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### WOUNDED NEGRO HERO SPEAKS IN DES MOINES.

Standing on one foot, supporting his body by leaning against the pulpit, while his other leg dangled because it was too sore to carry the weight of his body, Private Wm. Haggin, of Co. E, 370th Inf., who is at the present time being reconstructed at the U. S. Military Hospital at Ft. Des Moines, from injuries received in the western European front, stood for more than an hour last Sunday afternoon in the auditorium of the Des Moines Branch of the Army Y. M. C. A. and in the presence of an audience that filled every available space in the building, including the gallery and overflow room (related in his own simple but forceful manner some of his experiences from the time his regiment sailed from Newport News, including their trip to the front, life in the trenches, going "over the top" a second time and the sensation of being shot in the leg by shrapnel.

Private Haggin claims that this was his first experience at public address and while it is true that he made no pretense at oratory, his simple conversational story was so adroitly mixed with humor and pathos that he kept his vast audience alternately laughing and weeping, and though not a Christian himself he concluded with a touching request for prayers for the boys "over there," and at the conclusion of the address Secretary Edward Ross led the hymn, "For you I am praying," and the entire audience stood in reverent silence while a special prayer was offered by the Camp Pastor, Dr. H. E. King.

Other short addresses were made by Miss Ursula Guy, Colored Girls' Director of the War Camp Community Service, Miss Virginia Guy, Head Hostess of the Camp Dodge Hostess House No. 2, and Mr. W. D. Baldwin, president of the Soldiers' Fathers' League. Musical numbers were given by Sec. Wm. Washington of the Camp Dodge Army "Y," and Mr. H. W. Hughes. The ladies of the Camp Dodge Camp Mothers' Association and the Chas. Young Auxiliary of the American Red Cross attended in a body. Atty. S. Joe Brown, chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the Army "Y," presided.

### CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Mrs. A. J. Gray and Mrs. E. C. Thomas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Aigens Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Brown has accepted a position at Denecke.

Mr. Wm. Lavell visited in Rock Island last week.

The tenth wedding anniversary of Mrs. Fred H. Gresham and Mrs. O. J. Thorpe was celebrated by a surprise at the home of Mrs. Gresham. Many friends of both were present. They were presented with a beautiful cut glass nut bowl.

Mrs. James Aiken and Mrs. Arthur Jackson gave a surprise party for Mrs. Hattie Fields Friday evening.

Mrs. Fagan died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. Wilson, 908 S. 6th St., Saturday, Sept. 14th, and was buried from Mt. Zion Baptist Church Monday afternoon.

The stewardesses of Bethel A. M. E. gave a reception for the pastor, Rev. J. P. Sims and family, Monday evening in the church parlors. Rev. Sims left the same evening for conference at Evanson, Ill.

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### EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

By John L. Thompson.

There were a few typographical errors in our last week's Observations about the Keokuk people. One was that we meant to state that Mr. A. A. Bland was still running his hotel (instead of a pool hall), and that Mr. W. H. Taylor was still operating his pool hall, and that Miss Lizzie Russ and her father, a pioneer of that county, formerly lived near Farmington, where he owned a valuable farm that he recently sold, are now living at 1927 Palean St., a well to do retired farmer. After Nelson and I enjoyed a fine dinner Sunday at the home of Dr. T. H. Phillips and wife, we motored into Mount Pleasant on the plank road, a beautiful ridge road drive of 40 miles. This city has a colored population of about 500, of which some of us are fine, well educated, and highly respected for their high ideals that is among their social life. Mrs. Harris' three daughters, who are graduates from the high schools and the Wesleyan College here, are all teaching in various parts of the United States. One a teacher in the high school in Atlantic City, N. J., another one in the public schools of Buxton. Miss Ida M. Godfrey was formerly from here and is now a teacher in Kansas City, Kan., for the past ten years. There were the Mason girls, all graduates, and the Burnaughs, also high school graduates. There are two churches, the A. M. E., presided over by Rev. B. F. Hubbard, and the Baptist, pastored by Rev. P. Thomas. Mr. J. W. Fidler is still running a barber shop and doing nicely. They own valuable property. Mr. Samuel McCracken, a pioneer barber, is still running his shop. His son is assisting him. They own a beautiful residence. Eugene Patterson is still employed at the Y. M. C. A. building. E. H. Reece is working at the same place. John Greenup owns a truck farm and is doing well farming. Clay Reed is also farming, but lives in town. They are all doing well. Mrs. Harriett Smith is still active in her church work. Mrs. M. Watters owns a valuable property, as also does Mr. Conson. John Harrison is doing well. Mr. M. Burnaugh is still working at the poultry house. Miss Bernice Page, our agent, is an office girl for a white physician, making good. Here my son Nelson, becoming somewhat tired after being out with me for two weeks, left me for home. On the next day I motored to Fairfield. Here are but few colored people, but most of them are doing well. They own their own homes. S. Sykes, a pioneer and a retired barber, still lives here. They own a nice home. T. W. Price, who once lived in Des Moines, is doing well here. He has a nice home. Dan F. Detwilder is still at the Leggett House. F. A. Anthony and G. W. Coalson are doing well at their same place. They have the A. M. E. Church, pastored by Rev. Hubbard. Mr. and Mrs. Dabner are still here, getting along nicely. Away to Ottumwa, the largest city on the C., B. & Q. railway from the Mississippi to the Missouri river. Here lives fully 1,000 colored citizens. Many are employed in the Morrell packing house.

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### MACON, MO., NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patton are the proud parents of a fine boy. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Mr. Bud McGill of Nashville, Tenn., spent Thursday with his parents and registered in Macon. He left for Omaha, Neb.

News was reached here that Miss Nettie Woods of Butte, Montana, died there following an operation. The deceased was a niece of Mrs. Cora Harris.

Mrs. Annie Myers Johnson and husband and grandson Oalan of Quincy, Ill., are visiting in the city.

The ladies of Macon met at the home of Mrs. Georgia Brown and were organized into a Red Cross auxiliary by Mrs. B. R. Williams (white). The following are the officers: Mrs. Sadie B. Fox, chairman; Mrs. Georgia Brown, vice chairman; Mrs. Lillian Booker, secretary; Mrs. Myrtle Smith, treasurer; Mrs. Lula Brown, financial chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lewis are moving to Kansas City to make their future home. Miss Nellie has been there for some time. We regret to see these good citizens leave Macon.

We are now having plenty of rain. Mr. Harry Gray still remains ill and Mrs. May Burton is somewhat better. Miss Hattie Bruner remains the same. Carrie Bird is better and Mr. Bill Brown still the same.

The bazaar is to be held at the A. M. E. Church Thursday and Friday. The one holding the lucky number will receive the quilt.

Western College will open Sept. 23rd. Prof. Johnson of Mississippi will teach. Mr. Jake Maxell is able to be up and down town after a hard spell of sickness. Mrs. Mary Carter and son Willard

spent the week in Bunston, Mo., attending the fair.

### OTTUMWA BRIEFS.

On last Sunday morning the closing Sabbath of the conference year, Rev. E. H. Cato, pastor of Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, preached from the text, Thes. 5:23. Subject, "Sanctification." The subject was splendidly outlined, showing, 1, the Christ as the model of sanctification; 2, sanctification in its characteristics is progressive; 3, the importance of sanctification to our entrance into heaven. You missed a treat if you were absent.

On Sunday evening the appreciation of the administration of Rev. E. H. Cato and wife was demonstrated by the turn out of a goodly number of the Knights of Pythian Lodge. The Knights sat together in seats reserved for them, and contributed largely to the support of the gospel.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Bradshaw of Kansas City, Mo., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Bradshaw. While here Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw were royally entertained by friends. They returned to Kansas City last Monday.

Mrs. Georgia Alexander of Topeka, Kansas, was the house guest of Mrs. Henrietta Horn for a few days last week. Mrs. Horn entertained one evening with a dinner in her honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Shelton of Chicago, Ill., spent a pleasant day with Mrs. M. F. Clark and family.

Mr. J. T. Henderson made a flying trip to Des Moines, Iowa, to say farewell to his only son, Sergeant Arthur Henderson, who left for New York with hundreds of his comrades in the U. S. service.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Fox entertained at luncheon in honor of Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Cato, at their residence, 510 N. Hancock St., South Ottumwa.

Miss Dagmar Bell of Chicago, Ill., returned to her home Sunday after a pleasant visit with friends.

On last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Weeks were host and hostess to the Faithful Few Society. The guests of honor were Mrs. Georgia Alexander of Topeka, Kansas; Mrs. Myrtle Anderson of Springfield, Ill.; Miss Dagmar Bell and Miss Margaret Davis. After the business session a splendid program was rendered by the members of the society. Addresses were given by the guests of honor, after which a two-course luncheon was served. Music and conversation was the entertainment for the evening. Those present took leave at a late hour, declaring that the end of a perfect day.

Mrs. M. F. Clark was hostess to a dinner given in honor of Mrs. Georgia Alexander.

Mrs. Etnes King was hostess to a dinner given in honor of Mrs. Georgia Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Horn and Mr. and Mrs. Albridge Horn of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, are the guests of their mother, Mrs. Henrietta Horn.

Mrs. Anna Rose gave a reunion dinner for her brothers and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Horn and Mr. and Mrs. Albridge Horn, and all members of the family who are Ottumwa residents. Fourteen members of the family were present.

Mrs. Etnes King was hostess to a family reunion. Fourteen members of the family were present. The out of town relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Horn and Mr. and Mrs. Albridge Horn of Cedar Rapids, brothers and sisters-in-law of the hostess.

Mrs. Henry Elliot of Fairview, Iowa, a suburb of Ottumwa, was hostess to a Sunday dinner given in honor of Mrs. Myrtle Anderson and Mrs. Georgia Alexander. Covers were laid for six. A three course dinner was served.

Mr. Geo. Langford has returned from St. Joseph, Mo., where he was called to the bedside of his mother, who was dangerously ill from burns received.

Miss Aurelia Clement is somewhat indisposed at this writing.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Georgia Johnson of Burlington, Iowa, who is being cared for by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Daisy Cason of South Ottumwa; Mrs. Carrie Gordon at the Ottumwa hospital, who is reported a trifle better; Mrs. Alice Gilbert of South Ottumwa; Mrs. Margaret Coots, who is much improved.

The funeral of Mr. Daniel Keel, who met his death by falling from the gallery of the Grand opera house to the balcony below, was held from the Sullivan undertaking parlors. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. R. H. Cato. The Knights of Pythians had charge of the services at the grave.

Rev. R. H. Cato left Tuesday for Evanston, Ill., to attend the annual conference which convenes there this week. He was accompanied by Rev. R. H. Morgan of this city.

Mrs. Beulah Dimeny of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Davis.

Miss Lelia A. Crawford has gone to visit relatives in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Her stay will be indefinite.

### BUXTON, IOWA.

The ladies clubs are sparing no pains whatever towards making the Soldiers Library Fund program a great success. Mrs. M. C. White of Clarinda, Iowa, president of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, assisted by Hon. Geo. H. Woodson, will be the prin-

cipal speakers. Don't forget the date and place, at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, Sunday, Sept. 22nd. Time 3:30 p. m. Admission free.

Thursday the 12th was a big day in Buxton. The miners only worked half a day. In the afternoon the band rendered many patriotic selections for the boys to register by.

The Star Comedy Co., a troupe of up-to-date colored players, showed here last week to a crowded house. They were excellent.

Mr. Earnest Watson left for Camp Dodge last Thursday.

Mr. Jackson Brookins was called from Chicago last week to the funeral of their baby.

Miss Magnolia Sears, who has been playing for the movies, and her sister, Vacillia, who has been employed at the Monroe Mercantile Store, are preparing to leave for school this week.

Mrs. Otis Wright was called from Chicago last week to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Dollie Morris, who has been seriously ill, but is now improving very much.

Dr. E. A. Carter returned from Chicago Tuesday, where he spent several days attending to business.

Mrs. La Doshia Montjoy is now employed in the ladies' suit department of the Monroe Mercantile Co. store.

Miss Myrtle Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Baker, was quietly married to Mr. Jno. Allen last Wednesday night. We wish them much happiness.

Mr. Geo. Calloway of Chicago is spending several weeks here meeting his old friends and making new ones.

We received the news that Private Reuben Gains, Sr., who has been stationed at Camp Dodge, has been moved to New York.

Atty. Jas. A. Spears took a flying business trip to St. Joseph, Mo., last week.

Mr. J. F. Baker is building a new printing shop on Third St.

### TABERNALE BAPTIST CHURCH ITEMS.

The church is progressing nicely. Rev. F. C. Bolling, the pastor, preached two soul stirring sermons Sunday.

The Silver Leaf Industrial Club met at the home of Mrs. S. B. White on Monday. After business a two course luncheon was served by the hostess. Adjourned to meet at the home of Rev. L. G. Garrette.

The choir is progressing fine under the leadership of Prof. Oliver and Organist Mrs. Bailey.

As Rev. Childs was stopping in our city for an indefinite stay it seems as though he was suddenly called home to Des Moines, Iowa. So he preached his farewell sermon Wednesday night at Tabernacle church. Special music by the choir. We are all very sorry to lose him.

On Thursday evening a supper was given in honor of Rev. Childs at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Robinson.

On Sept. 14, a picnic was given by the Sunday school in the park. Quite a few children turned out. They all brought their baskets filled with good things and experienced a good time.

The Y. T. & B. H. Club met with Alta Pendleton at Whiteburg, Iowa, Monday evening and organized the children.

Miss Mable Dysart and Master William Jones have returned home from Missouri, where they were visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. L. Freeman still remains on the sick list.

Everybody is welcome at the B. Y. P. U. each Sunday evening at 6 o'clock.

An entertainment will be given Monday evening by the Silver Leaf Industrial Club. Refreshments of the season will be served. Come out and pin the necktie on the dude.

Mrs. Sallie Darden is just getting along fine after having a very badly burned arm.

The Busy Bee Club meet every Friday at the church and every one would know by the name of the club that all members are very busy in the interest of the church.

The money is being raised for the benefit of having the church repaired. The male members are paying \$2 and the female members are paying \$1, and

they are all responding readily.

### Good for Biliousness.

"I took two of Chamberlain's Tablets last night, and I feel fifty per cent better than I have for weeks," says J. J. Firestone, of Allegan, Mich. "They are certainly a fine article for biliousness."

### A Question.

Said the near cynic: "Judging from the time some of the young blood of this town arrive home in the morning, it's hard to tell whether to call them night owls or larks."

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