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## MASONIC GATHER AT CLEVELAND, OHIO IN A GREAT CONFERENCE IA., MINN. AND S. DAK. BAPTIST ASSO. CLOSES -- MAPLE ST. CHURCH

### Masonic Conferenc

National Masonic conference for the United States and Canada, when a number of present and past presiding officers of the O. E. S. met at the call of Past Inter-State Matron, Inez T. Alston of Florida and organized what is hereafter to be known as the Inter-National Conference of the Administrative Degree among those present being Mother L. L. Foye of Massachusetts who issued the call which resulted in the organization of the O. E. S. conference in 1907.

### People Of The Trustee Board of Iowa Federation Home

The trustee board of the Iowa federation home held a special meeting Monday afternoon upon the call of Mrs. Helena Downey, chairman who presided.

A resume of the work of the board beginning July, 1919 and ending May, 1920 showed money having been collected amounting to \$2,047.50.

### HEAR HIM

Hear Bishop W. T. Vernon, orator, educator, statesman, high churchman, ex registrar of the United States treasury, president of Western and Campbell colleges, bishop-elect to South Africa at St. Paul A. M. E. church Monday, Sept. 6 at 8 p. m. Gov. W. L. Harding has been invited.

### Grand Elks Convention at Kansas City

Parades, Carnivals, Balls, Social Affairs Mark the Five Days of "Hello Bill!" BOSTON THE NEXT MEETING PLACE (By Charles A. Starks.) Hello Bill! Hello Bill! was the real spirit that characterized the convention week of the Elks. From henceforth now and forever Kansas City must go down, at least in the minds of the visitors, as one of the greatest host towns on the map.

### Fort Dodge Notes

Special to the Bystander. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harper were visitors at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell on which they are doing fine.

### Muscatine Notes

Mrs. Ed Williams and daughter, Elsie, returned to their home in Burlington last Tuesday after a week's visit at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Williams.

### Prominent Iowa Minister Passes Away

REV. S. B. MOORE. Rev. S. B. Moore, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, formerly presiding elder of the Des Moines district of the Chicago annual conference, and grand patron of Electa Grand Chapter for the state of Iowa and jurisdiction, departed this life August 25 after an illness of a few hours.

### Abdications of History

Ever since dynasties have existed there are records of kings having abdicated from one cause and another. Far back in the misty past one monarch gave up his throne because he was "wearied with dominion"; another "retired out of preference for the freedom of private life"; a third laid down his crown because his schemes failed; still another abdicated in a fit of melancholy; and there are two instances in which kings left their thrones because they were unable to cope with national crises.

### Ia. Baptist Asso. Holds Great Meeting

More than two hundred people representing the Baptist churches of Iowa, South Dakota and Minnesota were in the city last week attending the forty-second annual session of the Baptist association of Iowa, South Dakota and Minnesota.

### Moore Than 10,000 Gather In Cincinnati Ia. Prominent In National Masonic Meet

The eight Inter-State and Inter-National conferences of as many of the various departments of Masonry including Blue Lodge, Royal Arch, Knights Templar, Shriner, O. E. S., Daughters of Isis, Heroines of the Templar Crusades and Administrative Degree of O. E. S. held at Cincinnati last week, have passed into history and when the history of this the greatest Masonic gathering ever held in America among the members of any race is written it will disclose the fact that present and former residents of Iowa with a Negro population of less than twenty thousand, played in said conference a more prominent part than those of any other one state regardless of the size of its Negro population.

### Conference of Grand and Past Grand Masters

In the Inter National Conference of Present and Past Grand High Priests and Grand Secretaries of Royal Arch Masons, Attorney S. Joe Brown, of this state who was made Chairman of the Committee to Revise the Constitution and also a member of the committee to recommend a uniform ritual to be used by all Negro Royal Arch Masons in the United States and Canada.

### Knights Temple

In the Inter National Conference of Knights Templar of the United States and Canada is the oldest of these Masonic conferences and in which all Knights Templar are eligible to membership. Iowa was represented by Sir E. T. Banks, Past Deputy Grand Commander; Sir W. H. Humburd, Past Senior Warden; Sir W. C. Rhodes, Past Senior Grand Warden and Sir S. Joe Brown, Past Grand Warden of the Grand Commandery of Illinois and Iowa, also by Past Commander C. F. Topson and Sir Knights Henry West and Bert A. Harris all of Des Moines and Sir Knight R. S. Taylor, M. D. of Davenport.

### Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

In the Supreme Council of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine Iowans took no conspicuous part; but illustrious Nobles, W. H. Humburd, Bert A. Harris, Henry West and W. C. Rhodes of Des Moines and Dr. B. S. Taylor of Davenport were present in the sessions and marched in the parade on Tuesday afternoon which was conceded to be the most gorgeous ever staged upon the streets of Cincinnati during a more than a century of history; and while no lady who is at present a resident of Iowa was in the Supreme Council of the Shrine, Mrs. Ruth B. Bright, Past Grand Matron of Iowa, O. E. S. but at present a resident of Denver, Colo., was present as a member of this body and at the annual memorial service of the big A. M. E. Zion church on Sunday afternoon the sermon was delivered by illustrious Noble, W. Simpson Brooks, now Bishop of the A. M. E. church, but formerly pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church of Des Moines.

### Formerly Iowan Making Good

is undergoing some repairs after which it will be one of the most beautiful churches in Topeka. The membership numbers 274.

### GOOD IN KANSAS

Rev. M. J. Burton, a former Iowan and well known Baptist preacher is at present, pastoring the Second Baptist church of North Topeka, Kan.

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