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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN.

Fifth Biennial or Tenth Anniversary of Organized Afro-American Womanhood.

The Fifth Biennial, or Tenth Anniversary of the National Association of Colored Women, recently in session in Detroit, Mich., July 9-14, was in every sense of the term a decided success. Two hundred and four delegates were registered and they represented states from the Atlantic on the East, to, and including, Utah on the West, and from the Gulf of Mexico on the South, to the Great Lakes on the North.

The entire convention was a grand object lesson of the progress of the Negro to the crowds of both races who attended the sessions; and the Detroit press had many excellent things to say, except from which will be given in succeeding issues of this paper.

By constitutional limitations (two biennial terms) Mrs. Yates's term of office had expired and Mrs. Lucy Thurman of Jackson, Mich., was elected President for the ensuing term. The association conferred upon Mrs. Yates the honor of electing her Honorary President for life, with all the rights and privileges of the body, and further expressed its devotion and esteem in consequence of the great work she had accomplished in building up the organizations, by presenting her a beautifully inscribed, sterling silver loving cup. The eloquent presentation speech was made by Miss Anna Jones of Kansas City.

The National Association of Colored Women in 1901, when Mrs. Yates was elected President in Buffalo, consisted of five federated states and various local clubs; and had an enrollment of 10,000 women; it now has twenty-three federated states, clubs in thirty-seven of the states, an enrollment of 40,000 women; and by enactments of this last convention will now, through regularly appointed representatives, establish clubs in Canada and Africa, thus looking forward to international organization in the work of race elevation.

RT. REV. ABRAHAM GRANT.

The Distinguished Bishop of the Fifth Episcopal District.

His Logical Ideas on the Negro Question.

"I do not admit that there is a race problem in America because out of our blood God made all of the earth." Thus declared Bishop Grant in an interview by a representative of the Son. "If that is true," continued the Bishop, "why should there be a race problem? There may be a national problem which concerns all people alike. In my opinion the whites are as much responsible for the existing conditions as are the colored people. In many instances it is a problem of prejudice. In the days of reconstruction we were told by every speaker that when the colored man became intelligent and in possession of real estate or property owner, there would be no difference between the races. With that understanding we have proceeded and now the 45 per cent of the illiteracy of the colored race has been removed and having become a tax-payer on 750,000 homes, we ought to see some signs of the promise. However, I believe that intelligence and character will remove it all regardless of the opposition. Darkness cannot stand before light. The bad cannot stand before the good. The unrighteous cannot stand before the righteous nor the unjust before the just. Each of us, however, should feel that the responsibility of bettering the condition is

an individual matter—and whatever is necessary to strengthen the bonds of friendship between the white and black alike should be done by all concerned. We must live in the same country and it better be done in peace than in war. This is a constructive age we are living in and our people are building character and all sensible people who have read history know that to build character it takes centuries and not decades. The sensible men north and south in our country are aware of this fact, and they are guarding the interest of both the races in state as well as in church."

In speaking of the duty of the ministers and teachers the good Bishop said that they should give special attention to the moral character of the people in all communities and whatever they teach, they themselves should practice. "The home life of all the country should be well guarded and surrounded by the very best influence. For when the homes of the nation are lofty in character the people are also lofty in thought and character and when these conditions exist we can find a statesman in almost any home who will represent his constituency honestly."

Bishop Grant is regarded as one of the most practical of men in his exalted sphere. His personality betrays unusual vigor and ambition while his manner is unassuming and very congenial. The Bishop is president of the board of directors of the Douglas Hospital of Kansas City, Kansas, into which he has injected new life. "We are making several improvements on the old building," said the Bishop. "We are putting on an addition of six rooms also. This is the first institution of this kind that the A. M. E. Church has control of in the United States. It is a new experiment but it is one that ought to succeed and have support of all the people and we have no doubt that it will." The Bishop left for Washington and California on the 2d of August to attend his Western conferences.

LINCOLN INSTITUTE NOTES.

Summer school classes, Aug. 9, attendance to date is 60. New catalog will be out this week. It will be the best illustrated catalog we have ever printed. Send for one.

No president in the history of the school has won the esteem and confidence of his faculty and students more than President Allen. Only this week, the class of 1906, surprised him by sending him one of their pictures enlarged and elegantly framed. On his return from his lecture tour in the East last year, the faculty presented him a silver loving cup.

It ought to be clear to the most obtuse mind that the people have the utmost confidence in Lincoln Institute, its president and faculty, or they would not give it such a liberal, generous patronage. The president and his secretary are kept busy all summer receiving and answering letters from persons who wish to send their children to Lincoln Institute.

WITH THE SAGES.

It is the law of good economy to make the best of everything.—John Ruskin.

An indiscreet good action is little better than a discreet mischief.—Bishop Hall.

Little minds are tamed and subdued by misfortune; but great minds rise above it.—Washington Irving.

Sorrow is sent for our instruction, just as we darken the cages of birds when we would teach them to sing.—Richter.

Virtue will be a kind of health and beauty and good habit of the soul; and vice will be a disease and deformity and sickness of it.—Plato.



MR. WM T WASHINGTON.
Associate Editor, Rising Sun

Mr. Washington has been given the position as Associate Editor of the Rising Sun, Kansas City's most popular and widely circulated negro journal. Mr. Washington undoubtedly has ability which especially fits him for this position. He attended Williams and Oberlin colleges, where he finished a course of journalism, besides taking the entire classical course of these institutions.

Mr. Washington has a number of friends who will no doubt be glad to assist him in his present position by giving him their subscriptions and all the news they can gather, combined with their support and sympathies.

Mr. Washington will give the paper his entire time and energy and ability feeling assured that the negroes of this city will heartily cooperate in making the Rising Sun a good negro journal.

The negro population of this city is 35,000 from the last census, and the Rising Sun in giving efficient service should receive from its long standing and faithful work of its manager the co-operation of all his people.

When you meet Mr. Washington please give him all the news and also your subscription. By so doing you contribute greatly to the interest of your race.



WHAT LODGE SHALL SEND FOR HIM AGAIN?

Prof. J. Westz Hall formerly of Kansas City, has returned for a few weeks to be among his friends. The colored people of this city will no doubt be glad to hear of one of her renowned sons. Nine years ago Mr. West Hall left his home town for Chicago to enter into the dancing business in Chicago. Mr. Hall will be remembered in this city as the conductor of the famous dancing academy on Sixth and Charlotte.

Since opening up in Chicago Mr. Hall has done remarkably well. He is a member of every organization tending toward the uplift of the negro

Country Mail Delivery.

Rural free delivery was established under President McKinley in 1897. During the fiscal year ended 1903 there were 15,119 routes in operation, with 11,700 petitions pending.

Great Sewer System.

If the sewers of New York city were placed end to end in a straight line they would reach from there to Pike's Peak, 1,710 miles, and the paved streets of the city would make a road

THE NEW HEAD WAITER OF THE BALTIMORE.

The intention of this article is to bring before the public gaze a young man who has worked himself like all negroes from mere nothing to the honorable position which he occupies.

Mr. Charles Washington was born on a farm in Carrollton, Mo., 39 years ago. After working in the dining car service, he served as third and second waiter alongside with Mr. McKnight.

With a determination to be successful he now occupies the position of head-waiter, the youngest at the head of any large hotel. Mr. Washington attended school in Marshall, Mo., graduating from the High School. His aim is to better the waiters in general, giving uniformity among the waiters in the various hotels.

The people of this city greatly appreciated the efforts he is putting forth in that line more especially because he is carrying out a well-laid principle.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE.

The fortieth annual communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge was opened in Kansas City August 8th at the Second Baptist church under a very elaborate program consisting of choice music and able addresses along the line of Masonry. Grand Master C. G. Williams was introduced by Prof. R. T. Coles and the welcome address was delivered by Mayor H. M. Beardsley. The session was interesting and harmonious. The election of each officer was unanimous. C. G. Williams was re-elected Grand Master, J. H. Pelham, Grand Secretary, R. T. Coles, Grand Treasurer, W. W. Fields, Secretary of the Masonic Relief association, E. S. Baker, District Deputy, Nathaniel Harris, Tyler, G. H. Cooper, Grand Lecturer.

On Thursday, August 9, a grand entertainment was given at Convention Hall. The affair was a success in every particular. Nearly 4,000 persons were in attendance.

On Friday the local committee chartered a special car and spent the afternoon showing the visiting Masons the sights and magnificent growth of Kansas.

Among other things accomplished by the Grand Lodge at this session was the establishment of a Masonic Home at Hannibal, Mo., which will cost \$5,000.

The Masonic Relief association has increased its assessment from \$2 to \$4.00 a year for each member by which the widow of a deceased brother is to receive \$200, instead of \$100. The attendance at this session was larger than ever before.

PHARMACEUTIC COLLEGE OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

Washington, D. C.

The Pharmaceutical College occupies a unique position in supplying the demands for first-class colored pharmacists. The advantages offered students are unequalled. Students are thoroughly drilled in chemical, bacteriological and pharmaceutical laboratories, and are given practical experience in compounding and dispensing drugs and chemicals in the Dispensary of Freedmen's Hospital.

The development of the South has created a demand for colored pharmacists much greater than the supply. The fact that white druggists do not care for the patronage of colored people has caused enterprising colored men to open drug stores of their own. The field is not overcrowded and there are dozens of cities begging for druggists whose demands cannot be supplied. In a number of which cities, companies

are formed, waiting for a good pharmacist to come and open a drug store without any cost whatever to himself. To young men desiring a professional career, pharmacy offers flattering inducements.

THINK THE MATTER OVER.

In point of service, Countee Bros. is the oldest colored Undertaking and Funeral Directing firm in the city. Its volume of business their trade is quite extensive. The people go to their place because of the courteous and gentlemanly bearing of the Countee Bros. and their employees.

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prices and terms because they are best able to serve you. They keep on hand at all times a large stock of caskets and furnishings of every description.

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Nine rooms for rent, either furnished or unfurnished. 1793 East 18th St. Bell phone, East 2514. Mrs. A. Parr.

Poor Management.

The Athens correspondent of the London Mail says the management of the Olympic games was "chaos."