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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1915.

Price Five Cents

Mrs. Clay Lewis is sick this week.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown is sick.

Don't forget to vote next Monday for the street car franchise.

Mrs. S. G. Childs, 1623 Filmore street, is quite sick the past week.

Mrs. Maria Mash is seriously ill at her home in Lake Park.

Mr. Richard Jones is sick at his home, 504 West Eleventh street.

Mrs. Robert Mash spent Thanksgiving day in Colfax with relatives.

Miss Bertha Allen of Buxton is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Allen.

Mrs. Mamie Smith, 1609 Filmore street, has taken suddenly sick this week at her home.

Mrs. Ada Jones of Minneapolis, Minn., arrived in our city to visit her mother, Mrs. C. A. Cleggett.

Mrs. Henry Banks of Colfax was a Sunday visitor with her daughter, Mrs. Annie Holmes.

Rev. S. Bates was in Colfax, Iowa, last Sunday to install the new Baptist minister there, Rev. Morton.

Mrs. Thornton Graves and children are visiting Mr. Graves' parents in Moulton, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Thompson of Illinois came to our city last week to make his home here indefinitely.

The new M. Brooks Tabernacle of East Des Moines will have their installation Nov. 30th, at Taborian hall, 8th and Mulberry. Public invited.

Miss Georgia Blackburn, one of our teachers in Buxton, Iowa, spent Thanksgiving here at the home of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams entertained Rev. Perry, Miss Mary Tolliver and Mr. Cooper at a 6 o'clock dinner last Friday evening.

Mrs. Alex Griffin and daughter, Mildred, were called to Warrensburg, Mo., on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Harris.

Rev. M. W. Alexander was called Friday to La Porte to attend the funeral of his wife's father. He will return Saturday to be here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ewing gave a three-course dinner Thanksgiving to their friends. Mrs. Roman of Marshalltown was an out of town guest.

Dr. Chas. Medbury, the ablest divine in Des Moines and who preaches to the largest audiences in our city, preached a sermon last Sunday evening on Dr. Booker T. Washington.

Mrs. E. T. Hicks, one of the active members of the Maple Street Baptist church, is preparing to put on a 3-act comedy play at the church near the holidays. Look for full details soon in this paper.

Rev. M. W. Alexander, pastor of Union Congregational church, was called to La Porte, Ind., to attend the funeral of his wife's father, who had been sick a long time. His wife had been there several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Erickson expects to take charge of the Palace Sweet Cafe, 1012 Center street, the first of December. This cafe was formerly owned by Mr. Raymond Dysart. Grand opening announcement later.

Geo. Smith spent Sunday in Colfax. Mr. A. J. H. Rose of Chicago, Ill., is in our city visiting his nephew, H. Rose, 619 S. E. Astor street. He called at The Bystander office.

Rev. W. Ewing assisted Rev. S. Bates in services at Colfax on Sunday, at which meeting Rev. Morton was made the permanent pastor of that place. Bro. Geo. Smith accompanied them.

The Triple H club met at the home of the president, Mrs. J. H. McDowell, 909 Eighth street. Tuesday afternoon the 23rd. The afternoon was devoted to memorial exercises for the late Booker T. Washington. Mrs. R. N. Patten read a paper on his life; also Mrs. J. H. McDowell read a paper on his life and work, after which a short talk was made by each member of the club; solo by Mrs. Florence White. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Phil McGrunder on Carpenter avenue.

The union Thanksgiving services were largely attended. There were nine ministers present and the good feeling and fellowship ran high. It was a real union service. Rev. Birt preached a fine sermon.

The play, entitled "The Fruit of His Ploy," a drama in five acts, given last Monday night by club No. 3 of Ashbury church at the Union Congregational church, was well attended and the play was well rendered. Those present enjoyed it immensely.

The new Ford automobile recently purchased by Dr. Wilson our East Side physician, is a nice one and now all of our colored physicians have their own machines, which we are proud to hear. They all can go out to see their patients in first class style. What is the matter with we lawyers and ministers? We ought to keep up with the profession.

The play known as the Rainbow Kimono, given by our local talent on last Wednesday evening at the East Side high school, under the management of Elbert Hall, was quite a success in every way. There were about 400 present and the actors acquitted themselves with credit. It will be repeated at the Maple Street Baptist church next Monday evening.

At the evening service of the Corinthian Baptist church Judge C. A. Dudley will speak on the Life and Work of Booker T. Washington. This will follow the special service of the B. Y. P. U. and will make the entire evening service a memorial to the great leader. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The pastor will preach in the morning. T. L. Griffith, pastor.

The Intellectual Improvement club held a very interesting session at the home of Mrs. Robert Patton on Friday, November 19. A paper showing much thought was read by Mrs. Frank P. Johnson on "The Transvaluation of Values." Discussion. The club decided to observe the death of Booker T. Washington by a special program for their next meeting. Resolutions were passed tending to show the appreciation of this club toward Hon. Harvey Ingham, editor of the Register and Leader, for the cartoons and editorials on the death of Dr. Washington, which appeared in those dailies. The club will meet next Friday with Mrs. Jessye E. McClain.

HOTEL GUESTS.
Leo First, Omaha Neb.
Trenton Elsoop, Kansas City, Mo.
Grant Spencer, Grinnell, Iowa.
Roy Pearson, Greenfield, Iowa.
S. E. Jones and wife, Minneapolis.
S. B. Johnson and wife, Des Moines.
Wm. H. Dyer, Chicago.
W. H. Cook, Buxton.
E. Edward Carter, Ames.
C. G. Smith, Ames.
F. Richardson, Ames.
E. B. Evans, Ames.
Hipolita Ramurio, Ames.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH RECEIVES PASTOR.
The officers and members of St. Paul's A. M. E. church at Second and Center streets formally received Rev. S. L. Birt, the newly appointed pastor, and his wife, also Rev. S. B. Moore, the presiding elder of the Des Moines district, with a program which was rendered before a splendid audience in the auditorium of the church last Tuesday evening.

Addresses of welcome were delivered as follows: On behalf of the stewards by H. Gould, district steward; stewardesses, by Mrs. Adam Dixon, president; trustees, by Atty. S. Joe Brown, secretary; deaconesses, by Mrs. Lizzie Glass, president; Sewing Circle, by Mrs. Chas. Carl, president; Sunday school, by C. B. Woods, superintendent; Christian Endeavor, by Mrs. M. Woolfork, superintendent; Altar Guild, by Mrs. Emma Pyree, president; the press, John L. Thompson, editor, and the citizens, by Dr. A. J. Booker. These addresses were interspersed with musical numbers by Mrs. G. G. Nichols and Miss Bertha Allen and were fittingly responded to by the guests of honor. Mr. C. C. Johnson, temporary president of the trustees, presided. A letter of regret was read from Rev. W. L. Lee, who was to have delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the Ministerial Alliance, after which all repaired to the parlors of the church, where a banquet was served by the ladies of the church. The affair was managed by a committee consisting of C. C. Johnson, Mrs. Adam Dixon and Mr. H. Gould.

La Porte, Ind.—(Special to Bystander.)—Robert Samson, well known colored citizen of La Porte and resident here for many years, died at about 9 o'clock this morning at his home, 306 Maple avenue, after a prolonged illness. He was over 70 years of age and had been failing for a Turkish bath establishment here for many years and enjoyed a large patronage. He was a highly honored citizen and enjoyed the esteem of all who knew him. For a long time he had the only establishment of the kind in northern Indiana. He leaves a widow and two children, Mrs. M. W. Alexander of Des Moines, Iowa, and Robert A. Samson of this city. The funeral will be held at the residence at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Rev. D. LeB. Goodwin officiating, and the interment will be in Pine Lake cemetery. Weir & Petering are in charge.

EULOGIES AND RESOLUTIONS AND TELEGRAMS IN HONOR OF THE LATE DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Keokuk, Iowa, Nov. 22, 1915.
Editor Bystander:

The death of Booker T. Washington has brought sadness to many hearts and the loss is a great one.

An old time saying that "age is but the passing of memory" is true yet when we pause for a moment we can call back some sweet memories.

The Holy Writ says: "A great man in Israel has fallen," and Booker T. Washington was one of the greatest men the world ever produced.

Who does not feel better for having known this great leader, and by his great work and endeavors has made all mankind truer and better.

Our personal friend, U. S. Grant, was a great man, but Mr. Editor, it took 300 years to make them great men, but we raised Booker T. Washington in fifty years—a man who would rather be wrong and he himself than be somebody else and be right.

So a true, brave knight has fallen, but in his death the brotherhood of man will be united, and men will know the full meaning of "Fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man."

T. H. Phillips.

A Tribute to Booker T. Washington.
Written November 15, 1915.

Oh Death why art thou so cruel?
Why dost thou claim our most precious jewel?
Have we not been loyal to our trust,
Or, have we to our race been unjust?

You've robbed us of our beacon light,
Whose rays would shine through endless night;
Amidst storms of discouragements it shone,
Oh Death, why claimest him as thy own?

We're left at sea, though other rays far in the distance
Reflect their light for our existence;
Don't give up, boys, the echo comes,
Our Heavenly Father is smiling on you dear ones.

Though grievously parted, it won't be for long,
Till we'll all be singing one glorious sweet song,
That we've reached the portals of a love abiding Saviour,
There the beacon lights will never more forsake us.

Oh kind and gracious Saviour, from whom all blessings flow,
Look down upon this forsaken race here below,
And shield us from all snares,
That may inflict us on our journey there.

Oh Death, one word more, then I'm through,
When you visit this old world here, will you
Take not the beacon light called best,
Oh Death, oh Death.

Jonnie Johnson,
2622 Chester Ave, City.

The Call of Death.
I come, I come, Booker T.,
Ye have called me here!
I come o'er the mountains,
With light and care,
Ye may trace my footsteps
Back to your birth,
For these number of years
You must return to the earth.

Born but a chatte slave,
On a stern rock of pain,
While the heavy night hung dark,
Men of his race whipped and slain,
He chose life from the agony
Which others feel or feign,
From anger and from jealousy,
From doubt and from disdain.

He bid to wear the cruel years
Upon the cheeks of youth,
He sacrificed his own life
To teach his race their use.
He taught his people to save their gold,
And cultivate their land.
He educated the heart and mind
Along with the hand.

Knoxville, Iowa, Nov. 21, 1915.
Whereas it has pleased the All-wise and Mighty God to remove from the confines of this world into the realms of life beyond our honored and beloved leader, Dr. Booker T. Washington, and

Whereas by his unflinching service and love to mankind was his greatness achieved.

Be it resolved that in our hearts his memory never die; and
Be it resolved that henceforward we and our children will keep his memory fresh by songs of praise and thanksgiving upon November 14th of each year, inasmuch as we have no recorded date of his birth.

Be it further resolved that we train our youth to honor and respect the legacy that he has left us one and all—his books—and that we count it our duty to study them as a guide to purer and better things.

Be it also resolved that we will not cease praying to God that He give us another true and tried leader until our prayers are heard and that we give glory and honor forever to the Gracious God who gives to us such men.

In Memoriam.
Whereas, it has pleased God in His divine providence to call from this world our esteemed and distinguished leader and educator, Dr. Booker T. Washington, from this field of labor to a place of rest in that Great Beyond; and

Whereas, believing that his work for his fellowman, while here upon earth, has met with the approval of His Maker; and

Whereas, we believe the loss of this eminent educator is one to the community at large, and especially to the Negro youth of the land, for whom he has done so much; therefore,

Be it resolved by the Negro students of the State University of Iowa, that such loss and bereavement to the cause of education, and especially to the cause of education, and especially to those immediately affected at Tuskegee; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the "Daily Iowan," "The Iowa State Bystander," and to those bereaved ones at Tuskegee.

M. F. Fields, Chairman.
H. H. London, Sec'y.
Iowa City, Iowa, Nov. 16, 1915.

Memorial Exercises of Dr. Booker T. Washington.
Held at Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial Institute, Dalton, Mo., on Wednesday morning, November 17, 1915, at 10 o'clock.

Services began with the reading of the scriptures by the principal of the institution. The farmers from all the neighboring vicinities as well as a great portion of the citizens of Dalton came. Dr. Booker T. Washington, who died in the height of his efforts and attempts to render service to his race as well as to all humanity. All seemed one in mourning the sad loss of the Negroes' great leader, and expressed with one accord their untold sorrow at such a calamity that has befallen the Negro race by the death of this great man.

We know that he shall live again, that he lives now, and his life will live evermore. His truth was deep seated in his mystic frame and we yield all blessings to his name, who embodied them in a tall and carried them into lowly doors. Peace to his memory. Let us all resolve to follow his great example.

The following resolutions were heartily adopted:
Whereas, it has pleased God in His all wise providence to call from labor to reward our recognized leader and one of our most beloved, most esteemed, most dutiful and most serviceable members of the race, Dr. Booker T. Washington, and

Whereas, although he has taken his "chamber in the silent hall of death," the work that he has accomplished, while he was with us, shall live an ideal to us and to millions yet unborn, as a vivid picture of a workman who did and taught others to do common things in an uncommon way, and

Whereas, not only has Tuskegee Institute lost its founder, developer and present chieftain, for which every college and university in the nation, regardless of race, today is mourning with our race, the nation, yea, even the world in a common and irreparable loss, and

Whereas, Dr. Booker T. Washington has played well his part in the great theater of life and has passed beyond the bar. Therefore,
Be it resolved that the Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School and Phyllis Wheatley Colored District School of Dalton, together with the citizens of the community, here assembled, our sincere and hearty respects to his great memory, and the nation today in extension of the bereaved family, to Tuskegee Institute, Ala. to the trustees, officers and students our deepest sympathy, and pray God to comfort them and us, and to enable us to see that He doeth all things well.

our permanent files.
Respectfully submitted,
A. T. Walker, Chm.,
S. E. Chambers,
Mrs. Neal Shepard,
Ellis Allen,
Wm. B. Bruce,
Committee.

left it in a flourishing condition. He next became pastor of the Memorial Baptist church, Christiansburg, Va., remaining there two years. The Corinthian church recalled him to Iowa and he has been pastor in Des Moines for nearly fourteen years.
During his ministry here an aver-



Rev. T. L. Griffith, D. D., pastor of Corinthian Baptist church, was born in Middleburg, Loudon county, Virginia, April 19, 1872. He attended public school in his home town, then in Baltimore, Md. At the age of 16 he entered Wayland seminary, Washington, D. C., to study for the ministry. In this institution he finished the normal and the theological courses with honor, both times being valedictorian of his class. He entered Morgan Park academy of the University of Chicago and was twice awarded competitive scholarships. He graduated from this institution. He has also studied for short periods of time in Rochester Free Academy, N. Y., and in Des Moines college. He received the degree of doctor of divinity from Virginia Union university and Western College the same week. He was ordained to the ministry upon request of the Union Valley Baptist church, Muchaknock, Iowa. He has been pastor of this church four years and

age of fifty persons have united with the church each year. The church has been active in evangelistic and missionary movements and has held a leading place among the colored Baptists of Iowa and the west. The Corinthian Sunday school is largely attended and has seventeen classes in all. During the year large congregations have attended the services both morning and evening.

Dr. Griffith has held a number of important positions in his denomination. He served two years as moderator of the Iowa association and has been its clerk not less than twelve years. He has several years represented the colored Baptists on the board of managers of the Iowa Baptist State Convention and has helped to bring about the co-ordinated system by which the colored Baptists receive one dollar for every dollar paid by them for missionary work to the Iowa Convention. He has been several times elected president of the

Western Baptist Convention. In this office he was succeeded by Dr. E. J. Fisher of Chicago, and when Dr. Fisher became too ill for further service he succeeded Dr. Fisher.

His friends regard the payment of the church debt as a great achievement. Under his administration the property was secured for \$3,550, and the ground itself was worth more than that. Today the ground is worth \$7,000 and the church could not be guilty in Des Moines for \$12,000. The interior furnishings could not be secured for \$1,000. Thus his friends feel that the colored Baptists have secured and now own free from incumbrance a property that will stand, with light repairs from year to year, for twenty-five years, that will accommodate the growth of the church for that time, and that will have a much higher ground value in a very few years. He has a large number of friends of both races in Des Moines. He was given large assistance in the last effort by the white Baptists of Des Moines, and also by three leading churches of other denominations.

Rev. Griffith is a scholarly and eloquent Christian divine, standing and speaking for the highest development of the morals of our race.

Sick Headache.
This distressing disease results from a disordered condition of the stomach, and can be cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all dealers.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN.

We are having snow, snow, snow. Memorial services for the late Dr. Booker T. Washington on Wednesday morning at Pilgrim Baptist church, under the auspices of the N. A. A. C. P. Dr. V. D. Turner, vice president, presided. Chorus from both the Methodist and Baptist churches furnished the music.

Mr. Otto Wade, who has been traveling with the Hurst Concert company, is on a vacation and is spending a while in the twin cities, the guest of his brother, Carl, and mother, Mrs. Hicks.

Thanksgiving union services will be held this year at Pilgrim Baptist church, Rev. D. P. Sims of St. James church preaching the sermon. Dinner will be served at all the churches.

Madam Walker of Indianapolis will appear in a lecture at Pilgrim Baptist church Thanksgiving evening. An all star concert at St. James A. M. E. church on the 26th, under the direction of Madam A. C. Minor.

Mrs. Gertrude Barber, who has been quite ill at the city hospital, has recovered enough to be brought home. Mr. Pierce Barber of Thomas street is quite ill at the city hospital.

Several young people from St. Paul attended Miss Edna Shull's party in Minneapolis last Friday evening. They report a delightful time.

Mrs. C. D. Jones was hostess for the Self-Culture club Wednesday afternoon. The One More Effort club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Joseph Adams, 411 Charles street. A good time was enjoyed by all present.

Rev. Sims was slightly indisposed last week, but is all O. K. at this time.

The house social given by the Benevolent association last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. Will Turner was quite a success and enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Edward Hatton presented her husband with a seven pound baby boy last week. Mother and baby are doing nicely and papa is all smiles.

Mrs. Marcia Valley is the new matron at the Crispus Attucks home, Mrs. Lanor having resigned.

Mrs. Quintman Hicks and daughter, Miss Opal Wade, of Iglehart avenue spent a couple of days in Minneapolis last week, the guest of Mrs. Hicks' sister, Mrs. Cunningham.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Artis of Sherburne avenue last week and left a fine little daughter.

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