto for the New Year is "BRING ONE."

Y to Have Special Program Sunday

Mrs. W. W. Jones will be hostess at the Sunday afternoon program held at the building January 4, at 3:30 P. M., which is as follows: Atty. S. Joe Brown, principal speaker; vocal solo, Dorothy Miles; reading, Arel Jett; piano solo, Mrs. J. W. Harrison; instrumental selection, Napoleon Morrow, George Robinson and Linford Willis; vocal solo, Mrs. Florence Johnson; vocal duet, Mrs. Gus Nichols and Mrs. C. B. Woods; paper, Inman Perkins, student at the University of

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Named Vice President and Board Director

New York, Dec. 30.—James Weldon Johnson, poet, author, former United States Consul in Nicaragua and Venezuela, editor of the Books of Negro Spirituals, has resigned as Secretary of the N. A. A. C. P. His resignation was presented yesterday at a meeting of the Board of Directors held in the Association's national offices. The resignation was accepted with regret. Mr. Johnson was thereupon elected a vice president and member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Johnson, who joined the association's staff on December 16, 1916, as Field Secretary, devoted himself at once to organizing the N. A. A. C. P. in the South. Before the United States entered the World War, the N. A. A. C. P., under Mr. Johnson's leadership, had 21 branches in that section which in one year sent to the National Office \$18,000. When Roy Nash, at that time Secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., resigned his office to enter the army, Mr. Johnson became Acting Secretary, until the election of John R. Shillady as Secretary in February, 1918. It was through Mr. Johnson, who met him in the South, that the Association's present Acting Secretary, Walter White, came to the Association in 1918 as Assistant Secretary. Mr. Shillady resigned the secretaryship in 1920 and in July of that year Mr. Johnson was made Acting Secretary; and in October, 1920, he was made Secretary, the first colored man to hold this office.

SCOTT'S BILLIARD TOURNAMENT CLOSES

The billiard tournament recently sponsored by Mr. G. W. Scott, proprietor of Scott's billiard parlor, Tenth and Center street, closed with Mr. Tracey Wakefield champion; Albert Rhodes, second prize; Henry Bradley winning both third and fourth prizes. All awards were valuable. Large audiences gathered each night to watch the spectacular playing of these men. Mr. Scott has sponsored the tournament for three consecutive years. The policy of an annual tournament is the result of Mr. Scott's desire to build up and make his billiard parlor one of the most modern in the city. Iowa; and cornet solo; Arthur Terry. The basketball Sunday school league will start January 9th, at the West High gymnasium. The following teams will participate: Corinthian Baptist, St. Paul A. M. E., Burns M. E., Bethel A. M. E., and Union Baptist. The interclub basketball league for younger boys, which will start at the West High gymnasium on the same date will include the Junior "Y" leaders, Little Scorpions, Bethel A. M. E. Juniors, Union Baptist Juniors and Roadside Settlement team. The East High Gymnasium will be open every Wednesday evening to be used for employed boys and men. The boys annual Christmas party held at the Burns M. E. church by the Crocker Street Y. M. C. A., was a huge success. About 105 boys enjoyed the exchange of gifts and a gift from the Crocker Street department. Mr. Leon Smith, Boys Work Secretary of the General "Y" told the well known story by Van Dyke, entitled "The Other Wise Men". During the vacation from schools the boys enjoyed tournaments at the building including ping-pong, checkers, polo-football, pocket billiards, and

DR. MOTON IMPROVING

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Dec. 20.—Dr. R. R. Moton, Principal of Tuskegee Institute, who recently underwent an operation at Mayo Brothers Hospital, Rochester, Minn., is showing a marked improvement according to telegrams received almost daily by Dr. R. R. Taylor, Vice President. Dr. Moton entered the hospital about two weeks ago and at first it was hoped that he would be released in time to be home before the holidays. The latest decision is that it would be better that Dr. Moton remain at the hospital for a week or so longer to give him the advantage of a much needed rest. Mrs. Moton left here about ten days ago and was present with Dr. Moton at the time of the operation.

DIMITRY ON STAFF AT TUSKEGEE

Mr. Ernest C. Dimitry, class of 1916, has returned to serve as Editorial Assistant in the Principal's Office. He will assist in editing the Tuskegee Messenger, The Southern Letter, and will handle press reports of school activities for daily and weekly newspapers. Conducted by Capt. John Wanamaker, Jr., in Memory of his Father. The fourth annual contest in musical compositions for composers of the Negro Race has been opened again this year by the son of its interested originator—Rodman Wanamaker. The prizes this year, amounting to \$1000 are to be divided in four classes after the well-known judges have received a decision. These prizes are offered, as originally, through the Robert Curtis Ogden Association of Negro employees of the Wanamaker Store. The champions will be announced later. Two groups, one for older boys and one for younger were held in the tournaments.

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### NEGRO FARMERS

Rep. C. A. Christopherson of South Dakota has agreed to find what steps have been made by the farm board to give the Negro farmers the full benefit of the farm aid legislation. The action is taken at the suggestion of Mr. W. F. Reden, a lawyer of Sioux Falls, S. D., who has spent several years in the southern farming on many plantations in the region and who is well acquainted with the difficulties faced by the Negro farmers of that section, and the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P.

While the farming interests secured this legislation mainly because of the high rate of interest charged the farmer to finance his crop, conditions existing on many plantations in the south where Negro farmers are charged all they make often starting a new year in the red even though they have had no accounting of transactions during the previous year are even greater reasons for such legislation.

Mr. Reden has in mind that unless Negro agents are employed benefit will accrue to the Negro farmers under the farm board act for not only is it likely that the white agents will refuse to organize them or take them into the white organizations, but if actually organized the Negroed to organize cooperatives among their own group, little farmers will not be dealt with according to law.

This matter should be given serious attention by the Negro because of the large number actually engaged in the farming industry. Unless Negro organizers are employed in this work, they will never get the full benefit of the legislation.

## HEALTH TALKS

By Dr. H. H. London

### MALARIA

Malaria is a disease of the blood caused by the presence of many tiny organisms circulating in it. It is caused by the bite of a certain kind of mosquito which transfers the organism to man. It is safe to say that those who have never lived near rivers or other bodies of water have never had this disease as there is no other mode of transmission known and the disease is not contagious from person to person.

The disease in its acute form is always shown by chills which may come every day or every other day and sometimes irregularly but the disease has other features which differentiate it from other ailments accompanied with chills. It can be cured as is known but is more often controlled and there are times when the organism remains in the system symptomless causing a partial obscure illness the cause of which is not known. In some cases this is so marked as to cause an extreme degree of loss of weight, undernutrition and weakness likened to that of cancer. After it has progressed to such a stage the return to complete health is a very difficult matter and an indication for its complete elimination during its acute stage.

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## The Negro in America

By J. C. Browne

"The good die young." W. C. Walker, one of the best loved men in the city, has gone to his reward. His life transcended all barriers of race, creed or color. While few of us knew his religious faith, all felt his Christian life, and after all with Edgar Guest, "We'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day." He was honest, fair and kind and in his passing all of us have lost a friend.

"He gave to misery,  
'Twas all he had a tear."  
He gained from heaven  
'Twas all he wished, a friend."

### CORRECTION

In the article "The Negro in America" by J. C. Browne in the December 26th issue: "If we have not done as well as we hoped, why worry?" Instead of, "why work."

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—"The Negro problem is the most dangerous problem the American people confront," said Judge Nicholas Klein of Cincinnati, O., addressing an audience of 500 at a meeting of the New Orleans division of the Universal Negro Improvement Association.

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## Airplane's "Flying" and "Cruising" Speed Differ

Cruising speed of an airplane is the speed at which it runs to best advantage considering oil and fuel consumption rate, vibration, laboring of and strain on motor. In other words, the speed one would care to run the motor (or airplane) on a long trip so that one would not burn up too much gas per hour at, perhaps, a slightly lower motor speed at, perhaps, no decrease in airplane speed; so that the motor would vibrate least; so that the motor would take it most easily. Comparable to an automobile there is top speed—say 65 miles per hour—and cruising speed (speed at which a car runs most smoothly with not too much care in steering, say at 30 miles per hour). In a plane, top speed might be 105 miles per hour; cruising speed, 90 miles per hour. Speed necessary to keep the plane in air is called flying speed. Minimum flying speed is called stalling speed. Landing speed is usually about two miles per hour greater than stalling speed.

## Harvest Home Festival

The annual "Klarn" or Harvest Home, is a settled institution on Scottish farms. These events are usually held in the granary of the farm, which is suitably decked for the occasion. The floor is none too smooth; but the tackety boots of the dancers are quite able to contend with it. The band consists of a fiddle and melodeon, and the dances bear such weird titles as "Pentecost," "Rifeman" and "Drops of Brandy." The most amusing part of the proceedings comes when the steward returns thanks to the farmer for giving the "klarn." It is the one speech he makes in the year, so it is a great event for him. He usually begins in high-flown English, to the admiration of the company, but invariably falls to keep it up, and ends in broad Scots.

## Hat for the Home

Women may lead in literature, divorce, glass blowing, fat girls, etc., but there is still one province where man reigns supreme.

When I got home last night Mrs. B was lying about 30 degrees to the starboard and complaining of severe pains in her left side. After much coaxing I got her to tell me what the trouble was. She said she had carried in a bucket of coal. I lit into her good. I was furious. I told her never to let me hear of her carrying in another single bucket of coal as long as she lived.

Her lips quivered and I thought that perhaps I had gone too far. Then I told her that if she wanted to carry in the coal it was all right with me, but I wanted her to carry two buckets at a time in the future. I don't want no lopsided wife.—Spokane Spokesman Review.

## Force in Expression

The expression, "An unlicked cub," is a strong, homely reference to a person who is crude, unpolished and undeveloped, who must literally be licked into shape by the attrition of life's experiences.

The metaphor is one we have borrowed from the world of zoology. It is an allusion to the practice of the mother bear, who actually seems to be constantly licking her cubs.

While, of course, the cub is not really licked into shape, still, an unlicked cub is such a bedraggled looking spectacle as compared with one who is, that the unlicked cub has come to take on the significance it has today, of something unfinished and uncouth.—Kansas City Star.

## One's "Birthday"

The word birthday designates primarily the day of one's birth. Colloquially, the term is used to designate subsequent anniversaries of that day. Dictionaries emphasize this use defining the day as, "the day of one's birth or its anniversary." An anniversary is defined as, "a commemorative observance or celebration of an event separated by one year, or by an exact number of years from some past event." On one's first anniversary, one is one year old but celebrates what is colloquially accepted as one's second birthday, but one's first birthday anniversary.—Literary Digest.

## Cassair's Profound Rebuke

The following quotation is from "Plutarch's Lives": "Cassair once, seeing some wealthy strangers at Rome carrying up and down with them in their arms and bosoms young puppy dogs and monkeys, embracing and making much of them, took occasion, not unnaturally, to ask whether the women in their country were not used to bear children; by that prince-like reprimand gravely reflecting upon persons who spend and lavish upon brute beasts that affection and kindness which nature has implanted in us to be bestowed on those of our own kind."

## Early Arctic Voyages

The Arctic regions were explored as early as 1658 by John Davis, who in that year reached latitude 72 degrees 12 minutes north. He was followed by William Barents in 1596, Henry Hudson in 1607 and William Baffin in 1616. The North pole was reached by Peary on April 6, 1909. The south polar regions were explored by Capt. James Cook in 1774. The South pole was discovered by Roald Amundsen on December 14, 1911.

## Luxury, It Would Seem, Depends on Viewpoint

Recently the woman passed through one of the poor sections of New York at 8 o'clock, just when hundreds of school children were being released. Directly ahead of her three little girls strolled. One of them, a pale child (or airplane) as if sunlight and vegetables were not part of her daily regime, was conducting a monologue. In a high pitched, excited voice she was describing a bedspread which had been sent as a gift to the child's mother.

"It's so beautiful, like sunshine. All smooth and golden. It's like that. Look here!"

The children with the woman—just a step away—stopped before a dinky store. Its window displayed a bedspread, cheap, coarse, glaring yellow. "Isn't it lovely?" the little girl asked.

The woman had visions of a poor back apartment into which the sun never peeped. To its occupants that golden bedspread stood for every luxury of life. The woman looked from the happy face of the child to the spread. Perhaps it was not so glaring if you saw it from the right angle.—New York Sun.

## Advices Use of Slogan to Overcome Dejection

Slogans are advocated as an aid to a healthy mental outlook by James D. Weiland, who considers their effect and lists a number in an article in Hygeia Magazine.

A good slogan can brighten our whole horizon, fill us with courage and be an emotional stimulus. It directs and holds the attention to a bracing thought. For instance, when a man is down in the dumps it is comforting to think that "the men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed," or that "there are more chances and opportunities in life than we know."

There are slogans hidden away in the world's literature that fit almost any mood or desire, says Mr. Weiland. Proverbs are rich in them. Poems are jeweled with them. Each person must select the ones that mean most to him. Used at the right time the words can penetrate like a sharp dart into a mood and dissipate it. They act like a bugle call marshaling the forces of our resolution and ordering them into action.

## French Enjoy Fishing

No fewer than 10,000 fishermen took part in a competition and congress which was held at Vichy, writes the Paris correspondent of the London Sunday Observer. The number is not only sufficient to show what a placid person the Frenchman really is—at least when he reaches a certain age—but also that he has a natural passion for sport. I do not mean sport as he understands the word, for he does not really care about games, but sport in the sense of shooting and fishing. Game shooting is far more a pursuit of the whole people of France than in England, and there is hardly a middle-aged Frenchman who is not a fisherman.

## Hand's Changed

He was a stout man, and his feet were big in proportion. He wore stout boots, too, with broad toes. When he went into the boot shop to buy another pair, he found he had some difficulty in getting what he wanted. A dozen pairs were shown him. "No, no! Square toes—must have square shoes," he insisted. "But, sir, everybody is wearing shoes with pointed toes. They are fashionable this season." "I'm sorry," said the stout man, as he prepared to leave the shop. "I'm very sorry to have troubled you, I'm sure. But, you see, I'm still wearing my last season's feet!"—London Tit-Bits.

## Had the Wrong Girl

Telephone tact is a necessary requirement in these modern days, but its exercise occasionally leads to unexpected results. A recent example follows: Late at night the telephone in a home called the householder to the receiver. An obviously feminine voice was just as obviously that of a stranger.

After ascertaining that the caller had been connected with a wrong number, the householder remarked: "This is exasperating, isn't it?"

To his bewilderment the reply came back: "Oh, no; this is Lillian."—New York Sun.

## Unprofitable Smartness

A farmer's son who had been some time at the university came home to visit his parents. Two fowls were placed on the table for supper, and the young student said he could prove that there were really three fowls. "That," said he, "is one, and this is two, and two and one make three." "Since you have made it out one wheel," said his father, "your mother shall have the first, I'll have the second, and ye may eat the third yourself!"

## Paper Money

The use of paper money began about 600 years ago in Italy, when the goldsmiths and silversmiths deposited gold under supervision and the receipts circulated as currency. All the original states issued paper money in Colonial days. The first federal paper money was issued in 1775, under authority of an act of the Continental congress.

## THRILLERS SLIP IN BEST SELLER RACE

CHICAGO.—Best-sellers of the future will be non-fiction. The present trend in books is from fluff to facts, according to E. D. Foster, managing editor of the new World Book Encyclopedia, which has just come off the presses here.

"Even detective fiction is dropping behind in the race for best-selling honors," said Mr. Foster. "On the other hand, history is being put under the microscope to provide characters for the new humanized biographies. Popularly written works on scientific subjects are enjoying unprecedented sales. In this connection, it is to be noted that sales of the new World Book Encyclopedia, which in addition to being an exhaustive collection of information on every conceivable subject, is a complete reference library, presenting the world's knowledge in interesting form, are showing a surprising volume.

"International peace parleys have turned men's thoughts to world affairs. Practical aviation has compelled attention on recent advances in science. The facts, in either modern science or politics, have proved more arresting than fiction. They have a best-selling punch."

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To Ira E. Converse: You are hereby notified that on December 8, A. D. 1926, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 10, Fairview, now included in the City of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to Frank McKoon for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1925, thereon; that the undersigned is now the legal 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 the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof. Dated December 11, 1926.

CYRUS B. HILLIS.

Book 43, page 137.

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To Sarah Rymer: You are hereby notified that on December 10, A. D. 1926, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 30, East Capital Park, in the City of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to Frank McKoon for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1924, thereon; that the undersigned is now the legal 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 the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof. Dated December 11, 1926.

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## NOTICE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

To Sarah Rymer: You are hereby notified that on December 9, A. D. 1926, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 16, Block 2, Stafford and Dixon's Addition in the City of Des Moines, was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to W. M. Hammill for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1925, thereon; that the undersigned is now the legal 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 the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof. Dated December 11, 1926.

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Book 45, page 69.

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## My Trip Abroad

By Mrs. S. Joe Brown

Because of the constant demands upon us during the holiday season, we were forced to defer our report for this column for two weeks. We are now, however, pleased to present in

this edition, the likenesses of the group of women that we have been telling about and who attended the International Council and then toured the continent of Europe with us.

Reading from right to left in the front row are: Mrs. Cora M. Allen, from Louisiana; Mrs. L. C. Jefferson and Mrs. L. T. Miller from Mississippi; Mrs. Sallie W. Stewart of Indiana; Miss Hallie Q. Brown of Ohio; Mrs. Nellie Weaver Greene, of Okla-

homa; and in the second row in the same order are: Miss Jane Hunter of Ohio; Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Iowa; and Miss Meta Pelham of Michigan.

The picture was made by a staff photographer from the office of "Opportunity"; just as we were leaving the 137th St. Branch Y. W. C. A. in New York City, where we were housed prior to setting sail; and we are therefore hereby giving credit to the "Opportunity Magazine" for the use of the cut for this report.



**OSCEOLA, IOWA, NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffin and son spent Christmas day in Des Moines. Mrs. Emma Peniston and daughter and son gave the family Christmas dinner at 6 o'clock. The program was a success. After the program and Christmas tree, ice cream and coffee was served by the senior choir.

**Program.**  
Song, Joy to the World; Prayer, Walter Griffin; Scripture Lesson, Walter Griffin; Song, Mr. Jacob Draden; Reading, Thresa Screws; Soprano Solo, Cecil Peniston; Song, Mr. Wayso of Oskaloosa, Iowa; Reading, Lizzie Draden; Duet, Mrs. Roy Bryant and Miss Theresa Screws; Lecture, "What Africa was Doing on Christmas Day", by Mr. Wayso; Trio, John Wesley Griffin, James Morgan, and Walter Rhodes, Jr.; Contralto Solo, "Sing Me To Sleep" by Beasia Bryant. The Bauldin family spent Christmas evening in Osceola.

**FORT DODGE, IOWA, NEWS**

We are still striving to keep above the tide. Times are hard. So many of us are out of work, yet we move on slow. The churches are doing fairly well. The Second Baptist church is trying to take on new life. They put on a big song service last week at the First Baptist church, and netted \$20.41 and they welcome the public to come again. Rev. Reid of Coppin Chapel A. M. E. Church is keeping his members busy, and succeeding fine with his church work. Mother Martin is about as usual. Mother Benning stays the same. Miss Grace Thornton was quite ill last Saturday night, but is reported better. Mrs. Ross Guy has returned. She is looking well. Rev. I. N. Cogg, pastor of Mt. Zion Third Baptist Church of Davenport visited Second Baptist Church Sunday and preached two sermons. He left Monday for Davenport. It looked like the right preacher was in the pulpit. While here Rev. Cogg was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lewis. Sister William Chambers is improving slowly. Mr. Cecil Brown is at his post of duty at Webster City.

**MORAN, IOWA, NEWS**

Mrs. Ernest De Van and Mrs. Moses Allen entertained at Christmas dinner in honor of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lytle and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jefferson of Dallas. At 5:30 P. M. the entertained Mrs. I. A. Johnson of Canton, Mo., Mr. Walter Moore, Rev. and Mrs. Brown of Dallas at lunch. Mr. and Mrs. Las Edmonds entertained with a Christmas dinner for their mother, Mrs. I. A. Johnson of Canton, Mo. Their uncle and aunt, Rev. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. Walter Moore of Dallas, Rev. and Mrs. Gunter o Zookspar, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest De Van gave a dinner party honoring their mother, Mrs. Mattie McDowell; their sister, Mrs. Minnie Clearely, Mr. Henry Wright all of Des Moines. Mr. and Mrs. David Maupins entertained Sunday at a dinner for Mrs. I. A. Johnson of Canton, Mo., Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Brown, Miss Willa Jacobs, who attends school in Des Moines spent the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Jacobs. The Baptist Sunday school and the Saints of God in Christ Sunday school consolidated for their Christmas exercises and tree.

**MASON CITY, IOWA**

Dr. Pettiford's family orchestra played for a dance Friday, Dec. 19th. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brewton and family of Iowa City, spent last Monday and Tuesday with Mr. Brewton's parents. Rodger Lionel Ewing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ewing passed away



**Holiday Season.**  
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December 19, and was buried Monday, Dec. 22. Mrs. Mary Bradford, his grandmother, attended the funeral. Mrs. Foch of Chicago visited her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Wigginton for a few days, returning to her home Tuesday evening. Mrs. Ida Smith spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. Amos Butler of Albert Lea, Minn., and returned Sunday. Mr. Charles Smith spent Christmas in Albert Lea with his wife and the Butler family. Mr. McCorkle of Lexington, Mo., came to the city Christmas morning for an indefinite stay. The Union Memorial Sunday school observed its annual Christmas tree and program at the church. Rev. J. C. McGinty visited in Marshalltown Sunday to hold the 3rd quarterly conference. Mrs. A. Skinner of Kansas City spent a few hours with her cousin on route to St. Paul, Minn.

Mr. Theodore Brewton returned to his home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brewton. He will resume his studies in Iowa City after the holidays. Brewton's Blue Six from Iowa City furnished music for a pre-holiday dance given at the K. of C. hall, December 22. On Tuesday they played for the Junior College Club Dance. The Silver Leaf Quartette, composed of Messrs. Spence, Bell, Wigginton and Spencer were also a feature of the party. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith spent Christmas in Quincy, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brewton and Miss Marguerite Stephenson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson of Manly Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. James Newsome entertained Mr. and Mrs. King Newsome Christmas day. Mrs. Mary Bradford of Minneapolis and her daughter, Mrs. Leona Ewing, were called to Minneapolis, Monday, on account of the illness of Mrs. Ewing's son, Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Parker and Mr. Felix Parker spent Christmas in Minneapolis. The St. John Baptist Church observed its annual Christmas program Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ashford and Mr. C. Ashford entertained at a party Saturday evening at the Dreamland hall. Miss Cleo Ashford is the house guest of Miss Helen Ashford. The out-of-town guests were from Ames, Manly, Waterloo, and Hampton. Rev. Spence of the First Methodist church preached the communion services at the Union Memorial church Sunday afternoon. Messrs. and Mesdames Horace Spence, McNeil and James Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brewton, Mrs. Newsome, Miss Marguerite Stephenson, Mrs. Alexander, and Mr. Allbright were Sunday evening guests of Harvey Spencer and Miss Louise Jones and Mr. Charles Williams, drove to St. Paul, Sunday. Mrs. Spencer will stay over the New Year. Miss Jones and Mr. Williams returned Sunday evening. Mrs. Maud M. Brewton was called to Fort Dodge, December 18th, to transact lodge business. Miss Marguerite Stephenson and Mr. Fred Mitchell accompanied her. Mr. J. A. Ashford and daughter, Mr. C. Ashford and daughter, and Mrs. Boldridge and daughter were dinner guests of Mrs. McDaniels. Mr. Fred Mitchell was in Garner Sunday, working in the place of Mr. J. A. Ashford.

**CENTERVILLE, IOWA, NEWS**

The Christmas exercises at the Second Baptist church, Wednesday evening were well attended and a good program was rendered. Mr. Joe Lewis left Christmas day to spend the holidays with his parents at Lovilla, Iowa. Miss Bernice Smith arrived in our city from Des Moines to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith and other relatives and friends. We had services at the church Christmas morning and a real good meeting as enjoyed. Miss Carrie Banks left for her home in Warrensburg, Mo., to spend Christmas. Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Winston were dinner guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thompkins. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kent of Des Moines spent Wednesday night and Christmas at the home of Mrs. Kent's father. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Terrell and others who called at the R. Terrell home were Mrs. Leon, Mrs. Lewis and sons, Bernard and Harold, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jones and family, Mrs. Mattie Conley, Mrs. John Ewing, Mr. H. W. Thompkins, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brown and family of Mystic. All were glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Kent as this was their first visit home in several years. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ashby and children left Christmas morning to spend the holidays with relatives at Keokuk. Mrs. Clarence Johnson and little nephew, Howard R. Ewing of Triplett, Mo., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ewing during the holiday season. Sunday services were nice and well attended. Our pastor, Rev. Taylor preached two excellent sermons. Mr. and Mrs. Lee entertained Rev. and Mrs. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. William Oliver at dinner Sunday. Rev. and Mrs. Taylor called on Mrs. Todd. Mrs. Nellie Lewis and sons, Bernard and Herrold, called on Mr. and Mrs. John Powell and baby Sunday. Little Claude M. Mayfield was a dinner guest of Bernard and Herrold Lewis Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Ewing and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Cary Bolden and family. Mr. and Mrs. William Oliver

and granddaughter, Betty Jane Lee, called on Mr. and Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Mattie Conley spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Conley and son Louis. Miss Ida Conley of St. Louis spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. M. Conley and other relatives. She left Sunday morning for her home. Don't forget to start the New Year right by subscribing for the By-stander, one year \$1.50; 6 months 80c. Reporter A. L. Terrell, call Red 469 for service.

Washington, D. C.—Oscar DePriest making his second speech in Congress in two years, mocked Congressmen from Dixie who boast of colored mamies and then seek to deny mammy's sons equal opportunity.

The House had before it Friday the Interior Department appropriation bill designating \$1,150,000 for Howard University to which Committee Chairman Cramton had added \$400,000 more as a first appropriation towards an \$800,000 library.

The entire sum was finally voted, 123 to 25.

Referring to the "close contact" Southern Congressmen had with Negroes, Mr. DePriest said: "I have heard some of them say that they had suckled the breasts of black mamies, and I suppose that is true. They were nourished and grew fat over it."

"I am satisfied if they will think a second time they will vote as I expect to vote for this appropriation."

Rep. Louis Cramton (Rep., Mich.) appropriation committee chairman said: "If it were not something-for the colored race, there would not be made the same attack upon it."

Rep. Adolf J. Sabath (Dem., Chicago) obtained leave to extend his remarks in the Record.

The House also passed the bill carrying a total of \$387,000 for Freedmen's Hospital.

Rep. Blanton (Dem., Texas) spoke in favor of the whole Howard University appropriation.

The St. Paul A. M. E. Credit Union

held its first regular meeting since its organization in the lecture room of the church Tuesday evening. Reports showed that the membership had increased to twenty-two of whom four have paid out on their shares, one of them having paid in full for five shares.

Mr. E. G. Olson, State Director, was present and explained representation in the State Credit Union League which meets in Cedar Rapids, January 17th. Rev. Wm. E. Guy and J. L. Dameron were elected delegates to the state meeting; S. A. Walker and Mrs. Estella Broomfield alternates. Rev. Guy was also nominated as a candidate for member of the state board of directors.

The next which will be the annual meeting of the St. Paul Union will be held at the same place, Tuesday, January 13th, at which time the officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

**PICKET TOLEDO STORES TO GET JOBS FOR NEGRO CLERKS**

New York, Dec. 19.—Picketing of various stores in Toledo, Ohio, is getting jobs for Negroes as clerks. The picketing is being done by the Toledo Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. which reports that a number of stores have already yielded.

**NEWARK, N. J., DEC. 19.—A conference of colored clergymen of various denominations in Newark has passed resolutions to be forwarded to the Board of Education, asking suspension or removal of two white employees in one of the schools held for the grand jury on charges of abusing two eight year old colored girls.**

**"NEGRO AND SUPREME COURT" BY WHITE IN JANUARY HARPER'S**

New York, Dec. 19.—The United States Supreme Court offers the surest means of obtaining justice for the Negro in this country, according to Walter White, Acting Secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., who writes in January Harper's Magazine, on "The Negro and the Supreme Court."

In his article Mr. White tells at length of the successful fight to prevent confirmation of that Court of Judge John J. Parker of North Carolina, who as a "lily white" Republican had publicly expressed opposition to the Negro's participation in politics.

**MURPHY JOINS IN**

Rep. Frank Murphy (Rep., Ohio) immediately joined in the debate, declaring Congress gave Indians, Eskimos and a lot of other unprivileged folks \$23,000,000.

When the congressional committee visited the University recently, Mr. Murphy said that the present library is so small that students, books in hand, were seen standing around the walls studying. "They are cramped

and have not room enough." Byrns Opposes Clifton Woodrum (Dem., Roanoke, Va.), objected to the additional \$400,000, declaring that the government faces a deficit, and the money should go towards relieving unemployment.

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He recalled that an increase in pay had been denied government employees.

The Virginian declared the bill if passed committed the government to give Howard University \$3,000,000 by 1935.

Rep. Joseph Byrns (Dem., Nashville, Tenn.), opposing the library appropriation, denied he was motivated by race prejudice. He said Tennessee makes no race discrimination in education and if the government appropriates funds to Howard, it should also give to Fisk.

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the continued illness and the consequent death of Mr. Samuels. Mr. Fowler is a member of the Union Baptist Church and is also connected with the following fraternal organizations: Masons, K. of P., Odd Fellows, Elks, and a member of Zied Temple No. 90 of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Fowler is assisted by his son Lafayette Fowler, Jr., who completed the embalming course at the Hohenschuh-Carpenter School of Embalming in December, 1927, and is a licensed mortician.

Mr. Fowler, Jr., is very popular among the younger social set of the city, a member of Corinthian Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge, Doric No. 30, Zied Temple No. 90 of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a graduate of North High School and attended Drake University and Des Moines College. He practically runs his father's business, ably assisted by Mr. Chester Jones and Roy Fowler. Mrs. Fowler is also an able attendant at the beautiful funeral home which is known in business as L. Fowler and Son funeral home. Our constant growth is proof of better service. Our business is owned and controlled by our race and we have everything pertaining to funeral purposes and of the latest. We have one of the best equipped and largest funeral homes in the middle west, using only modern equipment; our help consists of long experienced men—honest, fair and trustworthy. Our funeral home consists of office, chapel, slumber room and morgue. We are not connected with any other firm in the city.

L. Fowler & Son funeral directors at a cost of more than \$3,000 built a four-stall garage at the rear of their home, 1701 Walker Street. The garage is to house local embalmers' rolling stock which consists of a new three-way loading straight eight Henney coach, recently purchased by Mr. Fowler, a Buick funeral coach, a new Ford sedan and a Tudor Ford sedan.

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# Society and Clubs—Virginia Stewart-Dixon

## Mary Church Terrell and Monarch Clubs Give Formal Parties

The Mary Church Terrell club gave its annual Christmas party last Monday evening in the ball room of the La Marguerita Hotel. This affair marked one of many brilliant yuletide parties given. The following society matrons who comprise the personnel of the club are noted for their graciousness as hostesses and their stimulating parties: Mesdames Gertrude North, Azalia Mitchell, Birdie Winn, Clara Johnson, Goletha Trotter, Georgine Morris, Thelma Jefferson, Andra Alexander, Lillian Edmunds, Mabel Brooks and Ella Willis. Fashion outdid itself in a lavish display of very smart and ultra-fashionable gowns. Punch was served during interludes in the dance program furnished by Marie Knowling and her entertainers.

Societies elite turned out en masse for the formal ball given by the Monarch Club men Monday evening at the Ritz Ballroom. The large guest list included a number of prominent visitors in the city together with a host of collegians and teachers home for the holiday season, who added youth and spontaneity to the affair. Innumerable small "huddles" or parties were given by some of the smart set preceding their going to this brilliant affair.

Mrs. Agnes Eppright is at home for her many friends at 1421 Maryland Avenue.

Mrs. Bertha Addison, 842 Ninth Street, entertained the S. Q. & J. Girls at a turkey dinner New Years eve.

Mrs. Bertha Addison, 842 Ninth St., had as her house guests over the week end, Mr. George E. Lee of Kansas City, Mo., and her sister, Mrs. Myles, who is here for the holidays.

Mrs. Anna Humphrey was the dinner guest of Mrs. Laura B. Stewart, 1008 16th Street, Christmas day.

A party was held at the Community Center Christmas day for the Junior class of the Elks' lodge. A short program was given, after which gifts were exchanged. The following: Juvenile Daughter Baler, Elizabeth Winslow, Junior mother, Mrs. Henderson, Senior Mother, Mrs. Nellie Parker and Mrs. Alice Bell, who is a member of the board. A merry good time was had by all the youngsters present.

Mrs. Helen Beshears is in the city visiting her son "Hutch" and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Dameron, 1127 Eleventh St.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scott, 971 Twenty-fourth street, entertained a few intimate friends at a turkey dinner Christmas day. Those sharing the courtesy were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McGrunder, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Adams, and Mr. J. L. Johnson.

The L. T. Club met Wednesday, December 17th, at the Community Center with Mrs. Ed Morton, hostess. Games were played, high score going to Mrs. W. J. Ritchey, first; Mrs. J. W. Harrison, second. Next meeting with Mrs. Claude Carr, 1148 Enos, on Wednesday, January 7th.

Enjoy a pleasant afternoon with "The Brain Cheer Society" at the Blue Triangle Y. W. C. A. Thursday afternoon, January 8th, at 1:30 P. M. A lady doctor will talk on health and personal problems. Questions answered freely. Refreshments served free of charge. All ladies are urged to be present.

The B. T. A. Club gave an indoor picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Roper, 1420 Buchanan. Thirty guests were present.

Mr. Lee Roper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Roper, 1420 Buchanan St., is home from Albia Junior College, for the holidays. Mr. Benny Grayson of Albia accompanied him home, enroute to Waterloo to visit his parents.

The Merry Widows Industrial Club will have their New Year sermon at Corinthian Baptist church, Sunday,

January 4, at 11:00 A. M. Rev. G. W. Robinson will deliver the address. Regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Anna C. Johnson, 1916 Seventeenth Street, at 5:30 P. M., Sunday evening.

Miss Lucille Thomas and friend spent the holidays with her father at Centerville, Iowa.

The Union Neighborhood Club will have a night meeting Monday, January 5th, at the home of Mrs. Hammit, 217 Clark street. All members please be present and bring a friend.

The Union Neighborhood Club held its Fifth Annual Christmas Dinner in the form of a family dinner at the home of Mrs. James Morrow, 1421 Second street. The house was festively decorated with Christmas decorations and the tree held presents for all. The program was given with Mrs. Hammit mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. Helen Frye read a paper on the club's work during the past year. Guests present: Mesdames Mease Scott, Minnie Wilson; Rev. and Mrs. A. Ross Brent; Messrs. William Warfield, Brewer, Hammit, Thompson, Wright, Sloan, Brown, Morrow and fourteen juvenile neighborhooders.

Mr. Littleton L. Bowles, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Littleton L. Bowles, 816 Twelfth St., who is a student in Alcorn A. & M. College, Mississippi, spent the holidays with his aunt, Mrs. Lina Sheivers, Greenville, Miss., sister of Mrs. Bowles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, 223 East Thirteenth street, entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hammit and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Wilkinson at dinner Christmas day.

Mrs. Ella Adams, 2708 Chester, was hostess to the Jolly Twelve. Mrs. Marie Thompson and Miss Della Chapman, December 18th. The home was artistically decorated and a lighted Christmas tree gave a holiday atmosphere to the occasion. Gifts were exchanged, after which cards were the diversion of the evening. A delightful repast was served by the hostess, assisted by the genial host, Mr. Adams. Club prizes were received by Mesdames Ruth Piggee and Zetta Scott. Appropriate gifts were given the guests.

Mrs. Electa Coleman will be hostess to the Jolly Twelve on January 8th.

Mrs. J. R. LaForce, 1205 Center Street, entertained at dinner, Rev. and Mrs. Overton and son, Mr. and Mrs. Cleggett and sister, and Mrs. Hattie Rucker of Boone, Iowa.

Mrs. Lee R. Robinson was hostess to the Treble Leaf Art Club. House decorations carried out the spirit of the yuletide, including a Christmas tree. Gifts were exchanged, and prizes for stunts went to the following: Mesdames Ardella Watkins, Mattie B. Scott, Victoria Hendricks and Sarah Jett. Refreshments were served.

Club members present: Mesdames Lee R. Robinson, Rebecca Cross, Fant Jett, Lillard Sloan, Mable Crowder, Geneva Moore, Violet Cumbus, Luella Cassell, Mae Sanders, Matilda Lewis.

Guests present: Mesdames Mamie Robinson, Mattie B. Scott, Beatrice Miller, F. G. Giggins, Victoria Hendricks, Columbus Ware, Emma Garth, Ardella Watkins, Ada Jefferson, Miss Beatrice Cassell.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Frye, 1413 Park street, entertained at their home Sunday, December 28th, their parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown, the occasion honoring Mr. Brown's birthday.

A lovely three-course dinner was served Christmas day by Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Wadsworth, at their home 1417 Stewart street, honoring Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Frye and family.

The "It" gave a "White Elephant" party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Trotter, 934 Fourteenth Street Place, Christmas eve. Gifts were exchanged.

## Edited By Virginia Stewart-Dixon

### NOTICE

If you don't receive the Bystander next week, it will be for the reason that your name has been dropped from the list for non-payment of your subscription. We shall be glad to put it on again upon receipt of your payment.

The Knicker Bocker Club met at the home of Mr. E. C. Carter, 723 S. E. 28th street, Sunday, December 28th.

Miss Irene Seymour of Quincy, Illinois, is in the city the guest of her father, Mr. Harry Seymour, 835 20th Street. Miss Seymour was a guest at the Monarch Club formal dancing party. Many social courtesies are being planned in her honor.

Mr. Bert N. Parker of St. Paul, is visiting relatives and friends in the city. Mr. Parker was one of the out of town guests at the Monarch Club dancing party.

The Royal Dukes held their annual election of officers Tuesday, December 23: Marion Mann, President; Hunter Mathew, Vice President; Lafayette Fowler, Secretary; Beth Dysart, Treasurer; Wesley Reed, Sergeant at Arms; Mr. William Eaves was appointed social chairman.

Mrs. Virginia Stewart Dixon was a dinner guest of Mrs. Bernice Richards, 1046 Fourteenth St., on Sunday, December 21st.

Word was received Saturday by Mrs. Laura Stewart of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Betty Bannister, Fort Madison, Iowa.

The Miscellaneous Club of Kyles A. M. E. Zion church gave a Christmas banquet, Tuesday night, Dec. 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Tillman. A four course dinner was served. Games were enjoyed. Presents were distributed among the members. Guests present: Mrs. Arnetta Truax, The Misses Bernice Brewer, Roberta Tillman, Kathryn Frazier; Messrs. Marshall Smith, Carl Smith, Jesse Frazier, Alfred Roper, Myron Tillman and Bobby Smith.

Miss Venus Wilson, matron at the girls home in Iowa City, spent the holidays in Des Moines the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. F. Burnaugh and family.

The East Des Moines Booster Club announces their first play, "A Poor Married Man" A Three-act farce comedy to be presented at the Jewish Community Center, 801 Forest Avenue, Thursday evening, January 15, 1931.

### MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dead sister, Mrs. Adam Dixon, who passed away one sad year ago today, January 3, 1930. "We think of you as one who sleeps, All free from grief and pain, And know the happy day will come When we shall meet again." Martha E. Brooks, Carrie Garnett, Nannie Strong.

### MRS. REYNOLDS RITES LAST WEEK

Mrs. Zannie Reynolds, born in Thomas Hill, Mo., March 31, 1868, departed this life December 21, 1930. She united with the church at the age of twelve. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, Percil Reynolds; a mother, Mrs. Minnie Hawkins; two sisters, Viola Wayland and Lula Bratcher, and a host of relatives and friends. She came to Des Moines in 1917, and remained until death. Peace be with her.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the courtesy shown during the illness and at the time of the death of our wife and daughter, Mrs. Zannie Reynolds. We also wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the beautiful floral offerings, and for the use of their cars and services. Rev. G. W. Guy for his kind remarks, and L. Fowler and Son for efficient service.

Percil Reynolds, husband, Mrs. Minnie Bratcher, mother, Miss Viola Wayland, sister, Mrs. Lula Bratcher, sister.

### EVANGELISTS GRAHAM AND AT ST. PAUL'S FOR CAMPAIGN

At ten o'clock the revival prayer service will be begun under the leadership of Sisters Marjorie Casson and Eddie B. Jenkins. Evangelist Etta B. Graham will fire the first gun of the campaign at 10:30 P. M. Special music will be provided by the gospel choir under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Wilson.

The following are announced as high points in the campaign of evangelism: "The Five Dangerous Steps of Life", an illustrated sermon on canvas; "The Great Monsters", an ad-

dress for women and girls; "What Is Man?", a sermon for men only; another illustrated sermon, "What Becomes of Our Sins?" Mrs. Etta B. Graham has traveled extensively throughout America and Canada. The Rev. Dr. Guy announces to the public that it will find in Evangelist Graham a PREACHER. She is highly intelligent, well-trained and spirit-filled. Do not expect to be merely entertained. You will not be called on to make allowances for the fact that Sister Graham is a woman preacher. SHE IS A PREACHER. Miss Marjorie Casson, specialist in religious work among young people, will assist Mrs. Graham. The campaign begins December 31st, 10:30 P. M.

### ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 24—Sheriff John Roach convinced a mob of 150 citizens that it would do them no good to seek to capture the person of Raymond Gunn, who is being held in jail for an alleged attack on Miss Velma Colter, 19-year-old white school teacher, and her subsequent murder.

Sheriff Roach assembled all his deputies called upon the city police and ordered a machine-gun tank from the National Guard. He told the mob lead-

### Little Profit Found in Search for Sensation

A time comes to most of us when we must just a little more than playing around. We must not think for a second that there should be no play. That would be unwise. But what is foolish is the attitude that brings us to the belief that, to gain happiness—for that is, after all, what we are trying to get—we must indulge in all sorts and all kinds of fun and frolic. Sometimes it extends beyond that: we seek every kind of sensation we possibly can in our pursuit of glee. Whenever a new idea is mooted we go after it with renewed vigor, in the hope that the boredom of life—as some limited minds regard it—will be changed to a really good time. We only manage to secure the maximum of contentment by accepting the debts and credits—taking the former at their real valuations, and making the utmost of the credits.—Exchange.

### Chances of Knowledge

The speculative mind of man is like a colossal chameleon set up a hill. It is surrounded by perpetual windows facing in all directions. There is, at first, but one light, a blinding glimmer, in one small window level with the ground. Ages pass. Another window slowly lights up. Gradually, as time flows away, a thousand windows in the chameleon flame with light. Fewer windows begin to glimmer. Finally, the whole chameleon is a mass of light. For behind each window a mind labors in a small dark room shaped like a human skull to create a light of its own. From the lower windows the lights gash the dark for a great way. But the most powerful light from the largest window is merely an inch trying to eat the infinite.—The Thinker.

### First Uses for Sideboard

The dining room sideboard once served a different purpose from that of holding the family silver or glass. The sideboard, known first as a credence table, held all the dishes that were to be served at a dinner. An underling of the house then, in the presence of the guests, lifted each dish of food on the credence table to make sure there was no poison that might be fatal to the guests. But gradually, as people became less vicious and the desire to poison one's enemy, or friend, became less common, the credence was utilized for the display of silver and table services.—Dresslyn Eagle.

### Causes of "Blood Rain"

There are many cases of so-called meteorological showers in which the substance found on the ground did not actually fall from aloft. Thus some alleged rains of blood are due to the deposit of red fluid ejected by certain species of lepidoptera emerging simultaneously in large numbers from their cocoons, and others to the rapid multiplication in rain pools of algae and rotifers containing red coloring matter. The well-known red snow of polar regions results from the same cause of similar organisms.

### affording complete protection to the little frock underneath and yet cool and unobtrusive. It has the faintest of ruffles all the way round and the front ornamented with appliqued rubber motifs designed to capture the childish feminine heart.

These aprons, which are as suitable for play as for work, can be easily washed by using lukewarm water and soap flakes. Do not wring them out, but squeeze gently and wipe with a dry cloth. They should not be ironed.

### Among Us Women

By Mrs. Ruth Stone

### RUBBER APRON KEEPS SKIRTS WRINKLE-FREE

A wrinkled skirt is as taboo by well-dressed women as are crooked nose or ill-fitting hands. In these days of close-fitting frocks with rippling hemlines, a creaseless skirt is more essential than ever. One of the best ways of keeping your dresses in good condition and with the minimum of effort and expense is to wear a Hickory sanitary apron at all times. This tends to keep body warmth and perspiration from creasing one's skirts and makes pleats stay in much longer. Sanitary aprons can be had in a variety of shades, styles and weights and at prices to suit all purses. There are sturdy aprons of good weight rubber for service use; silk faced—lace edged aprons for the woman who insists on daintiness at all times, and the softest, flimsiest aprons of gossamer weight in beautifully patterned rubber for evening and dress wear. In all styles, a shaped band of net, nainsook or silk over the hips makes the apron fit smoothly and allows for ventilation. Many women prefer to haste a sanitary apron in each frock, so that there is no extra garment to be put on, nor strings around the waist, and the apron is always in perfect position. The apron is removed before the frock is sent to the cleaners. It should be washed in lukewarm water with pure soap flakes, and dried with a towel. In addition to keeping skirts wrinkle-free and to affording periodic protection, the use of a sanitary apron tends to make transparent garments shadow proof.

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### NOVEL PLAY APRON FOR LITTLE GIRLS

"Just like Mother" is reason enough for little girls to do a good many things, including the very sound and helpful practice of helping with the dishes now and then. With a little Hickory rubber apron to wear, a dainty, yet practical replica of Mother's big one, she will be delighted to take on this small task, and able to wear it when she is doing the necessary washing and ironing for a large family of dolls. In the style shown here, one of many available, the little apron is slipped over the head and fastened at the side.

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