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EDITORIALS

OFFICERS' CAMP NEWS.

For one to visit the Ft. Des Moines officers' training camp and see and talk with those men out there is a wonderful revelation, for there you will meet men of all the professions and vocations of life. In one company that I visited I found it to have in its makeup nine doctors, eight lawyers, four dentists, six undertakers, one banker, three ministers, two stenographers, three printers, forty business men in the various businesses, twenty professors or teachers. In another company I found one of the most interesting and unique bit of history in connection with Mr. King, the only man here from Utah. He and his father and brothers own 23,000 acres of Utah land. He said that they sold \$6,000 worth of wheat and have 300 acres of fall wheat in this year. They have just entered into a \$40,000 contract with a Minneapolis lumber company whereby he has sold 8,000,000 feet of white pine. They have lived there for thirty-seven years and not another colored family within a radius of forty miles. Another good thing was that there are two brothers, R. W. Farring, who is made sergeant major, and his brother, Chas. H., who was made a sergeant of the same company.

TAKE OATH OF ENLISTMENT

Thousands of persons witnessed the taking of the oath of enlistment by 1,000 of the best educated Negroes of the country Sunday afternoon, June 17th, at Fort Des Moines. Men from every state of the union representing all professions are among those taking training. The giving of the oath by Col. C. C. Ballou was a most impressive ceremony. Preliminary to administering the oath he said in part: In administering the oath of enlistment to candidates for commissions, mustering them into the service of the United States for the period of this training camp, I wish to say a few serious words to you regarding your work here and its consequences.

The course of training that you will be required to take is the result of the study, experience and judgment of the best military minds in America and Europe. Not one detail has been prescribed without careful consideration. You have the great advantage of numbering among you a large number of the most experienced and best non-commissioned officers of the regular army, who will afford the inexperienced constant assistance by their example of soldierly deportment and procedure. Your instructors are selected officers of the regular army, of exceptional qualifications for their work. But these men cannot carry you on their shoulders to success. Success, if achieved, must result from your own zeal, your own intelligence, your own industry, your own behavior and character.

I desire further to impress every candidate here present with the fact that this is a momentous hour, and that the establishment of this camp is an epochal and unprecedented event in the history of the colored race. You have been summoned here to demonstrate your fitness for citizenship by your ability to learn to discharge the highest and most important duty of that citizenship—the defense of the rights and liberties of your country.

I would impress upon each and every one of you the serious reflection on your race that will necessarily follow your failure in this crucial test, and the far-reaching results that will flow from your success.

Your race will be on trial, with you as its representatives, during the existence of this training camp, and to succeed there will be required of you strong bodies, keen intelligence, absolute obedience to orders, unflinching industry, exemplary conduct and character of the highest order. In striving for that success you will be fulfilling your obligation to yourselves, to the colored race, and, above all, to our beloved country.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

By John L. Thompson.

Before leaving Yankton I must mention that little Herbert Goodloe sent to my boy, John Nelson, two little Belgian hares, which reaches Des Moines safely. Our next stop was in Sioux City, Iowa. Here is claimed to be the second largest city in Iowa, with a colored constituency of about 600 people, many doing well. C. W. Williams is still in the carpet cleaning business. He has one of the modern new cleaning machines. He has an auto delivery wagon. He has the best equipment of any colored man in Iowa.

Dr. R. A. Dobson is still practicing medicine here. He has recently taken unto himself a beautiful wife and has the whole floor on second story at 400 West Seventh street for office and residence. It is in a new building and everything is first class. J. W. Norris is still operating his theopneustics and magnetic massage rooms down town. He has a large practice. Dr. Norris is taking up the ministry and is preaching every other week at Sioux Falls, S. D. Mrs. Mate Saunders is still operating her restaurant at 503 Douglass. She is doing nicely. Mr. H. H. Lewis has opened up a first class restaurant at 402 West Seventh street. He is doing well. Mr. M. Askew, district grand master of the Iowa Odd Fellows, is still at Soper's drug store. His brothers are here and are doing well. They own valuable property. D. C. Gordon is working at the same place and is doing well. Also is Wm. Ganter. Mr. C. A. Gross is still operating his tonsorial shop and is doing nicely. His daughter graduated from the Catholic academy. T. H. Sturgis is still in the mail service. He owns a beautiful place. He has been in the civil service as carrier for the past quarter of a century. He and his family are fine people. C. E. Stubblefield is the only other colored man in the postal service. Until last winter he was a carrier, but now he has been promoted as a clerk. We congratulate him. His wife is an elocutionist, who recently gave a recital in our city. She is sick now. They have three children in the high school. J. H. Shores is still working at the same place. He owns nice property and was recently elected W. M. of Decatur lodge, A. F. & A. M. W. P. Shields is still working at the same place. Rev. M. Toomey is pastor of the Baptist church. He lives on a truck farm and has a fine garden, from which he sells vegetables in the city. Rev. Edwards is pastor of the A. M. E. church. T. J. Sadler still runs his pool hall and barber shop. Also S. Bryant has a pool hall and shop on West Seventh street. F. H. Hackley is in the barber business. He lives about 100 colored people and many more are coming in. They have one church building, Baptist, pastored by Rev. L. Biggs, a very nice man, doing well. They own valuable property. Then the A. M. E. has recently organized a church mission here. Mr. S. Hudson is the oldest man in business. He runs a pantorium. He has a large patronage. He owns a nice home and an automobile. He is a race man. Scott Davis is still here, doing well, as Scott always does. Luke Raglin is still employed at the barber shop. He is buying a nice home. Mrs. Venerable is running the restaurant formerly owned by Wright & Venerable. R. W. Watson is still out on a farm. Eugene Reed recently came here from Centerville and is em-H. is still here doing nicely. Mr. H. Williams, L. Sylvester and Ben Walker have all bought properties out in the south part of town, a new addition, and are improving their properties. Mrs. Hattie Jamerson is living at the same place. She lost her husband last winter. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Coleman live here, also two of the Perkins brothers, each owning their homes. In Boone, Iowa, we found about the same people as usual. Mr. Fred Anthony is still a clerk in the Tucker grocery store, where he has worked for more than twelve years. Geo. J. Taylor is still working in the barber shop, as is H. C. Williams, who is with the O. K. shop. W. P. Bell and E. P. Parent still live here. C. H. Coleman is working here.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

(Last Week.)

The entertainment given Saturday night for the benefit of the Sunday school proved to be quite a success. Mr. John Hicks of Minneapolis, Minn., is visiting relatives and friends. We are all glad to see Bro. Hicks in the city. Miss Cornelia Smith left Sunday night for Minneapolis, Minn., to visit her brother, Walter, for an indefinite stay. Miss Lillian Palmer has purchased a new Edison. Mr. Teddy Taylor is now driving a taxicab at night for Mr. Adamson. Mrs. Anna Kearney, who was visiting in St. Louis with her sister, was called home on account of the illness of her husband, Mr. Kearney. Her niece accompanied her home. Mr. L. Kearney is reported some better. Mark Carrington, Jr., has been on the sick list for a few days. Mrs. Lillian Palmer and her son, Edward, and her mother, Mrs. J. Allen. Mr. John Smith was calling on Bro. Whitt Kearney and Rev. M. Carrington on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. S. H. Jones and daughter, Aldeen, and Mrs. L. Lewis were calling on Mrs. C. G. Jones on Sunday. Whereas death has entered our order and taken from us our beloved sister, Mrs. Dora Foster, to try the reality of a world unknown to us, therefore be it resolved that Shamrock court, No. 6, bow in humble submission to the will of Him who knows best and express our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of our departed sister our profound appreciation of the world and all things pertaining to our order. That in most respect her life was blameless and her example one which will be esteemed by her friends. Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the record of the lodge and

that the county papers be requested to publish these resolutions.

Mrs. Clara Leek,
Mrs. Mildred Mayfield,
Mrs. Susie Williams,
Mrs. Shelby Noah,
Committee.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA.

(Last Week.)

Miss Ruth Pallard of Chicago is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. R. A. Dobson. Mrs. Alfred Morgan and daughter, Mabel, of Yankton, were visitors in the city last week. Mrs. O. J. Mullins has returned from Carroll, Iowa. Mrs. T. Hodges is visiting in Marshalltown. Mr. Edward Askew has returned from St. Paul. Mrs. Anna Roberts had one of her fingers amputated. Mrs. Harry Barnes is visiting in the east. Miss Ruby Pettiford, the famous reader of Ohio, will give an entertainment at Malone A. M. E. church Wednesday, June 27th. Don't fail to hear her. Mrs. Horace Green will entertain the Progressive club Thursday evening, June 21st. Decatur lodge, No. 14, A. F. & A. M., will celebrate the bi-centennial anniversary of Masonry Sunday afternoon at Malone A. M. E. church. Rev. M. Toomey of Mt. Zion Baptist church will preach the sermon. Addresses will be delivered by the past masters, a copy of the original warrant granted Prince Hall and his associates will be read. The O. E. S. will attend in a body and furnish music. Master of ceremonies, Mr. Fred H. Baker, S. W. Rev. E. R. Edwards will depart Saturday for Clarinda to preach the bi-centennial sermon for Keystone lodge, No. 33, A. F. & A. M., which will be held Sunday. Mrs. Priscilla Mack and little daughter have returned from Yankton. All persons having news for the Bystander please send it to 1708 Riverside avenue, or phone 1597 Bell.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN.

Editor John L. Thompson was in our city Monday in the interest of the Bystander.

June weddings have been much in evidence in the Saintry City this year. Miss Eleanor Barksdale and Mr. W. Dudley Smith were married on the 4th at the home of the bride on Aurora avenue. Rev. Murrell officiated. A very pretty church wedding was solemnized at Pilgrim Baptist church Saturday evening, June 23, in which Mr. Jas. E. Murphy led to the altar Miss Ida May Johnson. A reception at the home of the bride's parents followed. Rev. D. E. Beasley officiated. On Wednesday evening, June 27th, at St. James A. M. E. church occurred the marriage of Mr. Oscar L. Wilson to Miss Ruth Charleston. Rev. Jas. M. Henderson said the words that united this couple. A reception followed at the home of the bride's uncle at 636 University. All three couples are housekeeping.

Frederick Douglass lodge of Odd Fellows held their anniversary services at St. James A. M. E. church on Sunday evening. A large crowd attended. St. John's day was observed at Union hall Sunday afternoon by the Masons of the twin cities. The Handicraft Art club gave a kitchen shower on Mrs. G. Harvey on Monday evening. A large delegation of ladies left on Tuesday for Duluth to attend the State Federation, which convenes on June 26-28. The Adelpia club picnicked at Phalen park on Tuesday afternoon. The grand chapter of Illinois O. E. S. will convene in our city the middle of August. The Chicago conference will meet at St. James A. M. E. church beginning September 18th. Little Bernard Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerrard Lee of Iglehart avenue, has recovered from a severe attack of scarlet fever. The members and friends of Pilgrim Baptist church are sorry to have to part with their pastor, Rev. B. N. Marrel, at this time. The Rev. is in training at Ft. Des Moines. Mrs. A. L. Ridley of St. Anthony avenue is quite ill at Bethesda hospital. Miss Mattie Wade Hicks and daughter, Opal, left Saturday evening for an extended trip to Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma, Wash., and Portland Oregon.

MONMOUTH, ILL.

A large number of people from Monmouth attended the laying of the cornerstone of the Second Baptist church in Galesburg. Mr. Elisha Saunders and sons, Hugh and Bruce, went to Rock Island on Saturday. While there they visited their niece and cousin, Mrs. James Bowen. Miss Hortense Hardin left Monday for Keokuk, Iowa. Mr. Merrill attended the 3 M.'s picnic at Rock Island. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ford have a fine baby girl. Mr. Henry Grant and son, Leland, went to Rock Island to attend the 3 M.'s picnic. Mr. Young attended the picnic at Rock Island. Mrs. Jennie Saunders has returned home from Burlington, Iowa, where she was visiting her mother, Mrs. Simon Edwards. Master Beauford Maupin is very much better at this writing.

Rev. Eugene Thompson and Mr. Frank Osborn left Tuesday for Davenport to attend the conference and the Sunday school convention. Mrs. Jennie Hardin and Miss Gladys McWilliams will attend the Sunday school convention at Davenport, the latter being the delegate from the St. James A. M. E. Sunday school.

ALBIA NEWS.

The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. H. Jones on Monday afternoon. After business, lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Jones. Mrs. Joe Robinson of Hocking attended the meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Thomas are in Des Moines since Friday. Mrs. Thomas was called to Des Moines on account of the death of her cousin. Mrs. Hattie Bennings entertained a number of little folks at her home on Tuesday afternoon in compliment to her little niece, Miss Marguerite Estes, on Tuesday. Mrs. Delia Thomas entertained at dinner on Sunday for Mrs. G. A. Davis and Mrs. Mary Harris. Mrs. Carthon of Hiteman was in Albia on Thursday. Mrs. Oscar Roper attended the Carey and Bledsoe wedding in Oskaloosa the past week and also accompanied them from Oskaloosa to Des Moines. The ladies of the Missionary society had a social at the A. M. E. church on Monday evening.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA.

The Mission Circle meets at the church every Friday afternoon. All are invited. Rev. Daniels of Omaha, Neb., preached at the Tabernacle Baptist church Sunday evening. There was a large crowd out to hear him. He preached a noble sermon. The literary organized at the A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon reported good attendance. It will meet every Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Tillie Reese of Chicago, Ill., is visiting in the city. Mrs. Reese formerly lived in this city and has many friends who are glad to see her. Rev. J. P. Jackson returned Thursday of last week from Davenport, where he attended the Iowa Baptist Sunday school convention. While in the city he was the guest of Mrs. L. H. Walker. Mr. Wm. White was slightly hurt Saturday while fixing an automobile, but is doing nicely at this writing. Mr. Robinson, who has been on the sick list for some time, is not improving very fast, but he has our prayers and we hope he will soon be well again. Mr. Cave is still on the sick list at this writing. Mrs. Hazel Turner gave a party Thursday evening. The evening was spent in cards and other games. For news for the Bystander call at 112 So. Thirteenth street.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

(Last Week.)

(Special to the Bystander.) The City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs entertained the colored graduates of the State university and their company with a reception at the colored K. of P. hall. The guests were brought to Cedar Rapids in a special car over the interurban line. Mrs. Gresham, Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. T. K. Lowery, Mrs. Flowers, Mrs. Carter, Mr. Gray and the Misses Eleanor Lavell and Marie Williams went to Iowa City as a reception committee and escorted the guests to the city. All reported a perfectly wonderful time. The annual picnic of the Telephone club was a grand success. All members brought lunch and Miss Sims served ice cream and pop. Everyone reports a well spent day and a splendid time. Mrs. T. K. Lowery and family and Mr. L. C. Jones were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Gresham for dinner Sunday afternoon. All report Mrs. Gresham as being a most delightful hostess. Mr. Leonard Lavelle has returned from a short visit to Chicago. What's the matter with the "Windy City," "Prince?" (This Week.) Children's Day was observed Sunday afternoon at Bethel A. M. E. church. The exercises were very good. The "Boosters" or Truette Aid will give a social Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Turner. The Telephone club gives a picnic Tuesday at Riverside park. Rev. Northcross, Mrs. Anna Joyce, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Miss Ethel Johnson and Mrs. Eliza Williams attended the Iowa-Nebraska Baptist Sunday school convention held in Davenport. Mt. Olive lodge, No. 17, A. F. & A. M., will observe St. John's Day on June 24th at Mt. Zion Baptist church.

Whooping Cough.

In this disease it is important that the cough be kept loose and expectoration easy, which can be done by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. P. H. Martin, Peru, Ind., writes, "My two daughters had whooping cough. I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it worked like a charm." To Discover Onward Things. The light which we have gained was given us, not to be ever staring on, but by it to discover onward things more remote from our knowledge.—John Milton.

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OMAHA, NEB.

The Cecilia ball team played the A. J. Roots team Sunday at Twenty-seventh and T. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Riddles at 5300 South Twenty-fifth are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby girl. A seven pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lone Nix on Thursday. Mother and baby are doing nicely. Miss Theresa Russell, who committed suicide June 13, was buried in Council Bluffs on June 15th. Rev. T. J. Peterson officiated. Willis and Terry's Jass band is still playing at the Rome vineyard. A grand rally was held Sunday at Zion Baptist church. Rev. L. K. Williams of Chicago held the services.

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