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Price Five Cents

Rev. W. H. Wheeler of Kansas City, Mo., left our city this week for Mason City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rhodes of 1028 West Sixteenth street announce the arrival of an eight pound baby girl.

Mrs. I. M. Jones spent last Wednesday at Mitchellville visiting her niece, Miss Melvina Johnson.

Miss Lela Fuller of Muskegon, Okla., a sister of Mrs. B. B. Thompson, 815 Ontario avenue, has just returned home, after having a nice visit.

Rev. A. Wagner of Omaha, Nebr., pastor of the Inter-Denominational Peoples Mission church, was in our city this week looking up a location for the establishing of a branch of that denomination here.

Mrs. J. H. McDowell, who was delegate to the district convention of the W. C. T. U. last week at Milo, reports a very splendid session and she will also represent the work at the state meetings, which convenes at Iowa City this week.

Mrs. Ruth B. Bright with Mrs. H. Henderson, left Colorado Springs Sept. 16th to tour the coast. She will stop at Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Diego, Pasadena, Oakland and San Francisco. She expects to be absent one month.

Mrs. Clara Lillians Jowers, 784 West 10th street, entertained about nineteen of her friends in honor of Mesdames Chas. Darden and Wesley Allen of Buxton, who were attending the grand lodge.

Mrs. Cyletha McMillan of 1008 Center street was hostess to a noon pink tea given in honor of Mesdames Chas. Darden and Wesley Allen of Buxton.

Mr. Clyde Branham of Fremont, Neb., visited his cousin, B. N. Hyde, Friday and Saturday en route to Washington, D. C., where he will take up civil engineering at Howard university.

THE COTTAGE CAFE
Mrs. Nellie Shelton, one of our well known caterers, will open a first class cafe Sunday Oct. 3rd at 12 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. Opposite McCree's drug store, 768 9th St.

The Twentieth Century H. O. A. Art and Craft club will meet at the residence of Mrs. G. Wells, 3069 N. Fifth street, next Wednesday at 2 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

Mr. C. B. Woods, Mrs. J. L. Edwards and Miss Violet Hunter will represent St. Paul's A. M. E. Sunday school at the Polk County Sunday school convention, which convenes in Mitchellville on Friday and Saturday.

COME TO THE "OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION."
The Athenian Literary society will entertain you Monday evening, October 4th, at Union Congregational church. Admission only 15 cents, at 8 o'clock sharp. We begin on time.

The Triple "H" club met at the home of Mrs. Ethel Smith of Thirteenth street. The time was given over to Dr. A. J. Booker, who gave one of his series of lectures on "The Evolution of Disease." Lunch was served by the hostess. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. L. A. Avery, 764 Eleventh street.

Miss V. Olive Bailey, who is a trained nurse and has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. T. Buckner, returned to her home in Keokuk on Saturday, and Miss Lillian, her sister, who is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Buckner, is one of the students in Mrs. L. C. Woods' dress-making parlors.

Miss Lillian Condon will leave Saturday morning for Washington, D. C., to resume her work as teacher in the National Training school. En route she will spend one day with her sister in Chicago, who recently underwent a serious operation, but is improving. While there she will be the guest of Miss Mattie Smith, formerly of Des Moines.

Mrs. R. B. Baker, one of the delegates and worthy counselor of the Court of Calanthe of Centerville, Iowa, was in our city last week attending a convention to organize a state Court of Calanthe. She and Miss Holland made a pleasant call at the Bystander office. She was the guest of Mrs. Etta Holland, 1030 East Eleventh street.

Miss Carrie Watkins, one of our popular young girls, who recently graduated from Des Moines college, has secured a position as a teacher at Athens, Georgia, college, holding the chair in Latin and English. Miss Watkins is the only daughter of Mrs. Mattie Watkins, proprietor of the Thompson hotel. She graduated several years ago from the Kansas City, Mo. high school. We congratulate Miss Watkins and wish for her great success.

An announcement which will be of special interest to her many friends in the city is that one of our young ladies, Miss Luvonia Vaughn, only daughter of Mrs. A. J. Vaughn of Fourteenth Street Place, leaves soon for the east to make her future home and to become the bride of one of Boston's most prominent and influential young men. The wedding to be one of the leading social events in the Hub during the early winter.

Word has been received by the officers of St. Paul's A. M. E. church that Rev. S. L. Birt, formerly of St. John's church, Chicago, but recently of Galesburg, Ill., has been appointed pastor of the local church and will be on hand to take charge of the services next Sunday morning, Rev. E. G. Jackson, the former pastor, having been assigned to La Grange, Ill. Rev. Birt, the new pastor, is a man of a family and was a very dear friend of the late Rev. H. S. Graves, and it is believed will be as popular with the congregation as was his late lamented friend, whom he resembles in many respects, and both of whom come to Des Moines from the Galesburg pastorate.

THE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CLUB.
The High School Girls' club met last Sunday p. m. The eighth chapter of the "Heir of Slaves" was discussed by Miss Meredith Humburd. Also the aftermath of Mrs. Mary B. Talbert's lecture was given by Miss Edythe M. Jones. Those who have been recently added to membership are the Misses Naomi Carey, Beatrice Francis and Valeria Anderson.

N. A. A. C. P.
Regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at 1058 Fifth street Monday evening, October 4th. All officers are urged to attend this meeting, as all campaign captains will report the applications of new members which they have secured up to that time, to be acted upon by the committee.

Atty. S. Joe Brown, grand custodian of Masons for the Iowa jurisdiction, opened the instruction schools this week by holding district schools at Clinton and Des Moines on Tuesday and Thursday evenings respectively. The Clinton school was attended by the principal officers and quite a few of the members of Hiram lodge, No. 19, of Davenport, and Dubuque lodge, No. 29, of Dubuque, as well as from McNeil lodge, No. 21, of Clinton, while the Des Moines school was composed of the officers and members of North Star lodge, No. 2, and Doric lodge, No. 30, both of Des Moines.

A WELL KNOWN PIONEER GONE.
James Ruff a Remarkable Man.
On Thursday, September 3rd, occurred the sad death of Mr. James M. Ruff of our city. He was one of the best known and most highly respected citizens in Iowa. He had only been confined to his room a few weeks, as he has always enjoyed good health until a few months ago. Mr. Ruff was born in Hawkins county, Tenn., about 1825. Moved to Mt. Vernon, Iowa, in 1855 and moved to Des Moines about twenty-four years ago, where he remained until his death. He was a member of Union Congregational church, from which the funeral was held. He was a member of North Star Masonic lodge, who buried him with Masonic honors. He leaves to mourn his death a daughter, Mrs. May Ruff Johnson of Chicago, C. S. of Peoria, Ill., and Thad S. of this city. A very large crowd was out to his funeral, which was conducted by Rev. M. W. Alexander, to show their appreciation of so good a citizen.

ALBIA NEWS.
Rev. R. N. Morgan left Albia on last Monday for the week at the A. M. E. Conference in Milwaukee, Wis.
The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. Nellie Estes on last Monday. After business lunch was served by Mrs. Estes. Mrs. Estes contemplated moving to Ottumwa after October 1st. She will be missed here as a church and club worker and in all as a citizen among Albia people, but Albia's loss will be Ottumwa's gain.
A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Brittan Thomas, with the ladies of the two clubs surprised them by going in on Tuesday evening and having a social good time at their home.
Buxton at Urban Park skating rink on Thursday evening was the center of attraction. Six couple of first class skaters, beside a crowd of others made the evening one of the best, and Hocking and Albia thought Buxton some skaters and wished to see them again. They were also treated with some expert skating by the professor.
Mrs. Henry Jones has been sick the past week.
Three days rain the past week.
Chase and Sisters Company played in Albia the past week.

For Chapped hands.
Chapped skin whether on the hands or face may be cured in one night by applying Chamberlain's Salve. It is also unequalled for sore nipples, burns and scalds. For sale by all dealers.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

After a vacation from observing a few weeks, I have again returned to reporting my findings among the people whom I met and visited. My records show that I omitted one trip through a part of Iowa from Dubuque. Hence I will begin in Dubuque, which is claimed to be the oldest city in Iowa. It was here where the Jesuit missionaries first established the cross of Christ on Iowa territory. Dubuque is the fourth largest city in Iowa and it has only a very few colored citizens. The reason we cannot account for. It is also the hilliest city in this state. There are less than fifty colored people living here. Yet the few here are making a good showing. They have one church and a Masonic lodge, each doing well. Mr. Harry W. Rose, Jr., is W. M. He is employed at a tonorial shop. He is a stenographer by training. His father, Harry W., Sr., is a chiropodist doctor with a first class office in the finest office block in the city. He is very successful. Has been here for thirty years. Mr. C. C. McGregor, the pioneer here, has spent more than half a century here, operating as a prospector in the lead and other mines here for many years. He owns a nice home and is now building a twenty room apartment house for rental purposes, modern. Mr. John C. Wells is another substantial and good citizen. He owns a new modern home. He and his good wife are real race people. The church is presided over by Rev. Rout, an active young minister. Mr. Henry Martin is still working at the barber shop. So is Edward Martin. They are fine men to meet. We next stopped at Waterloo, Iowa, where I had set up the largest Masonic lodge since ye editor has been grand master and the largest number ever set up in Iowa. Four years ago there were only three colored families living here. Now there are about fifty families and about 300 Negroes living here, with two churches, the A. M. E. and Baptist. The former is pastored by that great worker and Christian minister, Rev. I. W. Bess, who has been a strength of tower to his race here in finding them employment and standing between them and the white people. It was he who built this nice A. M. E. church and has helped in every way possible to raise the standard of citizenship. Rev. J. H. Bowles has charge of the Baptist church here. He has recently come from Fort Madison church and he will be a great help with his active wife, Rev. A. Broyles formerly had charge of this church. Rev. Broyles is so busy in school work, as he is the northern financial agent for the Nuxobee Industrial college, of which Dr. Hunter is president. Mr. Joe D. Hopkins is running a restaurant, barber shop and pool hall. He is one of Iowa's well known young business men of experience and qualification and we hope for his success. Mr. W. D. Coyle is also running a lunch room. He formerly lived in Des Moines. His wife is Mabel Morton of Des Moines. Mr. C. H. Cheatham is a skilled machinist. He has a good position. Most of the men are from the south and are employed by the Illinois Central Railway Co. at the shops and round house. Wm. Amen and C. A. Simms are former Des Moines men living here. We hope that these newcomers to our state will find a hearty welcome by us up here, especially to those who are worthy and are struggling to make good citizens. The Bystander welcomes them to the great state of Iowa and will assist them all we can. We urge upon them to save their money and buy homes while they are getting good wages.

Into Mason City we planted our weary feet and dusty wheel. Here is located about 200 colored people. They, too, like Waterloo colored people, have moved up here in the past ten years, except a few families who were pioneers. They have one A. M. E. church, a new, beautiful edifice, somewhat on the design of Union Congregational church of Des Moines. Rev. Woodford built the church and was transferred from here this last spring to St. Joseph, Mo., and Rev. Tolson of Oskaloosa was appointed here. Mr. John D. Reeler is the most substantial man here of our race. He came from Des Moines about twenty years ago and opened a first class tonorial parlor and runs perhaps one of the finest shops in Iowa until he sold out last year. He is now a chiropodist and has a first class office in the National Bank building. He is a Mason of high rank, P. G. M., and was once editor of the Iowa State Bystander. A. L. Renix, a former Des Moines man, is employed at the bank. He has purchased a new fine residence and is doing well. A. H. Williams is another successful man, an expressman. He owns valuable property. Mrs. Fred Wright is still here doing nicely. Mr. Robinson Caldwell has moved to the new modern home just built by Mr. May at 515 Wayne avenue. It is built of stone blocks and is very beautiful, an eight-room house. Mr. Stratton a well to do farmer, who has been living here for many years. Mr. Virgil Warren is employed at the bottle factory. H. H. Spencer and his brother, Horace, are cement contractors. They are doing well. They have only been here two years. They are brothers to John A. of Grinnell. In fact the colored people up here are doing well. They have a good chance and we hope they will make good names and good citizens.

MONMOUTH, ILL.
Miss Florence Brown has returned from Chicago, where she had charge of the booth of Piney Woods school at the exhibition there.
The Ladies' Missionary society of the Calvary Baptist church met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Clyde Wallace.
Mrs. J. C. Peoples and Miss Celia Cook have gone for an extended visit in Missouri.
Miss Hallie Doolin of Frankfort, Mo., is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Myrtle South.
Blind Burton of Ellisberry, Mo., gave an entertainment at the St. James A. M. E. church Tuesday evening.
Mrs. Lillian Catlin visited over Sunday with her husband in Ke-waunee.
The St. James A. M. E. church held an indoor picnic Saturday afternoon and evening. Games were played and a good old picnic supper was served at 7 o'clock.
Mrs. Anna Wallace has returned home from Chicago, where she has been to the exhibition, having charge of an art exhibit.
Miss Louise Young, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Young, was united in marriage to Mr. Vernie Wallace on Tuesday morning by Rev. H. L. Forte. They will make their home here. They have the happiest congratulations of many friends.

KIRKSVILLE, MO.
Mrs. Griffith has returned to her home in Trenton, Mo., after a pleasant visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barnes.
Mr. Dee Appleton is visiting home folks, after spending some time in Oskaloosa, Iowa.
Our pastor, Rev. Sayles, who has been in La Belle, Mo., conducting a series of meetings, was with us again Sunday and gave us another spiritual treat with his splendid sermons.
Mrs. Cora Nelson of Tampa, Florida, was the guest of Mrs. Ball last Tuesday.
The Good Will Sewing circle met with Mrs. Wm. Wilson this week.
Mr. Henry and Jerry Jones are home again.
Miss L. A. Adams entertained a few friends at dinner Wednesday.
Rev. R. H. Richardson left Monday for St. Joseph, Mo., to attend conference.
Rev. C. B. Johnson, pastor of Paris, Mo., worshipped with us Sunday.
Mrs. Ball was dinner guest at the home of Mrs. S. F. Linn on Sunday.
The Methodist Mite Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Thomas on Friday. After business and a pleasant social hour, dainty refreshments were served by the hostess and her charming young daughter, Miss Ollie.

KEOKUK, IOWA.
Mrs. Lena B. Porter left Friday for Chicago and to attend the A. M. E. conference at Milwaukee.
Miss Marjorie Hobart left Tuesday to attend college at Wilberforce, O.
The sad news was received in this city of the death of Harry Johnson in Boise City, Idaho. Mrs. Lida was at the time visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. A. C. Johnson.
W. Butler left Saturday for Chicago and Milwaukee to attend the A. M. E. conference, and from there to Wilberforce, Ohio, where he will attend college.
Ralph Tebeau left Monday for Washington, D. C., to resume his studies at Harvard university.
Mrs. F. S. Johns and Mrs. George Snoddy entertained Monday afternoon from 3 to 6 at a tea in honor of Mrs. Marie Owens, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alonzo Drain.
Mrs. Alonzo Drain entertained a number of friends Wednesday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. Marie Owens.
Mrs. E. L. Goins, who met with a serious accident, is improving nicely.
Mr. Leon Beal left Saturday night for Orchard Farm, Mo.
The Coleridge Taylor Music club gave a recital Thursday evening at the home of Miss K. Waterfield in Hamilton, Ill.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.
The Bystander agent will call on all delinquent subscribers next week. Emma Brown, who has been visiting in Winterset, Iowa, and Kirksville, Mo., for the past month, returned home last Saturday, reporting a fine time.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Greenway of Muscatine motored to this city last Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen on Davenport avenue.
Mr. A. D. Corbin, formerly a resident here, is in the city with a view of remaining.
Mrs. Wm. Garner of Memphis, Tenn., is in the city visiting her son, Mr. Chas. Wilson.
Mr. Allen Bean and Miss Hazel Busey left Sunday night for Wilberforce, Ohio, university.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Shepard entertained informally last Friday night for Miss Hazel Busey, a graduate of the Davenport high school in 1915, who will continue her studies in the Wilberforce university.
Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Sims left this morning for Milwaukee to attend the annual conference of the A. M. E. church.

CAPABLE BUSINESS WOMAN.

Active and Useful Career of Mrs. Eugenia Nelson of Washington.
Washington.—Aside from their activity in educational, religious and social uplift work, many women of our race are engaged in some line of profitable business. This is one of the substantial evidences of the encouraging progress of the race which is receiving much attention from the public press. Whenever a woman goes into business she is almost sure to open the way for one of her sex to get employment in the same line of business, of whatever kind it may be. They are contributing in no small way to the home and community life of the race throughout the United States. Their influence in all well organized movements for racial advance is being felt for good.
Among the many well educated, industrious and capable women in this city who are making their mark in business and in the religious and social life of our people is Mrs. Eugenia Nelson.



MRS. EUGENIA NELSON
Mrs. Nelson is engaged in the hair-dressing business. Mrs. Nelson is a native of the Lone Star State, having been born and reared in Terrell, Tex. She belongs to the Goodson family, which is one of the best known families of the community.
As a girl she received her primary education in the public schools of her native town. After finishing the public school course she entered the high school at Paris, Tex., and later studied at the Hearne academy. Mrs. Nelson is not only a proficient worker in her present business, but is also a good milliner.
In the fall of 1910 she was married to Mr. R. T. Nelson, a graduate of Samuel Houston college, at Austin, Tex. Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Nelson came to this city, where Mr. Nelson had, previous to his marriage, accepted a clerkship. Mr. Nelson is now pursuing a course in dentistry.
He is a prominent member of the Twelfth street branch of the Washington Young Men's Christian association. Mrs. Nelson is fond of music and good books. She is an active worker and member of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church.

NEW JERSEY BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION TO MEET OCT. 5
Bethany Church at Newark to Entertain Big Religious Gathering.
The annual meeting of the New Jersey Baptist church and Sunday school convention will be held for one week, beginning on Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the Bethany Baptist church, Newark, N. J., of which the Rev. Dr. Robert D. Wynn is minister. The first day will be devoted to Sunday school work. Among the important matters to engage the attention of the delegates after the general literary program will be the election of a president to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late and much beloved Dr. William P. Lawrence, who was president of the Sunday school department for many years.
Wednesday, Oct. 6, the woman's auxiliary to the church convention will meet. The officers of this department are working zealously to make the session interesting and helpful to the members of all the churches in the state connected with the convention. An effort will be made to raise a large sum for home missions and education. Women's organizations in all the churches are urged to send their full number of delegates and liberal contributions for the objects here named.
The main body of the convention will convene on Thursday. It is predicted that many important questions as to the future policy of the convention in relation to its jurisdiction as a state body will come up for discussion. It seems that when vacancies occur in the ministry of any of the churches outside influences control the actions of the members of such churches in the selection of a minister to the exclusion of any advice or consideration of the state organization.
The Baptist church is free to select its own minister without consulting any one except its own membership. This is right, and no one who is well versed in the doctrine or polity of the Baptist denomination will for a moment question the authority of a church of this faith to select its own minister, but in the present crisis it seems that in some instances due courtesy has not been shown to the state convention in such matters.

STRONG PLEA FOR FAIR TREATMENT

Uplift Movements Should Not Practice Race Prejudice.
UGLY SITUATION REVEALED.
New York Age Takes Up Fight Started by Dr. Robert E. Jones of New Orleans on Anti-Saloon League, Which He Claims Draws the Color Line in Its Work.
In a recent issue of the New York Age Editor Fred R. Moore calls the attention of the public and our race in particular to the attitude of some so called uplift movements in which prejudice against the colored people is practiced to an alarming degree. The Age points to the acts of one of these so called uplift movements and backs its opinion by quoting from an editorial written by Dr. Robert E. Jones, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate at New Orleans.
The statement of the Age is in part as follows:
"Those who take leadership in the so called uplift movements would probably be the first to deny that they entertain feelings of racial prejudice against the Negro people, yet it is a matter of common knowledge that there is more race prejudice in these so called uplift movements than among any other groups of people. It is a strange thing that this race prejudice in carrying forward these movements never manifests itself against the Germans as Germans, against the Italians as Italians, against the Poles as Poles or against any other group of our alien population. But wherever the Negro, who is a native born citizen, is concerned immediately race prejudice rears its ugly head, and the leaders in these uplift movements find themselves helpless—that is, too weak to undertake a straight out, stand up position in opposition to such racial prejudice!
"Our attention has lately been called to the attitude and activities of the so called Anti-Saloon League, one of these uplift movements, and its officers. It seems that most of their activities during the past six or eight years have been devoted to the south. Taking advantage of the disfranchising laws of that section, which exclude the Negro from voting, the officers of the Anti-Saloon League, so it is alleged, have gone to the southern white voters with the cunning plea that their fight for prohibition in the south is not aimed so much at the whites as at the Negroes of the south.
"Dr. Robert E. Jones, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate at New Orleans, is one of the best known and one of the most unselfish leaders of the Negro people. So flagrant was the prejudice shown by the representatives of the Anti-Saloon League in Louisiana that Dr. Jones was moved to editorial protest against the discriminations shown by the so called 'flying squadron' of the league. The Negro people of Louisiana constitute nearly one-half of the population of the state. They were entirely ignored and spurned when the Anti-Saloon League launched its movement in Louisiana.
"Not only is the Negro generally excluded from all meetings held in the interest of and by whites, but nothing was done to tie to the movement the influence of the colored people as represented by their ministers and business men. In view of the prejudiced disposition of the so called 'flying squadron' Dr. Jones wrote in his paper a full statement, which is called to the attention of the Negro people that they may know what they have to expect when they are dealing with such 'uplifters'.
"Dr. Jones' editorial says among other things:
"Moreover, recognizing the situation we face in this city and in the south, the colored citizens of this city (New Orleans) made an effort to secure the services of at least one of these speakers in order that the Negro population might be somewhat aroused on the temperance question. The state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League was written, the chairman of the committee in charge in New Orleans was written and other efforts were made. The Ministerial alliance, composed of all the colored ministers in the city, appointed a special committee to cooperate. No response came.
"During the presence of the 'flying squadron' in the state the Louisiana annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church was in session in Alexandria, Bishop Naphthali Lucock presiding. This conference had upward of 200 ministers attending, with a local membership throughout the state of 18,000 and an additional constituency of at least 30,000. At the time this conference was in session a member of the 'flying squadron' was invited by Bishop Lucock and the conference to address the body and agreed to fix an hour that was convenient to the speaker. There was no effort to yield to this invitation, nor was there a response.
"We reluctantly call attention to this matter because if we could be forgotten and absolutely eliminated and thereby win the temperance fight we would be falling, but this procedure would not win. We will not doubt be told that this is a political fight and that the Negroes have been disfranchised."

WATERLOO NEWS.
Miss Carrie Randolph of Whitman arrived in the city Wednesday morning to spend the winter with her uncle, Rev. J. W. Bowles.
Mrs. W. A. Brown, field secretary of the Western convention and president of the Woman's Home Missionary society of Iowa and Nebraska, was in the city Thursday.
Mrs. J. W. Bowles and daughter returned home Tuesday from Des Moines, reporting a very pleasant visit.
Mrs. Bessie Steed entertained at her home, 2151 Lafayette street, Tuesday at a 2 o'clock dinner Rev. J. W. Bowles and Miss Bettie L. Berkly.
The Renix brothers from Minnesota were the guests of Mrs. Evelyn Boyd and Mr. R. C. Weeks on Sunday.
Time and Place Meeting was the subject Sunday at Antioch Baptist church. The services were well attended both morning and evening.
Mrs. Anna Martin entertained Wednesday at dinner Rev. J. W. Bowles.
Miss Aletha McLourin returned home Tuesday morning from the south, reporting a very pleasant visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt of Grundy Center were in the city Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Saunders.
Miss Viola Williams of Cedar Falls was in the city Wednesday shopping.
The Sunday school superintendent of the A. M. E. church, Sister Carrie Bright, is to be commended. We feel that the parents should support Sister Bright in her earnest efforts to enlarge the Sunday school. We pray for her success.

FORT MADISON NOTES.
Miss Naomi Harper left last Sunday morning for Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, where she will attend Iowa Wesleyan college.
Miss Anna Harper left Thursday morning for Leving, Ill., where she will assume the duties of school teacher for this coming year.
Mr. E. Prentice was a Keokuk visitor one night last week.
Messrs. Floyd and Clarence White of Hamilton, Ill., visited in the city Sunday.
Rev. L. H. Owens and family left last week for Chicago, Ill., where they will visit relatives and friends.
We hope to hear the wedding bells soon. Wonder who?
Miss Doris Shelton of St. Louis, Mo., was an over Sunday guest of the Misses Harper.
Mr. Henry McKnight and family of Lake Village, Arkansas, are in the city for an indefinite stay.
Mr. Ernest Mitchell of Keokuk, Iowa, is here working.
Rev. Lindell of Cedar Rapids preached two excellent sermons at the Second Baptist church.
Those attending the West Point fair were Mrs. Geo. Mack, Mrs. Leta Henry, Mrs. S. W. Eubanks, Mrs. H. Redd, Mrs. E. Dunlap, Mrs. Foster, Miss Agnes Stuart, Miss Marie Dunlap and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall. They reported a fine time.
The Second Baptist church is thinking of extending a call to Rev. Lindell.
Mrs. Ambrose Jackson was able to attend church today.
The A. M. E. Willing Workers society will meet at Mrs. W. A. Wyatt's on Thursday afternoon.
There will be a social given at the A. M. E. church October 1st. Everyone is cordially invited.

When Baby Has the Croup.
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Flour Washington Portrait.
A rare and curious mezzotint portrait of George Washington in the library of the late Lafayette S. Richardson of Lowell, Mass., was auctioned off last year in Boston. It is entitled "George Washington, late president of the United States of America, etc." and was published March 14, 1801, by J. Hinton London. It is a small folio and is colored by hand. It looks as much like George III. as it does the Father of His Country. Baker, who wrote the "Engraved Portraits of Washington," says that only one impression of this mezzotint has come under the notice of the writer. It was in neither the Clarkson nor the Carson sale of Washington portraits.

Insect on Yellow Flour.
Charles Christadoro, an expert on flour and grains, sounds the keynote of the new situation brought about by the bleached flour decision when he says in a communication to the editor commenting on the bleached flour decision: "The housewife will now insist on yellow tinted or creamy flour, and will learn to realize that a natural flour very white can in no manner compare with the creamy or yellow flour in so far as gluten and muscle building values are concerned.
"As from 85 to 90 per cent. of the large flour mills of the country were using this bleaching process, the decision is far-reaching."—National Food Magazine.