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Rev. W. M. Afford, one of the ablest ministers of the state, born in Kentucky, educated at Wesleyan University in Ohio, graduated in theology at Princeton University, Vincennes, Ind.; entered the ministry in 1881, has pastored successfully several important churches and is now the popular and aggressive pastor of the Second Baptist church, Plattsburg, Mo., where he is having wonderful success.

Jones Faction Wins

Decision in Chicago Rendered This Week. Sustained the Contentions of E. P. Jones and Followers, Making Them the National Baptist Convention. Judge Smith Rendering Decision.

Chicago, January 10.—A decision rendered in the courts of Chicago today by Judge Smith sustained the demurrer of attorneys Walter M. Farmer of this city, and Wm. Harrison, of Oklahoma City, recognizing the National Baptist Convention of which E. P. Jones, D. D., of Vicksburg, Miss., was elected president. It will be remembered that during the month of September last year the Baptists held a convention in this city and divided into two parts over a charter gotten out by seven men. A majority of one hundred fifty or more votes in the Convention was against the charter, whereupon, Dr. Morris and his followers left the chair and the Convention immediately elected E. P. Jones and an entirely new set of officers. The incorporated Convention led by Dr. Morris got out an injunction to prevent the Jones people from using the name "National Baptist Convention." The case has been hanging fire and the decision today by the court is far-reaching, as it tears down and virtually eliminates the incorporated faction as a national body. The contest was sharp and prolonged. Able counsel represented both sides, but in the demurrer offered by the attorneys for the Jones faction every contention made and the five points of law presented were upheld. President Jones was reached by wire in Philadelphia and expressed himself as well pleased, declaring that he knew the will of the Baptists would be sustained. It is said that this decision puts the incorporated faction to rout. It is learned that President Jones will call a meeting of his advisors, consisting of the chairmen and the secretaries of the various Boards, together with the executive officers to meet in Nashville at an early date.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL REPORT OUT.

On account of the intervening of the holidays soon after the big Convention hall school carnival, thus delaying the reports from some of the schools, the final statement relative to the financial end of the affair is just now available.

As stated previously in these columns the attendance was disappointing. In most cases fathers remained away, the children being either sent with the mother or in quite a number of cases alone.

Most of the advertising and advance sale of tickets was conducted through the schools, the charity workers having turned the whole responsibility over to the children, apparently.

Following is a condensed statement of the finances:

Tickets sold by school children	\$340.00
Tickets sold at door	145.25
Advance sale box seats	125.50
Total	\$610.75
Deduct total expenses	\$234.77
Net proceeds	\$375.98
In the advance sale of tickets the schools rank as follows:	
Lincoln High	\$151.25
Wendell Phillips	83.00
Lincoln	77.00
Attucks	71.25
Douglas	25.00
Garrison	17.25
Bruce	12.00
Penn	11.50
Wheatly	8.50
Blue Valley	3.50
Booker T. Washington	3.00
Sumner	2.25

As anticipated by the Sun, the supervisors, principals, teachers and children covered themselves with glory in working out this most brilliant affair, but the above figures show that the end by no means justified the immense sacrifice of time and labor required. The schools are all far behind on the year's schedule of work and will not be able to reach the standard of proficiency for the year, making annual promotions very uncertain.

Care of the Baby in Winter

(Prepared by the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor)

So much emphasis is constantly placed upon the necessity for special care of the baby in summer, when the heat is excessive and diarrheal diseases at their worst, that the fact—that winter, too, has its special dangers for the baby is sometimes overlooked.

But the combination of heat and diarrhea is hardly more serious for the baby in the months of July and August, than are cold and respiratory diseases in winter.

It is plain then, that the winter care of the baby deserves special attention from everyone interested in his health and well-being.

It has been demonstrated quite conclusively that a large part of the deaths from summer diarrhea are needless, because this disease may be cured in many cases, and prevented entirely in many more by the proper care and feeding of the baby during the heated months. The same doctrine is now being applied to the group of what are commonly called "winter diseases" of babies and children, namely, bronchitis, pneumonia, "colds," and the like, which are, like diarrhea, to a large extent, preventable by the intelligent care of the baby, and by surrounding him with proper living conditions.

These proper living conditions consist both in winter and summer of suitable food, in the right amounts, at the right times, cleanliness, sufficient sleep, plenty of fresh, clean air to breathe, and protection from exposure to infectious diseases. It is chiefly the lack of these two latter requirements that causes the winter illnesses among babies.

It is not the cold of winter which makes people sick, ordinarily, but rather the stale over-heated air inside our houses and public buildings, which we breathe and re-breathe, thus passing disease germs about from one to another. Babies are particularly liable to be infected in this way because they spend a large part of their time indoors, and because mothers are apt to feel that to keep the baby warm the rooms must be kept shut tight.

A mother should use every means in her power to protect her baby from "taking cold," as it is commonly described. "Colds" are due to a germ and are very contagious, being easily passed from one person to another in coughing or sneezing. A nursing mother with a cold should tie a thin cloth or veil over her mouth and nose while nursing the baby, and should be careful never to cough or sneeze in his face, nor kiss him on the mouth. She should be particularly careful not to use her own handkerchief for the baby, nor sleep with him, while the disease lasts. Many babies contract these colds by being taken up and kissed by visitors, and it is a wise rule to keep the baby away from the presence of people who are coughing and sneezing. The reason for this great care as regards a baby is that a contagious cold is very often the forerunner of bronchitis and pneumonia, which diseases cause the deaths of many thousands of young babies every year, and which are infinitely easier to prevent than to cure.

Fresh air is the most effective weapon with which to fight the diseases of the respiratory tract. This does not necessarily mean cold air, for cold air may be stale, and warm air may be pure. The ventilation of most American houses is faulty, since in order to keep them warm enough to suit us we shut them so tightly as to make the air unfit to breathe, after a few hours. To counteract this tendency mothers should see to it that all the occupied rooms of the house are thoroughly aired at least twice every day in the coldest weather, while in moderate weather there should be as nearly constant a supply of fresh air throughout the house, night and day, as can be managed.

When the temperature outside is very low, the baby should be taken into a warm room while his nursery is being aired, and at night, his bed should be shielded from a direct draft. If there is a communicating room, the window in that room may be opened, if there is danger of chilling the air of his sleeping room.

If the cold is excessive, or if there is a raw, damp wind blowing or rain or snow is falling, the baby should be given his daily airing in a room with the windows open, or on a protected porch, dressing him warmly in out-of-door clothing. He should be taken out during the middle of the day, for a little while, never long enough to run the risk of chilling him. This applies especially to young and delicate babies. As a child gets old enough to walk about and thus exercise himself, he can be allowed to play for some time in an open room or where he is sheltered from the wind.

But an airing every day does not take the place of fresh air in the house, day and night, and to secure sufficient ventilation for health the mother must be on the watch to see that the rooms are opened and the air changed at frequent intervals.

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A WONDERFUL REVIVAL.

The greatest revival that history has recorded for St. Stephen Baptist church was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. W. Hurse, Nov. 28, 1915, to Jan. 5, 1916. Each service was largely attended and on Sunday evening it was just impossible to accommodate the people. The sermons he preached were delivered with much power and understanding and he participated in the greater part of the song service. This great mystifying leader was inspired to start an old fashioned Southern revival in December, when the masses of people were giving their time to worldly merriment and jollification. So deeply was Rev. Hurse impressed that he repeatedly announced that if you will seek and find Jesus it will be the greatest Christmas present you ever received in your life. The all night services of Christmas was a new feature but it pleased Almighty God, and with zero weather and streets covered with snow the people came from Kansas City, Kas., Independence, Mo., and from all parts of the city to witness the sunrise baptism of 19 candidates on Christ by baptism.

The Almighty God continuing to work through his gospel leader and men, women, boys and girls demonstrating that they wanted to find Jesus, resulted in a glorious victory for God's army and a happy, happy New Year for 22 more candidates for baptism. We are proud indeed to say that in this number Clarence Lyons and Thelma Robinson, both students of High School, realized that science would not go any farther than the grave, and they sought for "old time religion" and were baptized Sunday with the others.

One of the most beautiful pictures was the constant companionship that Rev. J. W. Hurse's mother was to him during the meeting. She was ever at her post offering up invocation and singing Zion's song to help win souls for Christ. The Christmas offering far exceeded any previous one. New Year's eve brought out the usual large crowd regardless of the heavy rain. Many were turned away that could not find standing room. Rev. Hurse so beautifully illustrated his text and made so plain the word of God that a very intelligent young man and girl came forward and made it known that they, too, had found Jesus and too much can not be said about a gospel messenger who is helping to shape the lives of our boys and girls and improving the lives of men and women and making happy homes.

With a glorious victory achieved we rejoice to say that our prayers have been answered and 48 candidates, 37 restorations, making a total of 85 additions to the church. We indeed want to thank the editor of the Sun for the manner in which they carried the program of our revival services. By reading the Sun and looking over the outline of sermons, caused many men to think on their way and some have willingly acknowledged what "after reading I come to see what you were doing in the North end," and today they are rejoicing. May this great revival live long to continue to advertise work of the Master and hasten the time when every member of St. Stephen Baptist church will be a subscriber to the Sun.

HOW SALEM TUTT WHITNEY BECAME AN ACTOR.

Colored Comedian Saw "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and That Settled It.

The parents of Salem Tutt Whitney, the colored comedian, dramatist and newspaper man, had great hopes for him. They expected to see him a Baptist minister some day. The young man was not opposed to their wishes and would probably have been preaching today had not the unforeseen happened, which made him an actor instead. Salem attended school, and one day while spending the summer vacation at his home in Mitchell, Ind., his mother sent him to the store to purchase some provisions for the evening meal. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was to give a street parade when the boy was on his errand. There was a band, a troupe of bloodhounds, little Eva riding in an old delivery wagon, crudely arranged to look like a chariot as much as possible and all the features irrevocably associated with an Uncle Tom parade. The band was a good one and Whitney, who had a soul for melody, was so strongly impressed with the music that he fell in line with the parade and followed it to its destination. Ordinarily the lad had a good appetite and never failed to be home at meal time. On this occasion, however, he forgot all about eating and attended the performance, which was given under a tent. That was the turning point of his career, for from that time on the stage claimed his attention. He saw the play and heard the singing and he decided that he would follow the calling of an actor. He had a strong bass voice and he felt certain that he could sing well if not better than any member of that company.

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

The second annual oratorical and musical contest under the auspices of the Kansas City Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. is set for February 12. Cups will be given to ward schools for the best declamation and chorus in addition to the cups awarded high schools and colleges.

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The MUSICAL TREAT of the Year

AN EVENING WITH COLERIDGE TAYLOR
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"A TALE OF OLD JAPAN"

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ADMISSION, 25 CENTS

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MAJOR N. CLARK SMITH, Tenor
LEMUEL RUSSELL, Baritone
DAVID JACKSON, Bass

PROF. F. J. WORK, Director—Assisted by Prof. R. G. Jackson, Miss Effie Grant, Miss Beulah Douglas and Maceo Williams. Miss Cora Carr, Pianist.

PROVOST ALTA, CANADA.

Christmas day this happy little band with a few visiting friends enjoyed the afternoon around a beautiful Christmas tree here. The tree was set up and artistically decorated by some members of the company and laden and surrounded with presents for all. All expressed their delight and joy for the Yuletide as good cheer and happiness reigned supreme in thankful consideration of the manifold blessings of God. Everyone repaired to their rooms in a happy frame of mind to be further stimulated by the lavish and appetizing repast prepared for the guests. It is needless to say that we all enjoyed a very Merry Christmas in Canada. A special program was prepared for December 25, but owing to the illness of our beloved president, Mrs. Buckner, it was decided to render the same January 2. On January 2 at Mildred, Sask., we assembled in the parlor of the hotel for our regular meeting and the rendition of a very excellent program. It is needless to say this program was very interesting and the papers and musical selections would be a great credit to any organization. Each member showed an unusual interest by doing research work and exercising deep thought in preparation for the occasion, the results of

which were shown in the productions. On January 1 at Mildred a little party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Buckner's fourteenth wedding anniversary. The afternoon was spent very pleasantly together and all expressed their wishes and hopes that the happy pair will live to enjoy many more years of happiness together.

B. C. ALLEN,
Journalist Buckner's Jubilee Company Literary Society.

CAN WE HAVE A Y. W. C. A.?

Come and let us talk the matter over at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night, February 1, at 8 o'clock. We want every well thinking woman in Kansas City to sympathize and support this movement. We invite all members of all churches and all clubs to come and feel that they are a part of this beginning. We have secured the hearty indorsement of both Baptist and Methodist Ministers' Alliance and their promise to give us every assistance possible. A statement will be published right away of all moneys raised by our captains and donated by the clubs for our last rally on the league home. WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

For whatever position Judge Harry G. Kyle may be nominated he'll prove his loyalty and worth to his city.

Kansas City Selected

National Negro Business League to Hold Seventeenth Annual Session August 16, 1916.

After a most careful consideration of the several invitations received from different sections of the country for the next meeting of the National Negro Business League, we are authorized by the members of the executive committee to announce that the league has decided to accept the invitation extended by the local Negro Business League of Greater Kansas City. The meeting will be held August 16, 17 and 18, 1916.

It appears that the Business League has selected a most opportune time to hold their meeting in Kansas City, for as Mr. Fortune J. Weaver, president of the Kansas City League says: "These dates fit in just right, as the Masons will hold their Grand Lodge in Kansas City during the second week of August and the National Medical Association comes during the fourth week."

These two meetings in addition to the Business League session, will offer best possible inducements to the railroads to make special reduced fares and will afford delegates to the Grand Lodge and the Medical Association an opportunity to attend some of the sessions of the Business League.

The executive committee has also decided that it will be most appropriate and fitting that the first night's (August 16) session be devoted to memorial exercises in honor of Dr. Booker T. Washington, founder and first president of the National Negro Business League.

Further announcement regarding the forthcoming meeting of the National Negro Business League will be made from time to time through the press. For further information write to J. C. Napier, chairman executive committee, Nashville, Tenn.; Emmett J. Scott, secretary, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama; Charles Banks, first vice president, Mound Bayou, Miss.

BISHOP GRANT MEMORIAL DAY.

Under Auspices of the Ministerial Alliance of Greater Kansas City, Jan. 26, 1916, 2 p. m., at Allen Chapel, Tenth and Charlotte, Kansas City, Mo.

"Blessed are the dead who die in Lord, from henceforth: yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."—Rev. 14:13.

Program.

Selection—Choir Ebenezer church. Invocation—Rev. Richard Davis. Scripture Lesson—Rev. M. I. Warfield. Selection—Ebenezer church choir. Introductory Remarks—Rev. W. H. Thomas. Master of Ceremonies—Rev. J. R. Ransom. Bishop Grant—(Ten minute addresses). The Prophet—Dr. J. C. C. Owens. The Preacher—Rev. W. C. Williams. The Commoner—Dr. J. W. Hurse. The Laymen's Friend—Hon. N. C. Crews. The Citizen—Rev. George McNeal. The Presiding Elder—Dr. A. A. Gilbert. The Race Leader—Judge I. F. Bradley. The Bishop—Rev. J. F. Sage. The Educator—Prof. J. R. E. Lee. The Developer of Douglass Hospital—Dr. S. H. Thompson. The Man of National Influence—Dr. H. T. Kealing. Last Scenes in His Life—Rev. J. R. Ransom. Selection by choir. Offering. Benediction—Rev. T. A. Wilson. Program Committee—Rev. J. R. Ransom, Rev. J. C. C. Owens, Rev. W. H. Thomas.

FRIENDS' RECEPTION.

On the 27th of this month "The Friends," an organization of the members of the Second Baptist church, will give an open reception to members and friends of the church. The committee is sparing no pains to make it the most enjoyable affair of the season. All members, friends and well wishers are invited. Second Baptist church, Tenth and Charlotte streets. A brief program will be given.

BUSINESS LEAGUE.

The election of officers last Thursday night was postponed until next Wednesday night on account of the storm that kept so many members away. Our public meeting Sunday night will be with Rev. J. W. Hurse at St. Stephen's Baptist church. All invited to be present.

Among the callers this week was A. Frank Neal, the genial and intellectual head waiter of the Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, and one of the foremost Masons of this country. The extremely inclement weather has kept Mr. Neal confined to his home during his visit so far, but he promised on Sunday afternoon he will be at the Y. M. C. A. to meet old friends and acquaintances and enjoy with them the services.



Mrs. Ida M. Becks, one of the most talented women of the race, and who as a platform speaker has no peer. She is a splendid Christian woman, the wife of one of Kansas City's most popular mail carriers, and has devoted her life to the uplift and development of the womanhood of the race, and stands high in the councils of the great Baptist denomination in this country.

THE REVIVAL SPIRIT.

The splendid revival conducted by Evangelist Howard at Allen chapel has closed, but the pastor will continue the revival spirit by preaching both morning and evening Sunday, January 23, and will be assisted by the augmented choir and chorus who will sing Billy Sunday's stirring revival hymns. Bring your friends and hear Dr. Wm. H. Thomas, the greatest preacher of the race. Strangers welcome.

NEGROES AT THE THEATERS.

I must admit that I highly appreciated J. A. Wilson's thoughtfulness in criticizing that light hearted and mirth loving Negro who was so uncouth as to disturb the attendants at the play "On Trial" at the Shubert theater. But in speaking of a representative audience I feel that he omitted the main class. There seems to be a growing spirit among a great number of intelligent Negroes, both writers and speakers, to class the people of their race as did J. A. Wilson. First class, "lawyers, doctors, professors and teachers;" second class, "the light hearted and mirth loving type the kind that frequents club rooms, pool halls, low theaters and lounge around barber shops and street corners." I attended the play "On Trial" and know a great number that attended during the two weeks. They are friends and acquaintances of mine. People of principle, good morals and intelligent mothers, fathers and otherwise. But they are not professional, still we feel judging from these qualities that we are competent to cope with the average professional. I live in hopes that the time will come when the professional man or woman will not be held up as the only first class Negro people; for, everyone can not be professional. I also long to see the day when to the first class will be added that honest, industrious, law-abiding intelligent Negro that is the making of the lawyer, doctor, professor and teacher.

MRS. MARY BROWN.

ST. JOSEPH, MO.
Mrs. James Sneads died January 15 and also the baby and the funeral services were held from the Frances Street church Monday afternoon. She leaves a husband and a mother. Mrs. Belle Brown is on the sick list. Mrs. Sarah Osley is on the sick list. Mrs. John Sparks has been very ill but is better at this writing. Mrs. Smith Crowe was called to Oregon, Mo., at the death of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Huffaker, who died January 8 at the age of 75 years. She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter, two sons and one grandson. Those who attended the funeral from St. Joseph were Mrs. Frances Free, Mrs. Mary Free, sisters of the deceased, and one cousin, Mrs. Sarah Osley, one nephew, Mr. Wm. Reed of Platte City, Mo., Miss Thelma Wilkerson left last Thursday after spending a delightful Christmas with grandparents and many friends. Mr. Wm. Washington and wife spent New Year's day in Atchison as guests of Mrs. Cora Moore. Mr. Fred Langford has returned after a pleasant stay in Denver. Mr. George Wilkerson of Clarinda, Ia., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wilkerson, 17 South Twenty-first street. Mrs. Louise Winn, after spending a few days in the city has returned to her home in Kansas City, Mo. The Eureka Art club met at the home of Mrs. John Harvey with a large attendance. Mrs. Ella May Winters, wife of Wm. Winters, died at her home on South Twenty-second street, January 6. She leaves a husband, three sons, one daughter, father, mother, two sisters, one brother and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

THE FORUM.

The Citizens' Forum of Kansas City Kas., elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J. M. Marquess, president; Mrs. Willa Dwiggin, vice president; Miss Olivia Lewis, secretary; Mrs. N. Davis, treasurer; Mr. Trueman, Critic; Mrs. Gloria Dillard, chairman executive board.