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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1916.

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Chas. Woods, Jr. is sick at his parents' home on West Eleventh street.

Rev. Maynard, a missionary from Turkey, will preach at the Union Congregational church Sunday evening.

The Paul Lawrence Dunbar club will meet Tuesday, February 18th, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Wiley, 1705 Pleasant street.

Little Miss Alma Jones, who has been so very sick, is reported better at this writing, which is good news to her many little friends.

The D. Y. W. Y. K. Art club will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. Woods, 1320 Day street, Tuesday afternoon. All members please be present.

Mrs. Clay Lewis is very sick. Her chances recovery are not very good. Her many friends are greatly alarmed.

Miss Blanche Allen of 1212 Crocker street was taken to the Iowa Methodist hospital last Saturday and underwent any operation Monday morning. She is doing as well as could be expected.

We are sending out statements to our subscribers who are delinquent from last year and are enclosing a coin card, so those of you who receive them can remit without getting a money order or draft. Please attend to this and pay up your back subscription.

The attention of all club workers of District No. 1 of the Iowa State Federation is once more directed to a meeting of said district, to be held at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Saturday afternoon, February 26, at 2:30 sharp. Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Chairman.

Hello, hello, for 414 2nd avenue East, Call for Mr. John S. Thomas, The Sea Food Merchant. Make shipment to any place. Patronage solicited. Address Jno. S. Thomas, Albia, Iowa.

At the open suffrage meeting, superintended by the ladies of the Intellectual club, a splendid audience listened to addresses delivered by Mrs. E. E. Higley and Mr. Geo. M. Wrightman. Mr. W. H. Bailey of Buxton was present and made a few remarks. Mrs. Frank P. Johnson presided.

The Dramatic Art club met Tuesday at Mrs. Jones', Thirty-fourth and Grand avenue, and studied scenes 1 and 2 of act II of King Henry the 8th, after which a valentine party was held. They will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. W. Cottoms, on West Twenty-third street and will finish act II of Henry the 8th, after which a Washington party will be held.

Madam Robinson, Hair Dresser and Scalp Cleaner, of Hocking, Iowa, and agent for Madam Walker's treatment of the scalp, has practiced in Albia, Hiteam and Hocking for the past year giving satisfaction to all. Write her, or give her a call. Hocking, Ia.

The Volunteers of 1916 met last Monday at the home of Miss Mary White, 762 Tenth street. Mrs. J. B. Rush was present and talked on behalf of the club. Miss Bertha Roane delivered a paper on "Luck and Labor." Mrs. Crouchfield recited a most interesting poem. The club will meet Monday evening as usual.

On Wednesday evening, February 16th, occurred the marriage of Miss Valeria Anderson to Mr. Elwood Griffin at the home of the bride. The parents and a few young friends being present. The bride was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson of 1645 Walker street. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Griffin of 1529 Capitol avenue.

REMEMBER THE Palace Sweet Cafe UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT Big Chicken Spegetta Dinner Sunday, February 20th. Red 1367 1012 Center Street Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Erickson, Propr.

Life of Booker Washington FOR SALE Cloth Binding \$1.00 Library Binding \$1.50 Every Home Should Have One Address ENOLA V. THOMPSON, Care Bystander Office

The skating lovers were very much pleased on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons on seeing Mr. LaRoach back again as floor manager, as he is ever ready to help all new beginners. His politeness and courtesy

has gained for him a lot of friends, as he has no pets. He is ever ready to assist all new beginners. We hope the young men of Des Moines will show the same respect for the ladies at the skating rink as Mr. LaRoach. Working Ladies' Club.

On last Thursday evening at 1058 Fifth street the Richard Allen Aid society met in observance of the 156th anniversary of the birth of the founder of African Methodism, Bishop Richard Allen. Mrs. J. H. Brown gave the history of his life and accomplishments, while Mrs. S. Joe Brown told of her visit to his tomb, planted in Mother Bethel in the city of Philadelphia, at the conclusion of which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. W. B. Cottoms; vice president, Mrs. R. N. Hyde; secretary, Mrs. Geo. C. Young; assistant, Mrs. J. H. Brown; treasurer, Mrs. John W. Wilson; critic, Mrs. S. L. Birt; chaplain, Mrs. Emma Pyree; executive committee, Mesdames Gus G. Nichols, E. McGuire, Virginia Smith. The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, March 9th, at the home of Mrs. Cottoms on Twenty-third street.

HOTEL GUESTS. Chas. Carr, Richard Warren, A. C. Smith and J. C. Prosser of Chicago; E. M. Benton and wife of Fort Dodge and R. J. Barber and wife, city.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CLUB. The High School Girls' club met at the home of Mrs. S. Joe Brown on last Sunday afternoon, at which time they made up a towel shower to send to the national training school in Washington, D. C., conducted by Miss N. H. Burroughs. The next meeting will be Sunday afternoon at the home of Miss Edna Johnson.

N. A. A. C. P. The Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People celebrated anniversary of the births of Lincoln, Douglass and also of the national association by an appropriate program at Union Congregational church Saturday, February 12th. A good sized crowd was in attendance and splendid addresses were delivered on Douglass by Mr. J. Owen, A. B. Redmon, the young Negro orator of Colfax, and on Lincoln by Rev. J. Edward Kirby, D. D., of Plymouth Congregational church. Musical numbers were rendered by Miss Mildred Griffin and the Wilson quartette.

CARD OF THANKS. We desire to express our deep appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved mother, and also for the many beautiful floral offerings. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Avery. Miss Georgia Blackburn.

Banquet at Maple Street Baptist Church, Thursday Feb. 24th, given by Mason Improvement club. Ed Mason, chairman; L. D. Henry, business committee. Supper 35c per plate.

THE Typewriter Exchange Bargains in Rebuilt Typewriters Underwood No. 4 visible... \$35.00 Underwood No. 5 visible... 45 00 Oliver No. 3, visible... 25 00 Oliver No. 5, visible... 35 00 Monarch No. 2, visible... 35 00 L. C. Smith No. 2, visible... 35 00 Smith Premier No. 10 " 35 00 Remington No. 10 " 40 00 Royal No. 1 " 30 00 Smith Premier No. 2... 17 00 Remington No. 6... 17 00

BATTLE HYMN OF THE NEGRO. Davis Writes Thrilling Poem in Memory of Dr. Washington. The "Battle Hymn of the Negro" was written by William H. Davis of Washington and is dedicated to the memory of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington. Mr. Davis is the official stenographer for the National Negro Business League, in which position he has rendered valuable service. The "Battle Hymn of the Negro" is to be sung to the tune of Julia Ward Howe's "Battle Hymn of the Republic." The hymn: Our eyes have seen the glory of a Booker Washington. He has fought a swordless battle for the cause of right and won. He has made his race respected, though his life on earth is done His truth is marching on!

CHORUS. Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! "Our Booker Washington."

We have seen him in the watchfires of our race's bitter woes Beating down the flames of prejudice and making friends of foes. We have heard his forceful pleadings, and our racial progress shows The work of Washington.

Those who won blue ribbon premiums for their exhibits were: The Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School for largest and best white corn exhibit and for 100 per cent germinated and growing corn—Boone County White; also first prizes in cooking, laundry work, sewing and needle art work by the Bartlett school girls. The best pair of groomed and harnessed horses won by Hutchens Drew. The farmers and their wives' winnings were as follows: Carding, spinning, knitting, Mrs. Reuben Dameron, Chariton county; best yellow corn exhibit, Isaac Drew, Cooper county; best white corn, Lufe Rucker, Randolph county; best beets, Ellis Allen, Chariton county; best sorghum samples, Joe Harrison, Randolph county; best popcorn, also best bed quilt, and best turnips, and best apples, Mrs. Edmund Squires, Carroll county; Mrs. Reuben Dameron, school girls' blue ribbon on needle art work; Mrs. Samuel Lewis, first on crocheting.

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We have heard his loving gospel urging "Brotherhood of Men," "Mutual helpfulness" his doctrine, preached by action, tongue and pen. Whites and blacks should live together—not as enemies, but friends, For God is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that would never call retreat, Prove yourselves useful Americans and never fear defeat. Oh, be swift our souls to answer, make the victory complete Of Booker Washington.

In the hills of "old Virginia" he was born in poverty, With ambition in his bosom, even "up from slavery." As he died to lift men higher, teach our children then to see The truths of Washington.

WEAVER FOR THE HOUSE. The candidacy of James B. Weaver for the legislature from Polk county will be received with satisfaction by everybody who wishes to contribute something from Polk county to state leadership in the things that go to the making of a great state.

Mr. Weaver inherited from his father a taste for public affairs which study and travel have not taken away from him, and he will come to the legislature with a real zeal for the cause. The Evening Tribune does not know of a man better qualified for distinguished service in the house, nor one who will work more untiringly. It is a fortunate thing that such men are offering themselves to the people. The most formidable complaint against the primary system is answered by every such candidacy, and the best guaranty is given of the effectiveness of popular government. —Evening Tribune.

GRINNELL, IOWA. (Special.) Mrs. W. W. Ewing and little daughter of Des Moines spent Saturday and Sunday in Grinnell, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Dee. Mrs. James Jones entertained Mrs. W. W. Ewing and daughter at a two-course dinner. Covers were laid for eight.

FARMERS CONFERENCE A SUCCESS (Special.) The annual Missouri and western states Negro fair and conference closed a splendid three days' session Saturday, February 12th—Lincoln's birthday—at the Bartlett Industrial school, which originated these yearly meetings for country life colored people of these western states. The conference is growing in favor and great usefulness to the communities where these colored people live, as well as to the states at large. Negroes are being stirred to work out their own salvation on the farms and back on the land. Col. Tom Bass of Mexico, Mo., Pres. W. R. Carter of Topeka and Kansas Farmers' association, former Judge W. K. James of St. Joseph, Mo., president of the board of trustees of the school, Prof. A. R. Chinn of Glasgow, Mo., and local white men of Chariton county, Missouri, made stirring and helpful talks. The feature of this conference was a great address made by Hon. Fred D. Gardner of St. Louis, Mo., who is author of the Gardner land bank credit movement, which is sweeping the entire state, and seems to be truly the greatest blessing that ever came in sight of and for the Missouri farmers. This speech and the man behind it carried representative and thoughtful colored men from all over the state as no democrat has ever carried them. They expressed themselves as Gardner men, come what may. Those who won blue ribbon premiums for their exhibits were: The Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School for largest and best white corn exhibit and for 100 per cent germinated and growing corn—Boone County White; also first prizes in cooking, laundry work, sewing and needle art work by the Bartlett school girls. The best pair of groomed and harnessed horses won by Hutchens Drew. The farmers and their wives' winnings were as follows: Carding, spinning, knitting, Mrs. Reuben Dameron, Chariton county; best yellow corn exhibit, Isaac Drew, Cooper county; best white corn, Lufe Rucker, Randolph county; best beets, Ellis Allen, Chariton county; best sorghum samples, Joe Harrison, Randolph county; best popcorn, also best bed quilt, and best turnips, and best apples, Mrs. Edmund Squires, Carroll county; Mrs. Reuben Dameron, school girls' blue ribbon on needle art work; Mrs. Samuel Lewis, first on crocheting.

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A POLITICAL MEETING. Last Tuesday evening the colored voters held a meeting at the Elks hall on Second and West Grand ave-

nue. A large crowd of fully 200 were present. It was a get together meeting in the interest of Atty. J. B. Rush's candidacy for municipal judge. There was much enthusiasm and every one present seemed to be of the unanimous opinion that they would vote and work for Mr. Rush's candidacy. Those who spoke were Editor John L. Thompson, Dr. A. J. Booker,

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Cal Johnson, R. N. Hyde, Rev. T. L. Griffiths, Atty. S. Joe Brown and several white candidates. Al Smith was president of the meeting. He called 't to order and introduced Harry Crews, who presided. A drum corps furnished music.

OBITUARY. Mrs. Amanda Blackburn died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Avery, on Eleventh street. She was born in Missouri and was 74 years old at the time of her death. She was married to Randolph Blackburn and to them was born four children, of which two still survive, Mrs. Avery and Georgia Blackburn. She was a charter member of Shorters Chapel in Oskaloosa and after moving to Des Moines she joined St. Paul's A. M. E. church. The funeral services were held from Union Congregational church Wednesday, February 16th, Rev. S. L. Birt officiating. She had many floral offerings as a token of respect.

CENTERVILLE, IOWA. Rev. V. S. Cooper is visiting Rev. Jackson in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Mr. Joe Wise of this city and Miss Belle Carpenter of Topeka, Kansas, have sealed the holy bonds of matrimony. Miss Edna Hicks is reported seriously ill at this writing. Mrs. Mildred Mayfield and Miss Cornelia Smith entertained at coffee Tuesday afternoon at the home of the latter. All present reported a delightful time and declared Mrs. Mayfield and Miss Smith as very charming hostesses. Mr. Eldwood Brown spent Sunday in Centerville visiting friends. Mrs. Josephine Steele entertained a few of her young friends on Tuesday evening. All reported a nice time. Mr. Thomas Walls of Moulton was a Sunday caller. Rev. Copley of Mystic filled the pulpit Sunday in the absence of Rev. Cooper. Mr. J. H. Hicks has gone to Minneapolis, where he probably will locate later.

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