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## CITY NEWS

Mrs. E. H. Gaiter of Ames attended the Iowa State Fair Wednesday.

Mrs. Peter King of Burlington is in our city this week visiting with Mrs. W. T. Buckner on 13th and Day street.

Miss May E. and Ada Davis of Albia attended the State Fair Sunday. The former is our agent and correspondent.

Mrs. W. Hieronymous entertained at 1 o'clock dinner last Thursday Aug. 27th Mrs. Fred Holmes and Mrs. John Smith.

Miss Adah Hyde left Thursday evening for Madison, Ind., where she will teach in the public schools of that town.

Mr. W. H. McCree, our druggist, will leave Saturday for Boston, Mass., to marry Miss Lulu Harper of that city.

Mrs. Luther Lucas of Chicago is in our city visiting Mrs. Fred Jackson on Eighth street.

Little Lillian Jacobs is in the hospital preparing to take an operation soon.

Hon. Geo. W. Woodson of Buxton spent Thursday at the Iowa state fair.

Our collector will be in Creston on Monday, September 7th; Red Oak, Monday, September 7th, and in Clarinda.

Rev. Mrs. A. R. Mitchell of Atoka, Okla., who has been visiting her sister Mrs. R. B. Thompson of this city, left this week for her home.

Mr. J. W. Hedge, a barber of Mt. Pleasant, came to our city this week to see the fair and incidentally looked up a location. He called at The By-stander office.

Mr. Ed Morton, who has been so very sick is mending a little this week, which will be good news to his friends.

Mrs. A. C. Fisher of 128 Ridge street was called to Chicago on account of the death of her Grand mother, Mrs. Anderson Hayes. She left Wednesday afternoon.

The Rebecca Household of Ruth No. 239 has moved to the Masonic Hall, 1012 Center street, where the meeting will be held next Thursday afternoon.

The Misses Hazel and Ruth Shaw of Colfax visited a few days with their aunt, Mrs. R. D. Mash. While here they attended the Iowa State Fair and returned home Tuesday evening.

If you are a race man and believe in boosting the race, you can do so by taking shares in the Clay Hill Improvement Co. For information write Walter Jackson, secretary, 1306 Day St. Des Moines, Iowa.

FOR SALE—6 room house and large lot on Ft. Des Moines care line, good location. Cash or payments. Phone Drake Park 4399.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Alexander will leave Saturday evening for Denver, Colo., where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. Edna Buford. They expect to visit in several other points in the west before returning home. They expect to be away about three weeks.

The Des Moines Lawn Tennis club had a pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. H. R. Graves, Wednesday evening. They will give a house party at the home of Miss Violet Hunter Friday evening Sept. 11th for members only.

REMOVAL—J. Alvin Jefferson, M. D., announces the removal of his office from 774 9th street across to the new Thompson hotel, over the Model Drug Co. Telephone Walnut 1145.

The Corinthian Alter Guild met at the residence of Mrs. B. Carr, 1329 School street, Sept. 1st. After the regular business meeting the hostess served a dainty lunch. Mrs. Slader of Kansas City, Mo., was a guest and made some interesting remarks. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Wm. Woods, 838 11th street, Sept. 9th and all members should be present. Mrs. B. Carr, Secy.

For Sale at a Bargain  
A good paying restaurant and up-to-date ice cream parlor, in the business section of this city without competition, and headquarters for all visitors and citizens. Very best reason for selling. A good chance for a young man with small amount of money; will sell cheap for cash or easy terms. If interested write or call  
W. E. Green  
1032 West Franklin St.  
Moberly, Mo.

Mr. J. Wesley Thompson of the State university spent several days in the city last week visiting the state fair and friends.

Miss Edith M. Jones of Buxton arrived in the city Wednesday for an indefinite stay at the home of her aunt, Mrs. S. Joe Brown.

Mrs. Beatrice Papum and baby of Dalton, Mo., is visiting her aunt in our city, Mrs. J. R. Erickson, this week.

Mr. C. P. Howard, a graduate of Tuskegee Institute in 1913, arrived in our city this week to enter the East high school, preparatory for an agricultural course at Ames, Iowa.

The diamond ring contest which was to have been last Monday evening at St. Paul's A. M. E. church on account of the stormy evening was postponed until next Tuesday evening, September 8th.

Those employed at the Iowa state fair are Jeff Logan, Mrs. C. A. Cleggrett, Mrs. J. H. Shepard, Mrs. E. T. Blagburn, Mrs. J. T. Blagburn, C. B. Woods, Thornton Adams, E. T. Banks, Mrs. Gaiter and Mrs. Wm. Coalson.

Mr. A. D. Corbin, formerly of Davenport, but recently of Omaha, Neb., arrived in our city Thursday to stay indefinitely. He is a contractor, paper hanger and painter, and may open up an office here.

Joseph Hopkins, a business man from Waterloo, Iowa, spent one day in our city en route to Ottumwa and Galesburg, Ill. He called at The By-stander office.

The regular meeting of the local Negro Business League will be held in the Union Congregational church. All members are requested to be present, as the annual report of the national session will be given and other business of importance transacted.

Mrs. Mollie Watkins, her daughter, Miss Carrie, and her father, Mr. Nelson Watkins, of Albany, Mo., arrived in our city Monday, August 31, to take charge of the New Thompson hotel. Miss Carrie will enter the Des Moines college again this fall to pursue her course.

Mr. J. H. Marshall of Sharpsburg, Iowa, spent a few days in our city to see the state fair. He called at The By-stander office. He is the only colored man living in this town and has been there for a quarter of a century. He is well fixed and has a nice family.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson entertained at a dinner Monday at 6 o'clock Hon. W. W. Fields and wife of Cameron, Mo., Mrs. Peter King of Burlington, Mrs. Amanda Morton of Decatur, Iowa, Mr. Nelson Watkins and Mrs. Mollie Watkins and daughter, Carrie, of Albany, Mo. A very pleasant evening was spent and all will remember this occasion for a long time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fields of Cameron, Mo., spent Monday in our city en route to Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Fields is a very successful business man there. He is the grand secretary of the relief department of the Masonic grand lodge of Missouri and has been for more than ten years. They are a fine couple to meet. Their only child Miss Nina, attended Highland Park Normal college, from which she graduated in the music department.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and Mrs. Bertha Hanger of Des Moines have just returned from Keokuk Ia., where they have been attending the grand lodge of S. M. T. and U. B. F., also representing a new lodge of S. M. T. and U. B. F. of Des Moines, namely Phillips Guiding Star Temple and Wilson's United Brotherhood of Friendship. They were received into the Missouri jurisdiction with the highest compliments back to Des Moines and her new lodge. The new lodge was heartily applauded when presented to the grand body.

The By-stander Co. has secured Mr. Harry Allen to collect for The By-stander and he has started Tuesday and expects to be gone most of this month down through Illinois and Missouri. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday and Monday in Keokuk; Tuesday, September 8, in Peoria, Ill.; Wednesday, September 9, in Quincy, Ill.; Thursday, September 10, in Hannibal, Mo.; Friday, September 11, at Paris, Mo.; Saturday and Monday, September 14, at Moberly, Mo.

### THE GUESTS AT THE THOMPSON HOTEL.

The following guests are registered at the New Thompson hotel: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fields of Cameron, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. R. Oliver of Buxton, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Boone, J. H. Garrington, Joe H. Hopkins of Waterloo, J. W. Hedge of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and A. D. Corbin of Omaha, Neb.

### THE LYCEUM.

At the meeting of the Des Moines Negro Lyceum at the residence of Miss Hazel Ballance on Tuesday evening the proposed city railway franchise was discussed, led by Atty. S. Joe Brown. Mesdames Williams

and Winn were visitors and addressed the meeting, after which the hostess served a dainty repast. The next meeting will be at 1058 Fifth street, at which time Atty. J. B. Rush will lead the discussion of the present international conflict in Europe.

### CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

Announcements for Sunday, September 6th.  
10:30 a. m.—Doctrinal sermon on the "Perseverance of Saints," followed by baptismal service.  
12:30—Sunda school.  
3 p. m.—Covenant meeting and Lord's prayer.  
6:30—B. Y. P. U.  
8 p. m.—The rally and final report of the captains. All welcome.  
T. L. Griffith, Minister.

### STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ENTERTAINED.

Complimentary to the Negro students and teachers who will be leaving the city during the next few days for their fields of labor in the various schools and colleges of the country Atty. and Mrs. S. Joe Brown entertained informally a number of young people at their residence last Wednesday evening. The guests of honor were the following teachers: Mishes Letta E. Cary and Nellie A. Lettage of Bishop college, Marshall, Texas; Miss Lillian Colston of Rodgers Williams university, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Margaret Mason-Lowrey of State Normal School Institute, West Virginia; Miss Adah F. Hyde, Madison high school, Madison, Ind.; Misses Georgia Blagburn and Bertha Allen of Buxton, Iowa. The following students from out of the city: Miss Virginia Steele, Wilberforce university, Wilberforce, Ohio; Paul McCree, Fisk university, Nashville, Tenn.; Gentlemen Madison and Hamilton, Ames, Iowa, and Miss Iva McClain and Mr. W. H. Lowrey of the State university at Iowa City. Also the following prospective students: Douglas Miller Jr., of the State university of Iowa and Rufus B. Jacksons of Ames. Mrs. Brown was assisted by the Misses Vivian Warricks and Edyth M. Jones.

### EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

By John L. Thompson.  
Our next official stop was in Fort Madison, just outside of the penitentiary. Our stop was of such short duration that we did not have time to go inside. However, we looked over and was informed that a great number of people were still inhabiting this peculiar domicile, and they are enlarging it some to hold its prospective occupants. This town has a population of about 10,000, of which about 200 are colored. We have two colored churches, one, the Baptist, presided over by Rev. J. H. Bowles, and Rev. Owens has charge of the A. M. E. church. Both of these ministers are up-to-date, wide-awake men and are doing good work. Mr. and Mrs. R. Harper are still living here and he is working at the same place. Mrs. Harper is running a first class boarding house on Front street and is doing well. One of her daughters, Miss Anna, is home during vacation. She is a teacher in the public schools at Carbondale, Ill. Another daughter is going to take a musical course and one is entering college and Miss Jennie is the By-stander agent and will chronicle the news for our paper this coming year. This is a very intelligent family, as they have five children that have graduated from high schools of Fort Madison and they are all doing well. Mrs. C. W. Eubanks is still in the hair dressing and beauty parlor on Front street and is constantly an artist in that work. Mrs. C. Chas. Henry is doing well. Rev. C. A. Payton is still here, but has retired from active service as a minister. Mr. F. F. Wedley is running a new pantatorium and cleaning parlor and is doing well. He is located in the Antlers hotel. Our new subscribers here are D. Isom, Ambrose Jackson, H. W. Yeiser, A. M. Bruner, F. F. Wedley and Mrs. Alice Day.

### THE NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE.

A Successful Meeting in Muskogee.

The fifteenth annual session of the National Negro Business League held a very interesting and largely attended meeting last week in Muskogee, Okla. It was a great meeting from every viewpoint.

Fourteen cities have played host to the famous Business League, but no city, from Boston to Philadelphia, has presented a livelier scene in its preparation for the comfort and entertainment of the delegates of the League than this Wizard City of an engaging commonwealth. Nor has such a crowd of believers ever gathered for a feast of a new Israel's province of daring and achieving black people—black in appellation, if democratic in the hue, Muskogee invited the black population of the whole country to come; and here they were by the inch, yard and league—countable, but uncounted!

The parade was an even hour and ten minutes long, showing the progress of the Negro and his idea of demonstration and advertising. Four bands, boy cadets, floats with school children, Negroes in automobiles, carriages and buggies, a troop of men on women on horseback, bicycle riders and mule riders wound down the street in gala attire.

It was claimed the greatest demonstration ever given in the history of the National Negro Business League. The parade concluded at the fair grounds, where there were many features during the afternoon for the entertainment of the visitors. Fully four thousand Negroes saw the Indians play a "stick ball" game, a new sport for the majority of the on-lookers.

When the league session opened there were lawyers, doctors, merchants, bankers, farmers, clerks, stenographers, editors, teachers, college presidents and representatives of all classes present. Following the opening prayer by Professor W. H. Carter of Topeka, Kan., Vice President J. M. Wright, who was once city treasurer of Topeka and is now deputy county clerk, made a few remarks, congratulating the race upon the leadership of Booker T. Washington and made a kind reference to one of the leading young men of the race, Emmett J. Scott.

Logan Morgan of Muskogee told how he had escaped the grafters without having an education, saying that he now owns 1,400 acres of farm

land. He presented a basket of fine peaches he had raised to Doctor Washington.

J. W. Whitlow came from Macon county, Ala., to tell the members of his race how he had started life, assisted by his wife and two steers which they plowed three days and then used the hoe three days, making six bales of cotton.

"When I got married," he said, "I had to borrow money with which to buy the license. We lived on a sack of meal from March to July. I got so during this time that I could buy the old lady ten cents worth of flour Saturday night so she could buy biscuits on Sunday. We had hoe-cake for breakfast, and for dinner we had mush, and spring water for supper. By careful planning and working, we now have 1,537 acres of land, and our income is \$75 a month from milk and butter alone. We expect to turn out 150 bales of cotton this year. We have ten boys, four girls, thirty-six mules, eight horses, fifty cows and fifty hogs."

Doctor Washington, pointing at the speaker, asked if there was a young Negro in Muskogee who would do that well. "This is an example," he said, "and if the young men would get out and do something they would find it better than loafing around pool rooms, dancing halls and gambling dens."

There was one of the few women undertakers of the country, M. Josenburger of Fort Smith, Ark., presented to the league, and she told how she had conducted the business since the death of her husband, and how her own people had come to her.

Her story was followed by one which brought forth outbursts of laughter from the large crowd. J. M. Frierson had entered business on a small income, and found it necessary to live on 25 cents a day while getting a start. He now has a large establishment in Houston, Texas.

Thomas H. Mays, of Memphis, perhaps the most successful Negro undertaker in the country among his people, spoke. He had his ups and downs while struggling to get a foothold. He was followed by C. R. Houston, Jr., of Fort Worth.

### ALBIA NEWS.

Messrs. Arthur Ester and Edward Butler were Ottumwa visitors Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Walter Bennings returned home for over Sunday from Okaloosa.

The Monroe county fair was on last week. Mrs. Maggie Gordon's chickens took first prize at the poultry show. Mrs. Gordon also had charge of the ladies' toilet room.

The Buxton band played at the Monroe county fair on Thursday.

Mrs. Oscar Roper entertained a few young people at her home on Saturday evening.

Miss Ada Davis and Miss May F. Davis attended the state fair in Des Moines on Sunday. They met a few of their friends and some new acquaintances.

### WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. Ralph Motts of Chicago arrived last Saturday for an indefinite visit at the parental F. D. Motts home.

Messrs. E. Butler and R. Esters of Albia Sundayed at the Rev. J. H. Bell home and attended quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. and Mrs. Sims of Kansas City are new arrivals in the city to locate. Mr. Sims is employed at the Smith & Clark garage.

Mrs. Estell of Richmond, Ky., arrived in the city last week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Aaron Howard. She expects to remain a couple of months.

Mr. McKain of Davenport is a new resident of the city and is employed at the John Shields coal yard.

Mrs. Chas. Berkley and son, George, went to Davenport last week, called by the sudden and serious illness of Mrs. Lillian Phillips.

Raymond Hall is improving nicely and will be able to be out in a short while.

Mrs. Ed Coy of Richmond, Ind., left Sunday for her home, after a visit with her brother, Henry Rhodes, and family.

Rev. S. B. Moore, presiding elder of the Des Moines district, spent several days here this week after conducting quarterly meeting Sunday. Tuesday night he addressed the Intellectual Improvement club and Wednesday night he delivered a soul-stirring sermon.

### Acute Indigestion.

"I was annoyed for over a year by attacks of acute indigestion, followed by constipation," writes Mrs. M. J. Gallagher, Geneva, N. Y. "I tried everything that was recommended to me for this complaint, but nothing did me much good until about four months ago I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and procured a bottle of them from our druggist. I soon realized that I had gotten the right thing, for they helped me at once. Since taking two bottles of them I can eat heartily without any bad effects." Sold by all dealers.

### MONMOUTH, ILL.

Miss Mary Brown has returned home, after a week's visit in Peoria, Ill.

Mr. W. R. Lash is improving, after an illness of several weeks.

Miss Helen Williams returned to her home in Canton, Ill. Mrs. Richard Wallace accompanied her.

Miss Essie Niel has returned home, after an extended visit in Chicago.

Miss Ethel Hubbard of Chicago is visiting her parents in this city.

The chicken fry given by the trustees of the St. James A. M. E. church was well attended and a neat sum realized.

Mr. Henry Cooper of Chicago spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Cooper.

Dr. Emos L. Scruggs has gone to Jacksonville to spend over Sunday. He will then attend the association at Alton, Ill.

The choir of the St. James A. M. E. church entertained Miss Marie Saunders on Wednesday evening with a two-course luncheon. She was presented with a beautiful bible by the trustees of the church for her services rendered as organist. Miss Saunders left for Fessenden, Fla., where she will teach in the Fessenden academy.

Miss Lois Skinner of Jacksonville is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Skinner.

Mrs. A. C. Crouse and son of Viola, Wis., have returned to their home, after a visit with Mrs. Crouse's sister, Mrs. Dayse Wallace.

Rev. Rutherford of the First Baptist church filled the pulpit at the Galvary Baptist church Sunday evening.

### BUXTON REVIEW.

Mrs. Adalade Brooks from Colfax, Iowa, is in our city this week visiting her sister, Mrs. B. F. Cooper.

Mr. W. H. Cook is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Lewis Roberson, who was injured last week by being thrown from his buggy and had to be sent to the hospital, is somewhat better at this writing.

Mr. A. G. Rhoades, who went to Des Moines last week to attend the grand lodge of the Odd Fellows, has returned and reports a fine session.

Mrs. J. E. Mills, who went through an operation, is improving.

Mrs. Ada Wade went to Des Moines this week.

Mr. Richard Oliver, the bandmaster, is in Des Moines attending the state fair this week.

Sweet Beulah, No. 343, Court of Calantha had a grand program last

Tuesday night. All of the brother knights were invited. Quite a number were out and a number of visitors.

There were song services at Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday night. Quite a number were out at the Christian Endeavor Sunday evening at St. John's A. M. E. church. Topic, "How To Abolish War."

We had a nice rain here Tuesday night.

A fine program was rendered at Tabernacle Baptist church Monday night by the literary society.

### COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA.

The carnival given under the auspices of the stewardesses of Bethel A. M. E. church proved a success.

The watermelon social given at Bethel church Friday night would have been quite a success had the weather been more favorable, and yet a neat little sum was realized.

Sunday was rally day at Tabernacle Baptist church and a very neat sum of \$92.73 was realized, for next pastor and members are thankful. Rev. W. F. Botts of Omaha delivered an excellent sermon in the afternoon. The new choir rendered lovely music. Rev. Morton delivered two able sermons both morning and evening.

The contractors start their work Tuesday tearing down the old building. The Masons have thrown open their hall doors for the services to be held there until the new church is erected. Let us do all we can in helping them in their efforts.

There will be a big picnic given Labor day at the old fair grounds at Sixteenth and Avenue G by the members of Silver Leaf club. All preparations are being made to make this one of the best that has been given this season. Mr. Chas. Burke is chairman of a large committee.

The reception given by Mrs. R. V. Robinson at her home at 2425 Fifth avenue in honor of her sister, Mrs. Thomas, of Seattle, Wash., was a most delightful affair and was enjoyed by all present. Many of the guests were unable to be present because of the rainy weather. A most delicious repast was served by the hostess.

Mr. R. Brown of Lincoln, Neb., spent a few days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cave.

Miss Martha Richmond left Monday for her home in Alliance, Neb.

### MACON, MO. NEWS.

Quite a number of Macon people attended the basket meeting in Clarinda.

Rev. G. W. Cross preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning and evening.

Western college will open September 28th. They are preparing for a large attendance.

Mr. Floyd Ancell will leave soon for Jefferson City to attend school. Macon is enjoying very hot weather. Ralph Ridge, Jacob Maxwell, Don Cranshaw and brother passed through Macon en route for Jefferson City to attend school.

A number of Macon people spent Sunday in Moberly to attend the association.

Miss Brookie Carter is visiting relatives in Garnett, Kans.

Rother Williams spent Sunday in Macon.

Miss Nannie Berdin, the great mocking bird of the west, rendered a musical concert Monday evening at the A. M. E. church.

Miss Lucille Harris and nephew, Harris Xenophon, have returned from a month's visit in the tri-cities.

Mr. Marcus Dennie is a visitor in the city.

Mrs. B. Tenney has returned from a visit in St. Louis.

Mr. Chester Minor and Annie Collins were quietly married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents. We wish them a happy life.

### SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mrs. O. J. Mullen was hostess to the A. I. P. club at their business meeting Friday, August 24. Arrangements were made for an entertainment October 1st for the benefit of the Mt. Zion and A. M. E. churches. At the close of the session the hostess served a delightful two-course luncheon.

Mr. M. Askew and Mr. L. Sadler have returned home from Des Moines, where they were in attendance at the annual session of the G. U. O. of O. F. Little Katie and Louis Lindsey have departed for their home in Chicago, after a pleasant visit with relatives in the city.

The Ladies' Aid society of Mt. Zion Baptist church will hold its meeting in the church parlors Thursday evening.

Mrs. Etta Grant left Monday for a two weeks' visit at Minneapolis. A Japanese social was given at the A. M. E. church Monday evening. Under the auspices of the choir. A splendid program was rendered and it was a success financially. The Men's Progressive club met at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Monday evening.

Mr. Thos. Williams of Montgomery, Ala., has been a guest in the T. H. Sturges home.

Chamberlain's Liniment.  
If you are ever troubled with aches, pains or soreness of the muscles, you will appreciate the good qualities of Chamberlain's Liniment. Many sufferers from rheumatism and sciatica have used it with the best results. It is especially valuable for lumbago and lame back. For sale by all dealers.