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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 1916.

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Rev. H. McCraven spent last Sunday in Minneapolis, Minn., visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Clifford Williams has just returned from a three months' visit in Chicago and Drainard, Minn.

Miss Mildred Griffin, one of our June graduates, will leave Tuesday for a visit in Kansas City.

Mrs. A. Phelps of Minnesota stopped over in Des Moines for a few hours visiting friends. She was en route to Ottumwa to visit her parents.

The Virginia Picnic association members will meet with Mrs. Spencer Carey the 25th of June. All members are requested to be present.

Some of those who went on the excursion trip Saturday to Minneapolis were Rev. H. McCraven, Mrs. Coleman of Carney and Mrs. Bessie Black.

Miss Adah Hyde will arrive in the city Friday from Chicago to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde.

The Marshall Neil club met with Mrs. Clara Winn, 776 Eleventh street. A delightful luncheon was served and they adjourned to meet with Mrs. Addie Dorsey on Small street.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum will meet at the Thompson hotel on Tuesday night, June 20th, at 8 p. m. All old members are urgently requested to attend. A program will be rendered.

A leap year ball will be given by the Junior society at Union park pavilion Tuesday evening, June 20th. Good music. All are invited. Roscoe Stewart, floor manager. Music by Capital City band.

Mr. J. C. Coleman has just about completed remodeling his home at 1302 West Twentieth street, where they are nicely located. They have a very beautiful home. Mr. Coleman is one of our leading men. He is a railway mail clerk running between here and Kansas City.

Mr. Kenneth J. Hamilton of St. Paul, Minn., with the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hamilton, 706 Walker street. Little Bernice Hamilton will accompany her father back to spend her summer vacation.

Mr. Geo. C. Young has purchased a new Overland automobile and Dr. A. J. Booker has purchased an electric car, also John L. Thompson has purchased a five-passenger Ford touring car the past month.

Miss Maud Lewis entertained last Saturday, June 10th, at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Coleman, at 1302 Twentieth street, in honor of some of the high school graduates. This beautiful home was nicely decorated with flowers and school colors. A very fine 6 o'clock dinner was served and those present enjoyed the evening immensely.

The regular Bystander collector will start out Monday, June 19th, at Creston and Gravity and Bedford, Tuesday at Clarinda, Wednesday at Shenandoah and Red Oak and Thursday in Council Bluffs, Friday and Saturday in Omaha, Neb. All of our subscribers please be ready to pay and don't put him off with a promise.

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Given by Junior Society at
Union Park Pavillion
Thursday, June 20th
From 8 p. m. to 11:45 p. m.
Come early and have a good time
ALL WELCOME
Music by Capital City Band
Roscoe Stewart, Floor Manager

to send, but lay it away until he calls. This notice applies to all of our out of the city subscribers.

Mr. and Mrs. E. McGuire returned from Newton, where they attended a reception given in honor of their sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fine, of Cedar Rapids. A splendid time reported.

Mr. Joseph Hamilton, our popular fireman, is having his vacation this week. He spent a few days in St. Paul visiting his son Kenneth.

Miss Nelle Nettles, a graduate of the Madison high school class of 1916 and a charming young miss of much musical ability, and Miss Helen Dameron, another young musician of Madison, Ind., will accompany Miss Adah Hyde to Des Moines on Friday for a visit.

Our city is full of visitors and delegates to the Iowa-Nebraska Baptist Association Sunday school convention and the Ministerial and Deacons Union are in session all this week. The union held its session Monday and Tuesday and the Sunday school is still in session. A large delegation is here for the two states. A full report next week.

The grand master of Masons, John L. Thompson, will visit Clarinda lodge Monday evening, June 19th; Twin City, Council Bluffs, Thursday, June 22, and Rescue, Omaha, Friday, June 23, and Decatur, Sioux City, Monday, June 26, and Doric, Des Moines, Thursday, June 29th. All members and Master Masons in good and regular standing are invited.

The chadle roll Mothers' club of St. Paul's A. M. E. church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Mackey on Day street. Miss Tabitha Mash, a trained nurse, gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on the care of babies during the summer and how to bathe them. The next meeting will be held July 9th at the home of Mrs. S. L. Birt.

Dr. William H. Lawrey, recently graduated from the dental department of the State University of Iowa, has come to our city to open up a first class dental office in the Thompson hotel, Ninth and Park streets. He will soon have his office fixtures installed and expects to be ready for business about July 1st. Dr. Lawrey is well known in our city and state and we hope for him success in the Capital City.

The Mary Church Terrill club met Monday evening with Mrs. Colleen Jones and the following officers were installed: President, Mrs. Pearl Thompson; vice president, Mrs. Johnnie Johnson; secretary, Mrs. Jessie Davis; assistant secretary, Mrs. Hannah Porter; treasurer, Mrs. Anna Perkins; critic, Miss Tabitha Mash; journalist, Mrs. Emerald Mash; reporter, Miss Gertrude Hyde; chaplain, Mrs. Lulu McCree. A program was rendered and encouraging remarks were made by the following visitors: Mesdames S. Joe Brown, John L. Thompson, R. N. Hyde, Price Alexander and Jessye McClain. A buffet luncheon was served by the hostesses, assisted by Miss Marie Bell and Mrs. Audre Alexander. Mrs. John L. Thompson was elected to honorary membership.

For the first time in Iowa a big racing meet will be held on Monday, June 26. Officials of the speedway decided to pull off the big event on the first day of the week owing to the disappointments caused last year by the postponements due to rain. The fact that a Monday race will enable autoists living in nearby cities to drive to the meet on Sunday and remain over on Monday influenced them in arriving at their decision.

Until I can see them personally, which I hope to do, I take this means of expressing my warmest thanks to the good friends who gave me such splendid support for representative at the primary on Monday last. I feel deeply grateful for what they did and a keen sense of the responsibility imposed by this expression of their confidence.
James B. Weaver.

HOTEL GUESTS.
Mr. Jim Williams and John Kenrick, St. Joe, Mo.; E. L. Johnson and wife, city; V. S. Coalston, Buxton, Iowa; Elwood Brown, Mystic, Iowa; G. B. Stroun, Columbia, Mo.; Geo. English, Madison, Wis.

THE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CLUB
The High School Girls' club met last Sunday afternoon at the Social Center, 1058 Fifth street. After a very interesting meeting the girls were favored with encouraging remarks by Miss Leta Caréy, teacher in Bishop college, Marshall, Texas; Mrs. Richardson of Aurora, Ill., and Miss Lucy Roades, a recent graduate of Northwestern college, Macon, Missouri.

NORTHWESTERN FEDERATION.
The Northwestern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs held its first annual convention in the court room

of the district court, Wichita, Kans., June 7, 8, and 9. The convention was well attended, with delegates representing eighteen states and more than two hundred thousand colored women. Greetings were read from the governors and educators. Miss Jane Addams of Hull House, Chicago, sent greetings and urged the convention to urge the suffrage plank in the platform of the various political conventions in session. Resolutions were sent to the national republican, progressive and woman's party conventions held in Chicago, also to the national democratic convention in St. Louis. The president gave some recommendations that were unanimously adopted. Mrs. Rush's address was enthusiastically received.

The Golden Link Art club was hostesses to the convention.
At the close of the Friday afternoon session the club treated the convention to a sightseeing auto trip to the various points of interest in Wichita.

Mrs. J. S. Porter, Mrs. C. B. Lewis and Mrs. Harper were elected delegates to the national convention. The following officers were elected: Mrs. J. S. Porter, Chicago, president.

Mrs. J. B. Rush, Des Moines, vice president at large.
Mrs. J. L. Harper, Wichita, recording secretary.

Mrs. Collins, Great Bend, assistant recording secretary.
Mrs. Sarah Willis, Cheyenne, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Bertha Hensley, Chicago, treasurer.
Mrs. C. E. Lewis, Kansas City, organizer.

Miss Dora Johnson, Norwalk, O., chairman ways and means.

Mrs. E. C. Carter, Chicago, auditor.

Mrs. Ida B. Frazier, Wichita, parliamentarian.

Mrs. Minnie M. Scott, Toledo, O., chairman executive board.

The Northwestern will hold its next annual convention in Cheyenne, Wyo., August, 1917.

REPUBLICAN DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

The following colored delegates were elected to the county convention, to be held July 1: From the First ward, John L. Thompson; Second ward, R. N. Hyde; Third ward, Henry McCraven; Fourth ward, A. C. Fisher; Sixth ward, Wm. Curley; Carney, Iowa, James adder; Enterprise, Iowa, Geo. Lewis.

The best and most permanent thing was the election of S. Joe Brown as a member of the Polk county central committee from the Fourth precinct of the Fourth ward. This is the first time that any colored man has been elected since John L. Thompson was on from the Third precinct of the Second ward.

One of the best and most permanent things was the electing of two colored men as members of the Polk county republican central committee, Rev. Henry McCraven from the Second precinct of the Third ward and S. Joe Brown from the Fourth precinct of the Fourth ward. This is the first time that Polk county ever had a colored man on said committee since John L. Thompson represented the Second precinct of the Third ward many years ago. We congratulate these men. They are good representatives of our race.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Turner on Sunday, June 11th, at the county hospital. Mother and son are doing nicely. Willis is wearing the smile that don't come off, and Grandpa and Grandma Green are the proudest you ever saw.
Beede Deatherage is the new yard man at the L. H. Wallace home.
Miss Luba Gwinn and Howard Motts attended the Keokuk district Sunday school convention at Ottumwa last week.

The feast in the wilderness was the social function given by the P. E. G.'s on Thursday night at the church in the lecture room, preceded by a spicy program. The evening was very profitably spent by all.

Clarence Frederick of Oskaloosa was a guest at the Henry Green home over Sunday.

Lewis Wallace of Pittsburg is in line now for a pension for his services in the regular army during the uprising of the Indians at the time of the Mexican war years ago, according to the local pension commissioner. We are glad to report this, as he has been expecting a pension for years, but the prospect never looked bright for him.

Lem Isaac of Texas was in the city a few days last week.
Children's Day will be observed at the A. M. E. church on next Sunday.

Word from Miss Margaret Campbell, who is in North Dakota at the Robt. Crump home, says she would like to see the Washington people, and may in the near future.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN.
We were very sorry to hear of the unexpected death of Mrs. Nannie Ferris, wife of Rev. Ferris, of Buxton, as she was a very dear friend of ours. The family has our sincerest sympathy.

Lawyer W. T. Francis was in attendance at the republican convention at Chicago last week.

Rev. J. P. Syms and Mr. Birmarck Archer left Tuesday evening for the district conference and Sunday school convention at Elgin.

The annual Esther Day services of St. Paul, No. 29, Queen of Sheba, No. 70, and Princess Ozil, No. 45, chapters were held at St. James A. M. E. church. Mrs. Zula Taudy represented St. Paul, Mrs. Mattie R. Hicks, Queen of Sheba and Mrs. Clara Miller, Ozil, on the program. Rev.

Martha Wright and Mrs. F. W. Roberts stayed all night with her sister, Mrs. Laura Jones, on her way to visit her mother, Mrs. Sarah Stewart, of Blair, Neb.

Mrs. R. Fields of Omaha returned home, after a brief visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Gertrude Cason gave a three-course luncheon this afternoon to twenty-nine persons for her sister, Mrs. T. W. Roberts, after which she will leave on the early morning train for her home in Sioux City, Iowa.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.
(Special to the Bystander by Editor.)
Chicago, Ill.—Stading in the great city of Chicago last week and attending the republican national republican convention was indeed an inspiration to any American citizen to attend a national republican convention when the contest for presidency is sharp. The great Coliseum was packed with her thousands and thousands of republicans from Florida to Alaska and from New York on the east to the Hawaiian islands, and there were delegates representing the Hawaiians, Alaska, Philippines, Indian, Negro and the Anglo-Saxon. It was a harmonious convention, seeking to unite the divided party with the progressives, which would insure victory this fall. It was clearly demonstrated by the convention that Theodore Roosevelt was the choice of the masses of people in Chicago, and even the visitors, but the delegates and representative men thought it best to nominate a man acceptable to Theodore Roosevelt and unite the two factors without antagonizing the conservative factor by nominating Roosevelt. Therefore after the second ballot the tidal wave turned toward Judge Hughes of New York and he was nominated on the second ballot. Most all of the other candidates had withdrawn and Fairbanks of Indiana was selected as his running mate. The progressive convention nominated Roosevelt and it was understood that he will not accept the nomination, but will support the republican nominee. Below we give a list of the candidates nominated and the amount of votes received on the first ballot. There were about forty delegates and about sixty alternates, and several hundred colored visitors and politicians present from all parts

of the United States, including the newspaper men and office holders and those who hope to be office holders were on the job.
(Necessary for a choice, 494.)

	Ballot.	Ballot.
	First	Second
M. G. Brumbaugh.....	29
Theodore E. Burton.....	77 1/2	76 1/2
A. B. Cummins.....	85	85
T. C. Du Pont.....	12	13
C. W. Fairbanks.....	74 1/2	88 1/2
Henry Ford.....	32
Charles E. Hughes.....	253 1/2	328 1/2
P. C. Knox.....	36	37
R. M. La Follette.....	25	25
Theodore Roosevelt.....	65	80
Elihu Root.....	103	98 1/2
L. U. Sherman.....	66	65
John W. Weeks.....	105	79
William H. Taft.....	14
S. W. McCall.....	1	1
W. E. Borah.....	2
Frank B. Willis.....	4	1
Leonard Wood.....	1	1
W. G. Harding.....	1	1
John Wanamaker.....	1	1
Absent.....	1 1/2
Not voting.....	1	2

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS CLUB ENTERTAIN.

On last Tuesday afternoon at the Girls' Social Center at 1058 Fifth street the High School Girls club received callers from 2 o'clock till 6 p. m., complimentary to their graduates, Miss Mamie Diggs, chairman of the executive board, and Miss Mildred Griffin, honorary president of the club. Other honored guests present were Miss Dora Newcomb, Messrs. H. A. Perry and Chas. P. Howard, graduates of East High, the Misses Lillian Coalston, teacher in the training school for women and girls, Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C.; Letta E. Carey or Bishop college, Marshall, Texas, and Lucile J. Rhodes, graduate of class 1916 of Western college, Macon, Mo. Mrs. Bernice Richmond of Aurora, Ill., was also present. More than one hundred guests called during the afternoon. The Center was beautifully decorated with the various high school colors and cut flowers.

Mrs. S. J. Brown, who always serves as sponsor for the girls, was assisted by the Misses Edythe M. Jones, Harriet Alexander, Ora Bundy, Edna Johnson and Bessie Graves of Moulton high school.

KEOKUK, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.)
One of the most elaborate and brilliant social affairs that Keokuk society has witnessed was given at Gibbons opera house last Monday night, when Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Freeman entertained in honor of the "graduation of their daughter, Miss Verna Halicia Beamon, who was the only colored graduate of a class of forty-two. More than 400 persons were present. The decorations were profuse and beautiful. The class colors of green and white predominating. Agne's seven piece or-

chestra furnished the music. The reception hours were from 7 to 9. In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Dandridge, grandfather and grandmother of Miss Beamon. Shortly after 9 o'clock was the grand march led by Mr. French Bland, Sr., and Miss Beamon. The dancing program was in charge of Mr. Jesse J. Johnson of St. Louis, Mo.

THE JUNE MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

Which was given at the Central Christian church last Friday evening, June 9th, for the benefit of St. Paul's A. M. E. church building fund, was a great success in every respect and the committee wishes to thank all who assisted them in the program, for it was by far the swellest in the way of a musical every put on in Des Moines by colored people, and we are under many obligations to Prof. Geo. I. Holt of Duluth, Minn., and Mrs. M. Field Lee of Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. J. W. Fields, Miss Margueretta Roberts, C. C. Johnson, J. A. Graves, H. Gould, Committee.

To the Public.
"I have been using Chamberlain's Tablets for indigestion for the past six months, and it affords me pleasure to say I have never used a remedy that did me so much good."—Mrs. C. E. Riley, Illinois, N. Y. Chamberlain's Tablets are obtainable everywhere.



Mrs. J. B. Rush, wife of Attorney Northwestern Federation of C. W. C., is chairman of the mothers' meeting committee of the National Federation.

KEOKUK ITEMS.

The Self-Culture club met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Frye on Monday of this week. The honor guests were Mrs. Booker of Trinidad, Colorado, and Miss Elizabeth Gross.

Miss Lucinda Butler of Paris, Mo., attended the Brown reception on Monday of this week.

On Wednesday of last week at the home of the bride's father, J. W. Bland, occurred the marriage of Aurelia Bland to Mr. Roy E. Handy. Miss Mabel Bland, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and Mr. Charles Alden was best man. The out of town guests were Mrs. Booker of Trinidad, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tucker of Carthage, Ill., Mrs. L. Holt of Des Moines, Iowa, Mrs. Maude Woods of Des Moines and Mrs. Della Gordon of Quincy, Ill.

Miss Ruth Ray of Dalton, Mo., attended the Beaman reception on Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tucker of Carthage, Ill., attended the Beaman reception on Monday of this week.

Miss Jennie and Mr. Harry Harper of Fort Madison are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Freeman this week.

Miss Clara C. Robinson of Hannibal, Mo., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. Singleton.

Mr. Jacob Nelson of Burlington is a Keokuk visitor this week.

Mrs. Jesse J. Johnson of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting in the city this week. Mr. Johnson attended the Beaman reception on Monday of this week.

Miss Mabel Bland is home for a vacation from Tuskegee, Alabama. Miss Bland is teaching at the Tuskegee Institute.

Miss Elizabeth Gross returned home for a three months' vacation from Iowa City, Iowa.

Mesdames Bertie Holloway and Hester Stewart of Chicago, Ill., returned home on Monday of this week, after a two weeks' visit with their sister, Mrs. Mary Quinn.

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