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LUSITANIA

(Written specially for the Bystander)
We are coming Father Wilson,
We are answering to your call.
We are coming from the factories,
Farms and firesides and all,
We are rallying to the banner,
Emblem of world's freedom call
And our battle cry "Avenge the Lusitania."

Yes, we are going to cross the ocean,
As Allies to the French,
Repair the debt of gratitude,
And help fending of the stretch
Of old Prussia and of Germany
And old Truks despotic sway
And our victory cry will be, "Avenge
the Lusitania."

We will storm the Kaiser's stronghold
We will set his captives free.
Joined by millions of honest people
In the land of Germany.
Yes, they join us in our struggle,
To dethrone despotic rule,
And th' y'll help us sing, "Avenge
the Lusitania."

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS

On leaving Galesburg we made a short trip of a few hours to Kewanee, Ill., where we found a few colored people and most of them are doing nicely and many of them own homes. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Reynolds were both off on their vacations visiting in Chicago and elsewhere. Mr. A. B. Bell still runs his barber shop, also Mr. Williams runs a good shop. There are two other barber shops operated by colored men but cannot recall their names. There are two churches, Baptist and Methodist. Mr. Robt. Watts is doing nicely as is also Arthur Watts, a young man who lives at the edge of the city. W. M. Chambers, Mrs. Susie Brown, Mrs. Leslie Shield are substantial citizens living at the same place. Mrs. Mae Coleman will read the Bystander in her own home this year.

Our next stop was in the coming metropolis of the world—Chicago. Here dwells more than two million humanity, representing every race and nationality known to the civilized world and on the face of the globe. It is a great hodge-podge of swirling humanity. People hardly know themselves in this great city with its towers and pieces of magnificent architecture. Her crowded streets and her system of electric cars underground, on the surface and elevated bringing the masses to and from all parts of the city.

Here dwells about 75,000 colored people and from this great mass one can see them from the lowest to the highest development. There are colored people here engaged in every known profession and at the highest development along any lines that they choose to take up. The two races seem to get along here, better than in any other large community where both races live together in this country. It is said that along a certain part of South Chicago from 18th street as far down as 50th street and between Michigan and Dearborn that there are thousands of our people living and have successful business enterprises. In this area we have a colored Alderman, two negro members of the legislature and many colored men representing the race in both city, county and state positions and many in the U. S. postal department. Time and space forbid me to give you a list of these men who are successful, but it lends inspiration to one to visit this section of the city and see for themselves the progress that our race is making along all lines.

The many churches of all known denominations seem to be abreast with the times. A. M. E. churches are far in the lead in edifices and attendance. The Baptists are making perhaps more progress along new churches than any other denomination. The Episcopal, Catholic, Presbyterian and Congregational churches all seem to be holding their own. Our friends Revs. Timothy Reeves and Briece U. Taylor, former pastors of the A. M. E. church here are making good in Chicago and their churches like them as well as they were liked in this city. They were returned to their respective churches this year as you will see by the list of appointments in last week's issue of the paper.

The Iowa men that I met who have gone from this state are living here and doing well. Mr. Luther Bled-

soe, who formerly learned his printing trade in the Bystander office lives here and is still working as linotypist on the editorial department of the Chicago Record Herald. He recently married Miss Cecil Harris, formerly of this city. Mr. James Weeks is still working at the same place and doing well. Mr. Wells Fowler has moved his family from Ottumwa, Ia. here. Mrs. S. V. Holly, who formerly lived at Cedar Rapids also lives here. Mr. John Wright, formerly of Buxton, Iowa is operating a large hotel, restaurant, club house and saloon. He has a very large business and is doing well. Another Iowan who is in the saloon business is Hugh Hoskins, erly of Keokuk. He is enjoying a large trade and invites all his friends to call upon him at the "Iowa saloon." Joe Jones, formerly of Des Moines is running a first class tonorial parlor on State street.

I will not give our readers some statistics as reported by Black's Blue Book, which is a directory of the Chicago colored citizens. They have 60 physicians; 5 photographers; 23 dentists; 14 dressmakers; 1 bank; 68 barber shops; 43 billiard and pool halls; 4 blacksmiths; 20 chiropractors; 5 cigar makers; 8 cleaning and pressing; 2 clothiers; 13 decorators; 83 express and storages; 30 grocers; 49 lawyers; 20 real estates; 65 restaurants; 25 saloons; 9 shoemakers and 11 undertakers; 22 Baptist, 1 catholic, 2 Christian, 1 Congregational; 1 Episcopal; 18 Methodist; 2 Presbyterian and 3 of various denominations, 66 policemen, 41 school teachers.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

Doc is home.
Mrs. Jennie Cooper is having her house reshingled.
Simpson Mitchell has put in his home a furnace, water and other improvements.

John Harris, who has been living in Chicago the past few years, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Buxton and Des Moines, came down Wednesday night for a brief visit with friends in the city. While here he was the guest of Miss Marie Buckner. He left Friday morning for Buxton, thence back to Chicago.

Noah Kimbrough is feeling better.
Rev. G. W. Brown, pastor of Shorter A. M. E. church, delivered two excellent sermons Sunday. The night service was largely attended. At this service Miss Marie Buckner and Mr. LeRoy Carter united with the church.

Henry Allen is suffering from a severe cold.

ALBIA NEWS.

Presiding Elder J. H. Ferribee passed through Albia Thursday on his way to Des Moines, stopping over between trains at the home of Mr. B. T. Lewis.

Rev. Nealy of Lovilla was at service at the A. M. E. church Sunday. Quite a number of young people from Buxton were in Albia over Sunday.

Dr. Willis and a few others from Buxton were in Albia shopping Saturday.

Mrs. B. T. Lewis left Wednesday for St. Louis for several weeks' visit with relatives.

Mr. Carthon of Hiteman and family Sunday in town.
Rev. Moore of Cheyenne, Wyoming, and wife are visiting friends in Buxton and Hiteman and spent a few hours in Albia on Saturday and Sunday.

The following are the newly elected officers of the A. M. E. church Sunday school, choir and Christian Endeavor. Christian Endeavor from 6:30 to 8 o'clock: President, Mrs. Chas. Washington; vice president, Edith Thomas; secretary, Edith Harris; choir director and leader, Mr. Chas. Washington; organist, Miss Alberta Robinson. The A. M. E. Sunday school officers are: Mr. Chas. Washington, superintendent; Miss adie Lewis, assistant superintendent; Miss Frances Thomas, secretary; Miss Alberta Robinson, organist; Rev. J. W. Dowden, pastor of the A. M. E. church and general superintendent.

Trinne lodge, No. 11, Knights of Pythias, entertain at their hall October 31st, Halloween night, in Halloween mask characters. All who wish to mask may. All are invited.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Mrs. Elizabeth Allen of La Grange, Mo., is in the city visiting her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen. The following have entertained in her honor: Mrs. Eugene Allen entertained a company on the afternoon of Tuesday, October 2nd; Mrs. William Turner entertained at supper on Thursday, October 4th; Mrs. Emma Bush entertained a company on Friday afternoon, October 5th; Mr. Edward Allen entertained at an automobile party to points of interest in the tri-cities on Saturday, October 6th. The Tri-City Business Men's League

held their annual banquet at Bethel A. M. E. church last Wednesday evening. A large audience listened to their most excellent program, after which all were invited to the dining room, where they were served to an appetizing menu.

Revival meetings are in progress at the Third Baptist church. Evangelist Rev. Goodson is in charge and much interest is being shown.

Mrs. Ara May Jackson is visiting relatives near Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Bettie Calloway has invitations out for a small company Thursday afternoon as a courtesy to Mrs. Elizabeth Allen of La Grange, Mo.

QUINCY ILL. CLIPPINGS.

Mrs. Hosea J. Nichols was hostess to a knitting party on last Saturday for Mrs. J. E. Dabner and she proved a charming hostess.

Mrs. Mary E. Jackson and Dorothy Jackson have returned from Louisiana, Mo., and report an enjoyable trip.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Wilkins of Keytesville, Mo., are in the city visiting friends, en route home from the North Missouri Conference held in St. Charles, Mo.

Mrs. Mary Tate entertained at whist Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. J. E. Dabner.

Friends in the city were sorry to hear of the death of Rev. P. C. Cooper, his death occurring in Mattoon, Ill., with burial Tuesday in Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. Mary Anderson was the hostess to a Mutual Aid ast Monday night. A three-course uncheon was served after the program. The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, who addressed the club with timely remarks.

Mr. George Mills is slightly indisposed this week.

Word has been received in the city of the demise of Rev. P. A. Green, another A. M. E. preacher of the Illinois conference. His death occurred at Springfield, with burial at Decatur, Ill.

Miss Eveyln Greenly is visiting relatives in Peoria, Ill.

Messrs. Richardson and Tate are in attendance at the Masonic Grand Lodge at Peoria.

Miss Sophia Russ gave an Orpheum party for Mrs. J. E. Dabner on Wednesday afternoon with a social hour at the home of Mrs. Sarah Young.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

(Last Week.)
Mrs. Topson of Des Moines was a business visitor in our city last week. The luncheon given by the ladies of the A. M. E. church Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Abram Stewart was well attended.

A. G. Clark is in Davenport, having been drawn on the federal jury. Sam Willis died at the county farm Sunday of rheumatism.

Art Tolson has returned Sunday from his home in Jacksonville, where he was called by the illness of his mother.

Rev. D. W. Brown and wife are pleasantly located at the A. M. E. parsonage and will be pleased to meet all friends.

Mrs. Ethel Fields returned Saturday to her work in Des Moines.

GALESBURG, ILL.

Services were well attended at Allen Chapel morning and evening on Sunday. Attorney Cooper of Chicago gave a very interesting talk.

Rev. Garrison launched a Thanksgiving entertainment known as double route to Allen Chapel. Excursion train n. C. B. & Q.; engineer, Mr. Richardson; conductor, Mrs. M. Jackson; Sante Fe, Mr. Chas. Anderson, engineer; conductor, Mrs. C. Anderson. We hope each a great success.

A reception was given in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Garrison on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Glen.

Autumn Leaf club was entertained at the home of Mrs. B. Gregsby on Thursday, October 18th.

Messrs. E. Strange and J. Peoples of Monmouth attended the dance on Wednesday evening given by the M. D. club.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and baby of Monmouth spent the week-end in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilder.

Mr. T. Webster spent Sunday in Monmouth.

The Thimble Circle was entertained at the home of Mrs. T. Green on Friday, October 19th.
Harvest homecoming at the Second Baptist church on October 9, 10 and 11 was a grand success. Proceeds were \$61.25.
The Second Baptist church will have a day tag on Saturday, October 20th.
Revival meetings will start Friday, October 26th.
Messrs. B. Steen, J. Williams and Vivian of Kewanee attended the dance given by the M. D. club.
Mrs. F. Gren is not much improved

at this writing.
Mrs. P. Anderson is much improved. Mrs. Turpin is reported ill.

Misses Mildred and Florence Smalley will be removed home from the hospital this week.
Miss Verna Leonard is able to sit up.

Miss C. Butler is much improved.
Mrs. D. McKinzie is much improved.
Miss V. Brown, M. King, Mr. A. Ashby attended the Masonic and soldier boys' dance Wednesday and Thursday in Peoria.

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ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

Miss G. Stoner is working at the Black Hawk hotel in Davenport and also three other ladies from this city.
Miss C. McGamble has returned to her home in Macon, Mo., after spending all summer with her sister and other relatives.

Mrs. M. Perkins' father from Cedar Rapids is visiting in our city.
Mr. A. Dawson returned Friday noon from Peoria, where he attended the Masonic convention. He reported a swell time in Peoria.

Miss B. Edmonds and Louis Henry of Davenport spent Thursday evening in Moline at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Golden.

Mrs. Golden. The evening was enjoyed in playing cards.
Mr. E. Carter is on the sick list at this writing.

The fish fry Tuesday evening at the A. M. E. church was a success.
Miss F. Pearson, V. Pearson and E. Bain entertained Friday evening about fifteen. Three tables of cards were enjoyed by all. Miss V. Pearson received first prize, F. Pearson second and M. Staffer third prize. At a late hour refreshments were served.

Mrs. L. Payne and children spent all day Wednesday in South Rock Island and at the residence of Mrs. B. Morton.

Mrs. Mary Pearson and Bertha was invited out Monday and Thursday evening for supper at Mrs. E. Walkup's.

Mrs. E. Walkup spent all day Friday at her mother's.

Mr. P. Flannigan has gone to Canton, Ill., to live for a while.
Mrs. J. Clay has gone to house-keeping on Thirteenth street.

Mrs. L. Black returned home Friday. She was visiting in Buxton and Cedar Rapids.

Miss L. Coleman was made a brief call by G. Alnut, E. Basset and B. Edmunds on Sunday afternoon.
Mrs. L. Black was to call on Mr. and Mrs. Walkup on Sunday.

M. P. Thompson, who was on the sick list, is much better at this writing.

Mr. J. King returned Sunday from Peoria, where he attended the Masonic convention.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Golden were in the city Sunday to the game.
Mr. Earl A. Reynolds passed the highest grade in the postoffice mail service in competition with twelve other white men. He is a graduate of the Rock Island high school.

MACON, MO., NEWS.

Rev. A. R. Fox preached two excellent sermons Sunday morning and evening.

The funeral of Mr. Arthur Chester Crews occurred Sunday morning at 11 o'clock from the Vine Street and Broadway Baptist church. Mr. Crews has been in poor health for some time, death being caused from an abscess on the lungs. Mr. Crews was an amiable young man of our city and very polite and lovely all who knew him, always a smile to every one. Just before his death he found Christ the sweetest thing of all He waited until the changes came. Jos. 14th chapter and 14th verse. Yet, a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep. Proverbs, 6th chapter and 10th verse. He leaves a wife and sister, Mrs. Cassie Chambers of Seattle, Wash., and a little son, Harris Xenophen Crews, three sons, Mrs. N. Powell of Macon, Mo., Mrs. Susie Campbell of Des Moines, Iowa, all of whom were to attend the funeral. A host of relatives and friends mourn his death. Arthur was a student of Western college. The flowers were beautiful. Rev. J. W. L. Underwood preached the sermon. Mrs. Myrtle Smith sang "Face To Face." Call not back the dear departed, Anchored safe where storms are over, On the borderland we left them, Soon to meet and part no more. When we leave this world of changes, When we leave this world of care, We shall find our missing loved Ones in our Father's mansion fair.

The funeral of Prof. F. W. Perkins occurred last Wednesday, October 10, at Bethel M. E. church by Rev. A. R. Fox. His death was caused from a nervous breakdown. He had been in poor health for about three months. Prof. Perkins was principal of Dumas school and had taught in Macon for thirteen years, also in Trenton a num-

ber of years and a graduate of Lincoln institute. He was well loved by all that knew him and especially his students of Dumas, and as well his fellow citizens. He was a high Mason and a high Odd Fellow. He was a member of the M. E. church and a devoted brother, also in church and lodge everything was well. He was ready if the Lord seen fit. He was a true Christian member. He leaves a wife, Mrs. R. B. Perkins, three sons and one daughter, Mrs. Ruth H. Majors of Denver, Colo., E. W., Jr., Irwin and Paul; two brothers and a host of friends to mourn his death. The flowers were beautiful. The Sisters of Ruth presented a sheaf of wheat with red roses and the Odd Fellows a three link reef and the Masons a reef of beautiful dark leaves with roses and also a number of others. Mrs. Lillian Buckner read a paper in behalf of Dumas school and a paper by Miss Alice Harris, a Sister of Ruth, in behalf of the Household of Ruth.

'Tis hard to break the tender chord,
When love has bound the heart,
'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words,
Must we forever part.

Miss Alma McElroy has returned from a visit in Des Moines, Iowa.
Mrs. Chas. Bratton of Atchison, Kans., is spending a few days in Macon, the guest of her husband, Rev. Bratton, who is a student of Western college.

Mrs. J. T. Ancell Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ancell and Mr. Gus Hudge motored to College Mound on Sunday to be at the bedside of Miss Nellie Gorham, who remains quite ill.

Mrs. Jackson and daughter of Milan, Mo., attended the funeral of Mr. Arthur Crews on Sunday.

Dr. J. E. Smith will visit Springfield, Ill., for a few days.

The reception which was given Friday night in the Western college dining room for the benefit of the students was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Green of Beaver, Mo., spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Nannie Bell and daughter, Miss Fay, and Master Earnest have returned from a visit in Des Moines, Iowa.

Rev. J. W. L. Underwood will depart Tuesday for Springfield, Mo., to attend the state convention.

Mr. Willard Carter is the guest of friends in Kansas City and Fulton, Mo.

Miss Ora Finney is visiting in Fulton, Mo.
Mrs. H. C. Clark spent a few days in St. Joseph, Mo., visiting friends.

COLORED OFFICERS

Who Have Been Assigned Here at Camp Dodge.

George A. Holland, George W. Winston, Byrd McD. Hart, Peter McCall, Alonzo Heard, George C. Hall, Charles W. Owens, Samuel J. Tipton, Frank W. Love, Dee Jones, Edward C. Dorsey, William Hill, Charles J. Scholes, J. William Gillum, Anderson May, Charles J. Kelley, William T. Johnson, Clarence W. Harding, G. S. Homan, William Jones, Walter Hill, Charles Young, Willie Johnson, Anderson Trapp, Hal Short, Elias A. Morris, Victor Long, Elbert L. Bookner, Earl W. Mann, Harrison J. Pinkett, Victor J. Tulane, Amos B. Maddison, Pierce McN. Thompson, Herman L. Butler, James C. Arnolds, Clifford W. Jones, John F. Rice, Mallalieu W. Rush, George O. Robinson, Guy W. Canady, Isaiah S. Blocker, Charles P. Howard, Harry B. Wilson, Carter N. Brown, Edward Turner, Charles J. Adams, Harry C. Ellis, Christopher C. Winbush, William H. Clarke, Charles A. Shaw, James A. Coltrane, Benton R. Laternire, William T. Burns, Clyde R. Brannon, Henry H. Proctor, John Q. Lindsey, William F. Nelson, Thomas J. Henry, Jr., Julian R. Rodgers, John P. Walker, Cuby Martin, William H. Benson, William H. Dinkins, H. B. Holder, Marshall Meadows, Andrew B. Callahan, James E. Ivey, Harry W. Short, Hugo B. Stokes, Edward L. Goodlett, James B. Morris, Joseph S. Sanders, Earl H. Nash, Wade H. Powell, Major Williams, Clifton S. Hardy, Vivian L. Jones, J. Wardlaw Mitchell, Elliott B. Sanders, Charles J. Ellis, James L. Elliott, Frank L. Francis, John W. Bundrant, Robert B. Cado, James C. Bedeon, James H. Peyton, Maceo A. Richmond, Jesse H. L. Gaines, Clarence K. Howard, Currence W. Allen, William N. Brooks, Ralph Mizell, Austin Simms, William H. Johnson, Charles S. Parker.

Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomach and you may find it best to cut them out.

BACK TO FIGHT THEIR KIN

"Rainbow" Division Contains a Company of Pennsylvania Germans Who Still Speak Mother Tongue.

Easton, Pa., the mountainous little city which guards the eastern entrance to the Lehigh valley, suffered recently the deeply moving shock of pathos and patriotism which must come to the towns and cities of America, one after another, as the flower of their boys in organized array march off to war, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Easton's military organization, affectionately known as the City Guard, is now the One Hundred and Forty-ninth machine-gun company. It left for Mineola, N. Y., to join the "Rainbow" division, the first stage of a swift journey to France and the battle front.

In the ancient city of Speyer, upon the Rhine, is a line of tombs in which repose the old warrior emperors of Germany. The legends say that they arose by night over a century ago, ferried the Rhine, and caused the defeat of Napoleon at Lepsic; and that they will arise again to protect Germany in her greatest crisis. This company of Pennsylvania soldiers, heavily treading through the streets of Easton, presented a far more impressively impending fatality, for these were Pennsylvania German boys. Their names were Ridenour, Lehr, Hitchenbacher, Kocher, Darmstadt, Kiefer, Scherf, Seiple, Volkert, and so on.

Two hundred years ago their forefathers came to America from the Pfalz, of which Speyer was the capital, and these boys, notwithstanding their education in our greatest schools and colleges, and their two hundred years of family history upon American soil, still speak with fluency the ancient dialect of the German Palatinate, locally known as Pennsylvania German.

Fate is sending these boys back to the land of their forefathers to overcome by their living presence the spiritual assistance of the ancient kings of Speyer. It is Ithenish legend against Pennsylvania machine guns. And theirs indeed is soldier blood. Their names reflect many soldiers of distinction from this county in the Revolutionary, Mexican and Civil wars, their fathers having made in their time the same march of the same route as that made by the boys on their way to camp.

Why Should We Wash?
Why does a boy object to washing his neck and ears? Or object still more seriously to having them washed? I have evolved a scientific and psychological reason which is a complete answer to the question, but I prefer to answer it by making a personal confession based on my own boyhood experience, says Edwin Fuller in the Mother's Magazine. As a small boy, I objected to washing my own ears because I could not see the dirt and because I believed it unnecessary waste of time which might be used more profitably in play; and I strenuously objected to my mother performing the operation because she always hurt me.

There is no period of the boy's life more trying to the parent than the period between eight and twelve, except only the age of early adolescence. The chief characteristic of early boyhood is individualism. He now recognizes himself as an individual entity not correlated to society at large. He feels no obligation to humanity because he does not yet realize that he is an integral part of it. His individualism manifests itself in selfishness and self-centeredness.

Spirit of Martyrdom.
Here and there may be found persons not recognized as great and yet really great. They are working for great ideas. For their efforts they may be severely punished. Can it be said of them that the rest will follow? Surely it can. They are the pioneers. They blaze the paths for other great persons who reap the reward of what they have done. They are very pathetic, these martyrs. And yet, in a sense, they are not pathetic at all. They have the joy of working for something worth while, even of suffering for it and perhaps going down to seeming defeat. Theirs is the spirit that animates many of the young men at this moment offering their lives to their country. Suddenly, by means of their self-sacrifice, life has become enhanced for them and death itself has taken on a kind of beauty.—New York Evening Telegram.

She Was Out of It.
Old Zeb Jackson, the champion whitewasher, walked down the main street of the village one morning dressed in his best suit, with a large, brilliant buttonhole bouquet and with cotton gloves on his big hands.

"Hello, Zeb," said the postman, "are you taking a holiday?"

"Dish yere," said the old man with a proud wave of his huge hand, "dish yere am mah goiding wedding anniversary, sah. Ah'm celebratin' hit."

"But your wife," said the postman, "is working as usual. I saw her at the wash tub as I passed your home."

"Her?" said Zeb hotly. "She ain't got nuffin' ter do wif hit. She's mah fourth"—Omaha Herald.

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