

Y. M. C. A. FOR DES MOINES GOES OVER THE TOP, \$7128.00 RAISED.

FINAL Y. M. C. A. REPORT WENT AWAY OVER THE TOP.

Our Goal Was \$6,000 and the Latest Reports Show Nearly \$8,000 Subscribed.

On last Saturday eve when the 63 workers with nearly 40 other invited friends of our drive met in the large room at the Central Y. M. C. A. (white) to make the final report on a week drive for the \$6,000 to be raised among the colored citizens of Des Moines and find out which individual team would lead, also to learn which of the divisions raised the most money, in view of the fact that at the former report the Navy division, led by Admiral A. A. Alexander, was in the lead of the Army division, led by General J. H. Spriggs, by about \$200, and team No. 10, led by Captain John L. Thompson, who was in the Army division, was leading the highest team in the Navy team No. 1, led by Captain S. Joe Brown, by only \$11, made everybody present that evening eager to hear the final result. In which the Army division won over the Navy by a margin of \$230, and the individual team who took first place was team No. 10, led by Captain John L. Thompson, and team No. 1, led by Captain S. Joe Brown, took second place. The full report is as follows. The first five teams constituted the Navy and the last five constituted the Army division:

Team No. 1, Captain S. Joe Brown, raised \$1,172.00.
Team No. 2, Capt. Dr. R. S. Dobson, raised \$431.00.
Team No. 3, Capt. J. B. Thompson, raised \$595.00.
Team No. 4, Capt. Harrison Gould, raised \$620.00.
Team No. 5, Capt. James B. Woods, raised \$514.00.
Total, \$3,449.00.
Team No. 6, Capt. C. J. Adams, raised \$623.00.
Team No. 7, Capt. J. C. Bothie, raised \$655.00.
Team No. 8, Capt. M. E. Cassell, raised \$370.00.
Team No. 9, Capt. R. E. Handy, raised \$165.00.
Team No. 10, Capt. John L. Thompson, raised \$1,404.00.
Total, \$3,679.00.
Grand total, \$7,128.00.
This was the best arranged and the most systematic rally ever conducted by the colored people of Des Moines. We were united, all working for one single end, and now we will soon have a temporary Y. M. C. A. in our city.

FORT DODGE, IOWA.

(Last Week.)
Mr. and Mrs. Marshall of Ames, Iowa, are visiting relatives and friends.
Mr. Fred Williams of Chicago has been employed by Elliot & Cox cleaning plant, he being a dyer.
Mrs. Walter Dishman of Elgin, Ill., was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dishman.
Mrs. Tolliver entertained a number of guests at a progressive whist party Friday evening.
Services were well attended Sunday at Coppin chapel. Sunday school every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.
Rev. Thomas, pastor of the Second Baptist church, preached Sunday morning. Rev. Biggs filled his pulpit Sunday night. His text was, "Keep your promises with God." There was a large attendance. On March 31 the church will banquet the new pastor and family. Every one is invited.
Mrs. O. Buckner entertained at an afternoon reception Sunday to ladies only.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coleman were hosts to Mr. Fred Williams of Chicago at Sunday dinner.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Coffman entertained 40 guests Monday night at a progressive whist party, the honored being Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall of Ames, Iowa.
The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Petterson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Petterson of Rockwell City. Those winning prizes were Mrs. Franklin, Mr. William Breckenridge and Mrs. Dishman.
The wedding bells rang again in Fort Dodge Sunday. One of our soldier boys, Mr. Walter Reed, was married at 7 o'clock at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. Tolliver, his bride being from Ohio. We wish for them many years of happiness.
Those on the sick list are Mr. William Benning, Mr. A. Stepp and Mr. Slome. There seems to be germs in the city water that is causing so much stomach trouble. Everybody has been notified to boil the water or there is likely to be a typhoid epidemic.
Mr. W. H. Lovell has purchased a seven passenger car. He with Mr. Lacy will run a large truck garden. It is located four miles west of town.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the Baptist family of Iowa. Greetings: There was an error in the notice of last week. The association will meet with the Mt. Zion Baptist church, Minneapolis, on Thursday, August 21st. The Women's Convention will convene Tuesday, August 19th. Let all ministers and churches get ready.
Geo. W. Robinson,

BURLINGTON, IOWA.

Last Week.

Rev. Beverly C. Ransom, Jr., A. B., B. D., has captured the people of Burlington. The A. M. E. church is drawing large crowds at each service and all departments in the church show great signs of progress.
At the 300th anniversary of Negroes recently held the church was crowded with both white and colored and \$112 collection. The Negro exhibit of progress on Monday following the 300th anniversary proved to be one of the best events ever held here. The display of tatting, embroidery, art, cooking and newspapers was wonderful. Report of the second quarter, without any rally days, was \$508 raised for the quarter; trustees \$17.81; stewards \$291; balance in treasury \$52. Rev. Ransom has organized a large choir and they are doing splendid work under his leadership.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Last Week.

Sunday was a beautiful day and all services well attended. The pastor preached two soul stirring sermons Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school and P. Y. P. U. is progressing nicely and planning for a box social soon. The Sunday school is planning on having a program Easter.
Miss Velma Marshall is about the same. Miss Lizzie Watson is reported on the sick list at this writing. Mr. and Mrs. Ridding are much improved.
Mr. Joshua A. Price of Chicago visited with relatives and friends Thursday.
Corporal Wm. Onley, who has been in France for several months, arrived home Thursday night, having his discharge from service. The C. C. Band met him at the car and certainly gave him a royal reception. Also a large crowd was there to greet him. All were glad to have this returned soldier home again and hope many more will soon return. Mr. Jessie Taylor came as far as Des Moines with Mr. Onley and visited with his brother in the capital city and he came in the next day. His mother, Mrs. Lizzie Taylor, and other relatives and friends were glad to meet him. We looked for him Thursday night with Mr. Onley. We feel that our prayers have been heard for our boys over there.
Mrs. Edna Hicks Baker and Miss Myrtle Wesley have gone to Minneapolis, Minn., for a visit. They will visit there and Des Moines on their return.

The A. & J. C. met with Mrs. J. L. Nash Thursday afternoon and went from there to Rev. and Mrs. Carrington to spend a social hour with their family. Their son, Mark Jr., has been sick for some time with not much change in his condition.
Rev. Carrington will preach his farewell sermon next Sunday.
Mrs. Clara G. Jones took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jones.
Mrs. E. L. Brown and son, W. E., of Mystic, visited with her mother and family and calling on Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gooding.
Mr. Arthur Winston and wife were Sunday visitors with his mother and family, Mrs. Lewis Thompkins.
Corporal Lera Hicks and wife are visiting in the city at the parental home, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hicks, for an indefinite stay.
The gardeners seemed to start gardening with the first day of spring. They are planting things that they think frost will not hurt.

To the Dyspeptic.

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OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

Last Week.

Mrs. Cora Jones went to Ottumwa Saturday morning, returning Monday accompanied by her daughter, Miss Edna, who has been a guest in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Mattie Badgett, the past two weeks. Miss Edna left Saturday for Washington, Iowa, for an indefinite stay in the home of her sister, Mrs. Theodore Turner.
Mrs. Ed Willis of Evans was a business visitor in town Tuesday.
E. E. Jeffries, who has lived in the Given neighborhood the past year, has leased the Jake Siebert farm northeast of town and takes possession at once.
Miss Irene Mitchell, who has been confined to the house all winter, ventured out Tuesday just to look at the grass and find the early dower peeping through the earth.
The body of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Payton, Ft. Madison, arrived Tuesday morning in the city and was taken to the parental home.

at 2 o'clock. Interment in Forest cemetery.

It is reported the Baptist Sunday school is on the increase under the superintendency of Mrs. Mabel Smith Crowder.

Rev. D. W. Brown of Shorter A. M. E. church delivered a splendid sermon Sunday morning.

Mrs. Luella Spicer Johnson of Ottumwa arrived Wednesday night called by the illness of her brother, Rupert Franklin, who underwent an operation Thursday morning in the Abbott hospital.

Cyrus Tinley is here from Chicago, a guest in the Eliza Green home.

Mrs. A. G. Clark is home from a business trip in Washington.

No Great Act of Heroism Required.

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KEOKUK, IOWA.

In last week's issue we unintentionally overlooked the grand talks of the soldier boys at the Pilgrim Rest church of overseas life.

Sorry to chronicle the death of one of the Coker twins. The one is seriously ill. We sincerely hope this one will be spared to the family.

Miss Merrill Bradshaw of Davenport is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. Edward South and family have moved to their beautiful new home recently purchased by them.

Mr. Earnest Mitchell has returned to Chicago to take up the work he had before the call of Uncle Sam.

The Sewing Circle of the First African Baptist church met at the home of Miss Grace Wilson. All reported a delightful time.

Mr. Sam Brown on Sunday evening in leaving an automobile fell and bruised his face. Glad that injuries are not serious.

Mr. Austin Freeman is suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

The Mission Circle of Pilgrim Rest church met at the home of Mrs. Nannie Rose. All report a fine time.

Mrs. Birdie Helem received the sad news that her sister, Mrs. Duke, of Los

out for her, for less than a year ago she buried her husband, the late Rev. J. H. Helem, pastor of Pilgrim Rest church for seven years.

On Sunday evening, March 30, at the B. Y. P. U. we listened to a most delightful address on soldier life over seas by Mr. Beverly Scott.

A grand banquet was given in honor of our returned soldier boys and veterans of the Civil war at the beautiful decorated restaurant of Mrs. Jennie Dandridge. The welcome address was given by Rev. C. R. Waters of the A. M. E. church, and an original poem by Mrs. Florence Battle to the heroes of the 366th. The famous People's Institute Band rendered the music for the occasion. The Gate City reporter said it was a beautifully appointed banquet that he ever had the privilege to write up.

The Red, White and Blue Club of Pilgrim Rest church gave a fine entertainment under the management of the president, Mrs. Minnie Carter. They cleared \$25.30.

Mrs. Elizabeth Broodius does not seem to improve.

Mr. Robert Johnson, who was recently injured in an automobile accident, is able to leave the hospital.

Miss Irene Byrant after a visit with her mother has returned to Chicago to resume her studies in voice culture.

The Pastor's Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Dade last week.

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NOTICE.

There will be a school of instruction held at Buxton, Iowa, on the evening of April 9th. Said school for the benefit and pleasure of Cedar Grove, Maple Grove and Golden Star Lodges, A. F. & A. M. All Master Masons in good and regular standing are invited.
Fraternally submitted,
C. C. Johnson, G. C.

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

SIXTY-THREE "Y" MEN DECORATED

Chicago.—The Y. M. C. A. carried the Red Triangle into the camps and trenches abroad at a cost of 53 lives, a sacrifice proportionately one-quarter as great as that in the American army, according to a statement issued by the national war work council of the Y. M. C. A. Of these fatalities 35 were due to disease, and the remainder to shell-fire, bombs, gas-fever, drowning and wounds. Ten of these were women, one of whom was killed by shell fire and the others in a German air raid.

There were also 55 non-fatal casualties. These were due principally to machine gun fire, shell fire, and motor transport accidents. Numerous cases of slight wounds and gasings which were attended at dressing stations, but were not reported to headquarters, are not included.

These casualties occurred in a force which at no time exceeded 9,000 workers, of whom it is reckoned that more than one-half were never sent to the front, being employed in the hundreds of huts maintained throughout the training areas and the "leave areas."

Sixty-three "Y" workers were decorated, while in all more than 152 received official recognition for distinguished service. Thirteen of these were decorated with the Croix de Guerre, while 48 received other decorations. Of these, three received the Distinguished Service Cross, three the Order of St. Stanislaus, five the Italian Cavaliere del Corona, 38 the Italian War Cross, and one the French decoration of the Corps d'Armee. Seven were cited for the Croix de Guerre, and seven for other decorations, six commended for meritorious conduct, and twenty-nine received honorable mention in dispatches. Several units were cited in their entirety, those serving with the Third division being cited twice. More than a score more reported decorations have not yet been confirmed.

Not one of these men under thirty was fit for military duty, but the citations show that they carried on with the same courage and spirit that identified Americans throughout the war. These records show that they went over the top with the assaulting waves, that they exposed themselves under machine gun and shell fire to minister to the wounded, that they worked indefatigably as stretcher bearers, and that they drove ambulances into the midst of battle to rescue the wounded.

A New Shock for the British.

London.—The American soldier's capacity for chocolate is a never-ending source of wonder to Britishers, a wonder that has just been given a new stimulus by a contract the Y. M. C. A. has closed to take over a plant and manufacture chocolates—300 tons of chocolates a month.

Engineering Pays.

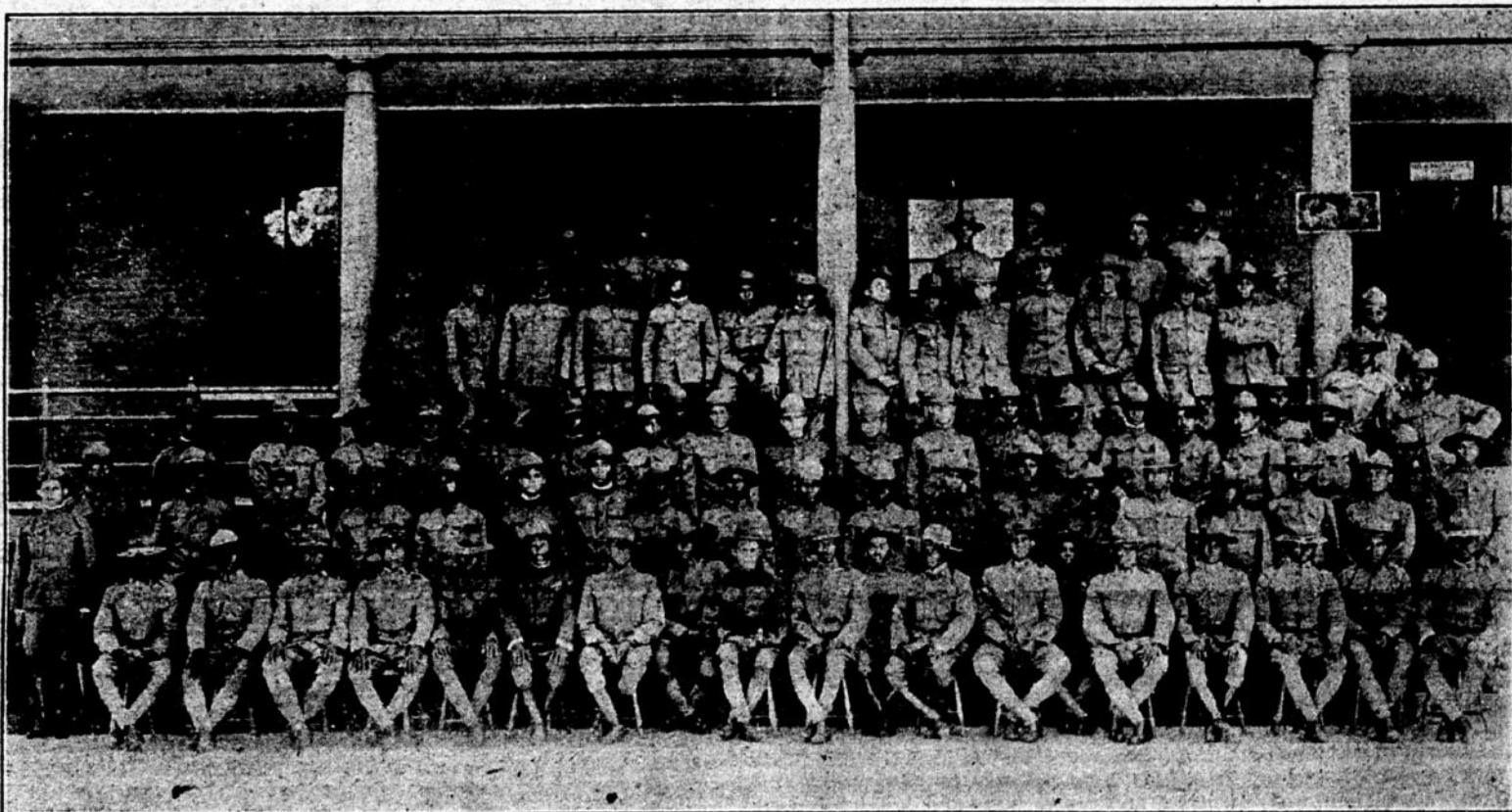
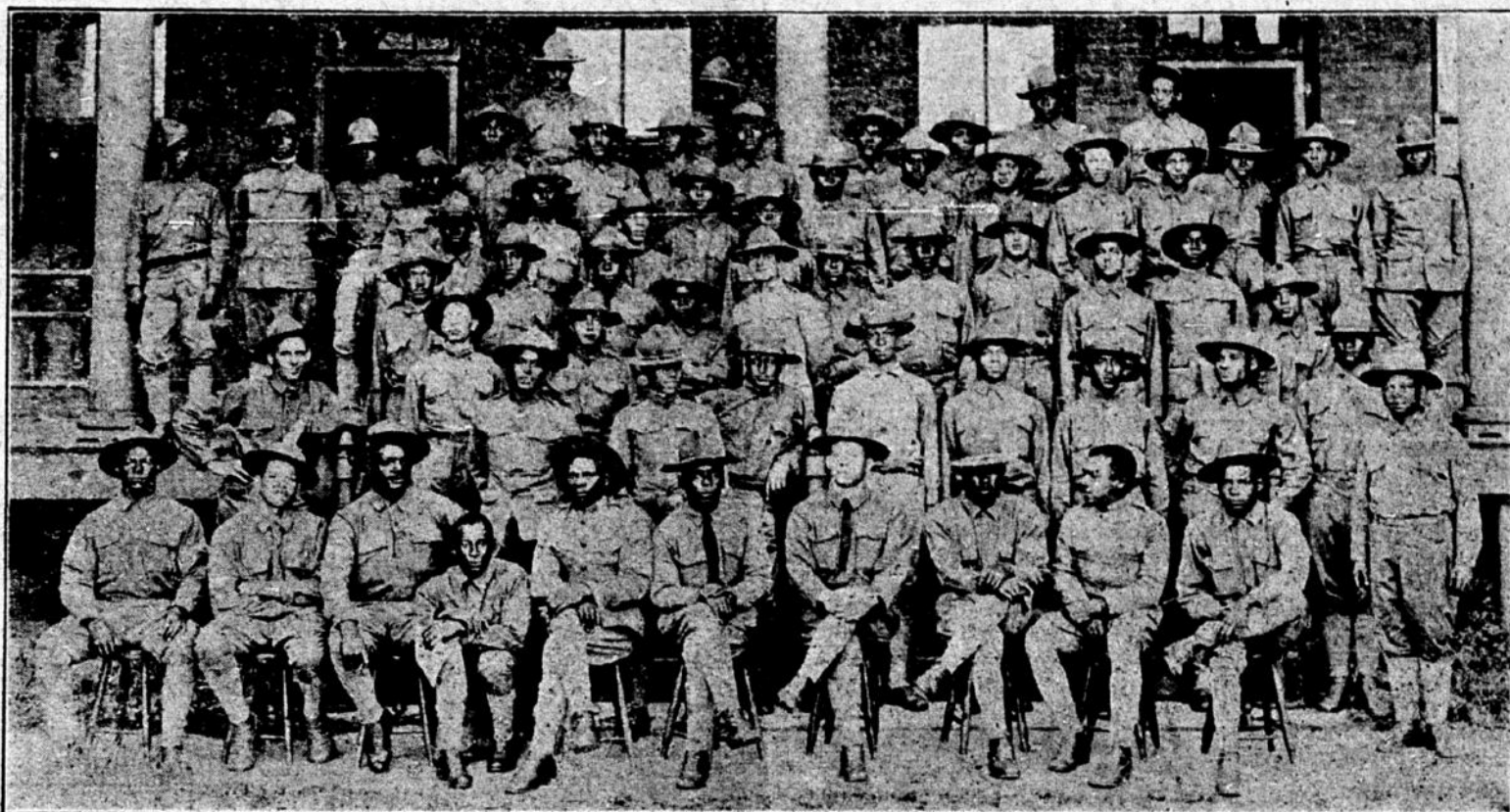
Basing conclusions upon the income-tax returns, the best-paying profession in the United States is that of engineering. It excels even that of law, which long held the record, and is far ahead of those of theology and medicine. The reason for this is not difficult to find. This is a constructive age, even though the war would seem to contradict such an assertion. After the war, when reconstruction generally sets in, the engineers bid fair to become a class of plutocrats.—Christian Science Monitor.

Y. M. C. A. NO LONGER TO MAINTAIN ARMY POST EXCHANGES.

Paris.—The American Y. M. C. A. at its own request, has been relieved of its work of maintaining the post exchanges with the American army. Correspondence exchanged between General Pershing and E. C. Carter, in charge of Y. M. C. A. with the army, shows the reason for this arrangement was that the Y. M. C. A. now has "increased responsibilities in promoting educational, athletic and entertainment activities in the American expeditionary forces," thus placing a rapidly increasing burden on its personnel.

General Pershing in a letter to Mr. Carter approving the change, expressed his thanks "for the very valuable services and assistance which the Y. M. C. A. has rendered to the American expeditionary force in handling these exchanges. General Pershing added:

"Handicapped by the shortage of tonnage and land transportation, the Y. M. C. A. has by extra exertion served the army better than could have been expected, and you may be assured that its aid has been a large factor in the final great accomplishments



The above cuts are Companies Nos. 8 and 9, who were in the Ft. Des Moines Officers Training Camp at Des Moines. Receiving their commissions, they were assigned to command the 92nd Division, that went to France last May and performed heroic deeds, winning honors for their division, their country and their race. They are now returning to America. Their commanding officer said this division as a whole had the best trained officers of any colored division.

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DOTTINGS FROM THE WEST.

Des Moines, Iowa, Mar. 12, 1919.

Dear Editor Bystander:

Please allow space through the columns of your journal to give a brief report of my last two weeks visit in Illinois, Missouri and Nebraska. After spending two weeks in Iowa I found myself in the city of Quincy, Ill. This was my first visit to this city since I have been serving as field secretary of the Western Baptist Convention. Here I found Rev. S. M. Duke, pastor of the Eighth and Elm St. Baptist church out of the city. Things looked gloomy for me as he was the only one I had written to. Rev. Duke was in Hannibal, Mo., conducting a series of revival meetings for Rev. R. A. Broyles. I mustered up courage, called on Mrs. Duke, the pastor's wife, and she assured me that everything would be done to give me an opening. She soon had me located in a comfortable home with Mrs. H. Chambers, my meals arranged for with Rev. G. W. Brown and his amiable wife, who knows how to make things pleasant for strangers who enter within their gates. Sister Duke informed me of Rev. R. M. Dehoney, pastor of the Union Baptist church. I called on him and after a short interview had arranged to speak for him at the morning services. So Sunday morning I was found at the Union Baptist church, though the congregation was not large, this church having a small congregation. I spoke from the subject, "Co-operation." This subject seemed to be at the right time and place. Everybody enjoyed it and only wished I had talked longer. The collection was \$7.05. The following persons gave me one dollar each: Rev. R. M. Dehoney, P. J. Kincaid, Richard Ford, Jessie Pearl and Mrs. Julia Byson.

In the afternoon I spoke before the Culture Club of young people at the 8th and Elm Baptist church. My subject was, "A Man Wanted." The audience seemed to think the subject had been foreordained, for it suited the occasion. This club gave a collection of \$5.27.

As had been arranged, I lectured on Tuesday evening at the same church. Subject, "Watch." We had a splendid audience when considering a big concert given at the A. M. E. church which had been previously arranged. There was no less interest shown in this subject than any of the former ones. Several remarked that they were undecided which was the best of these. They gave a collection of \$12.10. The following persons gave one dollar each: Mrs. Esther Mitchell, Rev. J. W. Tritt, Mrs. G. W. Brown, Nelson Sykes, P. T. Swann, Mrs. L. Fletcher, Mrs. John Major, Miss Marie Major. One of the teachers of the public school pledged \$5.00. This finished my work in Quincy.

On Wednesday morning I left for Macon, Mo., to visit the Western College and to fill my engagement at Vine and Broadway Baptist church. At 11:30 Wednesday morning I found myself at the home of Mr. J. L. College

noon the president assembled the students and I had the distinguishing pleasure of addressing them. I had no particular subject, but spoke miscellaneous. In this rambling manner I tried to emphasize the Western College and her present needs. I said Western College must have some modern buildings and a larger student body. From the improvements and changes around the college new life is going to come to our denomination enterprise. At 8 p. m. I was found at the Vine and Broad Sts. Baptist church with Rev. J. W. L. Underwood, pastor, who had made the announcement of my coming, though he did not know me. My subject was co-operation. The student body and faculty constituted two-thirds of the audience. The collection was \$26.48. The following persons gave one dollar each: Rev. J. W. L. Underwood, Dr. P. H. Thompson, Mrs. Mary McCann, Rev. H. L. Howard, Dea Arthur Bell, Rev. W. L. Underwood, Cecil Henderson, M. Grant, J. T. Ancell, Jr., Thomas Adams, Arthur Williams, Rev. J. H. Bruce, Rev. Pollard, Antonia M. Smith, Rev. C. W. Carline, Rev. C. H. Bratten, Rev. F. L. Williams, Rev. C. C. Bates, Rev. A. Ross Brent, Rev. F. E. Law and Mrs. M. L. Chatters.

Thursday morning I left for home, Des Moines, Iowa. Saturday evening, Feb. 23, I left for Omaha. At 11 o'clock I found myself worshipping in Bethel Baptist church, Rev. T. A. Taggart, pastor. I spoke at the morning hour and arranged for a general meeting on Wednesday evening. The sudden change in the weather prevented us from having a good audience and this was the condition with all our meetings in this Gate City. The collection was \$21.50. The following persons gave one dollar: Mrs. Lula Whidby, Rev. Thos. A. Taggart, Mrs. Mary Dixon, Quincy Bailey, M. L. Simms, Mrs. Mary Denman, Mrs. M. C. Carrick, Mrs. Hill Scott, Mother Fleming, Clifton Young, Earley Riley, M. Sneed, Ed Luckey and Earnest Wiggins.

The next church visited was Pleasant Green. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Costello, was called away, hence the attendance was poor, but we spoke as best we could under the circumstances. The weather was cold and disagreeable. The collection was \$4.50.

Tuesday morning, Feb. 25, I met the Ministerial Union, which convened with the Zion Baptist church, of which Rev. W. F. Botts is pastor. I had the pleasure of being introduced to that body of distinguished citizens. I spoke briefly of the duty of the laity to the church and pastor. I was greatly impressed with the movement on foot by the pastors of Omaha to get the people to the church Sunday evening, March 2nd. I spoke at St. John A. M. E., having been invited by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Williams. I was greeted with an audience of 500 or 600 persons. I spoke from the subject, co-operation, which seems to capture any audience, for it is the subject of the hour. Collections \$14.65.

Monday evening I found myself with Pilgrim Rest Baptist church, the youngest church in the city, not more than ten months old, having about three hundred members, with Rev. W. M. Franklin pastor. Here the weather again seemed to hamper our meeting. The collection was \$21.00. The following gave one dollar: C. Adams, Rev. W. M. Franklin, Rev. S. Fant, Mrs. Ethel Bradley, Mrs. Mabel Mills, Mrs. Alice Robins, S. F. Goodlet, Mrs. Martha Taylor, Jno. Robins, Wm. McDowell, Mrs. Carry Franklin, Mrs. Josie Patten, Mrs. Sarah Fant, D. J. Baker and Robert McDowell.

Wednesday evening I filled my engagement at Zion Baptist church. Two things were against us, the change in the temperature and a previously arranged plan to entertain Lieutenant Turner, who saw service over sea. The audience was very small, but collection was \$15.25. The following persons gave one dollar: Rev. W. F. Botts, Dea. L. Bradley, T. J. Ellis, Dea. J. S. Pipes, P. L. Wofford, Chas. Gibson, Odesa Harris, Elijah Johnson, Mrs. M. J. Roberts and W. D. Moseley.

The next and last visit in the city of Omaha was Mt. Moriah Baptist church. The church has made a wonderful progress in the last three years under the leadership of Rev. M. H. Wilkerson. The church was greatly in debt with a membership of 55. It is now from under all debts and has about \$2,500 in the treasury and a membership of three hundred. This was another poor night, though those present seemed much interested in our work. At all these meetings I tried to press the claims of the Western Convention and the Western College, which must be fostered and maintained by the Baptists and friends of the west. Collection \$15.00. The following gave one dollar: Rev. M. H. Wilkerson, Mrs. M. H. Wilkerson, Mrs. Wm. Ivory, J. C. Simmons, Wm. Ivory, Sunshine Mission \$2.00, Miss Nina Cox, P. S. Stoval, C. W. Fields, Mrs. M. L. Ashley, Thos. Ashley.

The work seems to be taking on new life. From the outlook there is nothing to hinder the next convention from going over the top at St. Louis next July.

Yours,
C. W. Rodgers,
Field Secretary.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY
ARMY Y. M. C. A. AND PAR-
WELL ADDRESS.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 1, 1918.

Through the efforts of Atty. S. Joe Brown and others, the State Committee was asked to open a down town place to accommodate the colored soldiers at Fort Des Moines and Camp Dodge. Mr. Parsons, State Secretary, called a number of men and formed what is known as the Citizens Advisory Committee or Board with Atty. S. Joe Brown chairman and Wade H. McCree secretary. The other members of the committee were Rev. G. W. Robinson, Atty. J. B. Rush, Rev. S. L. Birt, Atty. John L. Thompson, Elbert R. Hall, C. S. Stewart, Harrison Gould and A. M. White.

The location was secured at Tenth and Park streets in the Congregational church basement. This place was wholly inadequate to do the kind of work, but it was the best that could be had at the time and the committee proceeded to make the best of it. The room was furnished with reading tables and chairs, a library with plenty of reading matter, books, papers and magazines, one phonograph. The room having been put into shape, the building was opened on January 1st, 1918, to the general public with a reception.

At this time I was in Camp Funston, a telegram came to report at once to Des Moines to take charge of the work here. You are practically under the same discipline as the army. You must obey your superior officer, so I arrived in this city on the 15th of January. On the 16th of January, Mr. Parsons invited me to luncheon at the Central Y. with the advisory board. It was at this time that I met the men with whom I have worked this year and was given a cordial welcome. From this time until now the work has been a pleasure. We tried to do all we could for the soldiers and to add to their comfort. We found at that time sleeping accommodations were bad and put in cots for the men who desired to stay over night at the small cost of twenty-five cents and later we charged thirty cents so as to make enough to cover the cost of the laundry. As small as the accommodations were, we feel that a number of men were helped. We may not stop here as little as we may think of it this place has served as a social center for the people of Des Moines. While it was intended only for soldiers, it served a number of organizations. The ministers held their meetings here, the Charles Young Auxiliary of the Red Cross, the Home Maker's League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. As often as twice a month public meetings were held and some of the best speakers of the city and persons visiting our city were on our program, thus affording the citizens an opportunity to hear and see.

This building has been of some help to the boys of the city. Even with the little accommodations for young men, some of them have used the rooms, one bible class was organized, two young men decided for Christ, consulted twenty young men about their personal life and habits. We feel at least that some of them have been helped.

We have written a card of thanks to all of these people who have been so generous to us and we take this occasion to thank you and especially the Jones Piano Co., who donated the piano for the use of the room, the ladies of the D. Y. W. K. Art Club for the sash curtains which helped so much to give our room that home-like appearance, also Maj. S. C. Garrison for the donation of one hundred volumes and Mrs. J. F. Marion of Grinnell, Iowa, the Christian Science Pub. Co., and Mr. John Baxendale of Indianola, Iowa, Graphophone and records.

The first of April marks the closing of the army work for the soldiers, but we are glad that the closing of this work ushers us into a larger and greater work, that all of the citizens may have a part in the making of the future men of this city, race and nation. This will be done in proportion as each one of us lend ourselves unselfishly to the tasks that lay before us.

We cannot say just at this time where our lot will be cast, but at any rate, we will be separated from each other in this work, but I hope with pleasant recollections of each other and the work. We have with you and for you and the community to the best of our ability. And again we wish to thank the advisory board and the state committee through their secretary, Mr. Parsons, for their hearty co-operation in this work.

At this time I shall give you a brief statement of the transactions of this place since January 16, 1918, to April 1st, 1919:

Soldiers stopping in the night, 125; public meetings held, 15; total attendance, soldiers and citizens, 5,600; weekly organizations using building during the holding regular meeting, 4; the Ministers Association, Charles Young Auxiliary of Red Cross, Home Makers League, N. A. A. C. P. and other small groups and special committee meetings. Total collected from rent of cots and public collections and donations, \$185. Total received, \$185.01; total expense, \$184.20; balance on hand, 81c.

Organization of Roman Army.

The Roman army was divided into legions, the number of which varied. Each was under six tribuns or "chief captains," who commanded by turns. The legion was subdivided into ten cohorts, the cohort into three maniples, and the maniples into two centuries. The century originally contained 100 men, as the Latin implies, but subse-

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SICK LIST.

Mrs. Delia Mathews has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks. Mrs. Mary Seymour is gradually improving and is well on the road to recovery.

Mrs. Chas. Brooks, 1623 Searle street, still remains in a critical condition.

Mrs. L. Milligan of 1011 W. Grand Ave., has been quite sick for some time, but is improving slowly.

Mrs. Daisy Jacobs-Gaiter, who has been seriously ill at Methodist hospital, has greatly improved and was taken home Friday.

CHURCHES.

Revival meetings will be held at Shiloh Baptist church April 6, 1919. All are invited to attend one and all.

The convocation rally of the A. M. E. Zion church of the Des Moines district was held last Sunday and Monday at First A. M. E. Zion church, 14th and Scott streets. Bishop L. W. Kyles, A. M. D. D., of the 7th Episcopal district, spoke at each service. Bishop Kyles is one of the ablest preachers of today. These who ever heard him can bear witness. The convocation was well attended at each service. Collection for the entire day, \$105. Bishop Kyles will be back in the city Friday or Saturday to help perfect the plan on foot for the new church in which the Missouri annual conference will be held in June. Many thanks to our friends who helped us.

Christian Endeavor topic at Union Congregational church is "Praying." Mr. Leonard Hudson, leader. Musical program, Miss Enola Thompson. Consecration meeting. Every one is cordially invited to this meeting.

A HEARTY THANKS.

Des Moines, Ia., Mar. 30, 1919. Shiloh Baptist church wishes to take this method of thanking Corinthian Baptist church for the gift of an organ. There is not space enough in this world for us to express our heartfelt thanks to this church for the many good things they have done for us. May you do well and prosper and when life is nearing its end may you feel that you have finished the tasks of a well spent life.

We also wish to thank Zion Baptist church for their hearty support and wonderful help and hope that many blessings and many souls be added to you and when life is ended feel that you have finished your task.

Many, many thanks to both of these churches and their officers.

Yours for Christ,
Shiloh Baptist Church,
S. E. 15th and Scott Sts.
A. Anderson, Church Clerk.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Mattie May Walton left Thursday for her home in Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Lula Frazier of Kansas City is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Edward West, at the home of Mrs. Anna Palmer. Mr. B. Noel has been beautifying his home by building a nice porch.

Mrs. Mary Jackson, wife of Mr.

Green Jackson, was thrown from a Clark street car at the corner of 9th and Walnut streets, March 27th. She was thrown head foremost and is now in the Mercy hospital. Her home is 1018 Chestnut St.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson, who has been spending several weeks in Chicago and Milwaukee, is expected home soon.

Mrs. Lalah Brooks-Morris of Buxton, Iowa, is home, called here on account of the serious illness of her father, Mr. Chas. G. Brooks.

Rev. Hardge, pastor of Zion A. M. E. church, has returned from Kansas City, Mo., where he had been attending the Zion A. M. E. District Conference.

Mrs. L. B. Mitchell, formerly Miss Luvenia Vaughn, daughter of Mrs. Vaughn, is visiting her mother. Mrs. Mitchell's home has been in Boston, Mass. Her husband, who is foreman of Motor Service Co., will arrive in the city later on.

Mrs. Broyles, who has been matron of the Thompson Hotel for the past year and a half, will leave Sunday to join her husband in Chicago to make her future home. Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Davis will manage the hotel in her place.

The Bystander office is in receipt of a card from Rev. T. L. Griffith, former pastor of Corinthian church, this city, stating he reached Brest March 8 and arrived in Paris March 10. Rev. Griffith is in the Y. M. C. A. work in France.

We are in receipt of a card from Mr. W. H. Bailey of Buxton, Iowa, who is visiting his mother in Fairmont, W. Va. He says he is enjoying Dixie weather.

Mr. Harry Stanton of St. Paul is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stanton, on Pleasant St., after an absence of 13 years.

CLUBS.

NEW SORORITY AT STATE UNIVERSITY.

The Alpha Club of Negro Student women, an outgrowth of S. U. I. formed some six years ago, are pledged to the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and will become full members during the second week of April and nine student women and one alumnus, Miss Adah Hyde, will be initiated on that date. The girls at the University to join are Elizabeth Gross, Ola Calhoun, seniors; Helen Dameron-Beshears, Helen Lucas, Mamie Diggs, juniors; Golda Crutcher, sophomore; Harriet Alexander and Imogene Wilson, freshmen.

The Cosmopolitan Club was organized at Mrs. Grace McCraven's residence, March 25th. This club is for the social and philanthropic uplift of its members and friends.

Much credit is due the girls of the Sunshine Service Club for the splendid song service rendered last Friday evening at Maple Street Baptist church at the reception given in honor of the over seas boys. They leave sun-shine wherever they go.

Tuesday, April 8, will be the regular monthly get together evening of the clubs, club-leaders and mothers at the girls club room at Army Club No. 2. All interested are urged to attend.

The Mary Church Terrell Club met last Monday evening with Miss Margaret Roberts as hostess at the R. N. Hyde residence. Mrs. Lula McCree led the lesson. Miss Adah Hyde will be hostess next Monday night.

The Phyllis Wheatley Club met with Mrs. M. Jackson, 2726 Cleveland Ave. Adjourned to meet next Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. E. K. Knox at 945 14th St. Pl.

The U. A. Guy Club girls met March 29th, 1919, and had a splendid meeting. The girls are planning on entertaining their parents and over seas boys in the near future.

Owing to the fact that the reporter of the S. L. Birt Club was indisposed the past week the report of the club anniversary was overlooked. Although delinquent, it would be hardly fair not to state the fact that the first year anniversary of S. L. Birt Club was celebrated at St. Paul A. M. E. church on 20th ult. and was a very successful affair, as there were nearly 300 who participated, and a fine program was rendered. Afterwards the guests were escorted to the basement and served royally. The place of entertainment was beautifully decorated with the club colors and serving also carried out in same. Every one reported a very enjoyable time. Much credit is given this club as they are reported as doing things just right. Thanks to the many friends who participated. Mrs. Izora Mackey, Pres. Mrs. Rubina Harper, Sec. & Rep.

The Cosmopolitan Club was entertained April 1st by Mrs. Carrie Gibson. The club will be entertained by Miss Helen Hudson April 8th.

HOME MAKERS LEAGUE AT GIRLS CLUB ROOM.

Next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Girls Club room at the Army Club, 9th and Mulberry Sts., the newly elected officers will be installed by Rev. G. W. Robinson, after which Mr. H. L. Eddy of the Public Welfare Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce will address the league.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE DEBATE PROVES INTERESTING.

On last Tuesday evening at the Union Congregational church, under the auspices of the Mary B. Talbert Club, Mesdames Nora F. Gresham, Mamie Miles and Harry Shaw told in an interesting manner why women should be given the right of suffrage, while Mesdames R. E. Patten, R. A. Dobson and Miss Ada F. Hyde told in a most pleasing and entertaining way why they should not. [Atty. S. Joe Brown, Theo. Bell and Mrs. H. E. King, who served as judges, decided in favor of the affirmative. Musical numbers were rendered by Mrs. Mayme Stanton, Mrs. Johnniss Redmon-Kelsoe, and an orchestra arranged and conducted by Mrs. Chas. W. Hughes. Mrs. G. G. Nichols,

NOTICE.

The officers and directors of the Chas. Young Auxiliary of the American Red Cross are asked to meet for a special business session at 515 Mulberry St. at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon.

By order of Mrs. S. Joe Brown, Chairman.

SOCIAL.

A grand surprise party was given Mrs. Ellen Robinson, mother of Rev. G. W. Robinson, last Monday night by the Corinthian Mission Circle. A week ago the Sewing Circle gave her a pleasant surprise. She leaves next week for her home in South Carolina. She will make a stop in Washington, D. C.

About fifty girls of the War Camp Community Service, chaperoned by Miss Lottie Pearl Mitchell, girls director, attended a dancing party at Hostess House No. 2, Camp Dodge, given by one of the companies of the Labor Battalion. Light refreshments were served.

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ARMY 'Y' CLOSING WITH WEEK OF FESTIVITIES.

As a fitting ending of its fifteen months existence in the city the Park St. Branch of the Army Y. M. C. A. at 10th and Park Sts. began its week of closing exercises with Bible question contest between the two teams of the Young Men's Bible Class organized by Secretary Ross a year ago, which contest was held on the first anniversary of the class Friday evening, March 28th.

After the rendition of a program consisting of addresses by Sec. Ross, C. L. Cranshaw, class president, and A. Truham, the banner Bible scholar, Atty. S. Joe Brown, chairman of the Advisory Board, propounded fifty Biblical questions to the members of the two teams, which were captained by S. P. Gross and Maurice Kelley, each man retiring when he failed to answer correctly, and as Mr. Kelley's team were last upon the floor they were declared the victors and entitled to be treated to a sumptuous spread at the expense of their opponents.

On Sunday, March 30th, was held the final public program in the auditorium, which was in the form of a platform meeting for over seas soldiers, at which addresses were delivered by Musiean Joe Manning, 366th Inf., First Sergeant Lloyd McGuire and 2nd Lieut. Jesse McGuire, both members of the 370th Inf., the old 8th Ill., 2nd Lieuts. Nathan C. Smythe and V. L. Jones and 1st Lieuts. C. P. Howard and Cleve Abbott of the 366th Inf., and Dr. A. J. Booker, 1st Lieut. and Regimental Surgeon of the 365th Inf., each of whom spoke most interestingly of their wonderful experiences with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and all were listened to with wrapt attention by the vast audience that had assembled in their honor.

The ladies of the three Red Cross Auxiliaries attended in full uniform and each speaker took occasion to compliment the splendid work done by the Red Cross workers both at home and on the battle field.

Atty. S. Joe Brown presided and read letters of regret from Musiean T. E. Harris, who was detained in Marshalltown, and also from Lieuts. J. Q. Lindsay of the 366th Inf. and Wm. Harris of the 368th Inf., both of whom were ill in the hospital at Ft. Des Moines.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the full St. Paul Orchestra under the direction of Prof. Virgil Williams and at the conclusion of the program the Red Cross ladies under the direction of Mrs. S. Joe Brown dispensed home made candies to the soldiers in real Red Cross canteen style.

On Monday evening the Advisory Board of the Park St. Branch tendered a farewell banquet to Secretary Ross in honor of the splendid work he has accomplished in our city, at which, in addition to Sec. Ross, Sec. Stewart, executive secretary of the Central Association, Sec. Webber, community secretary, Sec. Parsons of the State Board and Sec. Robinson of the new Colored Association, were honored guests.

Covers were laid for forty-eight guests, who were served to a five course banquet prepared by Mrs. L. J. Shelton, assisted by the young men of the Bible Class, at the conclusion of which Secretary Ross read his annual report and Atty. Brown, acting as toastmaster, introduced and toasts were delivered by several present.

Thus closed the most eventful week as well as the entire history of the Park St. Army Y. M. C. A., which was on April 1st merged into the new Colored Men's Branch of the City Association, which will hereafter be directed by Sec. Earnest Robinson, formerly of American Industrial Institute, Americus, Georgia, and under whose direction the new building will be erected and operated out of funds the nucleus of which was raised in the big seven thousand dollar campaign which has just closed.

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

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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.
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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.

St. John A. M. E. Zion Church.

S. E. 19th and Scott Sts.
Rev. E. S. Hargde, Pastor.
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching.
6:30 p. m.—V. C. E. Society.
8:00 p. m.—Preaching.
8:00 p. m. Friday—Prayer and class meeting.

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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Lillian I. Murray, Plaintiff, vs. Herman B. Murray, Defendant.

To Herman B. Murray:
You are hereby notified that on or before the 15th day of April, A. D. 1919, the petition of the plaintiff in the above-entitled cause will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce on the grounds, desertion and drunkenness.

For further particulars see petition, and unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the May term of said Court, which will commence at Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, on the 5th day of May, 1919, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1919.
JOHN L. THOMPSON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

NOTICE TO ANNUL CONTRACT.

To J. E. McBride:
You are hereby notified that you have failed to perform the contract with the undersigned date April 9, 1918, for the purchase of Lot 4, Block 2, Rollinson-Garden Addition to North Des Moines, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, and because of your failure to perform said contract, the undersigned, A. E. Noble, does now in accordance with the provision of Section 4299, Title 21, Chapter 8 of the Code of 1897, cause the service upon you of this notice of intention to cancel said contract thirty days after

completed service of this notice; unless within the said thirty days you perform all the obligations on your part now delinquent under said contract and make all payments of principal and interest and keep all agreements now due and to become due within the said thirty days.

Unless you perform all the obligations as above your rights under the said contract and interest in and to the said real estate therein described will be declared null and your right, title and interest in said contract and property shall cease and determine.

Dated Des Moines, Iowa, this 7th day of March, 1919.

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FORT DODGE.

(Special to Bystander.)
The pastors banquet Monday night was a success. The church was beautifully decorated. The following program was rendered: Song; welcome, Mrs. Guy Southall and Mr. Guy; invocation, Rev. T. B. Jones; instrumental, Mrs. B. Butcher; remarks by Rev. Osborn (white), First Baptist church; Rev. Clapp (white), Rev. Biggs, Rev. Jones Coppins, A. M. E. chapel; welcome address, S. Hudson; welcome address in behalf of Sunday school, Rosita Williams; welcome address in behalf of Seeds of Kindness Club, Mrs. H. Williams; closing remarks by Rev. P. Thomas, the new pastor, after which 45 guests were seated at the banquet tables in the basement to a five course supper, and so on until they had all dined.

Mrs. L. Raglin, the black and white agent, was at Manley and Mason City last week. While there she was invited by Worthy Matron Mrs. J. D. Keeler to meet Chapter No. 18. They did grand work. Was also at the reception given at the Masonic hall and was the guest at dinner with Mrs. V. Warren.

Those entertaining Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall while here were Mr. and Mrs. F. Perkins at 6 o'clock dinner Tuesday; Mr. and Mrs. O. Buckner at 9 o'clock breakfast Wednesday morning; Mr. and Mrs. F. Coleman at 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday; at dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dishman. The Marshalls left Sunday night for Ames and their many friends hope they will come back again soon.

Mrs. A. Stepp left Tuesday night for Rochester, Minn., where she will undergo an operation. We hope for Mrs. Stepp a successful one.

Insurance Department of Iowa
Des Moines
ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION.

of the
U. S. BRANCH OF CHRISTIANIA GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
Located at 100 William St., New York, in the State of New York.

Whereas, the above named company has filed in the Insurance Department of Iowa, a sworn statement showing its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1918, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance,

Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, A. C. SAVAGE, Commissioner of Insurance,

do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the State of Iowa, by agents properly appointed and duly licensed, as required by law, until the first day of March, 1920.

I further certify that the statement shows—

1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be Statutory Deposit \$ 200,000.00

2d. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1918, to be 3,495,228.72

3d. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1918, to be 983,732.23

4th. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be 2,544,474.39

5th. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, December 31, 1918, to be 1,665,757.16

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Des Moines, this 29th day of March, 1919.

A. C. SAVAGE,
Commissioner of Insurance.

Insurance Department of Iowa
Des Moines
ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION.

of the
U. S. BRANCH OF NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
Located at New York, in the State of New York.

Whereas, the above named company has filed in the Insurance Department of Iowa, a sworn statement showing its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1918, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance,

Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, A. C. SAVAGE, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the State of Iowa, by agents properly appointed and duly licensed, as required by law, until the first day of March, 1920.

I further certify that the statement shows—

1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be Statutory Deposit \$ 200,000.00

2d. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1918, to be 3,403,754.16

3d. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1918, to be 1,918,953.00

4th. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be 2,791,578.70

5th. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding

risks, December 31, 1918, to be 1,682,682.87

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Des Moines, this 29th day of March, 1919.

A. C. SAVAGE,
Commissioner of Insurance.

Insurance Department of Iowa
Des Moines
ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION.

of the
U. S. BRANCH OF WARSAW FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Located at New York, in the State of New York.

Whereas, the above named company has filed in the Insurance Department of Iowa, a sworn statement showing its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1918, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance,

Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, A. C. SAVAGE, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the State of Iowa, by agents properly appointed and duly licensed, as required by law, until the first day of March, 1920.

I further certify that the statement shows—

1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be Statutory Deposit \$ 200,000.00

2d. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1918, to be 906,513.38

3d. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1918, to be 843,822.79

4th. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, December 31, 1918, to be 1,086,872.25

5th. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, December 31, 1918, to be 686,739.96

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Des Moines, this 29th day of March, 1919.

A. C. SAVAGE,
Commissioner of Insurance.

DAVENPORT, IOWA.

The Davenport Colored Boy Scouts are preparing for a ten mile hike on Friday, April 4th. The troop in general is progressing fine, being given the honor of being the more rapid progressing troop in the city. An account of the hike will be given in the next issue. The Famous Missourians of the Missouri Club are making preparations for the great concert tonight at Bethel A. M. E. church. The ladies are furnishing the articles for the bazaar and the eatables for the supper. The men are furnishing the drawing card, which is the grand program. The said program will consist of only gentlemen. This happened to be the time when ladies were excluded. For proceedings see next issue.

Rev. J. D. Peterson is again within our city confined to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ida Marshall, on account of illness.

Mrs. Ida Marshall is the proud sister of a brave brother, who has just returned from France. Mr. L. Peterson has made a fine looking soldier and has made quite a record for himself. The Negro shall never fall. He goes on and on and on. He shall never stop, but ever go till he reach that progress goal.

The Bethel A. M. E. church members and the colored citizens of Davenport are quite proud of their pastor, Rev. S. B. Moore. Since Rev. Moore's arrival in this city in last October he has become quite popular with the other preachers and citizens of not only Davenport, but of the tri-cities. He has been called to Rev. J. Boyd's side to lend his assistance in a revival in Rock Island, commencing Friday night the 4th. Rev. Moore is also vice president of the Tri City Ministerial Association. This is the type of a good race leader, one who helps the above verse to come true.

Mrs. Mitchell gave a birthday party in honor of her sixty-fourth birthday. The party was well attended by the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell. She also was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

Stomach Trouble Cured.

If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Tablets. Mr. J. P. Klotz of Edina, Minn., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used."

PARIS, MO., NEWS.

Miss Eunice Maupin is dead. She died April the 1st, Tuesday morning, about 6 or 7 o'clock. She was 18 years old.

Some of the soldier boys have received their bonus of \$60 from the government. We are glad to hear of it sure.

Mrs. Ann Shobia has come home from St. Louis, Mo. We are glad she has come back home to stay. We miss her a great deal since she has gone. She is a fine lady in the lodge and church. Miss Luzenia Porter, Mr. Vernon Kitchen, Mrs. Cora Batsell, Mrs. Oneda Batsell, Mr. Remus Berry and others went up to Madison, Mo., Sunday to see Miss Maupin.

The Masonic grand master is on business. He is stopping at Mr. Andy Lewis.

Several are going up to Madison, Mo., to attend the funeral of Miss Maupin. She leaves behind one aunt and mother, Mrs. Claudie House, and grandmother, Mrs. Matilda Collins. Her aunt, Mrs. Alice Tolson of Quincy, Ill. There will be a grand concert given at the A. M. E. church April the 3rd. Manager, Mrs. Lula Shropshire.

There will be a grand concert at the Baptist hall April the 6th. 25 performers from Shelby, Mo. Don't miss this for it is a fine show sure.

Last Resort.

Over Twenty-One—"Do you think women should propose?" Young Thing—"I don't know. Have you tried or anything else?"—Fack.

THE HOUSE OF MIRTH

