

Our Neighbors

CLINTON ITEMS.

The Bystander readers in Clinton are pleased to compliment the management on their recent booster edition.

The Trustee Helpers supper held Saturday evening, Nov. 6 was a success, a neat sum being realized.

General Robinson son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Robinson, who has been quite sick for the past two weeks, has returned from Mercy hospital where he submitted to an operation last week.

Relatives and friends of the drug company recently organized in Des Moines, and who were to open their doors to the public this week, extend congratulations and wish this race enterprise unlimited success.

Subscribe and pay for the Bystander. Those who attended the home coming at Iowa City were Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bush and son, Rogers, Mrs. C. I. Thompson and daughter, Isabel, and Mr. G. W. Slater, Jr. Saturday evening they were guests at supper at the Delta Sigma Theta sorority house, with Miss Etta Searcy as hostess.

Later they were guests at a party given by the Kappa Alpha Psi. Sunday Miss Searcy entertained at dinner. All the events taking place at the sorority house.

All arrangements are practically completed for the annual Thanksgiving dinner to be given at the A. M. E. church.

CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

Sunday, Nov. 28 is the first quarterly meeting of the conference year at Bethel A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder Rev. Stovall is expected to be present.

Mrs. Julia McGee is much improved at this writing. The Tent a branch of the Sir Knight and Daughter of Tabor was organized Saturday afternoon by Miss Enozine Wilsons of Keokuk. About forty children being in attendance. The following were elected: Queen Mother, Mrs. Corrie Allen; Vice Mother, Mrs. Pattie Caulder.

The Stewardess Board of Bethel A. M. E. church will serve dinner and supper Thanksgiving day. Price 40c. Mr. Harold Price is rehearsing a minstrel which is to be given at the K. P. hall Dec. 1, 1920. Dancing will be immediately after the show.

Don't fail to attend this minstrel and dance.

KEOKUK NOTES.

The N. A. A. C. P. met Nov. 8 at Bethel A. M. E. church and elected officers for the year. Bethel A. M. E. church is taking new life under its present pastor, Rev. J. H. Garrison. The choir has been organized and robed under the direction of Miss Anna Pyles.

The Stewardess Board have announced their annual dinner and have the cooperation of the members and friends to make it a success. Mrs. Minnie Taylor has charge of the program for the evening.

Rev. J. H. Garrison is out into the country today to enjoy a hunting with his friends. Mite Missionary society has been ordered to meet Thursday at the parsonage by Mrs. Garrison.

Dr. U. Frank Brown spoke over to the Pilgrim Rest Baptist church on the League of Nations. Rev. Garrison has organized twelve clubs to raise money for trustees in the Bethel A. M. E. church.

IOWA CITY, IOWA.

Delta Sigma Theta. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bush and son, Rogers, Mrs. May Thompson and daughter, Isabelle; Rev. G. W. Slater of Clinton, Mrs. Williams and daughter, Connie; Messrs. Lee and Rogers, Cedar Rapids attended the Iowa-Minnesota game and Kappa Alpha Psi party.

The Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity held their home coming party at the chapter house of the Delta Sigma Theta. The house was artistically decorated in the university colors, old gold and black, and the fraternity colors, scarlet and white.

A sacred program was rendered at Bethel Sunday school Sunday afternoon. Mr. Finneson reviewed the lesson and Mr. Tucker delivered an address on intellectual industrial and spiritual training. A Christmas festivity in the form of a musical program or cantata will be given December 12.

Delta chapter, Delta Sigma Theta held regular business meeting Monday evening. Matters relative to annual convention which convenes with Beta chapter, Wilberforce university in December were discussed.

Donations in any form will be gladly accepted especially aid on coal.

WATER VALLEY, MISS. NOTES.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Suggs was blessed with a little baby girl. She has been named Maggie Gray Suggs.

Mr. John Rosman is visiting friends in Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. V. L. Suggs, ex-soldier and president of the Y. P. U. is visiting relatives and friends in Memphis, St. Louis and other points in the north.

Rev. E. B. Topps, president of the Baptist state convention and vice president of the national convention has been elected pastor of Eredale Baptist church.

OSKALOOSA ITEMS.

The friends in and out of the city of Miss Gladys Cross will be pleased to learn of her splendid work as a high school student. Her average in all her studies was 90.

The ladies of the Trustee Aid of Shorten A. M. E. church served a dinner and supper in the church Tuesday, Nov. 2 to a mixed crowd. It was a financial success.

The E. E. Jones home on North Fifth street will soon be wearing a new bonnet (shingles). Mrs. Luella Johnson of Ottumwa was a visitor in the parental Franklin home one day last week.

Master Corrie and little Miss Cora Wilson of Ottumwa was seen playing on the lawn of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jones. F. M. Moore is numbered among the sick. Thomas Brown submitted to an operation Monday. At this time his condition is critical.

Attorneys Geo. H. Wodison and John L. Thompson of Des Moines were business visitors in town Friday. The churches and Sunday schools are all in a prosperous condition.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

Mrs. William Keith was called to Missouri on account of the serious illness of her son, Mr. Tom Topps.

Mr. Oscar Tansil of Buxton, who visited his brother, Mr. Charles Fitzgerald last week, returned to his home last Monday. Mr. Tansil was once a resident of Mt. Pleasant but left here over 30 years ago.

Miss Jeannette Wells is confined to her bed with sickness. Mrs. Jennie Hill of Hershall spent a few days in Ottumwa with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Bailey and her little son.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greenup were called to Ottumwa Monday to attend the funeral of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Perry Greenup.

Mr. Everett Reed went to Eldon, Iowa last Sunday morning, where he joined his sister, Mrs. Morris Wickes. From there they went to Ottumwa Monday to attend the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Perry Greenup. Mr. Reed returned home Monday night bringing with him the little 4-year-old son of the late Mrs. Greenup.

Mr. Clay Reed attended the funeral of his niece, Mrs. Perry Greenup in Ottumwa last Monday. Mrs. William Burnaugh was in Ottumwa to attend the funeral of Mrs. Greenup.

CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

Rev. J. H. Fernibee of Monmouth, Ill., was in the city Tuesday on business and was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Waters.

Rev. and Mrs. Waters, pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church is pleasantly lodged in the parsonage on South Ninth street. They welcome members and friends.

Mrs. Semore Floyd has returned home afterward an extended visit in Bloix, Miss. Mrs. Lulu Horne is visiting in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith entertained at 5 o'clock dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Miss Ruth Williams, and Mr. Geo. W. Ashby.

Mrs. Flora Woodings and Mrs. Agnes Taylor are reported ill at this writing.

MISS FANNIE GROOMS OFFERS PRIZE. Muscatine, Iowa, Nov. 12.—One of the most highly respected, and useful citizens of Muscatine in the person of Miss Fannie Grooms, who has occasionally given a prize to the student girl in the Piney Woods Country Life School of Braxton, Miss., who gives evidence of an exceptional character, Christian devotion and desire to help her race, has decided to make it a permanent, annual prize of five dollars in gold.

Miss Grooms has been quite successful in a business way and gives this prize in memory of her sainted mother. It recalls to mind the legacy left Piney Woods by a successful citizen of Keokuk, the late Mr. Selby Johnson, whose memory will always be cherished by those who love to do good.

Washington, D. C.—More than a thousand persons attended the meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held in the Metropolitan Baptist church, at which meeting James Weldon Johnson spoke on "The Haytian Atrocities." Mr. Johnson gave first hand information, having made a careful study of the situation while he was on the island. It will be noted that a court of inquiry appointed by the secretary of the navy to investigate charges which have been made in connection with the American occupation of the island probably leave Washington for Haiti in the near future. Major Jesse F. Dyer, United States Marine corps, stated that he had contemplated calling the Rev. Tom L. Evans, a Baptist missionary, as a witness, but the Rev. Mr. Evans is alleged to have since stated that he had no personal knowledge of instances of ill treatment of the natives by Americans of the expeditionary forces in Haiti, but that he would furnish the court a list of the names of the persons who had supplied him with the information.

As a result of the effort of the new superintendent, Dr. Frank O. Ballou, to have the best possible school conditions obtain in the city, it is stated that serious conditions of overcrowding are tolerated in the Lucretia Mott building (colored). The building although of recent construction and the largest school building in the city is found to be lacking in several particulars. The building was erected to accommodate 600 pupils, there are more than twice that number crowded therein.

Miss Jane Hunter, a prominent worker in the interest of the Young Women's Christian Association of Cleveland, O., delivered an interesting talk on her work at the vesper service of the local Y. W. C. A. Miss Hunter has been traveling through the south, studying industrial conditions as they relate to the young colored working girl.

Neval H. Thomas, well known educational and civic circles held an audial and civic white hearers spellbound while he addressed the secular league on "The Political Rights of the Negro as a Citizen of the United States."

OBITUARY.

William Henry Johnson was born in Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 22, 1859 and died in Gravitv, Iowa, Nov. 1, 1920. With his parents he moved from Tennessee to Ohio then to Illinois, where he spent most of his boyhood. In 1882 he came to Iowa and lived on his farm just north of Gravitv until the time of his death. He was a member of a family of seven children, two brothers and sisters of whom only a brother, Richard H. Johnson, survives. Very early in life he became a member of the M. E. church in Illinois. After coming to church in Gravitv he joined St. Jacob A. M. E. church at Clarinda, Iowa, where he remained a faithful member until the end. He was married April 9, 1886 to

Miss Emma Howe of Bedford. Two children were born to this union, a son Fred H. and daughter, Mable M., both of whom with his widow survive him. For 14 years he was a rural route mail carrier No. 2, after which time he retired from the service and continued farming his land until November, 1918 when he became ill and although suffering very much he remained cheerful through it all and constantly telling his family and friends he was ready and willing to go when the Lord called him.

Servant of God well done Rest from thy loved employ The battle fought the victory won Enter thy Master's joy.

The pains of death as past Labor and sorrow blest And life long warfare closed at last His soul is found in peace.

Soldier of Christ well done Praise be thy new employ And while eternal ages run Rest in thy Savior's joy.

Funeral services were held in the Christian church Wednesday afternoon and the body was taken to Bedford for interment. The Masonic ritualistic ceremony was performed at the grave. The service was in charge of brothers of the order from Clarinda. Rev. Weber, pastor of the Methodist church conducted the service. He was assisted by Rev. C. P. Jones of Clarinda A. M. E. church.

ROOM FOR RENT.

Modern furnished room for rent. 1409 Crocker street. Phone D. 5899. After six or seven weeks devoted to the study of politics the Intellectual Improvement club resumed their study in medieval and modern literature. Last week's lesson was "Restoration of Sacred Books."—Mrs. Marguerite Lowery, leader.

Locals Continued

Mrs. Florence Wright Houston left Monday for Minneapolis, Minn., called there by the serious illness of her son, Arthur P. Wright, formerly of this city.

Mr. Henry Edwards of Atchison, Kan., arrived in the city Tuesday to attend the funeral of Raymond Brown.

The Des Moines Knights of Pythian and C. C.'s will have a unique get-together celebration Dec. 16 at the Corinthian Baptist church.

The program and further announcement will be made later.

Word has reached the Bystander that Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Hutchinson of Buxton are the proud parents of another fine boy. Mother and baby are doing fine.

BROOKS-BLACK.

Mrs. Mattie Brooks of 1623 Searle street announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Aurora Brooks to Mr. Frederic H. Black of St. Louis, Mo. The marriage will take place on Thanksgiving day at the home of the bride's mother.

Miss Brooks is one of the prominent young ladies of the city, taking an active part in many of the literary and social clubs, is a musician of both voice and violin. For a number of years she has served as a clerk in Davidson's department store. Mr. Black is in the United States postal service in the post-

DEATHS.

Mrs. Nesbitt, mother of Mrs. Ed Weeks, died in Sioux City, Tuesday. The body arrived in Des Moines Tuesday for burial.

Ralph Umphrey, 1011 Crocker street, died of apoplexy at Tenth and Park Sts. Sunday, Nov. 14.

The body of Mr. Long, who died in Trinidad, Cal., will be brought to the city Friday for burial.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the friends, neighbors, the K. of P. and U. B. F. for their floral offerings and the kindness shown during the funeral of our husband, father, son and brother.

Mrs. Cora Morris and family, Mrs. Frank Davis and family, Mrs. Bell Morris and family.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH. Notes from the Mt. Olive Baptist church South East Fourth street, Rev. G. E. Saunders, pastor.

The dedication of this church on last Sunday was well attended. Everyone speaks well of the sermon delivered by the Rev. S. Bates. This little edifice when completed will be the nearest frame church in South East Des Moines. The Shiloh Baptist church was well represented Sunday in the services of the dedication but reached the climax Monday evening at 8 p. m. when Rev. G. E. Green, the pastor, delivered an address. The choir turned out in full force and was at its best. Rev. Green preached a splendid sermon.

The address of welcome was delivered on the part of the Mission society of the Mt. Olive Baptist church by Mrs. Liddy Lewis and was heard with interest.

This church throws wide its doors to one and all. Take the Scott street car and get off on Fourth and Scott or Fourth and Allen streets. Come, you are welcome.

Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m. Teachers meeting Friday at 8 p. m.

CORINTHIAN NOTES.

The services last Sunday were largely attended. The pastor was at his best. The subject of his morning sermon was "Jesus the Conqueror" and in the evening "Jesus the Way." Next Sunday the pastor will speak at both services. Morning subject "The Greatest Gift Ever Known." A special sermon will be delivered to the deaconess board. Subject "Spirit Filled Women."

We are still doing our Christian duty in looking after the poor and needy of this community. We are asking that every member and friend comply with the request that we have full baskets Thanksgiving morning.

Mrs. J. H. Creston at 231 Arthur avenue was operated on last Tuesday at Mercy hospital. She is doing nicely. The Mother league will meet Sunday at 5 p. m. Mrs. Lucy James will read a

paper on "Happiness is the Stepping Stone of Life." "Dora Thorn" one of the greatest dramas that has ever been presented to the public will be given by a splendid cast by the Corinthian Herald association, Mrs. M. Crawford, superintendent. The pastor requests that all auxiliaries of the church elect their officers for the incoming year.

ST. PAUL A. M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

The attendance was fair on the 14th. The most notable feature of the hour was the presence of many visitors, of which we were proud. In keeping with our promise we shall endeavor to give you a brief report of our rummage sale which opened at 6:30 p. m. Oct. 23 and closed Oct. 30 about 11 p. m. The receipts were as follows: Oct. 23, \$45; Oct. 25, \$43.55; Oct. 26, \$9.95; Oct. 27, \$12.05; Oct. 28, \$12.05; Oct. 29, \$10.25; Oct. 30, \$43.10; by cash donation, \$2.05; total receipts \$177.70.

Expenditures: Canned goods, \$12.80; groceries, \$5.38; printing, \$1.75; ice cream, \$9.30; gloves, baskets, etc., \$5.10; cartage, \$6; pies and doughnuts, \$1.60; total expenditures, \$41.93; leaving a balance of \$135.77.

Respectfully submitted, J. L. EDWARDS, Superintendent. Lesson VIII, "The Twelve Sent Forth," Matt. 10:5-8, 29-31, 37-42. Golden text—Then saith he unto His disciples, the harvest indeed is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest.

Opening bell—1:30. Program of North East Union Thanksgiving services to be held at Maple Street Baptist church. Opening by choir of Maple street and Bethel A. M. E. churches.

Prayer—Henry Davis. Reading of Proclamation—James Williams. Music—Rev. T. L. Griffin. Sermon—Bro. J. H. Griffin. Gail Snyder. Appeal—Rev. S. Bates. Closing Remarks—Rev. H. C. Claybrook. Rev. H. C. Claybrook, master of ceremonies.

Program of South East Union Thanksgiving service to be held at Kyle's M. E. church. Opening by the choir of Kyle's chapel. Prayer—Bro. J. D. Wellington. Music by choir. Scripture—Shiloh Choir. Reading of Proclamation—Miss Clara Smith. Music—Shiloh Choir. Sermon—Rev. E. S. Hardge. Prayer—Rev. Saunders. Closing remarks—Rev. G. E. Green. Rev. G. E. Green, master of ceremonies.

Program West Side Union Thanksgiving services held with St. Paul A. M. E. church. Opening Chorus—Corinthian Choir. Scripture Lesson—Rev. G. W. Robinson. Music—Choir. Prayer—Bro. E. S. Morgan.

Idlewild Boosters' Meeting Monday November 22nd

Monday 8 P. M.

At Union Congregational Church

Tenth and Park Streets

Lecture on Beautiful Idlewild and Slides Showing Views of Idlewild.

Mr. Lemon, one of the owners of the land, will be present and J. L. Carter, Rep.

Everybody Welcome.

Music—Choir. Reading of Proclamation—Secretary E. C. Robinson. Music—Choir. Sermon—Rev. W. H. Griffin. Appeal—Rev. G. W. Robinson. Closing Remarks—Rev. T. J. Jones. Rev. T. J. Jones, master of ceremonies.

BIG MUSICAL SHOW COMING.

Famous Marcus Show of 1920 En Route From Pacific Coast to New York City.

The biggest musical attraction that has invaded the west since pro-war days is now en route from San Francisco and Los Angeles to New York. Theatre-goers in this section will have an opportunity to see this attraction, the Marcus Show of 1920, during its engagement in Des Moines at the Bethel theatre for three days starting Thanksgiving day, matinee, November 25th.

There are nearly one hundred persons engaged. Many of these are the famous Marcus Peaches. There is a special orchestra and it requires a special train of three baggage cars and an equal number of Pullmans to transport the big organization.

Not in years has an attraction made such an unqualified hit on the coast as that enjoyed by the Marcus Show. But few cities are being visited between the coast and New York where the Marcus Show inaugurates its metropolitan engagement early next month.

In commenting on the attraction the San Francisco Examiner of September 21, had the following to say:

"A musical revue with a sort of in-door circus tone and liveliness of action, the Marcus Show of 1920, won the approval of an audience that last night filled the Columbia.

Girls, gorgeous costumes and agreeable comedy are the features, and though it seems to have been the intention of the producers to give an advance impression that the show might engage the attention of the censor, if such an official still be among us, there was nothing to seriously warrant objection.

It must have cost the managers a lot of money to bring this big organization of girls out from the east with the higher railroad rates now in force. Considerable has been saved by doing away with tight, but this item alone cannot offset the increased transportation

charges. There must be sixty or seventy people in the company being Klaw & Erlanger over the west. Really, it is an astonishing show—that of Marcus, 1920.

After all, the girls and costumes, with the vivid and artistic lighting effects and stage pictures, such as "The Birth of Venus, are what lend importance to the show. The costumes certainly are daring, and the girls have to be to wear them."

A Double Disaster.

"What's the excitement down the street?"

"An explosion of home brew."

"Any fatalities?"

"Yes, Deacon Crableigh's reputation as a prohibitionist and a pillar of the church blew up with the brew."

—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Willing to Oblige.

"So you were in the service?" ejaculated the prospective father-in-law of the bashful aspirant to his daughter's hand. "Carry any scars?"

"No, sir," replied the would-be bridegroom, "but I've got a pack of cigarettes if you'd care to try one."

American Legion Weekly.

Revenge.

Bride—If I did reject George, I did not dream he could be so spiteful.

Friend—What did he do?

Bride—Sent us a silver cellophane for a wedding present.

It Rains Wild.

"Does the weather man ever take a vacation?"

"I suppose so."

"Then what happens to the weather?"

Better Selection.

"I pressed the violets my dear one gave me."

"I did better than that. I let my dear one press my two lips."

Fully Occupied.

Mrs. Feavish says she feels confident that Mr. Feavish will never acquire another bad habit, as it takes all his waking hours to practice those he already has, and when he is asleep he snores.—Dallas News.



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