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CITY NEWS.

Remember to go and see Mason's new Easter hats.

Prince Walker has returned from Minneapolis, Minn., Saturday.

The H. B. S. Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Carr, 778 10th street.

Mr. Ernest Erickson, of St. Paul, is visiting a few days with his parents.

Mr. Fred Langford, of Osceola is spending a few days in our city the guest of Mr. John Walker.

Mrs. Clay of 11th, street entertained the Sewing Circle. A dainty lunch was served and all spent a pleasant afternoon.

Mr. Charles Comley, of Webster City, spent Wednesday in our city, visiting his daughter Miss Edith who is in Drake University.

Bro. Isaac Jacobs has been appointed pastor of Saylor No. 2, and Boone, by presiding elder Gordon.

Rev. W. Sampson Brooks has been granted a leave of absence, and will leave about the 27th, inst., for Maryland, where he will attend the General Conference and visit his mother.

A musical entertainment will be given at Burns' M. E. church, Twelfth and Crocker, Thursday evening, April 23. Admission 15 cents.

Mrs. E. B. Elliston is on the road handling Dr. Brooks' picture and book. She will be in Sioux City and Council Bluffs next week.

The Iosale Club was entertained last Sunday by Miss Blanche Lewis. Very interesting remarks were made to the members by Rev. W. Sampson Brooks. Miss Zella Davis, will be hostess to the Club in two weeks.

Horace Graves Jr. from St. Paul, is visiting in the city for a few days, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Erickson of Des Moines, he was present and introduced at the "Mid-Night Fire Alarm," entertainment, Thursday evening which brought the house down with cheers.

Mr. Clarence Cameron White of Washington, D. C., the noted young violinist, will give a recital at Corinthian Baptist church April 27. Look for further announcement next week. Mr. White appeared before our people about two years ago at the Y. M. C. A. He is a good violinist.

The Intellectual Improvement Club was entertained last week at the home of Mrs. C. Conson on Lyon street. The study of Civil Government was taken up by the Club and will be continued at their next meeting, which will be at the home of Erickson on Des Moines street. Miss Mash and Miss H. W. Hughes appeared on the program.

EASTER AT OUR CHURCHES.

The Union Congregational church services will be very interesting. At 10:30 morning service by Rev. H. W. Porter, after which infant baptismal will occur. At 12 o'clock the Sunday School will render a well prepared program; the special feature will be the exercises by the infant class, also a quartette by the young ladies. The orchestra is expected to render some special music. In the afternoon the Men's League will give a special program. The Christian Endeavor at 6:30 will be interesting, also the evening service at 8 o'clock. At all these services the church choir has prepared excellent music for the day.

At Corinthian Baptist Morning sermon at 10:30 by pastor, Rev. T. L. Griffith, subject "Dominion of Death and Christ." At 12 M. there will be special exercises by the Sunday School. They have been preparing a good program. At 6 p. m. the King's Men led by Mr. Ed Reeves, will be interesting; at 7:30 song services by the choir.

At St. Paul's A. M. E. Morning—Special music by the Social Betterment Glee club; first appearance of this club. Sermon, "Resurrection of Christ," Rev. Sampson Brooks. Afternoon, Cantata by Sunday School. Evening, special music by choir; sermon, "Ascension of Christ," Rev. Sampson Brooks.

Maple Street Baptist church—Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor, Rev. S. Bates. Rally from 3 to 4:30 p. m.; special Easter service from 5 to 7:30 p. m.; Devotional from 7:30 to 8 p. m. preaching from 8 to 9:30 p. m.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

Mr. Thos. Stenton, postmaster of Pontypool, Ont., writes: "For the past eight years I suffered from rheumatic pains, and during that time I used many different liniments and remedies for the cure of rheumatism. Last summer I procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and got more relief from it than anything I have ever used, and cheerfully recommend this liniment to all sufferers from rheumatic pains." For sale by all druggists.

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EDITORIALS.

EASTER TIME.

Every year through the revolution of the season Easter time approach us, which to the christian nation is one of the greatest days of the year. It makes the life, death and resurrection of man who became conqueror. It shows the divinity and power of Supreme Master. It shows clearly that God sent his only son to earth to die and be crucified that we might have eternal life; for no man ever came like Jesus, no man ever spoke like him, no man ever loved humanity like him and no man ever died like he. Think of his suffering, his agonies, his love, mercy and tenderness. He died the death of a martyr, though he arose triumphant from the grave to heaven. So let our hearts rejoice and our tongues give praise to our Heavenly Father.

WESTERN NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION.

The tenth annual meeting of the Negro Editors Press Association will hold its session in our city June 10th and 11th, 1908, as decided on by the executive committee. There will be gathered here some of the leading editors, reporters and newspaper men of our race.

The general committee and the local committee are working very hard to put on a good program those two days, and each hour will be of interest and profit to both visitors and the Association. Address all letters of inquiry to John L. Thompson, Vice President, editor of the BYSTANDER, Des Moines, Iowa.

Forker Defends the Colored Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—Senator Forker of Ohio today made his long expected speech on the Brownsville affair and in it he paid a glowing tribute to the negro soldier, which was warmly applauded by the negroes in the galleries.

"They are," he said, "typical representatives of a race that has never been loyal to American and American institutions, a race that has never raised a hostile hand against our country's flag; a race that has contributed to the nation tens of thousands of brave defenders, not one of whom has ever turned traitor or faltered in his fidelity."

"I ask no favors because they are negroes, but only for justice because they are men."

A Negro Audience.

Seldom if ever has the capital contained as many negroes as today. They were attracted by the announcement of Senator Forker's speech. Ordinarily the galleries are occupied entirely by white people, but today fully two-thirds of the seats were filled with negroes. It was evident from the beginning that the Ohio senator was expected to make a satisfying defense of the negro race, and he would not lack an appreciative audience.

Attacks the Charges.

Senator Forker's address was in the main a review of the evidence taken during the long drawn out hearing conducted by the senate committee. He declared that a careful study of the testimony by an unbiased man could lead to but one conclusion—that the negro soldiers had been unjustly accused of "shooting up Brownsville." "Nothing remains to complete their vindication," he said, "except the discovery of the real culprits, which I will surely bring to pass unless the adage 'murder will out' has ceased to be a truth." He declared that the evidence against the negroes was purely circumstantial, that it was contradictory and that on the whole it was flimsy and weak.

It is Senator Forker's theory that the citizens of Brownsville, out of animosity to the negro soldiers, did the shooting and other disorderly acts charged against the soldiers. He pointed out that the evidence showed that the soldiers were in the line of the shooting, while the soldiers themselves had no opportunity to secure extra cartridges.

Compares the Bills.

Mr. Forker compared bills pending before the senate providing for the enlistment of the soldiers, with the bill introduced by Senator Warner of Missouri, giving the president authority to reenlist them if he should be satisfied that they did not participate in the affair, and that by Mr. Forker making reenlistment mandatory upon the president, if he did not participate or know anything of the guilty parties concerned in it. Mr. Forker's bill also annuls the record of discharge without honor, a provision not included in the Warner bill and annuls the president's order barring the men from enlistment in the navy.

Regarding the discretion given the president in the Warner bill, he said: "And if we are to be further reminded, as we have been, that the president is the commander-in-chief of the army, it is a sufficient answer that, while it is true, it is also true that he does not enclose the army. It is his duty to see that he shall enlist or reenlist. All that belongs to congress."

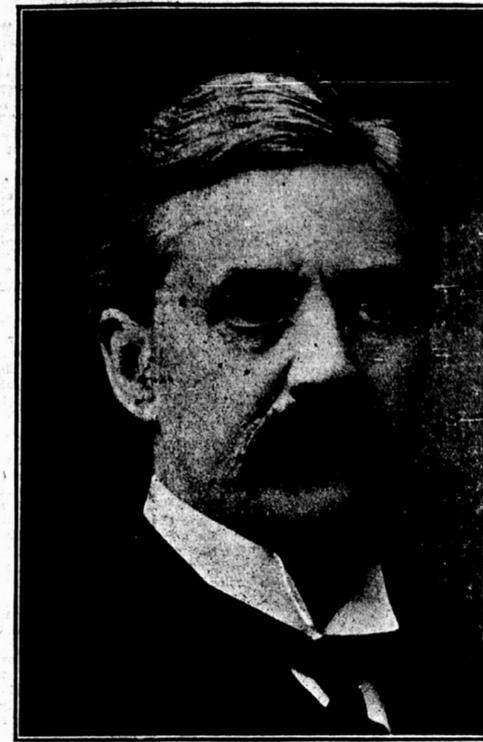
"To pass such a bill would be to pretend to grant relief, for manifestly none would follow."

"Our action would add insult to injury. It would be without precedent, for it may be safely asserted that never before in the history of civilization has a legislative body been invited to require men accused of crime to prove their innocence before a hostile judge who has already adjudged them guilty."

Mr. Forker denied political motives in his attitude. "It may not be surprising in view of the many misstatements that have been made," he said, "that the purpose of this investigation has not been to embarrass the president or any one else; nor has it been to make any capital out of the affair, against anybody, or for anybody."

Methodism Quadrennia! Meeting

Next month there will be a



CUMMINS FOR UNITED STATES SENATE.

It is indeed a pleasure for us to announce the name of the Hon. Albert Baird Cummins, the present Governor of our State, as a candidate for the office of the United States Senator from Iowa to succeed the Hon. W. B. Allison. Mr. Cummins is without doubt one of the strongest, ablest and most commanding men in Iowa politics. His promotion to the United States Senate will be a deserving act on the part of the common people of Iowa, for it was through his influence and effective work that our state is now enjoying so many reformed advantages to which other states are denied.

He was born in Green County, in the state of Pennsylvania, Feb. 5th, 1850, attended the common school and Greene Academy, later entered Wayneburg College, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Law. He came to Clayton County, Iowa, in 1869, and has made this state his home ever since. Latter he was admitted to the bar, and in January, 1878, he moved to Des Moines where he has been ever since.

He is an active Republican worker, and his eloquent voice has been heard both in state and

national campaigns. He has held many honors in the Republican party. Elected by this party in 1903 as Governor of this state and is now serving out his third term, an honor never before bestowed on an Iowa man.

He is one of the men in the United States to advocate the progressive movement in our country, and was through me like this that President Roosevelt is now President of the United States.

Space will not permit us to give the many reforms accomplished through him in this state but they are well known to every school boy in the state. The two cent law, the State primary law, the anti-trust are the leading reforms. He has led the progressive Republican in Iowa for many years and many friends will rally to his support for the United States Senate, which will be settled June second at the state primaries. It behooves every Republican to give him their support.

He has appointed more colored persons to clerical positions in the past six years than any one man in Iowa that holds an office.

He is a broad-minded christian gentleman, liberal in views and will treat all people with justice and equality.

Des Moines Boosters. The Des Moines team won the game.

A large number of parents and friends witnessed a piano recital given in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last Saturday evening by the class of Mrs. A. L. DeMond.

The Sunday school of the First Congregational church will hold their Easter exercises next Sunday at eleven o'clock. At night their annual Sacred Easter program will be rendered.

The Sunday school Easter exercises of the A. M. E. church will be held next Sunday morning. The Christian Endeavor will render a special program at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. F. A. Smith, was taken to the hospital at Iowa City Saturday, where she will undergo an operation, her husband accompanied her.

Quite a number of families are moving away from Buxton, but new ones are coming in.

Officers Davis and Watson seized a large quantity of liquor last Saturday night.

Extensive preparation are being made for the entertainment of the State Federation of Womens Clubs in Buxton next month.

The Young Men's Christian Association is a very popular place these days and is crowded with young men from morning until night. Secretary Tucker keeps things moving.

CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

On last Tuesday afternoon at their home occurred the death of little Douglas; the three year old son of Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Boyd. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from the home, Rev. Moore officiated assisted by Rev. A. Ford. Little Douglas was a cousin and a constant playmate of little Everett Gray who was

gathered in quadrennial conference, one of the largest, strongest and most influential religious bodies in America among our race namely, Methodist, which consists of the A. M. E., meets in Norfolk, Va. The C. M. E. meets in Baltimore, Md., and the A. M. E. Zion in Philadelphia.

In these quadrennial general conferences laws are made, new Bishops elected and much good is expected to be done for the church specifically and the world in general. Therefore it is our hope that these gatherings will be productive of much good for the race, for we as a race are now before the gaze of the world to be judged. We cannot retreat, let us go forward, do our work, make our laws, elect our Bishops and go home rejoicing.

BUXTON NEWS.

Church Social and Business.

Editor Demond and Postmaster Mills were in Albia Tuesday looking after interest of the Buxton Publishing Company.

Miss Mary Perkins went to Council Bluffs for a visit on Saturday.

Photographer Vail of Albia took a picture of the Buxton Concert Band in their gorgeous new uniforms last Sunday. A picture of the Y. M. C. A. was also made.

Nearly all of Buxton witnessed the base ball game Sunday afternoon between the Buxton Wonders and the

buried the week previous. And the deaths of the three children coming so near together has left much sadness among the friends and acquaintances. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful.

Mrs. Ben Hawkins expects a party of ladies and gentlemen from Galesburg next week who will be principals in an old chums re-union, and spend the Easter week.

Mrs. Harry Horn was hostess of a parlor social at the home of Mrs. A. E. Price. The patronage was splendid and a neat sum was realized.

Mrs. Ellison of Des Moines, was in the city last week on business. Many of the people here purchased pictures of Mrs. Ellison which they are exhibiting with great pride.

Mrs. James Mosely, was the hostess of the Art Industrial last Friday. Mrs. Ellison of Des Moines, was a visitor. Mr. Harold Price expects to spend Easter in Ottumwa with his aunt Mrs. Bailey.

On the Monday after Easter the following debate will be held at the church "Is higher education beneficial to the Negro." Both sides are making diligent preparations and much interest is promised.

Colored Soldiers Take Notice.

Of the 25th, of April 1909 will occur the public exercises of placing all of the Spanish War Veterans flag in a case prepared in the rotunda of the Capital Building at three o'clock p. m., in which Co. M. 7 U. S. Vol., Immunes of Spanish Veterans will participate. Lieutenant Alex. Wilburn will make the presentation speech and Capt. Amos Brandt will place in the flags case. All of the other regimental flags will be placed there. We urge our colored

people to be over at the Capital to witness these exercises, show our appreciation of the Colored Company as Capt. Brandt had some little difficulty in permitting it to be put in the rotunda but he finally succeeded. Remember the day Saturday, April 25th.

Noted Events for 1908.

Negro Press Association at Des Moines, Ia., June, 10-11, 1908.

The National Negro Business Mens League in Baltimore, Md., Aug., 16th.

The Grand Masonic Lodge in Buxton, July 14-15-16.

Colored Womens Iowa State Federation, Buxton, May 25-26-27.

Republican National Convention, Chicago, Ill., June, 16, 1908.

Populist National Convention St. Louis, Mo., April, 2, 1908.

Prohibition National Convention, Columbus, Ohio, May, 1908.

Grand Army of the Republic, National Encampment, Toledo, O., Aug., 31, 1908.

General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, Baltimore, Md., May, 1908.

General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church, Norfolk, Va., May, 1908.

General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, Philadelphia, Pa., May, 1908.

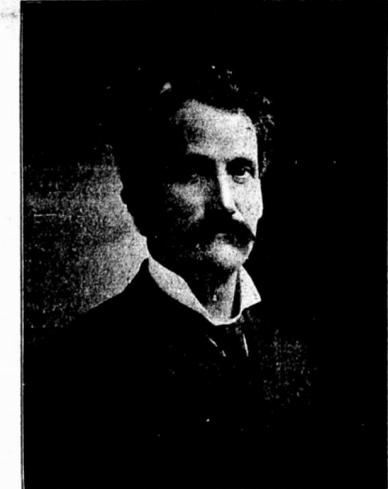
National Democratic Convention at Denver, Colorado, July, 7, 1908.

Iowa Primary Election, Tuesday, June 2, 1908.

Iowa Republican State Convention to nominate State officers, at Waterloo, June 24, 1908.

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HON. JOHN L. BLEAKLY, IDA COUNTY, Candidate for State Auditor.



HON. JOHN L. BLEAKLY, State Senator from the Forty-sixth Senatorial District composed of the counties of Ida, Cherokee and Plymouth, will be a candidate at the primaries, June 2, for nomination as State Auditor to succeed Mr. Carroll, whose term of office expires.

Mr. Bleakly was born in Ireland. Coming to this country at an early age, with his parents he settled in Illinois where he entered the public schools, but ultimately completed his education in Iowa. After teaching school for a number of years in Linn county he removed to Ida Grove, where he has since resided, entering the banking house of Baxter & Rule (now Baxter, Reed & Co.) where he remained for several years, leaving their employ to engage in the mercantile business for himself.

Mr. Bleakly has been a member of the school board in his home city, for twelve consecutive years, and there are few schools in Iowa that have attained a more enviable reputation, or is more widely known, than the schools of Ida Grove.

Mr. Bleakly represented his senatorial district in the Thirtieth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second General Assemblies. As a legislator he was forceful in the presentation of a subject, logical in debate and active and fearless in the promotion of every good measure, thus he early became recognized as one of the strong men of the senate. It was owing to this fact, no doubt, that upon the passage of an act by the Thirty-first General Assembly, to inquire into the condition of insurance companies operating in Iowa, and their methods of doing business, he was selected as one of the two members from the Senate to conduct this important investigation.

The examination, covering a period of several months, was thorough and far reaching in its results, and from the findings of the Commission many wise laws were enacted by the following legislature.

Insurance and Banking are leading departments in the Auditor's office and it is confidentially believed by Mr. Bleakly's many friends, that his thorough schooling in the local banks, as above recited, as well as his wide experience in probing insurance problems, in connection with his general knowledge of business and state affairs, has amply qualified him for the duties of the office sought.

The people of Ida Grove are enthusiastic for Mr. Bleakly's nomination. A town meeting was held in his interest and their late convention passed unqualified resolutions favoring his candidacy.