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CITY NEWS.

(N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we will visit all your local news—5d.)

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Phelps have returned from Peoria, Ill.

James James of Highland Park was a Buxton visitor last Saturday.

The many friend of Mr. E. G. McAfee will be pleased to learn that he is still convalescent.

Mrs. Mary L. Holmes left yesterday morning for Oskaloosa on business trip. She will return Monday.

J. B. Rush, formerly of this city but now of Indianapolis, Ind., is here this week attending to some of his legal business.

Mr. Gus Watkins who bought a nice house and lot on Twenty-first and Zelma streets, moved this week and is snugly located.

Mr. Drew of Oskaloosa was a visitor in our city this week. While here he made a very pleasant call at the Bystander office.

Miss Ina Plummer of Indianola arrived in the city Thursday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Brown, 1923 Crocker street.

Rev. Avery of Highland Park will preach Sunday morning at the Union Congregational church, Tenth and Park streets. All invited.

Mrs. William Washington of Buxton spent last Friday night here. She was enroute to her home from Boone where she had been on a visit.

The Mesdames Sarah Anderson and J. W. Blaney of Buxton are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Woodard of 29th and Lincoln avenue this week.

J. E. Hall of Buxton was a capital city visitor this week. While here he called at our office and informed us that he was thinking of leaving Buxton to locate in another part of the state.

Next Sunday will be the Trustees rally at Burns M. E. church, to secure additional funds to finish the lecture room. There will be services at 11 a. m., 3 p. m., and 8 p. m., to which a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

Word has been received from Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn at Washington, D. C., stating that her husband has been very sick for the past three weeks, but is improving now. It is the hope of his many Des Moines friends that he may soon recover.

Ed Morton, who has been employed at Clapper barber shop, has resigned to accept a better position in St. Louis, Mo., this summer, which was secured by Fred Stanton, an old Des Moines boy. He left this week for the World's Fair city.

Mrs. L. Milligan has returned from Chicago and has opened a first-class rooming and boarding house, 508 Third street. She serves her opening dinner Sunday, from 12 to 6 p. m. All her friends and the public are invited.

The Athenian Literary Society held an old fashioned spelling match last week, in which J. Clifford Williams was the successful one in spelling the school down. The society took in a new member, young George Logan. They will give a public program May 9th. It will be mostly musical. All invited.

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Miss Zoe Richardson of Olive was in our city Wednesday shopping.

Rev. J. R. Clemens of Cedar Rapids has been spending the past fortnight here. He preached at the A. M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening.

The Twentieth Literary and Art club will give a musical program at the Corinthian Baptist church next Thursday night. George H. Woodson of Mchakineok will also deliver an address, subject "The Best Women of our race."

Our able Governor, A. B. Cummins, who has been sick and went to Indiana to get rest and recuperate in health, returned home Thursday not entirely improved, but will stay long enough to transact his urgent business, then he will seek more rest which he greatly needs.

We have just received word that Rev. Dr. Moore, secretary of American Mite Missionary Society of the Congregational church, is now traveling in Iowa and will be in Des Moines May 14th, and will preach at Plymouth Congregational church. Dr. Moore is a very scholarly and eloquent man and well worth hearing.

The Olive Branch Whist Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Woods on Eleventh street last Wednesday evening. As it was their last meeting until next fall it was very enthusiastic. The regular monthly prizes were awarded as follows: First prize, a handsome china chop platter, was won by Mrs. Harrison; second prize, a silver nut spoon, won by Mrs. M. L. Holmes; the booby prize, a deck of fortune tellers' cards, won by Mrs. Wm. Graves. An elegant luncheon was served by the host and hostess after the games were finished.

PREACHER IS AN INEBRIATE.

C. N. Grandison, a preacher who through habitual drink has lost standing in his church, was sentenced to one year in the hospital for inebriates at Mt. Pleasant by Judge Brennan last Monday. Grandison has been for the past year a lecturer, during which time he was also a solicitor for the Buxton Gazette, but through his habits was relieved of his connection with the paper. Since coming to Des Moines he went from bad to worse until he was brought into court and sent to the inebriate hospital for treatment.

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THE VICTIM OF A FIENDISH JOKE

DEATH OF AGED NEGRO OF HAMBURG, IOWA IS EXPLAINED.

WAS LITERALLY SCARED TO DEATH

His Persecutors Threatened to Burn Him Alive.

Hamburg, Ia., April 25.—(Special.)—The information has just leaked out that John C. Goodlow, an aged Negro, who was found dead in an old corncrib in Missouri just south of the state line, was the victim of a fiendish practical joke perpetrated by a number of young men last Sunday night. All the participants maintained a discreet silence about the affair, and the victim was buried with a certificate from the coroner's jury that death was due to "natural causes."

It has since leaked out, however, that Goodlow came to his death as the result of tortures and torments at the hands of his white companions in an orgy for which one at least of the participants has come to regret the part he took. The affair was intended merely as a joke. Goodlow was accused of some imaginary crime, and the jokers proceeded to mete out to him the punishment which they pretended he so richly deserved. After tying him with ropes and nailing his feet to a board, he was covered with wood, rags and shavings, and a kerosene rag placed near his nose so that he would get the smell, a bucket of water which the victim was informed was coal oil, was thrown over him, and preparations were made to apply the torch when the old man ceased his outcries.

Then the jesting ceased. The jokers realized that their fun had been carried too far. They removed the wood and debris and began to untie the Negro. When it was discovered that he was dead he was carried quietly away and dumped in the corn crib, where he was found the next day. The tragedy was enacted in the neighborhood of what is known as the State Line saloon, the proprietor of which has disappeared from the neighborhood. This saloon it is said has been the resort of criminals from the Iowa side of the line for some time. The proprietor's name is Charles Reynolds, and he has gone by the nickname of "snowball."

Goodlow was 61 years of age, and had lived in Hamburg for twenty-six years. He was an honest hard-working man, who had always provided well for his wife and six children.

NICK CHILES GETS LETTER
Topeka, Kan., April 25.—Nick Chiles, editor of the Topeka Plain Dealer, in this city, today received a letter from the papal secretary of state, Cardinal Merry Del Val.

The Western Negro Press association, of which Chiles is president, at its annual meeting adopted a resolution urging the pope to use his good offices for better treatment of the Negro race in this country. Mr. Chiles gave a copy of the resolution Senator Burton, who sent it to Cardinal Gibbons. The latter in turn forwarded it to Rome.

The letter, which came through Cardinal Gibbons, says: "I have much pleasure in assuring you that his holiness has read the resolution with interest and sympathy, and I commissioned to thank you and all your associates very cordially in his name. The sovereign pontiff is well aware that there are many Catholics among the Negroes of the United States, and this knowledge increases his interest in the welfare of your race. His holiness, as the vicar of Christ, extends his loving care to every race without exception, and he must necessarily use his good office to urge all Catholics to be friendly to Negroes, who are called, no less than other

men, to share in all the great benefits of the redemption.

"The life and example of St. Peter Claver and so many other Catholic missionaries are there to show that this is no new conception of the apostolate entrusted to the church of Christ.

"Whilst frankly admitting that crimes may often be committed by members of the Negro race, his holiness advocates for them the justice granted to other men by the laws of the land and a treatment in keeping with the tenets of Christianity.

"I am confident that these sentiments are shared by the vast majority of the great American people and by those who are responsible for the custody of the principles underlying the American constitution."

A GOOD COACH.

Alexander Irwin, coach of the Northwestern Academy baseball team, has the distinction of being perhaps the only colored man in the country who is coach of a white baseball team. But Irwin understands his job thoroughly, and he is developing such a team that no question has ever been raised concerning his color. Irwin is 23 years of age, and has lived in Evanston since he was a small boy. He played second base on the Evanston High School baseball team, and has since played professional ball with the Chicago Unions, the Columbian Giants and the Algona, Iowa team. Next year he will go to Howard University at Washington, D. C., where he will have charge of the track, football and baseball teams.

It will be remembered by those who attended any of the Chicago Union Giants and Algona Brownies games, last summer, that Mr. Irwin was one of the best players, and did good work with the bat.

LYNCHERS DESPISE LAW; MENACE TO GOVERNMENT

(Special to The Record-Herald.)
Birmingham, Ala., April 26.—"There is never an occasion when the resort to lynch law can be justified. However dark and dreadful the crime, punishment should be inflicted by due process of law. Every lyncher becomes a law-despiser, and every law-despiser is a betrayer of his country. The lynching spirit, unrestrained, increases in geometrical progression." Bishop Charles B. Galloway of the Southern Methodist church said this before the national educational conference tonight, speaking on the subject "The South and the Negro." The first duty of the colored race, Bishop Galloway said, was to guarantee the Negro equal protection under the law. "There should be no aristocracy in crime. We have reason for alarm at the phenomenal growth of the spirit of lawlessness. And it is not confined to any one section." The second duty was to insure the right of the Negro to education.

Bishop Galloway said, in considering the Negro question, there was no disguising the fact that there is a great unrest among the Negroes of the South, one which will cause the South to face industrial disaster unless this condition is changed. He declared that politics furnished the difficulty and that for the best interests of both races the Negro question should be eliminated from the local and national politics.

As things that are settled, Bishop Galloway enumerated these: "In the South there will never be any social mingling of the races; they will worship in separate churches, and be educated in separate schools; the political power will remain in present hands; the great body of Negroes is here to stay."

Suppress Negro schools, Bishop Galloway said, and the government could not survive. While results had been disappointing in part, the lesson taught was not to discontinue them, but to improve the standard of education. He refuted the statement that educated Negroes are the most

criminal, and said he had gathered with great pains the records of Negro graduates that proved "not one case of criminal assault has been charged against a student of a Negro mission school founded and sustained by a great Christian denomination."

OBITUARY.

Died at Mercy hospital Wednesday evening at 9:25, Mrs. Mary L. Noyles, after an illness of several weeks. Her maiden name was Mary L. McGuire. She was born at Tuskegee, Ala., in July, 1872; came to this city with her parents when a small girl, and was married in 1888. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, one son, four brothers, and one sister, Mrs. Emma Harris of 778 Ninth street. She died in full hope of the christian faith; repeating the Lord's prayer when she passed away. The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2:30, from the home of her sister. Quite a large number of friends attended.

Mrs. Ivey Simmis died at her home last Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at Saylor, after an illness of several weeks. She was 72 years of age and leaves one son and a host of friends to mourn her death. The deceased was a member of Burns M. E. church of this city. Rev. O. A. Johnson, pastor of that church, will preach the funeral at 3 o'clock to-day at Saylor. Thus one by one we are being called to another world.

DUBUQUE ITEMS.

Mr. John Logan, who has been indisposed for several weeks from too much duck hunting, is improving and at this writing is able to make his regular trip to Galena.

Quite a few Dubuques took advantage of the excursion to Rockford last week. Among the number were Dr. Henry Rose, Mr. Ed Martin, Isaac Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Christopher contemplate moving to Rockford in the near future.

Mrs. Gertrude Davis Evans left for Chicago Wednesday to attend her brother's wedding.

The Misses Lester of Galena spent Sunday in our city, also Mr. John Hall.

Mr. Walter Posey of Chicago is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Crawford McGregor.

Mr. Henry Martin will run on the boat this summer and Mrs. Martin will reside in St. Louis.

Mr. John Logan will leave for St. Louis Thursday to attend the opening of the Fair.

Mrs. Ruth Bridges will leave for a visit in Keokuk next week.

There are several strangers in our city, who will be employed by the street car company, as they will have new rails laid through the entire line.

BOONE ITEMS.

Fred Taborn has gone to Minneapolis for an indefinite time.

Mr. Jerry Dorsey was quite ill last week.

Lewis Williams has opened a shining parlor on Story street.

Mrs. Alice Peterson and sons will leave Wednesday night for her parental home in Pontiac, Ill.

Last Monday evening at the home of Miss Alice Starks a number of young people happily surprised Misses Florence and Margaret Payne, the occasion being in remembrance of the young ladies' birthdays, which are two consecutive days the month of April. The young ladies received quite a number of useful presents.

Messrs. Chas. Anthony and Wm. Terry recently visited in Omaha.

The Ladies' Industrial club held their second bazaar on Friday evening last.

Miss Lizzie Curtis will give a party

on Wednesday evening at her home in honor of Miss Lizzie Jenkins, who will depart for her home in Higginsville, Mo., the same night.

Rev. Peterson has again taken up his work at Saylor.

ROCK ISLAND ECHOES.

Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Brown were given a donation party by members and friends at the parsonage of the A. M. E. church Friday evening.

Mr. Sam Kays is at home on his four days' lay off from his duties on the dining car. His many friends are always glad to see him back and put forth every endeavor to make his visit as enjoyable as possible.

Mrs. J. Lange, who has been visiting in the home of Wm. H. Moore since Mrs. Moore's recovery, returned to her home in Chicago Wednesday morning.

Mr. Will Terrell, the popular young porter, was taken so ill that he was compelled to return home from Brooklyn last Friday. We sincerely hope he is able to resume his duties this week. His mother at present is in a precarious condition and the family has the sympathy of the community.

Mr. George Todd was shaking hands Saturday with his many Tri-City friends. He had just returned from a lengthy trip out west.

Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore entertained a company at their lovely home on Thirty-ninth street, complimentary to their guest, Mrs. Lange. Whist and pit was the order of the evening and we wonder why Mr. Kays looked so blue when the pit game closed? Music and dancing were enjoyed later in the evening, after which the hostess, assisted by her little niece, served a dainty luncheon such as she is famous for serving.

About 12 o'clock the guests began to depart for their homes, each declaring the hostess to be one of the most charming entertainers and hoping for Mrs. Lange to return to our city again soon.

"UNCLE JIMMIE" WATERS.

Veteran Colored Chef in Rock Island Dining Car Service Succumbs to Injuries.

"Uncle Jimmie" Waters, one of the veteran colored cooks in the dining car service of the Rock Island road, is dead, as a result of injuries sustained a week ago. At that time he reached Davenport and went to his room in the boarding house kept by Mrs. Roberts at 32 1/2 East Fourth street, and as he had been on the road for a long time he retired immediately. Waters was 50 years of age, and as he was almost exhausted by overwork he was restless, and during the night he arose from his bed and in attempting to walk down a steep flight of stairs he fell and fractured his skull. He was removed to St. Luke's hospital, where he passed away on Thursday night. Mr. Waters was a resident of Topeka, Kas., where he was a wife and family. The wife reached the city during the week and attended her unfortunate spouse during his fatal illness. The body was shipped back to Topeka for interment.

"Uncle Jimmie" Waters has been in the dining car service of the Rock Island road for the past 32 years. He was as a father to the younger generation who entered this department of the road. His kind face won for him an acquaintance among the traveling public not possessed by any other colored employee of the Rock Island system. He never was a man to talk. In fact, it was laborious to engage him in a personal conversation. "Jimmie" Waters was a man to attend to his own business and whenever he was able to help a young man in the business he was ever willing to lend a hand. His ability as a cook was superior far and wide.

SUPERIOR, WIS., BUDGETARIAN.

Under the direction of Mesdames J. B. Thompson and Mattie Wade, the drama, "Thirty Years of Freedom," is being rehearsed, to be given for the benefit of the A. M. E. church.

The young men of the city will give an entertainment at the A. M. E. church on Friday evening for the benefit of pastor. It is to be a very unique affair and something that has never been given before in Superior.

The ladies are simply the invited guests. Sunday evening the communion service will be held at the A. M. E. church. The pastor of Duluth, Rev. Pope, came over with about fifty of his people and assisted in the services, he having preached the sermon. A glorious meeting was had. One person united with the church. The church is in a better condition now than it has been for years. Peace and harmony prevails throughout among saint and sinner. Everybody is taking a hold and

doing all they can to make this a prosperous year. The Light House society will have for its program this week an old fashioned spelling bee and question box. The membership increases at each meeting, and they now have twenty-five members.

Mrs. Mills of the Country club entertained Mesdames Birdie Grayson and Mattie Wade at dinner Sunday. Rev. Wade and wife entertained friends at the parsonage Thursday evening. Mr. Chas. Henry of Hotel Superior brought his phonograph out and furnished music throughout the evening.

There is not any sickness among our people at present. All are well and hearty.

Rev. Wade will according to agreement fill the pulpit at the First Methodist church (white) at East End during each morning of the month of May. The pastor is away on a vacation and will be returning after a conference in California.

Misses Elizabeth Johnson, Jessie Pope and Deo Austin of Duluth visited with Miss Beatus Wade Sunday.

Rev. Wade will preach the Odd Fellows' sermon in Duluth at St. Mark's A. M. E. church May 8th.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

On last Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at her home occurred the death of Mrs. Ida Claire, after an illness of several months. The funeral services will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 from Bethel A. M. E. church, of which she had long been a faithful member. The church choir has been reorganized.

Rev. E. C. Thomas filled the pulpit at both services Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Elmer Jones.

Sunday, May 1st, is quarterly meeting. The presiding elder is expected.

MOLINE GLEANINGS.

The Prow City Lodge order of Odd Fellows will hold their annual sermon at the St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday, May 8th. The Rev. Harper of Rock Island will speak. The Owaka Lodge 3277 of Davenport, Iowa, also the Household 1016 of Davenport, will turn out with them, also the Household 529 of this city. They will march from the hall to the church. A grand sermon is expected, as is always had at these gatherings. A large crowd also is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Phoenix of this city were Davenport callers Sunday.

Owing to the illness of the reporter, he will not be in the city. We did not have a report for last week.

We were all rejoiced to see the blue birds yesterday, but are sorry to have to go back and bring forth winter jackets and hats this morning.

Mr. Chas. R. Jones of Chicago has come to this city, his former home, where he will reside with his wife. They expect to remain in our city and we are pleased to have them, for we need more residents among our people in this city.

Mr. Al Curry, who has been confined to his home with a gripe, is able to be out again.

Mrs. R. Phoenix was a caller last week in Rock Island.

Mrs. Harriet Murphy of St. Paul, Minn., is again in our city, where she will make her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Tarver, a visit.

The choir is arranging a grand musical for this evening.

Monday night there will be a general social in the church parlors.

The L. L. D. society will give a grand musical the 28th.

The Aid society gave a rummage sale at the church parlors Thursday, April 15th, and a grand success was had. A neat sum was cleared.

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GALESBURG, ILL., ITEMS.

The high school burned down. The cause of the fire is a mystery. Mr. Charles McGreuder and a man named Oscar Yacon, janitors of the building, had put it in order for school Monday. At 8 o'clock Sunday evening the fire broke out. One of the professors was in and went through between 5 and 6 o'clock and said everything was all right. No signs of fire nor smoke. By 12 o'clock that lovely building, valued at \$100,000, went to the ground, but the saddest of all two men were killed and one badly hurt. Steps are on foot for another building.

Mrs. Adah Major's Elm was made happy a few days ago. Her many friends called with a nice rocker and other useful things.

The P. E. being sick could not be present at quarterly meeting. We hope he is better. We had a very pleasant meeting.

Last Thursday evening will be long remembered by the colored citizens here, as one of the grandest entertainments for years took place in Dean hall—the big leap year banquet given by the Autumn Leaf club. Many of the ladies took the gentlemen. Hacks were kept busy for several hours. It was certainly a nice, happy crowd. One hundred and fifty were present. Those out of the city were Mr. Tucker of Quincy, Ill., Mr. Hill of Chicago, Mr. D. W. William and Miss Jennie Lewis, Keokuc, Ill., Rev. Jones and Mrs. Marshall of Monmouth, Ill., and Mrs. Mary Bell Lewis of Beard, Ia. The tables were decorated with ferns and flowers. Rev. J. H. Terribee was toastmaster. Mr. Roy Lyons, Geo. pidd, Samuel Holly, J. H. Washington, William Davis and Lawrence Terribee were the speakers of the evening. Rev. Douglass of the Second Baptist church and Rev. Jones of Monmouth responded. Music by Mrs. Coleman. All expressed themselves as having a good time.

Mr. Henry Wells is sick.
Miss J. Binley, sister of Mr. Sandy Smith, died here Friday morning of pneumonia. Her remains were taken back to Missouri. She was only sick four or five days.
Mrs. Sarah Bell will entertain the A. Y. C. club and helping hand this week.

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