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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 solicit all your local news.—Ed.)

- Conventions _____
 - Associations _____
 - Grand Lodge Meets _____
 - Conferences _____
 - Excursions _____
 - Picnics _____
- All of these come with the hot weather.
- Ball games too are in order.
- Mr. Louis Howard is quite sick at his home on 17 street.
- Prof. Geo. I. Holt was overcome by the heat Tuesday morning.
- Mr. John L. Thompson is attending the Grand Lodge at Buxton.
- Bishop A. Grant will be in the city the guest of the Rev. W. S. Brooks.
- Mrs. S. Joe Brown is indisposed at this writing.
- Matter for publication should be in this office not later than Thursday noon.
- Mrs. Morton has moved in her beautiful new home in W. 10th street near Center.
- Mr. Richard Morris, of 762 W. 10th, street in an attempt to stop a runaway horse Friday evening of last week unfortunately had his right leg broken.
- Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Woods, of Washington street and Mrs. Woods sister left Monday evening for a week's visit in St. Paul.
- The Iowa annual conference of the A. M. E. church will meet in Keokuk Sept. 9th, with Bishop Shaffer presiding.
- Mr. and Mrs. LaCour and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Birney have improved their beautiful homes by repairing them.
- Mrs. Wilson Hughes has been on the sick list for the past few days, but is better at this writing.
- When in Albia, Iowa, call at Z. M. Hindsman Lunch Room for good ice cream and liches, fruit, tobacco and cigars; also ladies rest room. Two doors south of C. B. & Q. depot on A. street, No. 217.
- The Men's League will meet at the Union Congregational church Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., the subject for discussion "Is the American Negro advancing in proportion to the white man." You are invited to attend.
- Rev. E. P. Geiger left Monday evening for Vicksburg, Miss., to visit relatives and friends, he will be gone about three weeks.
- Mr. Ernest Erickson left Monday morning for St. Paul, feeling much improved in health, after spending two weeks with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Erickson.
- The Old Settlers will hold their annual picnic August 6th, which is the first Thursday in the month, at Union Park. Everybody is invited to attend.
- R. N. Hyde, Pres.
Wm. Colson, Sec.
Jeff Logan, Treas.
- Carl Richardson the one week old infant son of Mrs. A. L. Richardson and the late Mr. A. L. Richardson, of Highland Park, died, the grave of the father was opened and the child interred there.
- The many friends of Mrs. May Ruff Johnson, of Indianapolis Ind., will be pleased to know that she is in the city visiting her father and brothers, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruff.
- Word has been received from Chicago that Mrs. Julia Hudlin, who underwent a serious operation at one of the hospitals there is improving as well as could be expected. Her mother Mrs. Lewis Blighburn, who suffered a nervous collapse has recovered.
- Mrs. Will Walker accompanied Mrs. James Wood and her sister Mrs. Cecilia Harris on their trip to St. Paul they will spend some time in the twin cities.

The A. M. E. church is keeping a seven day self denial this week.

Mme. Electro Page-Perry is in the city the guest of Mrs. Courtney in Crocker street.

Mrs. Prince Walker and little daughter, Pauline, left Saturday evening for St. Paul.

Mrs. H. Gould will leave next week for Omaha, Neb. to visit friends several weeks.

Mrs. Geo. McGee and daughter Mabel left last week for their home in Cairo, Ill.

Mr. E. Tracy Blagburn has been quite ill at his home, near Eighteenth and Jefferson, since last Sunday.

When at Enterprise, stop at W. F. Bardsdale's Restaurant for meals, lunches, ice cream and confectioneries.

Mrs. Genevive Briggs and Miss Jessie Bell entertained the Golden Rule Club at the home of the latter, 1300 E. Fremont street Thursday evening after the club adjourned refreshments were served.

Mrs. L. J. Courtney entertained the ladies at her home July 14th in honor of her guests, the Misses R. Colston of Chicago and Mrs. Page-Perry of Topeka, Kans.

Mr. I. L. Brown of Marshalltown came from the Grand Lodge in Buxton on city today and is the guest of Harrison Gould. Mr. Geo. L. Suter is also with him.

Our collector will be in Albia Thursday, in Ottumwa Friday, Saturday and Sunday, in Fairfield Monday, Mt. Pleasant Tuesday and Wednesday, Burlington Thursday and Friday.

Miss Francis Walker our collector who has been on the road for more than two weeks, returned home Tuesday evening, after a successful trip in the eastern part of Iowa and the western part of Illinois.

Mr. Jos. Harris and Miss Hattie Weldon were united in holy matrimony Wednesday, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Coleman, on Fourteenth street. Only a few close friends were present.

Regular services at the Union Congregational church Sunday July 19th. 10:30 a. m., topic, "Ye know not what ye ask." 8:30 p. m., Mem's League. 8 p. m., Preaching by Rev. J. P. Burling, of the Greenwood Congregational church, who will exchange pulpits with Rev. Porter.

You are invited to all of these services.

BASE BALL.

Wednesday afternoon at the base ball park on 4th street, the famous Gould's Invincibles crossed bats with the Boone Brownies. This was the first time this season that the Invincibles have played at home so a very good crowd of friends and supporters were in attendance.

Quite a number of Boone citizens accompanied their team to cheer them on to victory, which however was in vain for the Invincibles succeeded in winning the game by a score of 9 to 11.

D. M. N. LYCEUM ASSOCIATION

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum Association was entertained by Atty. and Mrs. S. Joe Brown, last Tuesday evening. A very interesting program was rendered. The Misses Julia and Mania Bailey of Marble Rock, Ia., were present and their words of praise and encouragement were highly appreciated by the club members.

The Lyceum will meet next Tuesday evening with Miss Jessie Bell at east thirteenth and Fremont street. An interesting feature of the program to be given at this meeting, will be an old fashioned spelling bee contest.

The opening of the commodious and imposing home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Courtney, 1011 Crocker street, which has been elaborately rebuilt, and elegantly furnished is a standing proof of the splendid accomplishment of our people in Des Moines. Besides the beautiful and costly construction of the building itself, the house was gorgeously decorated with flags and an abundance of cut flowers. Mrs. Thornton Adams associated with Mrs. Courtney in giving a home picnic in the dining room where the guest were served a luxurious dinner. The affair was appointed in honor of Miss R. B. Starks of Minneapolis, Miss E. A. Martin and Miss Ora Adams of Macon, Mo. In the evening the porch was and the lawn were beautifully decorated with colored and with lights. A delightful time was had by all present.

We are in favor of the curfew.

The curfew law if passed will hurt the cheap show business.

The committee will formally notify Mr. Taft of his nomination on the 28th, and the people will notify him of his election on November third.

We wonder if the Colored gentlemen are still waiting for the democratic convention to adopt something in their platform that will convince the Negro that they are his friends.

Some of the Negroes that want to see the democratic party in power should ask Mr. Tillman if he is willing to take back some of the things he said about their mothers and sisters.

Do you think it is necessary to have a committee to notify Mr. Bryan, and get his acceptance, after he has run all of the best democrats out of the party so he could get it.

BRYAN'S NOMINATION.

Last week the expected happened at the National Convention at Denver, the selecting of William J. Bryan as was really expected and even predicted by the Bystander several months ago, while some of the old line regular democrats fought to a finish to prevent Bryan's nomination but all in vain.

We do not consider that William J. Bryan is the strongest democrat before the American people, for we think that the democratic party has men in its party that would have united the party, and would have been a stronger man for us to beat, for instance if Gov. Joseph Folk, of Missouri, or Gov. Johnstone, of Minnesota, or Judge Gray or any such men as those would have held all the democrats together and would have polled a larger vote from the Republican party. It may be true that Mr. Bryan will draw a large vote from the Republicans but on the other hand he will lose a large democratic vote from the states he will need. In short the Republicans have defeated him twice and we hope will do it again for our country does not want Bryanism, we want progressivism.

ANTI TAFT MEETING.

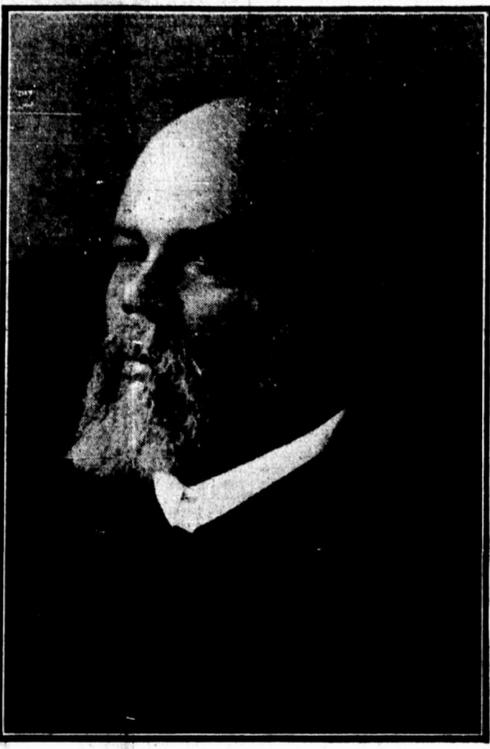
Representatives of thirty-seven at a meeting of the National Anti-Taft League, at 1922 Lawrence street, Wednesday drafted a memorial which was presented to the committee on resolutions, begging that the platform of the democratic party be broad in its treatment of the race question to satisfy every race represented in the citizenship of the United States.

The National Negro Anti-Taft League is a consolidation of the National Negro Democratic League, the Liberty party, Niagara Movement Negro National Council and National American Political League. The appeal is signed by George E. Taylor, Iowa; J. H. P. Westbrook, Colorado; W. T. Scott, Illinois.

The league will work heart and soul for the defeat of Taft for the presidency. Following are the officers of the league: president, J. H. Hartless, Pueblo; vice president, W. T. Scott, Chicago; vice president, A. E. Manning, Indiana; secretary, George Jamison, Idaho; chairman national committee, Dr. H. C. Cress, Chicago; secretary, John J. Smith, Denver; treasurer, S. McClure, Pueblo; national organizer, H. Baker, Denver.—The News.

This class of so-called Negro leaders are a dismissed, disgruntled, discharged, defeated office seekers from the Republican party, unfit to keep themselves out of the ditch and mire, and claim to represent the Colored race, they represent nothing. If all of them are like those we know, we would be ashamed to see their name associated with the Republican party.

Opening Oysters by X-Ray.—The X-ray has just been introduced to the pearl fishers of Ceylon to show whether an oyster has pearls without opening.



BISHOP A. GRANT, D. D.

Bishop Grant, D. D., the greatest living Negro will visit Des Moines next Sunday and Monday. He is an intimate friend of President Roosevelt, Booker T. Washington and Senator Allison. It was at the instigation of Bishop Grant that Dr. Vernon was made Secretary of the Treasury at Washington. He has had the distinction of being the presiding officer of the Board of trustees of Wilberforce University; for twelve years he has been at the head of the church extension board of the A. M. E. church for four years was president of the publication board at Philadelphia. He has been a member of nearly all the economical conferences that have met in the past twenty years. He will preach at St. Paul A. M. E. church Sunday morning. He will not preach in the evening, but a special Tri-anniversary program will be tendered in his honor. Prof. Geo. I. Holt has prepared special music for the occasion, and attorney S. Joe Brown, Mrs. Adams Dixon and Mrs. John Mayweather will deliver short addresses touching certain phases of his life. Monday evening he will deliver his famous lecture "The largest room in the world." After the lecture a public reception will be tendered him at the church by the citizens of Des Moines. Mme. Watts, the prima donna will sing.

CLINTON HAPPENINGS.

(Last Week.)

Hobart Armstrong of Buxton visited in Clinton last week.

The Woman's Loyal club, will hold a lawn social at the home of Mrs. H. G. Williams Thursday evening.

Miss Frances Walker traveling representative of the Bystander, was a recent visitor here transacting business with the local correspondent.

Rev. S. L. Birt, visited in Rock Island and Galesburg last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bush entertained Miss Frances Walker of Des Moines, at luncheon Friday afternoon.

Bethel A. M. E. church choir will hold a picnic at Eagle Point Park Tuesday July 14th.

Mrs. Holland Williams entertained a few friends at supper Friday evening, in honor of Miss Frances Walker of Des Moines.

Mrs. A. L. Shamley is a recent new subscriber to the Bystander.

E. B. Montgomery, of the Independent National Advocate of Milwaukee, spent a short time in Clinton enroute to the Democratic convention in Denver.

Mr. Hobart Armstrong, of Buxton, was the guest of honor at a most delightful picnic supper at Eagle Point Park last Wednesday evening.

Send in your name as a subscriber to the Bystander.

Mrs. M. O. Culbertson, was in Dubuque last week accompanied by her mother Mrs. Davis, of Chicago, who is visiting with her indefinitely.

Miss Lorence Vinson of Ottumwa is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Culbertson, while in the city she will assist in the store of the latter on 4th street.

GALESBURG (ILL.) NEWS.

(Last Week.)

Mrs. V. Belle Lowrie recently gave a recital in Peoria also in Keosauqua. Mrs. Lowrie was accompanied by Mrs. Cora Jeffers pianist.

Rev. S. Birt, of Clinton, spent a short time in Galesburg, last week the guest of Rev. S. B. Moore.

The Misses Ethel and Ila Allen are spending the week in Moline.

OTTUMWA NOTES.

E. W. Osborne is spending a week in Springfield, Ill.

W. S. Page attended the meeting of the Afro American Council of Iowa.

Miss Bernice Davis, has returned to Mason City, after a weeks visit with her parents.

Mrs. Walter Davis Sr. entertained a large number of young friends in honor of Miss Kernece Davis of Mason City. A three course luncheon was served and the evening was spent in games and dancing. The crowd departed at a late hour, all voting Mrs. Davis a royal entertainer.

Mr. Z. A. Taylor has been ill.

Mr. James Hamilton of Des Moines, is in our city.

The many friends of Mrs. Lelia Sheffey Taylor of Buxton, are very much grieved to hear of her continued indisposition, but hope for her speedy recovery.

Miss Edna Atkins Martin has returned from Des Moines where she acted as delegate to the State Council.

While in Des Moines, Miss Martin visited the home of Mrs. L. J. Courtney, 1011 Crocker street, Mrs. Courtney has one of the most beautiful homes in the city and is a most charming lady to meet. Miss Martin was the guest at a home picnic given by Mrs. Courtney, July 4th. This affair was one long to be remembered by those fortunate enough to be one of the many guests who spent the afternoon and evening at Mrs. Courtney's.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Mr. Frank Roberts and Mrs. Emma Jordan were united in marriage Tuesday evening June 20th, Rev. J. Cornelius Reid officiating, about 75 guests were present. Many valuable presents were received. The bride was beautiful gown, and the groom in regulation dress. Refreshment were served in abundance. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts left for Kansas City and other points West on their honeymoon, they will be at home to their friends August 1st.

Rev. J. Cornelius Reid has been assigned the subject "Materialism vs

Spiritualism," at the Sioux Valley Association of which Mt. Zion Baptist church is a member.

Rev. Dr. W. L. Tenney pastor of the First Congregational church, will deliver an address at Mt. Zion Baptist church on the race problem, Wednesday July 22nd.

Dr. Black of Berlin Seminary delivered a fine address at the A. M. E. church on "A Higher Standard of Education."

Rev. H. W. Porter of Des Moines, spoke words of encouragement to the Sunday school of Mt. Zion Baptist church during the absence of the pastor. His address was well received.

THE CRY OF THE LONELY WOMAN.

To the woman who is a wife but has not known motherhood, to her who tread the path of life alone, and to the mother whose arms are bereft by the grim reaper of that which she has deemed most precious, there is a message in the experiences of four foster-mothers as told in the August Delinctor.

There are millions of these women, millions of homes to which no child has ever come, millions who have remained unwed, who have alive within them the maternal love that yearns for its fulfillment. There are thousands of homes that death has left lonely, where the mother whose arms are empty mourns her loss.

Yet within their reach is happiness, happiness in the breadth and depth of life told in every line of these four stories.

"There is no life for woman with out children says one foster-mother. And contrasting the life of the woman whose days are empty and whose life is purposeless, who grows old fretful and weary for the lack of something to fill out her existence, with the depth and sincerity and joy of those women who have adopted motherhood as a profession, it would seem that she right.

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organizing a club which will later be organized into the U. B. F. and S. M. T.

Mrs. Jane Warren who has been in New Mexico for the past four months for the recuperation of her health, has again returned to this state.

Mr. Oddie Thorpe, who has been in the employ of Mr. Moore of Iowa City is again in the Rapids. He has charge of the tonorial parlors of Mr. Hawkins.

On last Friday evening the Household of Ruth entertained at the hall Mrs. Thomas the Most Noble Governor of Iowa.

After the address Mrs. Thomas was tendered a reception by the local chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyler entertained a number of friends Monday evening complementary to Mrs. Thomas.

While in the city Mrs. Thomas was the guest of Mrs. Georgia Gray.

Mr. W. H. Milligan is in Buxton attending the Grand Lodge of which he is G. M.

Mr. Lewis Persons who has been quite ill for the past three weeks is much improved.

Mr. W. M. Robinson and Mr. L. D. Lowery attended the Grand Lodge at Buxton this week.

ENTERPRISE NEWS.

(Special to Bystander.)

Here we come asking for admittance to your fruitful columns, we admire your valuable paper and your method of doing business, and it should be in the home of every one who desires to assist elevating the race. For at this day and age the newspapers control the sentiment of the American people. Why? Because the editor has time to keep posted on all the topics of the moment and is in touch with home surrounding and the outside world.

Bro. L. W. Williams of Boone made a trip to our little burg and before leaving set up one of the brightest K. of P. lodges in Iowa, we expect his return to set up a ladies department.

Among the new residents is Mr. Richard Wicks who has opened a hotel with fine accommodations.

They tell us that Des Moines has a swift ball team, good boys, let the good work go on.

Mrs. Jane accompanied by two of her lady friends went fishing on the 7th.

Mrs. Eliza Sutton is fast recovering from a broken shoulder.

Mr. Boxdale has opened a fine restaurant.

Miss Gray of Orange, N. J., is visiting Mrs. Boxdale.

Mrs. Dean Vandergriff of Scandia was a caller on her sister Mrs. George Stanton.

Miss Ellen Lewis of Fraizer was the guest of Mrs. C. Barber.

Mrs. Anna Brown is visiting her son Robert Brown.

Mr. L. W. Williams State Grand Chancellor of the K. of P., for the state of Iowa, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Allen, last week.

SOUTH ROCK ISLAND (ILL.)

(Special to Bystander.)

July 13th, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Black of Washington, Iowa, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert, they were enroute to Chicago.

Mrs. C. Lambert has been suffering with rheumatism recently, but is improving slowly.

Miss Hattie Tolliver is home from Chicago, where she has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Geo. Hilbring. She reports a pleasant time. She was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Belle Taylor was a visitor at the Sunday school convention at Springfield last week, returning home Monday. She was accompanied by little Elia Austin.

Mr. C. Lambert will take his summer vacation starting next week.

Miss Lizzie Morrison expects to make a tour of the east soon, to be gone some time. Her friends hope that the trip will be beneficial to her health.

Mr. Wm. Fulton will spend his summer vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lambert. He is now running on a dinner from Chicago to Denver.

Mrs. George Montgomery and children of Davenport were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert July 4th.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. E. Grayson visited a few days of this week in Oskaloosa and Buxton at the Butler and Jeffers homes.

Rev. M. F. Gordon assisted Rev. J. H. Bell in his quarterly conference, Sunday also a minister from Missouri preached at the A. M. E. church Friday evening.

Mrs. Washington and two other ladies from Hocking attended the quarterly meeting services in Albia Sunday.

Miss Jessie Parker was in Centerville for a part of this week returning home Tuesday.

Messrs. Will Randolph and Alfred Grayson of Hiteman were in Albia this Malchom Griffith of Des Moines, is visiting at the home of his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. C. Thomas.

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