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Y. W. C. I. MISSION OF KEOKUK, IOWA.

Mrs. Edna K. Albert, Keokuk, Iowa, the New District Most Noble Governor of the Household of Ruth No. 21, of Iowa, Graduate of the Keokuk High School, is also Secretary of the Executive Board of the Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission of Keokuk and gives a sketch of its work.

This useful agency for the moral protection, guidance and training of lone colored women and girls and the entertainment of Christian workers coming to Iowa as strangers is becoming a well known and permanent factor as one of the long felt needs in the community and over the state of Iowa. While but six months in active operation since its formal opening, its presence for good in Keokuk has been in a quiet way forcibly visible and received favorable comment on the part of the leading city officials, many of the pastors and members of the white churches and the daily press in our town. The reporter of the Daily Gate City has called on us at the Mission and from time to time given our work excellent write ups. As our colored reporters seem very slow about visiting or making any mention of this good work going on in our midst, I thought as Secretary I would take it upon myself to acquaint the reading public of our race with the splendid service accomplished in the community by the Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission during its short existence.

It affords me pleasure to record the success of this work because of the appreciation and affection I bear toward the ideal Christian woman and God sent leader who is the founder and Superintendent of the plan.

Miss Sidney J. Davis, when but a girl in short dresses, was the writer's first Sunday school teacher, here in the old Seventh Street Baptist Church. Her life at home and in the great fields of Christian service of the broader work in which she has labored has always been an inspiration to several of us at home here who are left from the large number of her students, as we have learned of her brilliant career in the lecture field over the United States. We welcome her return home, and appreciate her efforts to put Keokuk on the map with a useful Christian institution among Negroes.

The Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission is the first Mission of its kind ever conducted by colored management in Keokuk, it is pioneer work, and, as with all pioneer work, some may be slow to get the idea of its need—just as some people of our race think there is no virtue in a colored doctor or lawyer, regardless of their qualification because they are colored. Race pride can never be instilled without an object lesson by a successful institution of some kind managed by the race as an example in our midst. This is what our courageous Superintendent, with her faithful group of workers, is bringing to pass in Keokuk.

The Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission is located at 21-23 North 4th street, in a twelve room house, the historic "Diver" property, an old frame building dear to the heart of the owner as a relic from the pioneer days of his ancestry in the town. Our dedicatory service of the Mission was held the second Sunday afternoon in June, in the rooms of the lower apartment of one side of this building. The address and prayer of the occasion were delivered by Rev. John Mathias, pastor of the white Baptist Church, in an interesting and very timely manner. Miss Hepler, a white teacher from one of our Mission Schools in Tennessee, made remarks and there were short addresses by Mrs. S. B. Moore, wife of the ex-pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. Church of this city, Mrs. Rosa Pyles and Rev. W. W. Ewing. The entire service was impressive and all present expressed themselves pleased with the undertaking under such progressive conditions.

Truly, compliment is due the management for the up-to-dateness of the equipment for the opening. Moody Institute and many similar world felt institutions have not had such supplies at the outset as we had at our very first meeting in this Mission. There were new folding chairs, new singing books a plenty, and good piano music to accompany the singing. The Mission rooms were neatly furnished, the walls of the newly papered front room were adorned with suitable pictures, mottoes and placards. Among our visitors the Mission Register shows the following

names: Mrs. P. Reeves, Mrs. Georgia Kindrick, Mrs. Lena Porter, Rev. John H. Mathias, Mrs. S. B. Moore, Mrs. Minnie Taylor, Mrs. Fannie Armstrong, Mrs. Sally Thomas, Mrs. Martha Givens, Miss Hepler, Mrs. Ellen Gregory, Mrs. Samuel Johnson, Mrs. Amos, Mrs. George Snoddy, Mrs. Fielding Johnson, Miss Juanita Ashby, Mrs. Rosa Pyles, Mrs. Anna Weldon, Mrs. Inez Kelles, Mrs. Hattie Summers, Miss Hernandez Smith, Mrs. Ida Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Deer, Mrs. Harriet Dade, Mrs. Mary Thomas, Mrs. Cynthia Matthews, Mrs. Mary Smith, Miss E. McGruder, Mrs. J. H. Helm, Miss Irene Bryant, Mrs. Sallie Thomas, Mrs. Pearl Randall, Rev. and Mrs. Sterling Moore, Mrs. Emma Brown, Mrs. Emma Teabeau, Mrs. Caroline Webb, Mrs. Ellen Dixon, Mrs. Caroline Dean, Mrs. I. Pyles, Mrs. S. A. Penix, Miss Scott, Mrs. E. Hawkins, Mr. Fred Thomas, Mr. A. Russ, Rev. Wallace Bacon, Mr. I. Ringson, Miss B. Helm, Mrs. Maggie Barnes, and Mr. Fred Fields. Many names I failed to secure.

This Mission is not just for purely local benefit, it supports a bureau of information of state scope, in the effort of assisting strange women and girls of the race before coming to the state, to get in touch with the best social group among our race in each town, and to help as far as possible in getting them work. I will name a few cases wherein it can be seen that the Mission is nevertheless serving a large local good in the community. Since our opening, one unfortunate young woman, directed to our Superintendent by her pastor in another town, and afterward put under her supervision for a few days by the mayor of our city, was befriended to the extent that she was allowed to go to work in a family here, and kept from being returned to the house of detention.

A few families in the city have been assisted to find domestic help through the Mission.

Through our appeals clothing has been supplied to many needy children and some adults.

Ten days' evangelistic service was held by the Mission, in which were employed the services of Evangelist Miss Alice Clark, of the Bible Training School of Cincinnati, O. Bible class was taught each afternoon during these meetings and many were edified and spiritually refreshed by the open air meetings held at night in front of the Mission door. Miss Clark was entertained free of charge as the guest of the Mission and paid ten dollars for her services.

Our Mission, although in its infancy and day of small beginning, keeps the latch string out for strangers. Rev. S. Bates of Des Moines and Rev. W. W. Ewing lunched with us at the Mission one day enroute to the train. Rev. J. Francis Robinson, Field Secretary of the National Baptist Convention, here to speak at the Emancipation Celebration in August, was entertained free of charge as a guest at our Mission during his stay in the city. Atty. Herbert R. Wright of the United States Food Administration has called at our office.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Isom of Fort Madison were out of town guests at the Mission to attend our Bible School closing, but they came as "Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus," bringing a large basket of choice food to help us out, and did not use up our Mission's supply.

It was a pleasure to have Rev. Wm. H. Van Derzee, the blind evangelist of Topeka, Kansas, with us for two days during the Summer School. He taught one of the Bible classes and told a Bible story to the primaries during the session and made warm friends among the students and our workers.

Another strange woman and her little girl who were befriended by this Mission was a soldier's wife from Peoria—she happened to be a white woman—her government allotment was delayed and she became in destitute circumstances. She claimed that the Red Cross Relief in this city refused her help because they claimed that she was properly the charge of the Red Cross Chapter in Peoria. During this period of technicalities that so intensified her needs by the delay, she was allowed to occupy rooms at the Mission ten days over the time she was able to pay for and furnished with several other favors for the comfort of herself and child.

Our Mission's biggest stunt of the year was a Summer Bible School for Children, of which the reporter for the Gate City, who was present during the day of our closing, gave the following write up:

MISSION SCHOOL ENDS TONIGHT.
Exercises Mark the Close of a Very Important Work Done in Keokuk This Summer.

Closing exercises of the Mission Summer Bible School will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at 23 North Fourth street. The program to be given by the colored children follows:

Instrumental, "When He Cometh to Make Up His Jewels."

Prayer.

Remarks by Superintendent of Y. W. C. I. Mission.

Song, "We Hope You've Brought Your Smiles Along," Lurely Robertson. Agnes Holder, Bertha Holton, Gertrude Webster, Ophelia Holder, Gertrude Phail, Gwendolyn Phail, Charley Roberts, Charley Bender, Lathan Lewis, John Wilson, LeRoy Russ, Henry Holton,

Tommy Holton, Loyd Webster, Clifton Lewis, Kelley Swain, Theodore Webster, Susie Holton.

Selection—The School.
Selection—The Primaries.
Instrumental, "Just Before the Battle Mother."

Bible Story, LeRoy Russ.
Selection—The Primaries.
Song, "Hoover-ize," Boys' chorus.
Bible Drill, The School.
Address, Mr. D. Isom, Fort Madison.
Song, "America," The School.
The Lord's Prayer by the school.

After the program a social will be held with refreshments of ice cream, cake and watermelon.

Forty-five colored children have reaped decided benefit from this school which has been held July 30 to August 29, under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian Industrial Mission. The children have learned the names of the books of the Bible, and how to spell them, and they have memorized the ten commandments, the Twenty-third Psalm, the Lord's Prayer and the Beatitudes. The Golden Rule, too, has been learned. Many of the pupils belong to poor families and would not have received such instruction of it had not been for the school.

Miss Sidney J. Davis, superintendent of the Mission, has been the teacher.

Miss Davis, the founder of this work, as an act of patriotism is supporting the Mission as one of the "war time" needs, largely from the revenue from her lectures. She calls this "doing her bit," and is out of the city on that errand most of the time. Miss Davis has traveled more than any native woman of the race in our state. Many who read this article in all sections of the country will know of her many years of sterling service over the country as General Missionary of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention. Secretary Jordan of that work has often said there was never a more capable or faithful worker in the employ than Miss Sidney J. Davis of Keokuk, Iowa. In her present work, she has the distinction of speaking, and acceptably so, before more audiences of white people than any Negro representative in the state. Last fall Miss Davis was appointed by Governor Harding to represent the state of Iowa at the Tenth International Purify Congress in Louisville, Ky. She is an honor to Keokuk, an honor to Iowa and an honor to the race.

Since the opening of the Mission we have not been able to find just the young woman we need for her assistant in the work and as office secretary. Thus far our meetings and social activities have been subject to the call of the Superintendent as she can be in the city to conduct them with us. Our Board is now in correspondence for a trained worker in the East to serve as office secretary for the winter, who can carry on the industrial work and social service of the Mission in absence of the Superintendent.

At our last Board meeting it was decided to open a Day Nursery for the winter, where those who have nowhere to leave small children, may have them cared for by the day. To help finance the undertaking, we will hold an "Early Christmas Shopping Sale." In connection with the usual array of aprons, useful and fancy, etc., we shall have an attractive assortment of beautiful Negro dolls, statues of famous Negroes, choice race war pictures and post cards. ALL OF THE PEOPLE ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE MISSION AT ANY TIME. Donations for our work are solicited. The Mission is affording a Free Reading Room, Bureau of Information and place of Christian Recreation. Open afternoons, daily.

Respectfully,
Edna K. Albert,
Secretary.

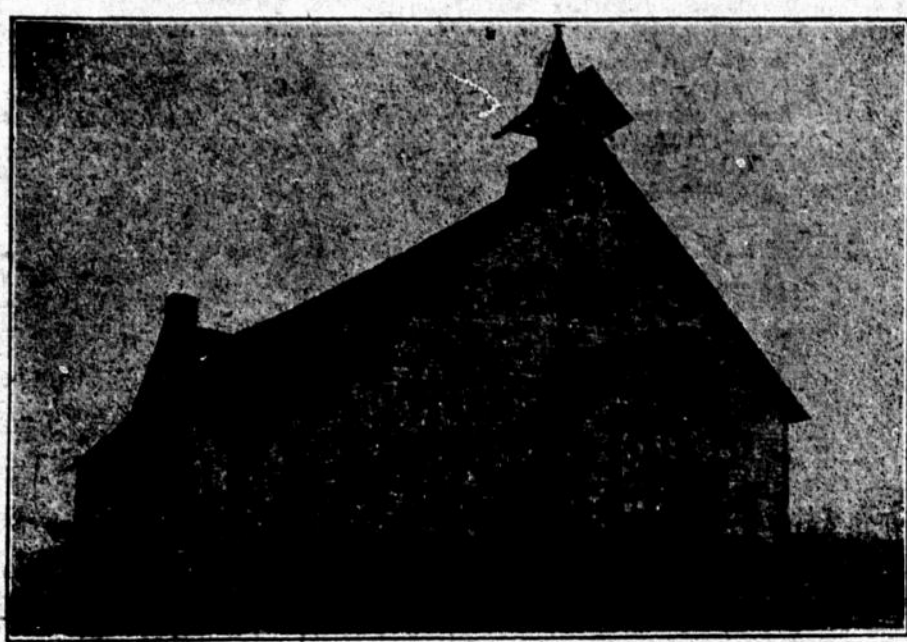
P. S. As the writer of this article is also Secretary of the Baptist Missionary Publishing Company, I wish to announce on behalf of our paper, that our failure to bring an issue out for some time is due to being unable to get the mechanical work done in our city. We have been repeatedly disappointed by printers losing their help on account of the army. As soon as we can get the printing done, our paper will be out.

E. K. A.

FAREWELL EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

This is our last observation for this year. We will sheath our pen and cease firing. Knoxville is the county seat of Marion county, in which are located a large number of coal mining camps, and in most of them are colored miners. In Knoxville there are only a very few colored families. Mr. Ray, whose daughter, Miss Irwin Worthall, is a fine seamstress and dressmaker and has a large patronage, all white people. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson are still living here, also Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacobs. Mr. Thomas Jeffers owns a valuable home. He is doing well.

Our next stop was about three miles east of Knoxville, at Hawkeye. Here at one time lived several hundred colored miners. Now most all the white and colored people have left here so now there are only about 50 left. Mr. E. D. Harris is one of the leading men here. He is from Michigan. Mr. Lee Nolen and J. S. Smith are good young race men. Chas. Allen is another hustler. Mesdames Francis Taylor and Amanda Walker are still here doing



The St. John's A. M. E. Church at Buxton, Iowa.

their bit.

We next drove over to Andersonville, a distance of about three miles further southeast of this Hawkeye. Here live about 80 colored out of a population of about 300. Mr. John Cavil owns a nice farm near here, doing well. Mr. and Mrs. H. Boyson are still here. June McDonald, J. H. Wooding and Wm. Taylor are influential citizens here. Arthur Wilson is here also. J. P. Mitchell and Mrs. J. A. Nelson are still here, doing well. Archie McWhite is working here. James Rush is working here.

We next arrived in Buxton, the king of colored mining towns in the U. S. In fact, there is no better equipped coal mining camp with the modern conveniences of life. This mining town was established here by Mr. B. C. Buxton of Muchakino, Iowa, who about 15 years ago moved the people of Muchakino over to this place and began the town which was named in honor of him. At one time in its best days Buxton had a population of about 6,000 people, of which 5,000 were colored, and everything in the town was either owned or operated by colored people. But now there are only about 3,000 people here, of which about 2,000 are colored. There are four churches, of which three are colored. There are eight school teachers, of which six are colored. The two justices of the peace are colored, also the two constables. There are three lawyers, all colored. Two physicians, one colored, and he is head company doctor. The only brass band is the famous Buxton Band, which organization is a member of the National Musical Union. The only music and furniture store here is owned by E. A. London and his sister, Miss Susie. They have a fine stock also of dry goods, notions and groceries; have been in business for more than ten years. The cigar factory here is owned by James Roberts, a very exemplary young man who came from the South a few years ago and entered into the cigar business, and by close attention to business he, like the London Store, has succeeded. Our race has some men in it that are running from their own race, a disgrace to both races. Yet we are sorry to say that the richest Negro in this county, who owns over 1,200 acres of the best land in the county, and as the county treasurer of this, Monroe county told me, this man's land was the highest assessed of any land in the county, and yet this is as described above, no benefit to his race. Standing as he does, he could have been a wonderful help to our struggling race, but he is a deserter, a slacker. We miss B. F. Cooper and his influence here. Mr. Ruben Gaines is very wealthy. He owns several farms and much town property. His only son, Ruben, Jr., is over in France in the army. Sidney Foster is one of the pioneer citizens here. He owns his beautiful farm in the suburbs of the town. He also runs a grocery store. His daughter, Mrs. Clinton Carter, runs the store for him. He is still justice of the peace and has been for the past ten years. They own a beautiful home. Wm. J. Jones also owns a farm in the out edge of the city. It also is well improved. He is a carpenter. His son, E. F. Jones, is married and also lives out near his father on a small farm. He, too, is a carpenter and an automobile repairer. It goes without saying that nearly all of these colored people here own motorcycles or automobiles. They are indeed making big money now in the mines. We were told that one miner drew \$100 every two weeks after the expenses had been taken out for six consecutive pays, and that one man named Mr. Webster drew \$237.00 after his expenses had been taken out one pay. It does seem to me that they ought to save some money. They are now making it and why not lay it away for old age? Many of them, we are sorry to say, gamble it away, and others are buying automobiles, etc. Still there are a few who do save and have either purchased farms or good homes in other cities, and then, too, many have good bank accounts. Just to tell you how loyal Buxton was in war time there has not yet been found one colored slacker in any department where the American people have been called upon to help. In the Liberty Bond they responded nobly; in

the Fourth Loan the town of Buxton was the first town to go over the top in Monroe county. Some colored men took out from \$100 to \$5,000 and every man took at least one bond. In the Red Cross drive the colored ladies in one afternoon were notified that their part was \$500. That same afternoon they raised \$800. They now have \$8,000 in their treasury, the largest amount of any Red Cross unit that we have yet heard of. In fact, we challenge any Red Cross unit in America to beat it. Their church work is in good condition. The Mt. Zion Baptist is pastored by the able minister, Rev. Woodford, who has and is doing great work here. He has the largest congregation in the town. St. John's A. M. E., pastored by that gray haired veteran in the ministry, Rev. J. J. Evans, as fine a gentleman and preacher as you ever want to meet. See the cut of his church in this week's issue. The Second Street Baptist, pastored by our good friend, Rev. F. C. Balling. He is doing well and has a large following. Mr. Ed A. Mills is still secretary of the Y. M. C. A., doing well. He is our agent and as we have news now from Buxton and also because there are so many individuals here who are doing so well that if we would mention one we would have to mention all, hence we will conclude by giving the list of colored teachers here now, but will say that they need two more: Mrs. Minnie London, principal assistant, Miss May Findley, Mrs. Agnes Stallworth, principal of the other building, assisted by Miss Lola Hart and Miss Grace Harris. I bid all of my patient and kind readers adieu until we meet again.



COLONEL YOUNG RECALLED TO ARMY DUTY AT CAMP GRANT.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—Announcement is made by Emmett J. Scott, Special Assistant, that the Secretary of War has directed as necessary in the military service that Colonel Charles Young proceed to Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, and report in person to the Commanding General of that camp for assignment to duty in connection with the Colored Development Battalions at Camp Grant.

NEGRO HEROES IN DES MOINES PEACE PARADE.

All Des Moines fittingly observed the closing of the greatest war in history yesterday with a monster peace parade in the afternoon, which was participated in by ten thousand soldiers, white and black, the most popular of which was the colored company from Camp Dodge commanded by Captain Cooper and a full corps of colored officers and the black heroes from France who are now recuperating at the U. S. Military Hospital at Ft. Des Moines.

In the evening over ten thousand of Des Moines' citizens attended the meeting at the Coliseum, which was presided over by Mayor Fairweather and at which the principal address was made by ex-Congressman Robt. G. Cousins, Iowa's most eloquent orator.

Just before the introduction of the principal speaker, the Negro Soldiers' Glee Club from Camp Dodge under the direction of Y. M. C. A. Secretary G. M. Durden sang, and was given an ovation unequalled by that given the principal speaker.

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The part taken in the parade and on the program by the Negroes was arranged by a committee of Negro citizens consisting of W. H. McCree, Dr. W. H. Lowry, Editor John L. Thompson, Chas. Cousin, Atty. S. Joe Brown, Dr. J. A. Jefferson and E. Tracey Blagburn, who take this method of giving credit to the following persons who contributed toward the fund for defraying the expense of transporting the Negro soldiers from Camp Dodge and Ft. Des Moines: Ed Quinn, \$1.00; Ezekiel Williams, \$1.00; Harry Robinson, \$1.00; Joe Matledge, \$1.00; Joe V. Peter, \$1.00; Joe Geo. Cooper, 50c; Clarence Arthur, 50c; W. H. Hunt, 50c; A. B. C. Bottling Co., 50c; R. J. Ramvolf, 50c; C. W. Small, 50c; Big George, \$1; Mrs. Bourd, 50c; N. Seano, 50c; T. J. Wilson, 50c; Joe Grandanette, \$1.00; Gilao Leo, 50c; Domenick Gara, \$1.50; Tony Cosinza, 50c; Wm. C. Morton, 50c; Donald Smith, 50c; John Walker, 90c; J. H. Jordan, 50c; Evelyn Miller, 50c; A. Friend, 25c; Marie Mayall, \$1.00; Francis Dennie, 35c; Will Jones, 30c; Jno. Brown, 70c; S. Joe Brown, \$1.20; Mrs. S. Joe Brown, 45c; Bert Williams, 30c; W. W. Hubbard, 30c; Arthur Adams, 50c; I. M. Jones, 30c; Hattie Smith, 30c; J. L. Edwards, 60c; Harry Crews, \$1.20; Rena Hawkins, 30c; Ed Burdette, 50c; Mrs. Alex Griffin, 30c; E. Tracey Blagburn, \$1.00; J. H. McClain, 50c; Fred Helton, 30c; Thos. A. Buckner, 30c; S. F. Graham, \$1.00; Price Hunter, 30c; John Boyd, \$1.20; Marie Wallace, \$1.00; L. J. Shelton, \$1.00; L. B. Marshall, \$1.00; Howard Craven, 60c; W. B. Morris, 30c; W. C. Rhodes, 30c; C. F. Topson, 30c; Geo. Walker, 15c; Dudley Buckner, 30c; H. Stewart, 30c; J. D. Drenshaw, \$1.00; Calie Irvin, 60c; A. L. Smith, \$1.00; John L. Thompson, 30c; Geo. Hodges, 30c; Mrs. Carl Hayes, 30c; Persis Wilson, 30c; Wm. L. Berry, 60c; C. Lincoln, 30c; O. Weldon, 30c; Rufus Smith, 30c; B. Camphre, 30c; L. W. Green, 30c; G. W. Scott, 60c; Henry Stoen, 30c; Albert Wiley, 30c; C. P. Thurman, 30c; V. P. Simmons, 30c; A. Phillips, 30c; Chas. McClain, 30c; L. E. Hanger, 30c; L. W. Scott, 30c; Owen Watkins, 30c; W. H. Lowry, 30c; W. H. McCree, 60c; V. M. Stone, 30c; Ray Brown, 30c; C. P. Jones, 30c; Chas. Cousins, 30c; Rev. Williamson, 30c; E. Bennett, 60c; C. E. Bridgewater, 30c; Jno. Davis, 60c; Miss Lillian Neal, 30c; E. Elliott, 30c; E. Morgan, 30c; Mr. Boehm, 30c; Mr. McDavis, 30c; A. M. White, 30c; O. R. Hall, 30c; Tony Franklin, 30c; T. C. Clayton, 30c; Mrs. Dora McGuire, 30c; W. H. Williams, 30c; Mrs. Wm. Kinney, 30c; Mrs. Lillian Jowers, 30c; Mrs. Fannie Jackson, 30c; Wm. Smith, 30c; Walter Scott, 30c; Luther Burton, 30c; J. P. Brown, 30c; Mrs. Louise Cooper, 30c; Eddie Robinson, 30c; Mrs. Velma Mack, 30c; Miss Zella Whyte, 30c; E. Dillard, 30c; Mrs. Ernest Davis, 30c; Miss Mildred Griffin, 30c; B. Feaster, 30c; Mrs. Chas. Cousins, 30c; Wm. Williamson, 30c; Mrs. A. Gater, 30c; Lu Robinson, 30c; Miss Bessie Ewing, \$1.50; Eli Winn, 30c; E. L. Shaw, 30c; S. S. Sullivan, 30c; Mrs. Mattie Brooks, \$1.00; Dr. A. J. Jefferson, 30c; Mrs. Johnson, 50c; Mr. Chas. Winn, 30c; L. W. McCree, 50c; A. McGuire, 30c; Edw. McDonald, 50c; M. J. Bradford, 30c; Harry Shaw, 30c; R. E. Patton, 30c; Earl Durn, 30c; Nathan Kitchin, 30c; Harry Walters, 50c; Dr. E. A. Lee, 30c; Mrs. A. S. Glenn, 30c; Mrs. L. Gilliam, 30c; H. S. Clay, 50c; Mrs. Wagner, 50c; Joe Harris, 30c; Jas. Mitchell, 30c; Dr. R. A. Dobson, 30c; J. H. Spriggs, 60c; A. J. Rogers, \$1.00; Seldon Leen, 30c; C. F. Rogers, 30c; Albert Lee, 30c; J. W. Davis, 50c; Jim Alexander, 30c; Percy Hill, 30c; Will Johnson, 50c; Chas. Henry, 50c; Sten Griffith, 35c; a friend, 30c; Mrs. Lillie Robinson, 60c; Mrs. Hayes Bell, 30c; Mrs. Augusta Williams, 30c.

CHILLICOTHE, MO.

Mrs. Emily Rowland has returned home after an extended visit with her daughters, Mrs. Maude Wilkinson and Mrs. Florence Taylor.

Mrs. Ida Demory returned to her home in St. Louis last Sunday accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Chas. Ballew.

We enjoyed our first Sunday services at all the churches, the ban having been lifted the past week.

Mrs. Mariah Burdine received a letter from her son, Private Elmer Montgomery, who is somewhere in France. His many friends will be proud to hear that he was well and getting along fine. The letter was dated Oct. 13, 1918.

Little Wymond Palmer's condition remains unchanged at this writing. He is suffering from a severe attack of diphtheria.

Mrs. Florence Bridgess desires to hear from her brother, Mr. John A. Harris of Des Moines, Iowa, through the Bystander.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Allie Bowman of Des Moines is in Albia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zoe Hollingsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Creolo Hollingsworth are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their home. Both are doing nicely.

Rev. Cornelius Thomas is no better. The quarantine for the Spanish influenza has not been removed as yet.

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The By-stander is the only Afro-American journal published in Iowa, and the oldest west of the Mississippi River that has never missed an issue. It was established in 1894, and is read by nearly all the colored people of Iowa.

This notice applies to all writers, contributors, agents and correspondents. Sign all articles, write only upon one side of paper, write a plain hand and spell accurately. Do not send in names of persons at parties event. Do not give an eulogy or write your personal comment upon classes, all societies, all religious denominations should be recognized, I simply tell the news or event in a brief, simple manner and let the readers of The By-stander comment. Write the news of all and lay aside your personal whims or ideas.

We have correspondents in the following towns:

Albia Miss May Davis
 Monmouth, Ill. Mrs. Bernice Metlock
 Clinton A. A. Bush
 Macon, Mo. Lucy Harris
 St. Paul, Minn. Mrs. Hattie Hicks
 Rock Island, Ill. Miss B. Edmunds
 Davenport Mrs. D. J. Johnson
 Oskaloosa Mrs. Cora Moore
 Centerville Mrs. A. L. Crittenden
 Omaha, Neb. Miss Mabel Brown
 Ottumwa Miss Margaret Davis
 Moberly, Mo. Miss Lee Etta Owens
 Galesburg, Ill. Miss B. Anderson
 Quincy, Ill. Mrs. Mattie Lillye
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 Knoxville, Iowa. Mrs. H. Bryson
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 Ottumwa, Ia. Miss Margaret Davis
 Chillicothe, Mo. Mrs. Ruth Anderson
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EDITORIALS

ARMISTICE SIGNED, PEACE IN SIGHT.

With the signing of the armistice by the representatives of the German empire last Monday at 11 o'clock, our time, which provided for the cessation of war at 11 o'clock the same day, brought to an end the greatest and most sanguinary and most destructive to human lives of any war in the history of the world. Within the short period of four years fully 10,000,000 of human lives paid the death penalty. It is terrible to think about it. Therefore when the glad news was flashed over the wire of the armistice signed and cessation of war the people in every town, city and hamlet went wild in celebrating and are still rejoicing. Excitement ran high, people were drunk with joy. Women wept and many prayed. We never saw such acts of real demonstration as now, nor will we ever see it during our life time. Practically the whole civilized world, or 22 countries, were fighting against the German empire and they conquered her. The German emperor has abdicated the throne and fled to Holland. We are indeed glad to have peace again and do hope that the peace conferences will make it so that no more nations can enter into war, but settle all disputes by some method of international arbitration. We hope that the time may soon come when we shall have peace on earth and good will to all mankind.

TEN NEW COLORED CHAPLAINS APPOINTED.

Ten new colored chaplains have been appointed for service among the colored troops of the United States army, with rank of first lieutenant.

They are: Charles Y. Trigg (Methodist), assigned to Camp Alexander, Newport News, Va.; Candham M. Means (Methodist), to Camp Travis, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; James B. Adams (Baptist), to Camp Lee, Va.; Robert G. Morris (Methodist), to Camp Meade, Annapolis Junction, Md.; Robert W. Jefferson (Baptist), and George C. Parker and Isaac C. Snowden (both Methodists), to Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.; Frank R. Arnold, William Y. Bell and Benjamin H. Johnson are as yet unassigned.

These appointments, together with the number previously assigned, gives a total of sixty colored chaplains now serving in the United States army, in this country and overseas.

COLORED MEDICAL OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO ACTIVE SERVICE.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—Announcement is made that a number of colored physicians, who have been serving as privates in the military service, have been given commissions as lieutenants in the Army Medical Corps and have been assigned to active duty in several of the colored schools where units of the Students' Army Training Corps are established and young colored men are receiving instruction in collegiate and vocational branches, in connection with their training in military science and tactics.

Lieut. Fred D. Ramsey has been assigned to Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, and Lieut. Robert D. Foster to Morehouse College and Atlanta University, Atlanta, for duty with both institutions.

The following assignments have also been made: Lieut. J. M. Gill, to Branch Normal School, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Lieut. J. I. A. Webb, to Negro Agricultural and Technical College, Greensboro, N. C.; Lieut. J. N. S. Taylor, Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.; and Lieut. W. H. Calhoun, to Meharry Medical College and Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., the last named serving with both of the Nashville colleges.

COLORED MEN ELECTED TO THE LEGISLATURE IN U. S. LAST WEEK.

If one will read the following list of colored men elected to the legislature from the various states it convinces one that the Negro race is fast coming to the front and their influence is beginning to be felt in the communities where they live. The late Booker T. Washington's words are fast becoming true, is to let your bucket down where you are, make a good citizen, an honest man, a kind neighbor, and nobody can long keep such a man down. Prove your worth by your good deeds and true manhood. The men who have been patient can hope for better days coming for the colored race in America very soon. In Illinois there were three colored men elected to the state legislature this fall, the largest number that that state has ever sent at one time. They are Hon. S. B. Turner of the First district and Hon. Adelbert Roberts and Hon. Warren Douglas of the Third district of Chicago, Ill.

In New York all Harlem is on fire with enthusiasm over the election of Edward A. Johnson and John C. Hawkins to the general assembly. Mr. Johnson, noted lawyer and author, was re-elected by a handsome vote, while Mr. Hawkins, also a lawyer and, like Mr. Johnson, a fine type of citizen, was given a flattering vote.

Mr. Johnson made an excellent record in the last assembly, and the friends of Mr. Hawkins expect him to make a record both as to courage and intelligence in keeping with the standard set by Mr. Johnson. The election of Johnson and Hawkins is a striking commentary on the passing of the old type of race leader in this city, who was all for himself, and for nobody else.

And now what do you think happened in old democratic Missouri. Why the republicans elected Judge Spencer United States senator from St. Louis and Dr. William Riley of the 4th district, a colored man who was on the republican ticket, was elected to the legislature, the first colored man thus honored in Missouri. He had a hard fight, from the following:

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 6.—The election result in Missouri took everybody off their feet, and took Champ Clark very much off his. In this city Dr. W. M. Riley was elected to the lower house of the state legislature by a handsome majority, while Charles H. Turpin, the business man, was elected constable by an overwhelming vote. Mr. Turpin has held this position before, and recently went through the courts on a contest for it.

Dr. Riley is a progressive citizen, and will make a good representative. "I will represent the district," said Dr. Riley, "and will remember that I represent all the people in the district."

By J. M. Batchman.
 In a last minute appeal to defeat Dr. William M. Riley, republican candidate for the lower house of the state legislature, the Chouteau-Lindell Improvement Association, representing a part of the city which was very active against the colored people in the segregation election, adopted the following resolution which would do the soul of a Bleasie or Tillman good:

"Whereas, The Chouteau-Lindell Improvement Association, a non-partisan organization to protect the homes of white persons in Chouteau place and Lindell place against the invasion of Negroes, has learned that William M. Riley, republican candidate for the legislature in the Fourth district, is a Negro; and

"Whereas, The great majority of voters in the district are white, and believing that a great majority of the white voters are not informed of the facts in the case, a non-partisan meeting of the white voters of the Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second wards was called for the purpose of in-

forming the voters of the Fourth district; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the white voters of the district be urged to scratch the name of William M. Riley from their ballots at the election Tuesday."

This association is headed by Joseph P. Llewellyn, who attempted to criticize the republican party because it decided that a Negro had been found in the person of Dr. Riley who had the brains and character to represent the party and the people of the Fourth district, if the choice could be founded on merit.

COLORED MEN ELECTED TO THE LEGISLATURE.

Resulting from Tuesday's election three colored men will have seats in the lower house when West Virginia's legislature convenes next January, rivaling the record of any state since the days of reconstruction.

The successful candidates, nominated in primaries and elected on the Republican ticket, are: J. V. Coloman of Fayette county, formerly postmaster at Kimberly, now engaged in the production of coal; H. J. Capehart of McDowell county, an attorney at law, and T. G. Nutter, former Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks, at present Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Nutter is also an attorney.

Both Fayette and McDowell counties have had colored legislators before, the former three and the latter one, but at no time has there been more than one colored representative in the legislature.

The nomination and election of these men is considered remarkable for the fact that in none of the counties which they represent is there a majority of colored voters, the per cent in McDowell being 34, Fayette 22 and Kanawha 10.

MACON, MO.

The Dumas school has reopened after being closed on account of the epidemic.

Mrs. L. Booker has returned from Liberty, Mo., to resume her school work as teacher at Dumas school.

Mrs. Douglas Braxton entertained Wednesday evening last at 6 o'clock dinner in honor of Sergt. A. T. Brown, who has charge of the military training at O. Kansas. The guests were as follows: Mrs. E. Lee, Miss Lucille Harris, Prof. Damon and Mrs. M. Guy, Sergt. A. T. Brown and Miss C. Alice Harris. A delightful evening was spent. Music was one of the main features. At a late hour the guests departed for home.

Miss Lucille Harris left Sunday to resume her school work, the school being closed owing to the influenza epidemic.

Miss Idella Johnson has returned to George R. Smith College, being called home on account of the death of her brother, Noble Johnson.

Mrs. P. H. Tydings entertained at a 10 o'clock breakfast Miss C. A. Harris and Sergt. A. T. Brown.

Mrs. Victoria Brazel entertained at a possum supper Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. McCampbell, Misses Vallie Davis and Mildred Chotlas.

Mrs. Dr. M. Smith carries a fine line of dress goods and anyone wishing to buy their new fall or winter dress, why not patronize our own friends? Would be pleased to show you the new patterns.

Mr. May Burton still remains sick at his home.

Dr. E. A. Carter, Judge W. H. Bailey and Sec. J. E. Mills of Buxton attended the Simmons lecture and banquet in the city last Thursday evening.

The Candellilla Plant.

The wax of the candellilla plant is used in making candles, phonograph records, wood and leather polishes, floor wax, certain varnishes, linoleum, rubber compounds and celluloid, and it also enters into use in pharmacy and in the making of electrical insulation. The candellilla plant grows on the poorest quality of soil, and before it was found to have a commercial value for the wax contained it was considered a pest.

Japanese Have No Beds.

The Japanese do not sleep on European beds, but on many thick, soft puffs piled one on top of each other upon the floor. For bed covering they use more of the same kind of puffs. It is said that the Japanese emperor has 20 such puffs. One of those which cover him is made in the shape of a kimono and has a velvet collar. Probably he creeps inside of this, if he feels cold in the night.

What Would You Do?

In case of a burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar.

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SAVAGE AND HIS SHIELD

Writer Explains Why Men Button Their Clothing With the Right Hand.

A popular writer who is particularly fond of giving his readers diluted science, in sugared pellets, says that men button their clothing with the right hand because their prehistoric ancestors used to carry shields on their left arms. To quote his own words:

"Primitive man had a shield on his left arm to protect the heart side from attack. That left his right hand free to do the buttoning."

This is interesting and highly imaginative, but is it true? Did primitive man wear shirts and collars, vests and coats, that buttoned up at all? And did he know that his heart was more important to guard than his lungs or his liver? Is there any real evidence that he was concerned about the relative value of his internal organs, when he fastened his shield? Did he carry his shield on his left arm to protect his heart or was it to leave his right arm, apparently always the stronger, in the majority of individuals, free to wield a sword or spear, or a stone hammer or knobbed war club, farther back toward the beginning of man's long story on this battered old planet?

Beyond question, he wanted his most efficient hand and arm free to use his weapons, but is it certain or even probable that he had a strong preference for being stabbed in the right side, if he must needs be punctured at all? Surely the weapon of attack always dominated the means of defense. The knife counted more than the shield. The spear controlled the use of hands and arms more than any buckler ever did.

Buttons are placed for the convenience of the right hand, not because the left hand was kept busy, carrying a shield, in the childhood of the human race, but because the right hand was usually the stronger and more skillful then, just as it is now.

Sense of Taste.

The principal seat of the sense of taste is the mucous membrane of the tongue, in which dissection reveals a cutis or chorion, a papillary structure, and an epithelium. The cutis is tough, but thinner and less dense than in most parts of the cutaneous surface, and receives the insertions of the intrinsic muscles of the tongue. The papillary structure differs from that of the skin in not being concealed under the epithelium, but in projecting from the surface like the villi of the digestive canal, and it thus gives to the tongue its well known roughness. The epithelium is of the scaly variety, as on the skin, but is much thinner on the tongue than on the skin. It is most dense about the middle of the upper surface of the tongue, and it is here that, in disordered digestion, there is the chief accumulation of fur, which, in reality, is simply a depraved and over-abundant formation of epithelium. The papillae on the surface of the tongue are either simple or compound. The former, which closely resemble those on the skin, are scattered over the whole surface of the tongue in parts where the others do not exist, and they likewise participate in the formation of the compound papillae.

Your Good Servant.

"Make habit your servant, not your master." A dog turns around before he lies down, because, his distant ancestors found it necessary to trample down the weeds to make themselves a resting place. And the energy which has gone into that restless motion since is beyond calculation. There are boys and girls today who are doing useless things, things which hinder advancement and success, because they are in the grip of habit formed long ago. Plenty of these say, "I have always done it," as a sufficient and satisfactory explanation for anything and everything.

"Habit is one of the most admirable of servants. One who is a saver of time and energy. But it can be the most tyrannical of masters. Do not let it get the better of you."

Make habit your servant, but make it your good servant.

Health Suggestions.

Cultivation of an attitude of cheerfulness by an aggressive proportion of outdoor sunlight, fresh air, repose, sleep, work, study, exercise, baths, simple fare and wholesome habits contributes to a good end.

The behavior of certain substances of the living structures in quality and quantity at particularly appropriate moments, the entrance of these into the blood stream, their distribution to the eyes, which begin to sparkle with the glow of pleasure, spreading from the corners of the lips to the large muscles of the skeleton, as a whole, are all set free by the group of unexpected sensations, which result in the "big idea" of the comic side of the event.

Hint on Physical Culture.

Merely to hear the sound of music gives one the dancing impulse—an inclination to move the feet or the hands or the body in time with the rhythm of the music. To make your exercise attractive, therefore, start your music first and then as you feel the swing of it you will find pleasure in going through your exercises. Make it a part of your daily schedule. You can either follow the practice of taking ordinary, standard exercises to the accompaniment of music or you can do special dancing movements. All dancing movements partake of the character of exercise.—Carl E. Williams in Physical Culture.

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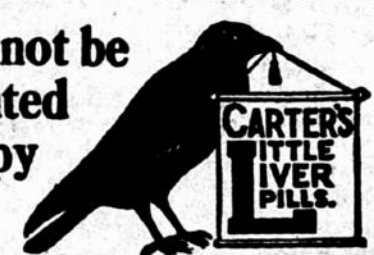
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NOTICE—For good winter apples from Arkansas, a variety to select from just arrived. These are located just across the street north of Court House. No. 507 Mulberry.

Good heating stove for sale cheap. Call 6050-J or call at 2625 Chester Ave. Mrs. J. C. Humbard.

For neatly furnished modern rooms for strangers and soldiers' wives look me over at 811 W. 14th St. Also for good meals call at my Cafe, 922 Center St. Mrs. Louise Cooper.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. H. E. King, Pastor.

The sermon by the pastor was very uplifting. A nice attendance. There will be a great interdenominational rally beginning the third Sunday in November.

On last Sunday was begun a drive to raise money for home missions.

Sunday school was well attended. Everyone is very enthusiastic about our lessons and they are masterpieces in character portrayal of the prophets.

The men's meeting was well attended. Lieut. M. T. Gregory of Camp Dodge addressed the large audience. Everyone enjoyed it very much.

The N. A. A. C. P. also met late in the afternoon.

Christian Endeavor was a very pleasant hour of the early evening. Every one was so earnestly interested in the lesson. The C. E. will raise money for home missions. During the present drive, all money will be turned over to the mission fund. We must all help toward success.

NOTICE TO CLUB WORKERS.

Indianola, Iowa.

The Field Director of Red Cross at Ft. Des Moines informs me that Private Beverly Proctor, a Marshalltown boy, of ward 15, is a very sick man. He is incurable.

Also Corporal Isaac Valley is very sick in ward 11.

These men can not be visited, but let us remember them in some way by sending a letter, some fruit or some flowers to cheer them.

All work being done at the U. S. A. Hospital at Ft. Des Moines is being conducted under the name of the I. S. F. C. W. C.

Club women have been sending in literature, cookies, fruit, candy, which is very much appreciated by the men. Let us continue in this good work.

I shall endeavor to keep club women informed of conditions and needs at Ft. Des Moines.

Plans are under way for the boys to go into homes for Thanksgiving dinner. The names will be in the hands of the War Work chairman, Mrs. B. Wells, 2835 N. 5th and Cornish Sts.

Club visiting will be resumed. The M. C. T. Club will be followed by the D. Y. W. G. K.

Martha F. White,
Pres. I. S. T. C. W. C.

NOTICE.

See next edition for "Our Women in War Work."

The S. S. Club will meet Tuesday at 4 o'clock promptly as usual. Mrs. F. C. Goggins, leader.

Mrs. Robert Miles entertained a party of lieutenants, their wives and a few of her friends in the city at her home, 931 W. 14th St., Saturday evening.

Mr. Pleasant Breeden, formerly of this city, now of Minneapolis, Minn., the son of Mrs. Sadie Breeden, who is now stationed in Camp Dodge, was married last Sunday in Minneapolis to Miss Nettie Davis of that city.

The Camp Dodge Glee Club will entertain at the Army Club Sunday evening at 5 o'clock. They will be directed by Mr. Anderson. If you want a treat be sure to hear these young men.

Mr. John H. Perkins, one of our highly esteemed citizens, who has been very dangerously sick with the influenza which turned into pneumonia, is improving at this time, which is good news to his many friends.

Mr. Geo. Mason on West 23rd street, who has been sick from a paralytic stroke, is able to be up and walk a little. He has been confined to his room

for the past three months.

Sleep and Rest.

One of the most common causes of insomnia and restlessness is indigestion. Take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and see if you do not rest better and sleep better. They only cost a quarter.

On account of the big celebration last Monday the Mary Church Terrell Club postponed their meeting and will meet next Monday evening with Mrs. Jessie Davis, 11th and Center streets. It is hoped that a large number will be present. Business of importance.

ARMY Y. M. C. A.

Lieut. T. M. Gregory of Camp Dodge made a very thoughtful address to the Negro men of Des Moines on their patriotic duty after the close of the war at the Park St. Army Y. M. C. A. last Sunday afternoon. Hon. W. O. Payne, editor of the "Iowa Forum," will be the speaker next Sunday. All men and boys are urged to hear him.

Mrs. Robert Miles has been named a chairman of a hospital committee to help provide programs and other entertainment for sick at the U. S. hospitals. All persons wishing an engagement please notify her of same. Address 931 W. 14th St., city.

The Callan Club will meet with Mrs. R. N. Hyde next Wednesday. They completed plans for a dinner to be served at the St. Paul's Church Tuesday the 19th. The proceeds of which will pay for one of the new windows in the church. They will also have a Second Hand Store and a Harvest Home Bazaar for the benefit of the new St. Paul on the 22nd of November. Come with a Thanksgiving spirit and help us put St. Paul over the top.

The Eliza Peterson W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Robert Miles. The president made the following appointments: Superintendent of Sunday Schools, Mrs. S. L. Birt; Supt. of Soldiers and Sailors Dept., Mrs. Robert Miles; Supt. of Floral Missions, Mrs. Hogsette and Mrs. Woods. They will meet at the home of Mrs. Thornton Adams next Tuesday p. m. at 2 o'clock. All members urged to come. Business of importance.

IMPORTANT.

Will not the colored people write a letter and mail it to the address given here: "For a Soldier at Ft. Des Moines (Colored), care Shower Editor, Des Moines News, Des Moines, Iowa." Please do this and be sure you say you are colored, and as many as can take them home for Sunday dinner or Saturday night supper. The passes are only issued for Saturday from 1 o'clock to 8:30, and on Sunday for the same length of time. Try to help make our colored boys happy.

In sending their son, Musician Joseph H. Manning, his Christmas box, Mr. and Mrs. Manning sent the following letter:

Nov. 13, 1918.

Musician Joseph H. Manning.

Dear Son: Well, Joe, here is hoping you a happy Christmas and New Year. I hope when this little token finds its way across the deep that it will find you standing straight up a real soldier. It took four years of war that the colored man might be a real man instead of a serf. Now it has come that you boys must help the white man, which has also taken four years. Isn't that fair enough? Your mother sends you a rose. You know what that means.

Yours with kindest regards,
Father and Mother C. Manning.

The Patriotic League, of which Miss Ursula Guy is chairman, met Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the Army Club in their first "get together" meeting. A large attendance of girls were present. Also a number of visiting friends who are interested in the world wide movement. A patriotic program was rendered with community singing. Miss Seyles (white), leader of the girl movement in Iowa, was present and gave a very interesting talk on Victory Boys and Girls and their work. Many of our girls responded to the call by pledging to contribute amounts ranging from \$1 to \$5. Our greatest treat and surprise was Miss Pinyon of New York City, one of our race appointed by the government over all the Negro Hostess Houses. Her talk was very interesting and inspiring, pointing out the duties we might do to help those who are fighting for the rights of our race.

ARMY Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Nov. 10th Lieut. Gregory spoke to the men at Army Y. M. C. A., 10th and Park, at 4 p. m. The men present were pleased with the address, because it dealt with facts that we must face in the coming days. This is the time that we should deal in stubborn facts and tell the masses what is needed to be done. Each one of us as individuals should make ourselves responsible for the putting into practice the things we hear and then act as missionaries to take this truth to others. The time for talk and selfish motives has long passed. Nothing but actual work from a true and unselfish motive will avail us anything as a race.

Sunday the 17th we are to have another treat from W. O. Payne, editor of the Forum of this city, and is said to be one of the best friends of the race. Let us show how much we appreciate these men who come to us to help and cheer us on the road to success.

We still hold our Bible class on Thursday evening from 8 to 9. This message is from the class. Come with us and we will do you good.

Sincere Gratitude.

Mrs. William Bell, Logansport, Ind., writes: "I deem it my duty to express

my gratitude for the good Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy did me when I had a severe attack of diarrhoea three years ago. It was the only medicine that relieved me."

YOU.

You are to me a song,
That all the glad day long
Low sings into my heart,
And bids all fears depart.
You are to me a prayer,
That all the glad day through,
The wind breathes everywhere,
The fragrant sense of you.
You are to me at dawn
The stars still shining on,
You are to me at night
The sun just out of sight.
But best, you are to me
Just you—the one I see,
At dawn or night, still true,
And so, thank God, for you.
—C. B. Johnson, Kirksville, Mo.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

The social given Saturday night proved to be quite a success.

The church is progressing nicely. Rev. M. Carrington preached two soul stirring sermons to a well filled house.

The B. Y. P. U. is also progressing. Mr. S. W. Clark of Unionville, Mo., was visiting his son, Mr. Willie Clark.

Mr. Willie Wisely is here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Martha Hughes of Mystic attended her lodge, daughters of Tabor, Tuesday night.

Mrs. White of Indianola, president of C. W. F. C., was in our city and will address the club Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wm. Cobbs and will lecture at the church Wednesday night.

Mrs. White is the guest of Mrs. Wm. Cobbs while in the city.

Those on the sick list at present are Miss Christina Crittenden, Mrs. Edna Baker, Bessie Nash, Mrs. E. Mitchell, Mrs. Martha Thompson and Leslie Gooding.

Mrs. Clara G. Jones and son, Theodore, and niece, Mrs. Myrtle Smith, returned home Monday night after visiting relatives and friends in Des Moines. They report an excellent time while there.

Mrs. Sinda Horton of Kirksville, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Gooding, on E. Wilson St.

Mrs. Isabell Starkey is agency for the Plough Chemical Co. and reports success among our people.

Mrs. Wm. Oliver entertained several lady friends to a six o'clock dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Mariah Brown, who leaves in a few days for West Virginia to visit her son, Mr. Brown. Covers were laid for six.

Everyone was out rejoicing early Monday morning on the first sounding of the anvil notifying us that the war had ended. Whistles were blowing, bells ringing, workmen returning from work and in a few moments the streets were blocked with the crowd. At 7:30 p. m. Unionville, Moulton, Cincinnati, Mystic, Moravia and several others joined in with Centerville and had another large peace parade.

A large patriotic program will be held at the church by the Mission Circle Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in honor of our boys in service, and a large service flag will also be presented to the church.

Mr. Wm. Cobbs and Mr. L. Kearney were visiting in Albia Tuesday, Nov. 12. Mr. Jasper Martin, who has been sick a few days, is able to be out again.

Mr. Thomas Ridding is reported on the sick list this week.

The Sunday school is progressing nicely.

OBITUARY.

A Useful Young Man Gone.

On Nov. 6, 1918, Luther H. Bledsoe passed away at his home, 4735 Evans Ave., Chicago, Ill. He was ill but ten days, taking first the influenza, which developed into pneumonia. He was buried Saturday morning, Nov. 9, from Mr. Chas. Jackson's chapel. Rev. Brice U. Taylor of North Chicago spoke very beautiful words over the remains. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, Mrs. Cecil Harris Bledsoe, and a brother, Mr. Finas Bledsoe, now of Prairie View, Texas, who was present at the funeral, a number of near relatives and an unlimited number of friends. Luther received his first training from the Bystander Co. He worked as linotype operator for other printers in Des Moines. Several years ago he went to Chicago to work for the Record-Herald people, where he stayed until this paper went with the Chicago Examiner. At this time Mr. Bledsoe was wanted by the Daily News people as linotype operator on advertisements. He held this splendid position at the time of his death. The Chicago Daily News mourn with all his relatives and friends. Floral offerings were in profusion. The Bystander's whole force mourn with his many friends in Des Moines and Kirksville, Mo., his native home, and extend our heartfelt sorrow to his wife and relatives.

KIRKSVILLE, MO., PEOPLE.

Schools are again closed until "further notice" on account of influenza. Our people have been very slightly affected by it. Sunday schools come under the ban, but church services are unaffected. It seems children are more affected now than before.

Word came from Kansas City Wednesday that Mr. Riley Robinson, the brother of Mrs. Henderson, had died.

Rev. C. B. Johnson filled his regular appointment at Edina, Mo., Sunday.

Mrs. Lena Burris has returned from Joliet, Illinois. She expects to return soon.

Rev. C. B. Johnson visited in Marceline, Mo., Monday.

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WITH OUR CHURCHES

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

MAPLE ST. BAPTIST CHURCH.
East Maple Street.

Rev. Samuel Bates, pastor.

11:00 a. m.—Preaching.

1 p. m.—Sunday school.

6 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.

7:30—Preaching.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

Cornithian Baptist Church

Fifteenth and Linden Sts.

G. W. Robinson, Pastor.

1 a. m.—Preaching.

1 p. m.—Sunday school.

6:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.

8 p. m.—Evening worship and preaching.

Union Congregational Church.

Tenth and Park Sts.

Rev. H. E. King, pastor.

11 a. m.—Morning worship.

12:15 p. m.—Sunday school.

Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m.

Lieut. M. H. Thompson, president.

Evening services at 7:30 p. m.

Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday.

Everybody invited at all of these services.

St. Paul's A. M. E. Church

Second and Center

Rev. S. L. Birt, D. D., Pastor.

10:45 a. m.—Preaching.

12:30 p. m.—Class meeting.

1 p. m.—Sunday school.

6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor.

8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

Union Baptist Church

Sixteenth and McCormick.

Rev. M. Toomey, Pastor.

9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

11 a. m.—Preaching.

6 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.

8 p. m.—Preaching.

First A. M. E. Zion Church.

Rev. E. S. Harige Pastor.

S. E. 15th and Shaw.

11:00 a. m.—Preaching.

1:00 p. m.—Sunday school.

6:30 p. m.—V. C. E. Society.

8 p. m.—Preaching.

Prayer and Class Meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock.

ASBURY M. E. CHURCH.

Worshipping temporarily in Masonic hall,

11th and Center Sts.

Rev. F. D. Woodford, Pastor.

Residence 844 13th St.

10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.

11:00 a. m.—Preaching.

12:00 m.—Class meeting.

6:30 p. m.—Epworth League.

7:30 p. m.—Preaching.

Bethel A. M. E. Church

Sixteenth and Filmore Sts.

Rev. H. A. Perry, Pastor.

11 a. m.—Morning service.

12:30 p. m.—Class meeting.

1:00 p. m.—Sunday school.

6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor.

7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.

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She Put the Tea in Ptomaine.

A seven-year-old Columbus girl came home from school and reported one of her classmates had hurt his toe and was unable to be at school. "It's very serious," she said, "and they are afraid he is going to have ptomaine poisoning."—Indianapolis News.

Making Play of Work.

Making play of work is often a good idea when getting children to help. Thus, when seeking the aid of a youngster to pick up the pins from the floor, let him or her use a horse shoe magnet for the purpose. You can get such a magnet for ten cents.

LEMONS WHITEN THE COMPLEXION

Any woman can make up this bleaching lotion for a few cents

