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CITY NEWS.

Mrs. Harry Allen of 1212 Crocker street entertained a few friends last week. An enjoyable time was had by all present.

The Bystander collector will be in Buxton, Albia, Hiteman and Hocking next week. Let every one be ready to pay their subscription.

Mr. Bailey, the northern representative of Booker T. Washington's great industrial school, arrived in our city Wednesday to work in the great northwest. He succeeds Mr. C. Hosmer.

The Woman's Working club met at Mrs. Otis Bank's on November 16th, at 1022 Thirtieth street. After business was transacted the hostess served a nice luncheon. They adjourned to meet at Mrs. Laura Bundy's, 1009 West Walnut street, November 23rd.

The Bridge club was entertained Wednesday evening by Mrs. Carrie Stone. The usual game of bridge was played and refreshments served. Miss Maydew Robinson was admitted to membership. Club will meet next Wednesday evening with Mrs. Edith Strawthers.

The regular monthly meeting of the Negro Business League for December will be held in the room of Union Congregational church at Tenth and Park streets. The executive committee has decided that this will be the permanent meeting place for the league each month. Their next meeting will be Monday, December 14th. Every member is urged to be present.

The Triple "H" club met November 17th with Mrs. J. L. Thompson, 1306 Twentieth street. Discussion of Farmer Bulletin on Peanuts led by Mrs. William McGruder. Story, Mrs. J. L. Thompson. Current events. Question box. Report of critic. Adjourned to meet Tuesday, November 24th, with Mrs. A. M. White, 904 Seventeenth street.

A Farm for Rent

We have a farm for rent in Decatur county, Iowa 4 miles from town of 140 acres to rent for cash, very low, from one to five years lease. 120 acres in cultivation, a good stock farm, land rolling, fruit trees, shade with well and barn. Would prefer a colored farmer. Write to John L. Thompson, 1306 W. 20th

Rev. W. H. Clark of Lovell, N. D., who formerly lived in Colfax, Iowa, arrived in our city with his wife last week to remain indefinitely. He has proved up on 160 acres of good Dakota land, but as his wife's health is poorly up there he had to bring her back here for improvement. He is much enthused over the great opportunities up there for our young men to make money and own property. There are several colored farmers there doing well.

The Mary Church Terrell club met at the home of Miss Marie Bell on Monday evening. The lesson was read by Mrs. Audra Alexander and a paper on "Education" was read by Miss Gertrude Hyde. Mrs. Spencer of Grinnell and Miss Letha Johnson were club guests. Refreshments were served and club adjourned to meet at the home of Miss Gertrude Hyde with the following program: "Lives of Sir Samuel Garth and Wm. Walsh," led by Miss Marie Bell. Paper on "Temperance," by Mrs. Audra Alexander.

UNION THANKSGIVING SERMON

Program for union Thanksgiving service to be held at Maple Street Baptist church November 26:
Song by choir.
Prayer, Rev. E. G. Jackson.
Song by choir.
Scripture lesson, Rev. M. W. Alexander.
Song by choir.
Reading proclamation, Rev. T. L. Griffith.
Song by choir.
Sermon, Rev. W. L. Lee.
Song.
Collection.
Chairman, Rev. Samuel Bates.
Everybody invited, as all the churches will share in these services, and there will be no other services Thursday morning at any other colored churches. The East Sixth and Ninth street car goes within one-half block of this church.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our sincerest thanks to the neighbors and friends who so kindly aided us during the illness and bereavement of our husband and father, Mr. Edward Reeves. And we especially appreciated the beautiful floral offerings.
Mrs. Edward Reeves.
Mrs. Anna Harris.
Mrs. Mary Jackson.
Mr. Floyd Reeves.
Mr. Wm. Reeves.

NOTICE.

The board of directors of the Federation Home for Women and Girls held a very interesting meeting Saturday afternoon, November 14, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Rush. Resolutions were adopted and systematic

efforts planned regarding the establishment of the home.

Mrs. J. B. Rush, President, Des Moines, Iowa.
Mrs. A. G. Clark, Clerk, Okaloosa, Iowa.

THE LYCEUM.

At the meeting of the Des Moines Negro Lyceum association Tuesday evening the "Billy" Sunday religious campaign was discussed by the members, led by Mrs. Mattie Warricks. A letter was also read from Mr. Rufus Jackson, a former president. The meeting next week will be with Dr. J. A. Jefferson, at which time Miss Beatrice Turner will lead in the discussion of the life and work of Mrs. Booker T. Washington, president of the National Association of Colored Women.

At a recent meeting of Negro business men from various parts of the state, called by Atty. Geo. H. Woodson, and held at 507 Mulberry street, this city, the temporary organization of a real estate investment corporation was perfected, with Hon. Geo. O. Terrell of Colfax as temporary president, and Atty. S. Joe Brown as temporary secretary-treasurer. Thirteen men were in the temporary organization, which number it is hoped to increase to one hundred before Tuesday, January 6th, which date has been set for the perfection of the permanent organization and incorporation. Until said date any person desiring to become a member of the organization may do so by sending the sum of \$10, the temporary membership fee, to the secretary-treasurer, who is under a \$2,000 bond with the Aetna Liability Co. as security to keep said money on deposit in the savings department of the Central State bank of Des Moines to be used only for investment in real estate as ordered by the corporation when perfected or to be returned with 3 per cent interest if said organization should not be perfected within one year.

"THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO," A GREAT PHOTODRAMA.

"The Battle of Waterloo," the great war photodrama at the Mystic theater the coming Saturday afternoon and evening is positively the greatest picture of this nature ever produced. Thousands upon thousands of dollars were expended before the five big reels of this world-wide battle in which the great Napoleon went to his defeat. It is a picture every parent should bring their children to see, as it is a real study in history. This production will be given only one afternoon and evening at the Mystic theater Saturday, November 20th. Come out early to get seats.

EDITORIALS

EVANGELIST SUNDAY.

Our city is now undergoing a great revival under the supervision of the great evangelist, Wm. A. Sunday, who has built a tabernacle seating about 8,000 people. It is indeed astonishing to see the tabernacle continually crowded each afternoon and evening for the past two weeks. He is a most remarkable divine that says anything in any manner that he thinks about. He has already done much good and it will pay any person to hear him. It is the greatest meeting of its kind that we ever saw. His choir leader has organized a choir of 700 voices and they do make fine music. We do hope that Des Moines will really be made a better town, a more God-fearing and God-observing than heretofore.

DISTINGUISHED EDITORS DEAD.

Below we give a list of some of the distinguished colored editors who have died this year: Hon. Col. Allen Allensworth (retired from the U. S. army), editor of Sentiment Maker, at Allensworth, California, died September 27th; Prof. J. M. Codwell, A. M., editor of Western Star, Houston, Tex., died August 4th; Rev. N. H. Pius, D. D., editor of Metoka and Galeda Magazine, Nashville, Tenn., died October 28th; Miss L. E. Bushnell, editor of Hope, Nashville, Tenn., died November 7. We are sorry to lose those true and tried knights of the quill. May their lives and impression upon this old rough world be an inspiration to those of us left.

MRS. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON WILL VISIT DES MOINES.

Monday evening, November 30th, at St. Paul's A. M. E. church, corner of Second and Center streets, has been decided upon as the date and place for the entertainment, under the auspices of the department of social science of the national association. In addition to a short musical program given by a chorus composed of girls from the three local high schools, the people of Des Moines and vicinity will be given an opportunity to hear Mrs. Booker T. Washington, wife of the noted educator. Mrs. Washington's appearance here is being looked forward to with interest by the club women of the city and state. Mrs. Washington, who is president of the National Association of Colored Women, has established a reputation throughout the nation as a speaker. Her lecture will deal with social conditions among our people. The booking of Mrs. Washington has been brought about through the efforts of Mrs. S. Joe Brown, superintendent of the department of social science. As an appreciation of her coming the loyal club women, together with a large num-

ber of non-club workers of the city, are arranging for her entertainment while here.

NEGROES IN THE UNITED STATES.

Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Washington. The bulletin will show that the number of Negroes in the United States (exclusive of outlying possessions) in 1910 was 9,827,763, and they formed 10.7 per cent of the total population. In 1900 the number of Negroes was 8,838,994, or 11.6 per cent of the total population of that date. The increase among the Negroes during the decade was 998,769, or 11.2 per cent, as compared with an increase of 20.8 per cent among the native whites and of 30.7 per cent among the foreign-born whites. The growth of the Negro population results from their own natural increase, while the growth of the white population is accelerated by the great influx of immigrants and the high birth rate in immigrant families. Of the total number of Negroes in 1910 about one-fifth were reported as mulatto; that is, as having some white blood. The proportion that mulattoes formed of the total Negro population increased from 12 per cent in 1870 to 15.2 per cent in 1890, and to 20.5 per cent in 1910.

Urban and Rural Distribution.

Nearly three-fourths of the Negroes (7,138,534, or 72.6 per cent) were rural dwellers, while about one-fourth (2,689,229, or 27.4 per cent) lived in towns or cities of at least 2,500 inhabitants. The Negroes formed 14.5 per cent of the rural population of the United States, as compared with 6.3 per cent of the urban. In the southern states the great majority of the Negroes lived in rural districts, while of the Negroes of the north and of the west a large proportion were city dwellers.

Of a total of 2,953 counties in the United States there were only 110 in which there were no Negroes, and there were 53 counties in 1910, as compared with 55 counties in 1900, in which 75 per cent of the population was Negro. There were 263 counties in 1910 in which 60 per cent of the population was Negro.

Sex and Age.

In 1910 there were 4,885,881 Negro males in the United States, as compared with 4,941,882 Negro females, the number of males to 100 females thus being 98.9, as compared with a ratio of 100 for the whites. The Negroes were the only race in the United States in which there were more females than males.

OBITUARY.

Mr. James Young of Wren, Ohio, died Monday at his home on his farm at a ripe old age of about 80 years. He is an uncle of Geo. C. Young of our city, the auctioneer.

We received the sad news of the death of Mrs. Bettie Moton of Peoria, Ill., the mother of Mrs. J. A. Cotton there. She was 77 years old.

Reeves Dead.

We are sorry to chronicle the death of Mr. E. Reeves, one of our old and highly respected citizens, who died at his home, 205 Arthur street last Friday, November 13th, after several months of illness. He was born in Virginia in 1854, came to Iowa thirty years ago and settled in Mahaska county, working in the mines. He married Miss Georgie Ann Wright on August, 1873, and to this union there were eleven children, of whom five are living, namely, Fbyd and Willie of Marshalltown and Mary and Anna Harris of Marshalltown and Lizzie and his loving and devoted wife, with a very large number of friends to mourn his loss. He was a member of the Baptist church for forty years and was true to his church. The funeral was held Sunday from the Corinthian church, conducted by Rev. S. Bates. A very large crowd was out to pay their affection to this good man.

CARNATION CLUB GIVE FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET THURSDAY AT FT. DODGE, IOWA.

The newly organized Carnation club devoted to the interests and advancement of the colored people of this city gave their first banquet at Cooper's cafeteria last evening. More than one hundred people of this city and elsewhere were assembled around the gorgeously decorated banquet table laden with an extensive variety of foods.

Prominent speakers were secured for the occasion, among whom were Geo. E. Perkins of Rock Island, Ill., who delivered the opening address. G. W. Walden, of Kansas City, Mo., delivered an address on present racial conditions. Others who spoke were, S. Hudson, Clarence Coffman, Chester Smith, Owen Lewis, Earl Southall and Edward Miller, toastmaster.

The out of town guests who were invited were: Mr. and Mrs. Comely, Webster City, Iowa; Miss Mary Jane Reeves, Webster City; Miss Alice Mitchell, Webster City; Miss Sadie White, Boone, Iowa; Miss Edithyn Crushon, Champaign, Ill.; Miss Pansy Byoakin, Leavenworth, Kan.; Miss Ruth Southall, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Shoecraft, Chicago; Mr. Jacob Wonders, Chicago; Dr. Bousfield, Chicago, and Manuel Henderson, Kansas City.

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WATERLOO NEWS.

(Last Week.)
Mrs. E. J. Smith has arrived in this city from New Orleans, La.
Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Smith are back from Rochester, Minn. Mr. Smith is greatly improved.
Mr. Bert Barton again is in town from Kansas City.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horton have received in their home an infant son.
The work of Mrs. Janie Thornton has daily improved until she has numerous customers.
The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Key died recently, after a brief illness.

The A. M. E. choir will give a concert at that church November 10th.
The following officials were installed into their offices in the Young Men's Sunday club Sunday, November 8th: Mr. H. Carson, president; Rev. B. E. Baker, vice president; Miss Eva M. Smith, secretary; Mr. C. Pedigrew, treasurer; U. G. Smith, chaplain, and a board of three directors.
Mrs. W. J. Cook has returned from Memphis, Tenn., where she spent her vacation.

The A. M. E. Sunday school campaign has been extended till November 26th, when it will close with an elaborate program.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

(Last Week.)
Quarterly meeting was observed Sabbath at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Daniels preached the morning and evening sermons and Rev. Bert of Galesburg preached in the afternoon. Quite a few friends were down from Galesburg.
Mr. James Groff, who has been sick for some time, passed away last week. The funeral services were held at the Calvary Baptist church, Rev. Scruggs officiating.

Mrs. Nellie Wallace is quite sick at her home on South Fifth street.
Dr. Toomey preached both morning and evening sermons Sabbath day at the Calvary Baptist church. The Lord's supper was also administered.
Dr. E. L. Scruggs went to Burlington on Monday morning.

Rev. P. H. Lewis of the A. M. E. church took sick Friday and was taken to the hospital Sabbath afternoon, where he underwent a serious operation. He is getting along nicely, considering conditions.

W. R. Lash died Sunday afternoon at his home, after an illness of a year, caused from tuberculosis. Mr. Lash is survived by his wife and three brothers. Short services were held at the home, in charge of Rev. Scruggs, and the body was taken to Fairbury, Ill., Tuesday morning for interment.

Please leave all news for the paper at the home of the correspondent, 617 1-2 Front street.
We are glad to see Mr. Charles McKane, a former resident of this city, back again.

Death called Mr. William Stewart on Tuesday morning at 11 a. m. Death was caused by dropsy, after an illness of almost a year. The deceased was one of Fort Madison's oldest colored citizens, having resided here for twenty-eight years. During his long residence here he has made a host of friends. He is survived by

his wife, Mary Stewart, and two children, George and Agnes.

The meeting of the A. C. E. league was led by Mr. D. Isom last Sunday. More of our young people should attend these meetings, as they will broaden us along both spiritual and intellectual lines.

There will be a grand ball Friday evening, November 13, at the Marquette auditorium. Music will be furnished by Meyer's orchestra.

While unloading a car on the C. B. and Q. railroad track, Alvin Shepherd met with a serious accident by badly wounding his left hand. The condition of his hand is improving slowly and it is thought that it will have to be completely taken off.

The party for the children of the A. M. E. Sunday school was held at the home of Mrs. Sandy Johnson last Thursday evening.

Miss Naomi Harper was in Dallas City, Illinois, Monday on business.

There are quite a few strangers in the city this week.

Those subscribers who are in arrears with their subscription please be ready to pay when the correspondent calls.

FORT MADISON NOTES.

(Last Week.)
Fort Madison is a booming. The location of three new factories is practically assured. Lots have been selling in the west end of the city at a reasonable cost on easy payments. Why not let us get into the game with the rest of the people of the city and buy a lot? This enterprise is bound to be paying and the investment of a small amount in same would bring more than an added return.

Preparations are being made for a concert to be held at the Second Baptist church Thursday evening, November 12th.

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Mr. Dan Skinner was badly hurt this week, caused by a fall from a buggy. Both bones of one leg were broken.

ST. PAUL, BUDGETARIAN.

Mrs. Wm. Liggins, an old and respected resident of our city, died at Winnepeg last Monday, where she had gone to attend the funeral of her son-in-law, Mr. Geo. Hunton. Her remains were brought to St. Paul, and she was buried Thursday afternoon from St. James' A. M. E. church. She leaves a husband, daughter, two grandchildren and friends to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Harry Bass is very ill at this writing with the pneumonia. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Clarence Jackson of Anoka was in our city Saturday.

Mr. Thos. Steele, formerly of our city, is now located in Canton, Ohio, where he has charge of a hotel there as head waiter.

The Sunday school of Pilgrim Baptist church gave a banquet in the church parlors last Friday evening in honor of Miss Cornelia Gordon, who leaves for the Girls' Training School at Washington, D. C., of which Miss Nannie Burroughs is principal. Miss Gordon will take up domestic science.

The card party given by the Self-Culture club at the residence of Mrs. Jerome Covington last Wednesday was a decided success. They will give another one soon.

Pilgrim Baptist church will give a bazaar beginning November 24 to 26. Mrs. Jennie Kelly is chairman of the committee.

A question mark entertainment will be given at St. James' A. M. E. church Thanksgiving night, under the auspices of the H. Y. W. K. club. Something new.

The S. P. E. Girls' club gave a surprise dancing party in honor of Miss Bertha Morgan on Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. M. Barkdale of Aurora avenue. Miss Morgan leaves soon for her home in the east.

About thirty of the younger set were present and enjoyed themselves until 12:30 a. m., when refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keyes have gone to Omaha to reside, where Mr. Keyes has accepted a position on the U. P. road.

Mrs. Joseph Adams has been confined to her bed with a slight attack of indigestion, but is better at this writing.

Please pay up your subscription to the Bystander, as they need the money.

Best Cough Medicine for Children. "Three years ago when I was living in Pittsburgh one of my children had a hard cold and coughed dreadfully. Upon the advice of a druggist I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it benefited him at once. I find it the best cough medicine for children because it is pleasant to take. They do not object to taking it," writes Mrs. Lafayette Tuck, Homer City, Pa. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. Sold by all dealers.

COUNCIL BLUFFS ITEMS.

The church services were largely attended all day Sunday at the Tabernacle Baptist church. The Sunday

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