

THE PRIDE OF THE NEGRO BAPTISTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

NATIONAL BAPTIST PUBLISHING BOARD AT NASHVILLE, TENN., UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF REV. R. H. BOYD, D. D., SECRETARY AND FOUNDER, DOING A WONDERFUL WORK.

Atlanta, Ga.—More than twenty thousand Sunday schools located in every portion of the United States supported by their churches under the denominational and race-loving pastors have, so to speak, with one accord, been favored with orthodox denominational literature from the only Negro Baptist Printing, Publishing and Book Binding establishment in the United States.

ate and manipulate the most delicate and intricate piece of machinery that has been thrown upon the market. Four mammoth Mergenthaler Linotype machines, nine printing presses, one of them with a capacity of over 10,000 quarterlies an hour, with every conceivable kind of book binding machinery, makes it possible for this plant to give the Negroes any thing in the printing line from a postal card to a Bible, or from a calling card to an encyclopedia.

most extensively used publications of a standard make in the denomination. While pure Baptist literature, set in type by Negroes, printed on presses operated by Negroes, folded, stitched and trimmed in a book-binding plant operated by Negroes, written, edited, criticized and corrected by a competent force of Negro editors and proofreaders, has left no question of a doubt but that the Negro Baptists have solved the problem of the Negro's ability to produce his own literature.

Church, which will be a surprise to many of the readers of the Sentinel. Mr. Ike Cowan is still on the sick list, also Mr. Jim Rankins, Mrs. Ella Hudleston, Mrs. Lilla Rankins. We hope them a speedy recovery. Mrs. Martha Haynes, Miss Alice Washington, Mrs. Lizzie Marible, attended the burial of their cousin, Sunday. Miss Ada Howlin, who died Friday at the home of her aunt, who lives near Smyrna. Rev. N. C. Crutcher attended the burial of the deceased sister, also. Mr. Tom Marible is on the sick list. The children are all very busy planning for Santa Claus, writing letters. Mr. Robert Marible visited his friends in Murfreesboro, Sunday. Mr. Willie King returned home from Nashville, recently and reports Mr. Felix Haynes much better. We are very glad to say that little George Haynes, the baby of Mr. Haynes is much better. Mr. Burton Washington, Mr. George Haynes, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Marible, Saturday night, a grand time was spent by the young men.

church." Well soldiers, what have you to say for yourself? "Much sir, I hope." "Very good if not I will punish you more than man ever was punished." "I have been, said the soldier about six weeks on the march. I have neither Bible nor common prayer book. I have nothing but a pack of cards and I'll satisfy your worship of purity of my intention and spreading the cards before the Mayor he began with the ace. When I see the ace, it reminds me there is but one God; when I see the deuce it reminds me of father and son; when I see the tray, it reminds me of the Father, son and Holy Ghost; when I see the four spot it reminds me of the four evangelists that preached, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; when I meet the five, it reminds me of the five wise virgins that trimmed their lamps—there were ten but five of them were wise and five were foolish and were shut out; when I see the six it reminds me that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, when I see the seven it reminds me that on the seventh day he rested from the great work he had created and hallowed it; when I see the eight it reminds me of the eight righteous persons that were saved when God destroyed the world, viz.: Noah and his wife with three sons and their wives; when I see the nine it reminds me of the nine lepers that were cleansed by our Saviour—three were nine out of ten who never returned thanks; when I see the ten it reminds me of the ten commandments, which God handed down to Moses on tablets of stone; when I see the King it reminds me of the King of heaven which is God Almighty; when I see Queen it reminds me of the Queen of Sheba, who visited Solomon, for she was as wise a woman as he was a man. She brought with her fifty boys and fifty girls all dressed in boys apparel, for King Solomon told which were boys and which were girls, King Solomon sent for water for them to wash, the girls washed to the elbow and the boys to the wrist, so Solomon told by that.

\$1.90 more making a total for the Tribe of Simeon, \$3.46. We are sure that Simeon, will make it over on their next report. Reuben, led by Mr. Martha Smith bade farewell to the wilderness reporting \$10.6. Sunday night in all raised, Levi, led by Mrs. Lurara Nelson is no longer in the wilderness she having reported Sunday night \$2.25. Judah reported \$1.00 more making a total of \$11.25 in all. Asher made a strong pull coming from \$3.30 to \$7.20. Captain Miss Jimmie Woods being absent, Lieutenant William Smith, reported \$3.60 making a total of \$7.20. Zebulun, led by Mrs. Mary Thompson, reported \$2.00 more making a total of \$18.10. Sunday night \$14.50 being reported, making a total of \$118.25 for the twelve Tribe rally. In the next issue of the Sentinel we hope to make our final report watch the Sentinel for the last report. Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Idella Hatton to Mr. Aaron Williams, Tuesday evening, Jan. 15th 1918 at 5:30 at Key Memorial Church, at home 100 Hickory St., Chattanooga, Tenn., after Jan. 20th. Don't forget the exercises and Xmas Tree at Key Memorial, Dec. 25 at 8 o'clock p. m. Bring your presents and put them on the tree.

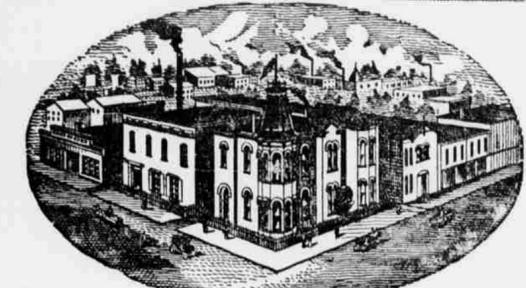
here to spend the holidays with home folks and friends. Mrs. Alice Sparrow mingled with friends here Sunday, while here she was guest of Mrs. Rebecca Carner. She returned to Nashville, Monday after a most pleasant trip. Rev. A. P. Gray, who was delayed in Ark., because of the cold spell did not get to officiate at his charge at Allen's Chapel, but made a flying trip here Monday and returned to Nashville, Tuesday morning. Mrs. Lottie Hugget, who has been visiting her friends here returned to Nashville, after a very pleasant visit. Mr. Henry Hoover was the guest of his uncle and auntie, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Batey, Sunday. Mrs. C. W. Townsell had a letter from her mother, Mrs. J. B. Patterson, Wednesday, she is a little sick, but we hope that she will recover soon. Miss F. E. Batey and Mr. J. W. Batey made a business trip to Murfreesboro, Saturday. Mr. J. A. Batey, missed two Saturdays from Murfreesboro on account of the cold weather. Mrs. John Batey was the guest of Mrs. C. W. Townsell, Sunday. Miss Sarah Miller and Miss Cathrine Smith were the guests of Mrs. Myra Miller at Christiana, Sunday. Mrs. Maggie Orsborn was the guest of her sister-in-law, Sunday. Mrs. E. J. Wagoner and daughter, Miss Alberta Wagoner, were the guests of Mrs. J. A. Batey Sunday. Miss Queene Miller and sister, Miss Eva Miller were the guests of their cousin, Mrs. Dallas Webb, Sunday. Miss Bessie Johnson was the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. N. Johnson, Sunday. Miss F. E. Batey had a letter from dear friends of hers in Chicago, Mrs. Tenna Green and Mrs. N. M. Broak, they claim that work is tree high, but goods were sky high. Miss F. E. Batey will start her work in sewing for the Philadelphia firm in a week, assisting Miss A. B. Wagoner and Queene Miller. We hope they will have good luck. Mr. J. A. Batey was the guest of Mr. C. W. Townsell, Sunday. Mr. H. H. Bright is in with La-Gripp, we trust he will be out soon. Miss F. E. Batey went to Rucker, Tuesday. Mr. C. W. Townsell and Mr. J. A. Batey spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Frazier at Denis, Tenn., they reported a grand time. Mr. Frank Fletcher and Mr. Fred B. Gary were the guest of Mr. J. W. Batey, Sunday night. Mrs. Nathaniel Alsop was the guest of Mrs. C. W. Townsell, Sunday. Mr. Minus Fletcher is on the sick list. Mr. John Asbond and Mr. Homer Strickland were the guests of Mr. J. W. Johnson, Sunday. Mr. Dallas Webb is on the sick list, we trust that our community will get in a healthy condition soon. Mr. Waymon Alsop was the guest of his brother, Mr. Nathaniel Alsop, Sunday. Mr. Julius Greene, Jr. and Mr. J. B. Greene were the guests of Mrs. John Batey, Sunday night. Bro. V. S. Brown will preach at Little Bethel A. M. E. Church, the fifth



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the United States. It has been the means of furnishing employment to more than one hundred and fifty members of the race. It produces its own literature from the printer's devil work up to the editor's desk. The Negroes in this plant can oper-

F. D. and Unknown Baptist Preacher." His "Boyd's Pastors' Guide" was adopted by the National Baptist Convention when it met in Richmond, Va., some years ago, with his "Boyd's Church Record Roll and Minute Book," are reported to be the

The recent addition to the National Baptist Publishing House plant at Nashville in the form of the installation of new, modern, up-to-date printing machinery has also put them in the fore-front of all the race producers. During the past year they have turned out two of the largest jobs ever handled by a Negro printing establishment. One of the books that was printed, ran off on the printing presses and bound in this institution was nearly 1200 pages. The late Dr. Booker T. Washington was one of its staunchest supporters, and delighted on more than one occasion to refer to the success of the institution. When the Washington Party toured Tennessee with their special train, they wound up at Nashville and it was the mammoth chorus made up of the employees of the National Baptist Publishing Board who furnished the jubilee singing at that night. They sang the songs written by Negroes, printed on presses operated by members of the race, and Dr. Washington spoke behind a pulpit and used chairs made at the same institution.

"Bringing things to pass, giving hope to the race, opening the door of opportunity for the Negro youth," has been one of the watchwords of Rev. R. H. Boyd, the secretary and founder of the National Baptist Publishing Board, who operates the National Baptist Publishing House plant at Nashville, Tenn.—Copied from the Atlanta Independent Christmas Number.

CEMETERY NEWS.

We are having some very bad weather this time when the Cemetery news is reported. Mr. Walker Windsor is still on the sick list. We hope him a speedy recovery. Mr. John Robert Marible spent the week with his cousin, Mr. Eph Marible, Jr., and Mr. George Hatway, Mr. Clifton Hall and sister, Miss Mattie, spent Sunday with Miss Georgia B. Clark. The announcement cards have been received announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. Eugene Coleman of Chattanooga to Miss Jossie C. Orr, which will take place December 30, 1917, at Stones River Chapel M. E.

RIVER SIDE NOTES.

Since it has been two weeks since you have heard from our little village everybody is doing well and are preparing for a Merry Christmas. Mr. Horny Stokes, who has been living in our neighborhood for eleven weeks, has moved to Rucker to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Coerton. Mr. Edgar Smith of Nashville was the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Frances Washington, Sunday, also Mr. Rufus Lawrence was the Sunday evening guest of his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Washington. Miss Annie Malone is the week-end guest of Mrs. Alice Charleston. Mr. and Mrs. German Brown spent last Sunday with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Howland. Master Preston Howland has been sick with a cold, but is able to be in our neighborhood for eleven weeks again. Mr. Burton Washington of Ashbery was the guest of his uncle and auntie, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Washington, Sunday, also Mr. G. W. Homes and Mr. Emmett Marible were the guests of Mrs. Washington last Wednesday. Mrs. Washington went to Ashbery, Monday to see Mr. Washington's nephew. Mr. Felix Haynes was taken to Nashville, Monday evening to be operated on. Mr. Harvey Stokes spent Sunday with Mr. John Spain. Mrs. Frances Washington, Reporter.

THE MYSTERY OF A PACK OF CARDS.

A private soldier by the name of John Orton was taken before a magistrate recently for playing cards during divine service. It appears that a sergeant commanded the soldiers at the church and when the parson had read the prayers he took the text. Those who had a Bible took it out, but this soldier had neither Bible nor common prayer book, but pulling out a pack of cards, he spread them before him. He just looked at one card and then at another. The sergeant of the company saw him, said, "John put up the cards, this is no place for them." "Never mind that," said John. When the service was over the constable took John before the mayor. "Well," said the Mayor, "what have you brought this soldier here for?" "For playing cards in

KEY MEMORIAL CHURCH.

Services were good Sunday morning and night, two more Tribes crossed over into the Promise Land, Simeon, Miss Bertha Green leader, reported

LOCALS.

Mrs. Mary Sanders, who has been on the sick list about a week is better at this writing. Misses Sarah Miller and Ollie Murray, of Rucker, are having a delightful time visiting Mrs. Bettie Morton. Mrs. Wm. Keeble who has been on the sick list is up again. Miss Agnes Henderson of this city will spend the winter in Florida. Miss Easter Armstrong of this city wishes to send greetings to her many friends of Fairfield through the Sentinel upon the splendid progress they are making in the community. The Negro seems to get the worst of it in every deal. Mrs. Cecils Hickman is on the sick list this week. Miss Lula Coppage is resting very well at this time. Mr. Dave Grisham, a prosperous farmer of Salem, made a business trip to this city Monday. Mr. Dewitt Jordan, who has been in Louisville for some time, returned home Friday morning and will spend the holidays with home folks. Have you noticed the cross to the right of your name on the Sentinel. Renew at once. Mr. Wm. McCollough and family have moved to this city. We welcome them in our midst. Mr. Jno. Ransom is spending the week in the country at the home place. Mr. Luther Osborn, who has spent the summer in Greensville, Ga., is

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