

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Ross Johnson and family has moved from Albia to Fort Dodge. They have been good citizens of Albia for over twenty years.

Mrs. Mable Robinson of Hocking was in Albia on business Thursday.

Mr. Charlie Davis was up from Ottumwa at the home of Monroe Davis and other friends Monday.

The Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. C. S. Washington on Thursday afternoon. After business the hostess and Mrs. Virginia Thomas served a very nice lunch.

Mr. John Lewis of Madison, Wis., sent to his sister, Miss Mildred Lewis, a nice box of candy as an Easter gift.

Miss Illa Lewis was elected as a delegate for the Young Girls club to the Iowa Federation of Women in Ottumwa; Miss Edith Harris as her alternate.

The Easter Sunday program was given at the A. M. E. church on Sunday evening.

Easter Sunday was a very nice day after a snow storm from 10 o'clock Friday until late Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hattie Bennings and children are in Des Moines at the home of Mrs. Jeffers.

Master Lee Roper was in the High and branch school entertainment at Kings' Theater, Tuesday and Wednesday evening of last week.

The S. B. Moore, M. M. S. presented a beautiful towel to Mrs. Emma Smith showing their appreciation of her work and their regrets for her leaving.

The Young Girls met at the Social Center on Sunday afternoon. Election of officers next Sunday.

GALESBURG, ILL.

The Green dinner at the A. M. E. church election day was a grand success.

Both churches held Easter services. We had a foot of snow.

The Garrison club was entertained at the parsonage Friday April 13th. All report a very interesting meeting.

Chas. and Marion Anderson were called to Chicago by the death of their brother-in-law, Eliga Totten.

Allen Chapel cleared one hundred and fifty dollars in their Easter rally. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and lilies.

W. M. Davis of E. Mulberry street is very low at this writing, also Mr. Sanford Harper is reported quite ill.

The Masonic ball was a grand success. A L. club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Turner April 12th.

Messrs J. Peoples, U. Strange, S. Williams, C. McWilliams, L. Early and E. Murphy of Monmouth, Ill., attended the Easter ball.

Miss M. Tinnel of Monmouth, Ill., is spending a few days with Miss D. Hawkins.

Miss J. Lewis of Kewanee, Ill., spent Easter Sunday in Galesburg, guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Jackson.

The Second Baptist church is preparing a three-nights concert, 11th, 12th and 13th for the building fund of the church.

Quite a few from MaComb and Kewanee attended the Easter ball.

Mr. Berry of St. David, Ill., spent Sunday and Monday with his mother and friends.

The Imperial Orchestra will give a recital at the Baptist church April 24th. Mrs. B. Hickey of Peoria spent Easter with relative and friends.

Mrs. D. Perry of Knoxville spent Monday in Galesburg with friends.

Nature Cures, The Doctor Takes the Fee.

There is an old saying that "Nature cures, the doctor takes the fee," but as everyone knows you can help Nature very much and thereby enable it to effect a cure in much less time than is usually required. This is particularly true of colds. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy relieves the lungs, liquefies the tough mucus and aids in its expectoration, allays the cough and aids Nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.

The Easter service at Mt Zion Baptist and Malone A. M. E. church were beautiful. The children and their instructors deserves much credit.

Mr. J. W. Hudson of Chicago was a business visitor in the city last week.

Rev Howard the evangelist, will conduct a three weeks revival at Malone A. M. E. church, beginning Sunday, April 15th.

Mr. L. Grant spent Easter Sunday in St. Paul.

Mr. E. Grant spent Easter Sunday in the city with his mother, Mrs. L. Grant.

Mrs. R. K. Knight who has been confined to the hospital, was taken home Monday April 9th. Her many friends are delighted.

Mr. Mansfield Askew was a visitor

in St. Paul Easter Sunday. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lee, formerly of this city.

The entertainment given by the Young Men's Reading club of Mt. Zion Baptist church Friday evening, April 6th, was a success.

Lodge No. 4655, G. U. O. of O. F. will initiate a class of two Thursday evening, April 12th.

Miss Marie E. Edwards and Mr. Henry F. Williams were united in marriage Sunday morning, April 8th, at Malone A. M. E. church. Their many friends wish them success and happiness.

IOWA CITY NOTES.

Misses Iva McClain, Elizabeth Gross, Naomi Harper and Messrs L. Windsor, Slater and Ricks have returned after spending the Easter vacation out of the city.

The Presiding Elder, Rev. Ferribee, was in the city Sunday and conducted services.

The R. I. Girls were hostess at a very delightful dinner at their house on Easter Sunday, April 8th. The guests included several members of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, viz Messrs W. H. Beshears, A. Martin, E. Calbert, H. London and L. Campbell.

The after dinner hours were spent informally in conversation, music and games. The hostess of the occasion were Misses Helen Dameron, Helen Lucas, Mamie Diggs, Ola Calhoun and Mabel Morgan.

Hal W. Short, a graduate of the college of engineering at the State University of Iowa 1912, was appointed assistant city engineer of Iowa City by a unanimous vote of the council April 6th, 1917.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

Mrs. Ada Chambers of Kewanee is visiting here with her mother, Mrs. S. P. Maupin.

Mr. Charles Groff of Cedar Rapids, Ia., spent Easter week with friends and relatives here.

The Sabbath school children of the St. James A. M. E. church rendered an excellent program in the afternoon. In the evening the church choir gave another good program.

At the Calvary Baptist church there were special services in charge of the Rev. H. Brasco of Duluth, Minn. Sabbath evening fourteen new members were taken into the church. The meeting will continue this week.

Mrs. Clare Murphy of Galesburg visited with relatives here over Sunday.

Mrs. Berenie Metlock was a passenger to Roseville on Saturday.

Mrs. Lillian Catlin left Friday for Galesburg from where she started to visit her parents at Washington, D. C.

Mr. L. Forte and children have returned home from Ashly, Mo.

Mr. Webster Ganger has returned from a visit with friends at Keokuk and Burlington, Iowa.

Mrs. Cora Irving of Burlington returned home Friday after spending a few days with her father, Mr. Marshall.

Mr. Clarence Catlin was called to Galesburg Friday night by the illness of his wife, who was visiting there with friends.

Mr. Carl McWilliams was a visitor in Galesburg Sabbath.

Mr. Jim Saunders of Ft. Madison spent Sabbath here with his brother, Mr. Elisha Saunders.

Mrs. Wilson Humphry delightfully entertained about fifteen ladies at her home on Fourth avenue, complimentary to Mrs. Branton Tule, who is leaving here for the present. The affair was in the form of a recital. A delightful luncheon was served. Mrs. McWilliams and daughters assisted the hostess.

Grandma Evans is very sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Winnie Payne.

Mrs. Castor of McComb attended the meeting of the Silver Spray Temple lodge.

Messrs Carl McWilliam and Clarence Catlin attended the dance at Galesburg.

Mrs. Florence Skinner entertained the Agnes Moody club on their open meeting day. About fifteen were present. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess.

Little Hazel Jackson, the six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Downing, passed away at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Susie Jackson, after an illness of long duration. Funeral services were held from the home in charge of Rev. George Mason of Carson, Ill.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Mrs. Sarah Wright passed away at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell in Carbon Cliff, Ill., last Monday, whence she had gone to spend the winter. The funeral was held Friday afternoon.

Rev. T. W. Lewis, pastor of the A. M. E. church, Moline, preached the sermon, assisted by Rev. Boyd of Rock Island A. M. E. church. The body was placed in a vault in Oakdale cemetery. Upon the arrival of her son, Herbert, from South America the body will be taken to Marshalltown for burial.

Miss Bertha Bates is still confined to her home with inflammatory rheumatism.

A wedding that calls forth best wishes is that of Miss Alethae Hopkins and Mr. George Freeman, which occurred at the A. M. E. parsonage Easter at 4:30 p. m. Miss Alethae grew to womanhood in this city and is highly respected. Mr. Freeman has made this city his home about a year and has made many friends.

Mr. Floyd Brent passed away last Wednesday. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the home of his mother. Interment in Oakdale cemetery.

The City Federation meets this Wednesday afternoon at the Third Baptist church.

Mrs. Munson of Monmouth, Ill., who has been here visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Harris, will return home Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Brooks will leave next week for a visit in Aurora, Chicago and Le Grange, Ill.

Don't fail to hear Miss Ruby Pettiford at Bethel A. M. E. church April 17th.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 7, 1917. Editor of Bystander: My attention has been called several times to the ending of your editorials in today's issue.

While my attitude upon all matters is one of tolerance, I seriously question the statement, "A real patriot is not running around with a petition asking other people to go or seeking to get up a company so that he or they may get some office or cheap notoriety. First go and enlist yourself when the call is issued." Being the only person in Des Moines, to my knowledge, who is circulating a petition, I resent the statement and desire to be known as a fighting patriot. I am not looking for position nor for notoriety and defy anyone to say that I have attempted to use my influence for myself or friends to secure any places. As for my patriotism, I have never changed, but have expressed myself more than usual lately. I am willing to go to war as a private and do not think any man has more rights to carry a gun in line than I have.

My reason for taking up this matter is because such utterances cause people to lose confidence in those who are entirely trustworthy. I defy you or any other man to say that I ever misrepresented myself, any cause I was interested in, or any condition to further my own ends. I have proven to the people in this community that selfish ambition was not a part of my make-up.

No man has the right to criticize the patriotism nor motives of another unless he is in position to prove that the person is or has not been worthy of confidence.

I challenge any man to point to a single instance where any of my motives could be honestly sighted as selfish or "double crossing." Perhaps it is new to you, and to many people in these parts, to see a man working with no material end in view. Yours sincerely, A. J. Booker.

KEOKUK NEWS.

Mrs. Amanda Palmer of Burlington, Iowa, visited here for a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. Emma Brown.

The members of Miss Mabel Davis' Sunday school class gave her a surprise party on last Friday afternoon.

Mr. John Johnson has returned to Des Moines, where he expects to spend the summer.

Mr. Henry Johnson is able to be up and around again.

Rev. T. L. Smith, pastor of the Eighth and Elm Street Baptist church at Quincy, Ill., died at 9:12 o'clock Sunday evening of pneumonia in his home, 830 North Seventh street. See writup elsewhere.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs Cecil Ballew has not been improving in health as the many friends had wished.

Mr. Thos. Lewis has been elected as alternate delegate to the district conference to be held in Des Moines in June.

The Christian Culture club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Jas. Redd on Thursday p. m. of last week at a regular meeting. The ladies were very enthusiastic in the work they are doing. At the close of the session light refreshments were served.

The Ladies' Aid of the A. M. E. church met on April 5th at the home of Mrs. Gentry. A short program was had and the work of the afternoon centered about the future work of the Aid. A very helpful meeting was held.

Miss Luba Gwinn went to Des Moines last Saturday to visit with Mrs. N. L. Black, who is in Des Moines recuperating, returning home Tuesday a. m. She reports a very pleasant visit.

The Easter program given at the

A. M. E. Sunday school was nicely carried out, which bespeaks much for the superintendent, Mrs. Emma Black, and her corps of able teachers. The services of the church were carried out according to the program and the missionary cause was extolled in a fitting way. The church was nicely decorated for the services.

The Intellectual Improvement club has taken on new life and the meetings are to be held regularly in the future. We say hallelujah.

Mr. Chas. Burklely has not been doing so well for the past week, but under the painstaking care of Mrs. Anna Burklely he is getting along as well as he can with his ailment.

Miss Marie Whaley was chosen by the Sunday school board to be the delegate to the Sunday school convention to be held in Des Moines in June.

Miss Luba Gwinn, the masseuse in the Washington chiropody and shampoo parlor, is now giving lectures to the superintendent and her corps of nurses and assistants at the Washington county hospital. The lectures treat of the proper manner of caring for the hair, treating diseases of the scalp, of the care of the skin, and the modes of massage for the face and body. She has quite a large class and it is getting much interested, which goes to prove that if one possesses that which the other fellow wants he will try to get it if he thinks it will benefit him, regardless of who it might be. Are you convinced? If not, follow the Health Hints in The Bystander.

Miss Ruby Pettiford, a reader of note, will give an entertainment in the A. M. E. church on April 18th, under the auspices of the King's Jewels.

The third quarterly meeting was held on April 1st at the A. M. E. church, and Presiding Elder Ferribee was present and administered the Lord's Supper in the afternoon, when about thirty-five communed. On Monday evening following the quarterly conference set and the church business was transacted in a manner befitting the occasion. All the departments of the church were represented with their reports, and the third quarterly meeting has passed into oblivion with good results.

B. T. Deatherage departed the fore part of the week for Sask., Canada, where he goes to work on a farm. With him goes the best wishes of the community. All are sorry that Bede has gone so far, but he is looking out for his best interests.

The A. M. E. church is in the midst of an every member canvass to build up the financial status of the body, and the plan is meeting with better success than was anticipated, as those who were opposed to it when it was promoted before are now its most staunch supporters.

Paul Greenway succeeds B. T. Deatherage at the Greer cafe, who resigned to go to Canada to work.

Were you aware there was a coming sketch artist in our midst? We have one in the person of Arnold Hall, a youth not yet out of his teens, who displays great ability in his drawings, and who knows that some day Arnold may develop into one of the greatest cartoonists of the day.

Rev. Morgan was a little indisposed last week.

Mrs. Mary Motts visited her daughter, Helen, at Rock Island over last Sunday.

At a special meeting of the city council Tuesday night A. L. Hall was awarded the contract for the caring of the garbage for the city for this season. Mr. Hall had the contract last year and by again securing it against quite a few bidders and not being the lowest, proves his worth in that capacity.

Mr. Richardson of Davenport is the new porter at the Schoenhoven barber shop. We gladly welcome Mr. Richardson to our city.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Easter Sunday was observed during the afternoon at the A. M. E. church, with appropriate services, and during the evening at the Second Baptist church.

Mr. Oscar Williams sprained his ankle, but is able to be out.

Miss Etta Searcy and Mr. Harold Gooch returned to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Wesleyan, after spending their vacation with relatives and friends.

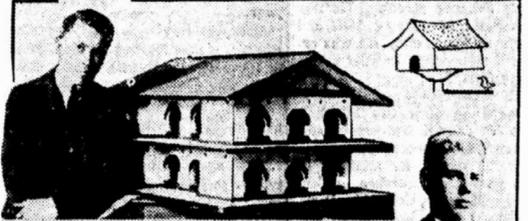
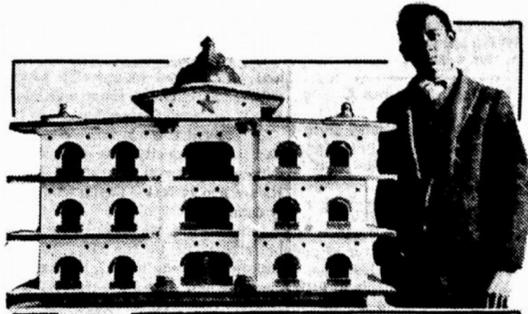
Mrs. Hattie Benton is still confined to her bed.

Miss Genevieve Searcy has returned from Edwardsville, Ill., after a short visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Searcy.

The Black Prince club entertained about ninety friends at an elaborate banquet Wednesday evening, April 4, at the Masonic hall. A most delightful evening was enjoyed and everyone voted the club most royal entertainers.

The Silver Leaf club entertained sixty friends at a dancing party on Thursday evening. Everyone departed, after spending a very pleasant evening.

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A COLORED BOY WINS FIRST PRIZE.

The above cut shows the pictures of the boys and their houses that won the prizes last week in the Daily Capital bird house contest. The peculiar thing was that in all of the Capital's writup about these prize winners they have never mentioned the fact that young Sheets was a colored boy. If this same boy had been associated with the same white boys in a crime or stealing the Capital would no doubt mention the fact that it was a colored boy or they would have more than likely said "a big black curly Negro." Now why is this? The good, the true, the generous, the ability to win the first place is not given credit to the Negro race, but anything bad, ludicrous or degrading they credit it to the race. In other words, the good we do is not mentioned. The evil we do is emphasized. This young boy, Stephen Sheets, is only 16 years old and the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Sheets, who live at 1503 Capitol avenue. They moved here from Tacoma, Wash., about six years ago and their son is a genius in woodwork. He has already made all the furniture in their home since he has been in the manual training school. He also sent some of his work to the Half Century Negro Exposition held in Chicago, and took first prize. Too much cannot be said about this rising artist. His parents intend to send him to college to take mechanical art. Below we publish exactly what the Daily Capital says:

"Stephen Sheets, pupil in the pre-vocational school, carried off honors this year, as he did last, in the Capital's bird house contest. He entered with a 42-room martin house, patterned after the best of the breed. The most notable thing about the work of the 16-year-old lad is that the judges could not find a single flaw in it. The house is perfectly made, according to government dimensions, and is a model of neatness. The bird house is constructed so that it can easily be taken to pieces when it is desired to clean it out. Young Sheets and his bird house are shown at the top of the picture.

Below him is Edward Baty, another pre-vocational school pupil. He also built a martin house that took third prize in the class of boys under 16. He lost a week's work on the house while work kept him from school and did not have time to finish it as neatly as he wished.

Reading from left to right on the bottom row are three other prize winners—Alfred Walker, 1034 Twenty-seventh street, third prize winner; Edward Munzenmaier, 820 Fortieth street, second prize winner, and Harold Swanson, 733 Thirty-sixth street, a second prize winner."

We might also state that the first prize was \$10 and that all the houses were sold. Mr. Sheets' house sold at \$20, the highest price ever paid for a bird house.

Scores of Des Moines Folk Vouch for Tanlac; Tenth St. Couple Relate Experience

Scores of Des Moines folk have told how Tanlac relieved them of stomach, kidney, liver and catarrhal ills. But in all of the stories that have been told none are more interesting than the following:

"My husband and I have suffered from stomach trouble for months," says Mrs. B. W. Banks who lives at 923 Tenth street, Des Moines. We had very poor ap etites and what little we did eat didn't agree with us. We were a badly run down pair.

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