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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, MAY 9, 1913.

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CITY NEWS.

Mowers sharpened Dawson's Hardware.

Mrs. and Mrs. V. Simmons, formerly of Grand avenue, have bought themselves a new home at 2624 Chester avenue and have moved there.

Mrs. J. B. Rush, president of the I. S. F. C. W. C., left this morning for Marshalltown, Iowa, where she will address the citizens on the subject, "The Black Girl's Burden."

The Dramatic Art club met Tuesday with Mrs. J. H. Brown and reviewed Cantos I-X of Purgatory. Meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Hammit and study Canto XI of Purgatory.

Screen Wire at Dawson's Hardware.

Mrs. Harrison Gould who has been so very sick in improving. She will leave next week for Memphis, Mo., to visit Mr. Gould's father a few weeks.

Miss Clementine Antia Jefferson arrived in our city from Texas to make her home with her father, Dr. Alvin J. Jefferson.

Mrs. Wesley Garnett, formerly of Buxton but recently of Enterprise died last Saturday at the Mercy hospital after a long spell of sickness. The funeral was held at Maple Street Baptist church Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. F. C. Bolding of Enterprise, who was her pastor.

We are glad to announce that A. B. Dixon graduated last month from the Cohn National Trade School as a plumber. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Dixon, one of our highly respected citizens here. Elsewhere will be found a cut and write up of him. We congratulate young Dixon.

Princess Zorah Chapter, No. 10, O. E. S., will observe Esther day Sunday, June 1, at 2:30 p. m. at Union Congregational church.

Princess Ozal Chapter, No. 9, will participate in the observance of Esther day and Rev. Reynolds, worthy patron of Princess Ozal Chapter, will preach the annual sermon. The public are cordially invited.

Screen Doors at Dawson's Hardware

We are permitted through a beautiful invitation to announce the wedding engagement of Rev. Brice U. Taylor, pastor of the St. Paul A. M. E. church, to Miss Zella Davis, to take place at the A. M. E. church on Wednesday, June 4th. The bride is one of the best known and most exemplary lady. The groom is one of the leading and best known ministers of his connection in the west.

Charity Lodge, No. 2192, G. U. O. of O. F., with Silver Leaf Lodge and Household of Ruth, No. 339, will hold jointly their annual thanksgiving at Union Congregational church Sunday, May 11th, at 2:30 o'clock. L. M. Brown will be master of ceremonies and Rev. P. S. Ervin, chaplain. Paper on Ruth by Mrs. P. S. Ervin. Sermon by Rev. S. Bates. In the morning and there will be an Odd Fellows covenant meeting in the hall, Eighth and Mulberry streets, at from 10 a. m. to 12 noon. The public cordially welcome at all of these meetings. The Odd Fellows lodge and Daughter of Ruth of Colfax has joined and will come.

Mr. F. C. Hackley of Sioux City, Ia. who was employed in the Iowa Legislature, spent a few days after the session calling on his old friends before going to his home. He also called at Bystander office before leaving. Mr. Hackley is a good reliable race man and we are always glad to meet such men. He left last week for his home.

At the meeting of the Negro Lyceum association Tuesday evening Dr. A. J. Booker gave a very interesting lecture on "Infectious and Contagious Diseases," illustrated by the use of microscopes and specimens of diseased tissue. Mesdames Edward Weeks and Wm. Midgett and Miss Birney McDowell were visitors present and each addressed the meeting. Next week's meeting will be with Miss Mamie James at 127 Rigart street, Lake Park, at which Mr. Douglas Miller, Jr., will discuss the judicial powers of the United States.

NOTICE

On account of the special meeting of the O. E. S. Chapter Thursday May 15th, the regular meeting of Doric Lodge No. 30, A. F. & A. M. will be held on Thursday the 22nd. All members will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

PROPERTY FOR SALE

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COLLEGE STUDENTS WANTED. I want about four college students that have experience as waiters to begin work about May 15th. Must have

OUR CITY CHURCH SERVICES.

Corinthian Baptist church, corner of Fifteenth and Linden streets. Rev. T. L. Griffith, pastor. Morning services at 10:30. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. B. Y. P. Union at 6:30 p. m. Evening services at 7:30 p. m.

Union Congregational church, corner of Tenth and Park streets. Rev. T. M. Brumfield, pastor. Morning services at 10:45. Subject, "Mother's Love." Sunday school at 12 o'clock noon. Evening services at 7:30 prompt. Subject, "The Community's Challenge to the Church." Remember Sunday is Mother's Day. The morning service will be devoted to this occasion. Come and join us in paying tribute to mother.

Asbury Methodist Episcopal church, 777 West Eleventh street. Rev. W. L. Lee, pastor. Morning services at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m. Epworth League at 7 o'clock p. m. Preaching services at 8 o'clock p. m.

St. Paul's A. M. E. church, corner of Second and Center streets. Rev. B. U. Taylor, pastor. Morning services at 11 o'clock. Class meeting immediately after services. Sunday school at 3 o'clock p. m. Allen C. E. at 6:30 o'clock p. m. Evening services at 8 o'clock p. m.

Maple Street Baptist church, between Eighth and Ninth street on Maple street. Rev. S. Bates, pastor. Morning services at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday school at 1 o'clock p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6 o'clock p. m. Prayer meeting at 7 o'clock p. m. Preaching at 8 o'clock p. m.

The Iowa State Bystander collector will start out next week upon his annual collecting trip and it is earnestly hoped that all those who owe the company will see him and settle up. Don't dodge him when he is there or say that you will send in, but be prepared to pay this bill the same as you do any other collector when they call. Tuesday, May 13, he will be in Oskaloosa; Wednesday, the 14th, in Washington; Thursday, the 15th, in Muscatine; Saturday, the 17th, in Davenport; Tuesday, the 20th, in Rock Island, Ill.; Wednesday, the 21st, in Moline, Ill.; Thursday, the 22d, in Clinton, Iowa; Friday, the 23d, in Cedar Rapids; Saturday, the 24th, in Marshalltown.

STATE LEGISLATURES ADJOURN

Within the last few weeks most all of the various state legislatures that have been in session in the United States this winter have adjourned and returned to their homes. The laws that they have enacted will remain to be seen if they prove a benefit to the commonwealth and to the general good of mankind, but one thing is certain, there was a series of bills introduced in the northern states that if passed would have resulted in great harm to the American Negro, namely, the intermarriage between the races. While our higher moral sense and Christian civilization prohibits it, yet there should be no law against it. We are glad to announce that the states of Ohio, Illinois, Minnesota, Kansas and Iowa all defeated such a bill that was before their legislatures and that Missouri refused to mar her statute books with the infamous Jim Crow laws by defeating the separate passenger bill on railroads. We hope that the broad and general intelligence of two more years these states will not for a moment stop to consider such legislation.

MUSCATINE, IOWA.

(Special to the Bystander.) The second annual district meeting of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's clubs met in a one day session on Friday, April 25th, in the A. M. E. church at Muscatine, Iowa, with Mrs. Alice Thompson, the district chairman, presiding. The following officers of the district being present: District Chairman Mrs. Alice Thompson, Assistant District Chairman Mrs. Ruth Bright of Davenport, Mrs. C. H. Merchant, B. Buckner, Mrs. Emma Black of Washington, Iowa, reporter.

The afternoon session was taken up in making and offering recommendations from the various clubs, also in reading and discussing papers by delegates on the work of the Federation. The subjects were both interesting and instructive and awakened a spirit of enthusiasm and much interest was manifested in the discussions. A number of delegates being present. Davenport was represented by Mesdames C. B. Lewis, Ruth Bright, C. H. Merchant, B. Buckner, and Mrs. Emma Black representing Washington, Iowa. The evening session was perhaps the most interesting session. A musical program opened the session by Muscatine talent, who rendered a most pleasing and enjoyable program. Mrs. J. B. Rush, the state president, was then introduced and delivered one of her soul-stirring lectures. Subject, "Uncrowned Heroines." It was a masterpiece of itself and was thor-

oughly enjoyed by all present. The district chairman, Mrs. Thompson, deserves much credit for her splendid entertainment to the delegates and untiring efforts put forth for their comfort and enjoyment during their stay in the city. All returned home feeling that they had been benefited by being present. Mrs. Emma Black, Editress.

ALBIA NEWS. (Last Week.) Rev. J. H. Bell of Oskaloosa was in Albia Sunday and Monday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson and children of Hocking spent Sunday in Albia. Mrs. Burns of Hocking was in Albia this week.



IOWA'S FIRST GRADUATE IN PLUMBING.

It is indeed with great pleasure that we present our readers with the cut of Alpha Baker Dixon of Des Moines, who is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Dixon, one of our highly respected and successful citizens. Young Dixon was born in Nebraska on November 18, 1892, came with his parents to old Muscatine in Mahaska county and later, when only 9 years old, his parents moved to Des Moines, Iowa, where he entered the public schools. After finishing the grammar school of this city he entered Wilberforce univer-

sity in Ohio in September, 1911, and studying there one year in the plumbing department, he was advised by Prof. Narvin of Wilberforce to go to Coyne National Trade School at Chicago. He complied with the suggestion and within one year of hard work in that great school in Chicago he completed the course and graduated as a master plumber, thus demonstrating the ability of the black man to master any of the varied and technical sciences. He is the first colored man to graduate in that course to our knowledge, and we congratulate young Baker and hope for him future success.

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DES MOINES IOWA

The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. Robinson in Hocking on Monday. The ladies have made some nice bonnets for the summer. Lunch was served after business.

In the item last week Mrs. Allie Bowman was elected delegate to the Mite Missionary convention in Ottumwa, Mrs. Lewis alternate and Mrs. R. B. Manly is president of the society in Albia.

Little William Lewis of Oskaloosa was visiting at the home of his grandparents again.

Miss Ora Lewis, one of Albia's popular young ladies, had a gentleman visitor from Rochester, New York, over Sunday.

Rev. R. B. Manly was a Buxton visitor last week. Noon from the A. M. E. church, in charge of Rev. S. L. Birt. Mrs. Ellis Brown, a daughter, was present from Chicago.

Mrs. Adah Davis entertained Monday evening at a reception in honor of her guests, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell. Light refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. David Garnet also entertained Tuesday evening at a card party. Dainty refreshments were served in two courses.

Mrs. Maggie Smith of Keokuk has arrived in our city and will make her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. McComa of St. Louis returned home Saturday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Greagby. Rev. Webster, Mrs. B. Lowrie and Mrs. Susie Hazel left Thursday for Peoria to attend the Sunday school convention. Miss Addie Holder went also as a delegate from the B. Y. P. U.

Health a Factor in Success. The largest factor contributing to a man's success is undoubtedly health. It has been observed that a man is seldom sick when his bowels are regular—he is never well when they are constipated. For constipation they will find nothing quite so good as Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels, but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. They are sold by all dealers.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

(Last Week.) (Special to Bystander.) There is a series of revival meetings going on at the A. M. E. church. All are cordially invited. Rev. I. H. Kinney, pastor.

The Dunbar Progressive club met at the home of Mrs. Rev. Roman on April 23. Mrs. Roman read an excellent paper on education. Delegates elected for the state convention were Mrs. Grace Humphrey and Mrs. Roman. Refreshments were served by Mrs. I. L. Brown next Thursday.

Mrs. Arthur Carter pleasantly surprised her husband by inviting a number of people, who spent a fine evening entertaining. Refreshments were served by the hostess and all report a delightful time.

The Aid society of the A. M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. I. L. Brown on Friday, the 25th. The time was spent in piecing quilt blocks. After business hours the hostess served refreshments. The Aid will meet May 15th with Mrs. Wheeler.

The Missionary society of the A. M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. R. J. Wright on Thursday, April 25th. Mrs. Rev. Morris (white) of the Christian church gave a splendid talk on missionary work. The talk will be continued at the meeting held with Mrs. Wheeler on May 15th. The hostess served refreshments, assisted by her niece, Miss Jessie Walker.

Mr. Calvin Wheeler returned home Monday from Ottumwa, having been called there by the death of his niece, Mrs. Elora Cason.

Mr. Berry of Mason City is in the city for a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer of Grinnell spent Sunday in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Crawford.

Mrs. Sarah Webb of Ogden, Iowa, is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson, and other relatives.

Mrs. Grace Humphrey and Mrs. Lulu Franklin will give a play for the benefit of the churches, entitled "Old Acre Folk." Others who will take part are Misses Hardenia Gilmore, Clara Carter, Temple Crawford, Mr. Carl Brown, Harry Flippings, Harry Warn, Mr. I. L. Brown, Walter Warn and Mr. G. Jackson. The time set for the play has not been given.

ALBIA NOTES. Mr. Neal Bowman has been sick the past week.

Mrs. Mabel Robinson of Hocking was in Albia on business this week, also帆布.

Mr. Elmer Tolson and others from Buxton were in Albia attending court the past week.

Mrs. Nellie Estes and little daughter, Marguerite, were in Hocking on Wednesday of this week.

Sunday will be Missionary day at the A. M. E. church. Quite a number of strangers in Albia the past week.

MONMOUTH, ILL. (Last Week.) The regular meeting of the Frederick Douglass Literary society of the A. M. E. church was postponed Tuesday night because of the play at the Baptist church.

On Tuesday evening the young people of the Calvary Baptist church

presented to a crowded house a play, entitled "Our Minister's Honeymoon," which was very much enjoyed. The church orchestra rendered several pleasing selections before the play.

Mr. Webb, a brother of Mrs. Emmett Birditt, is among the strangers in town.

On Thursday evening the members of the L. S. I. club royally entertained their husbands and gentlemen friends at the home of Miss Essie Neil. Miss Addie Johnson of Galesburg was among the visitors present.

Mrs. Emmett Birditt, Miss Eila Neil and Miss Marie Saunders were the committee in charge.

(This Week.) Mrs. W. A. Searcy has been ill for the past few days.

The ladies of the Eastern Star will give an entertainment the 9th of May.

Mr. Ed Payne is also on the sick list.

The Golden Rule Missionary society will meet with Mrs. J. Thomas on Friday afternoon.

A reception was given last week at the Calvary Baptist church, complimentary to Mrs. Matilda Groff, who will join her husband in Canada.

Seven young men and women took part in a high class play, entitled "A Noble Outcast," given at the Harding school for the A. M. E. church benefit. Although amateurs in the art, they acted their parts like professionals. Miss Essie Neil was in charge of the play. The church greatly appreciates the splendid effort put forth by the young people.

COLFAX, IOWA.

Colfax was aroused one day last week by the sound of fire alarm, which in a little while showed that a large fire was on hands. The firemen worked hard to fight flames, but all in vain. It is estimated the loss will be about \$5,000.

Mr. Will Crockett, who has been working at the Rest Home for several weeks, has resigned his position and left for Des Moines on Saturday to spend several days visiting his mother.

Mrs. Annie Freely has purchased a lot in Jubilee addition. Glad to see our people purchasing property.

Rev. Lipson was in our city between trains Saturday calling on friends.

Mrs. Lulu Edges still remains on the sick list.

The Bethel Baptist Sunday school will give a program at Odd Fellows hall on Saturday, May 10 Admission 10 cents. Everybody is invited to come out and help to make it a success.

The G. U. O. of O. F. Progressive lodge, No. 4219, and H. H. of Ruth, No. 1929, are going to join the Charity lodge and Silver Leaf lodge in annual sermon Sunday, May 11, 1913.

Mr. Matt Banks made a business trip to our city last Sunday and visited friends at Hotel Colfax, returning in the evening to the Capital City.

Mr. Sol Brown and the chef from Hotel Colfax spent Monday evening in Des Moines.

Mrs. Susie Clark expects to leave soon for South Dakota to join her husband, Rev. W. H. Clark.

Mr. Erkery Banks and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark expect to leave about May 15 for Lake Okoboji.

Mr. J. O. Redman came down Saturday and spent over Sunday with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dean, returning to Grinnell college Monday.

Mr. Oscar Redman came down from Des Moines to visit his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dean. Went to Des Moines to attend a ball and returned to Colfax on Tuesday.

Mrs. Bell Coleman left Wednesday for the Capital City for several days' visit with friends and will return Sunday to Colfax.

Mrs. Henry Johnson from Buxton is in our city visiting her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Morris. Mr. Morris has been quite poorly, but at this writing is a little better.

Mr. Crawford Carter made a flying trip to the Capital City between trains and attended the ball Friday of last week.

Messrs. Arthur and Charley Hill, stepsons of Mr. Morris, were up one day last week to visit Mr. Morris, who still remains quite poorly. They stayed over night, returning the next day to Buxton.

Mr. Emmett Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, is also in our city from Buxton. He has accepted a position out at Hotel Colfax.

What's the matter with the Colfax correspondent? Why, she's all right. Lots of news this week.

NOTICE

The sixth annual communication of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of Iowa and jurisdiction will be held at Buxton, Iowa, the third week in May, beginning Tuesday a. m., the 20th, and continuing through Thursday, the 22nd.

We urge all local chapters to send delegates and desire as many visiting members as can attend.

A great effort is being made by Guiding Star Chapter, No. 11, at Buxton to entertain said grand chapter meeting.

Ruth B. Bright, G. W. M.

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DAVENPORT NOTES.

The revival meetings at the A. M. E. church conducted by Miss Alice Clarke of the North Missouri conference of the A. M. E. church has proved quite beneficial spiritually. The church has been generally revived spiritually. One convert thus far and two accessions.

Rev. M. Toomey of the Third Baptist church has offered his resignation as pastor of said church, to take effect at once. Rev. Toomey has accepted a call to the Second Baptist church in Omaha, Neb. He will leave Davenport for his new field May 7.

Rev. Toomey has recommended to the deacon board to succeed him here a Rev. Mr. Nicholls of Chicago, Ill. Mr. Nicholls comes on trial to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Toomey of thirty days.

The Federated clubs of the city are quite busy getting ready for the annual meeting of the State Federation, which meets here May 28-29 in Bethel A. M. E. church in accordance to an invitation given by the pastor, Rev. T. B. Stovall, a year ago. Rev. Stovall learning that the state meeting would likely be in Davenport in 1913, offered to the good ladies his church for their place of meeting, being especially friendly to the Federated clubs. Appreciating the good work they are doing and have done, the good ladies kindly accepted Rev. Stovall's invitation to meet in the A. M. E. church, but through the mistake of the printer it seems that the people are about to be misled about the proper place of meeting. We wished, however, to have it understood that the meetings of the session will be held at Bethel A. M. E. church, except citizens' night, which will be held at the Third Baptist church, which is indicated in the official program.

The late Mrs. Ed Berry was buried from Bethel A. M. E. church on Saturday at 2 o'clock, Rev. T. B. Stovall officiating, assisted by the evangelist, Miss Alice Clarke. She was a faithful member of the A. M. E. church here. She leaves a husband, Mr. Ed Berry, and a brother, Mr. B. D. Young of Minneapolis, Minn., and a host of devoted friends. Among the most beautiful floral contribution to her memory was the spray from her husband and church class, No. 3, of which she was a charter member, she being the first member taken into the church by Rev. Stovall when he came here four years ago.

Mrs. William Turner entertained at the beautiful home of her sister, Mrs. Eugene Allen, as a courtesy to Miss Ruth Lewis, who is a visitor in the city.

The programs for the Sunday school convention of the Keokuk district are out, announcing the meeting to be held at Washington, Iowa, June 25 and 26. The following delegates will go from the Davenport school: Misses La Verne Washington, Hazel Busey and Master Allen Bean.

Mrs. Lillian F. Phillips, whose sickness was announced some time ago, is not improved any at this writing.

Mr. C. B. Lewis one of the chefs cooks of the Rock Island system has been chosen to take one of the cars on the new run established by said system between Minneapolis and Des Moines. Mr. Lewis will make his headquarters in Des Moines.

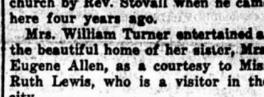
The Clara Shepard Girls' Improvement club will give a comedy, entitled "The California Uncle," Friday, May 16, at Bethel A. M. E. church.

The Boys' Athletic club will go to Clinton, Iowa, on the 15th to debate against the literary club of that city of the A. M. E. church, Rev. Geo. W. Slater having challenged them to debate the subject, Resolved "That fire is more destructive than water." Davenport negative.

Several cases of smallpox have been discovered in Davenport. One, Mr. Charles Davis, has been sent to pest house.

Lawn Mowers at Dawson's Hardware.

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