

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Parker and Mrs. Effie Ryalls went to Nashville Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Thos. Medlocks.

The Young Men's Christian Association Club was host of a merry dance Friday evening, January 29, at the Auditorium, which was a success in every detail. The guest list included the younger set. Punch was dispensed by Mrs. Chas. Reese. At 11:30 o'clock a light supper was served.

T. Jefferson Ryalls is agent for the Nashville Globe.

Mrs. John Holdman, of Tullahoma, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Tinnie Cunningham, last week.

SMYRNA NOTES.

Miss E. M. Perry, accompanied her sister, Mrs. Nannie Wilson, to Nashville Monday, where she has gone for medical treatment. An operation may be necessary.

Mesdames A. L. Drennon and daughter, T. Butler, and son visited relatives in Nashville last week.

Mr. M. Wade and little daughter, of Nashville, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. J. C. Wade.

Rev. Ed Ransom has built and moved to his new home.

Miss Hattie Frierson enjoyed a trip to Chattanooga last week.

Mrs. J. H. Brown is visiting in Nashville.

At the annual meeting of the Baptist church the following officers were elected: Deacons—S. K. Ridley, G. W. Ridley, L. Turner, S. Hollins, S. Mintlow, T. Butler, J. Thompson. Mrs. M. C. Wade was elected clerk; Mr. J. Thompson, sexton.

LEWISBURG NOTES.

The Turner Nightingale Quartette, of Shelbyville, rendered a programme at Allen Bethel A. M. E. Church, Monday evening, January 25, to a large and appreciative audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ransom, at home, Tuesday evening, from 6 to 12, gave a prettily arranged birthday dinner in honor of the forty-first birthday of Mr. Ransom. A five-course menu was served. Music and games were the principle amusements of the evening. Those enjoying the hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hurt, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Estill, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hurt, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Moon, Prof. and Mrs. M. L. Jones, Mrs. Carrie Houston, Misses Maxie Davis, Etta Warner, Messrs. Joe Hurt, Will Steele, G. M. Ransom and Oliver Griffis.

Mr. Shelle Williams entertained at his home on College Hill Monday night in honor of Turner Nightingale Quartette and Misses Patton and Rainy, of Columbia. Mrs. Sophia Rainy, Sadie Patton, Mary Sue Rainy, Messrs. Austin Brown and Will Davis, of Columbia, came over Monday evening to hear the Turner Quartette.

Rev. H. L. P. Jones was here last week.

Mr. Jackson Ewing visited Columbia last week.

Hon. P. F. Hill, of Nashville, was here last week in the interest of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. Order.

Mr. Rush Woods visited Lynnville last Wednesday.

Little Cassius Jones, while running down the street Thursday, fell on the pavement and broke his arm just above the wrist. At this writing he is doing nicely.

Mrs. Ed. Allen and Little Miss Carrie Taylor, of Cornersville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Allen Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Bishop and son, of Belfast, were here Monday.

M. V. P. F. Hill, Grand Master of the U. B. F., made his annual visit to our town last week. He met the sisters of the S. M. T. in the afternoon and the members of the U. B. F. at night. He was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gee.

Rev. Hodge, pastor of Allen Bethel A. M. E. Church, filled his pulpit Sunday night.

Rev. R. A. Dowell was at Lillard Chapel Sunday. He is pushing things for his quarterly conference which will convene Saturday and Sunday.

The quartette of Turner Normal College, of Shelbyville, visited our town on the 25th, and gave a musical concert. There was a large crowd to greet them. It was indeed a fine production. Too much cannot be said in praise of Dr. Jones, the President, who is doing so much to lift up the race. Among the visitors present who spoke were Revs. G. W. Marsh, Harris and Dowell and Prof. Jones. After the rendition of the program the young men of the town entertained the young ladies at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams, where they spent a delightful evening.

Mrs. Rainy, of Columbia, is visiting her brother, Mr. John Williams.

Mr. William Davis, of Columbia, was in Lewisburg on the 25th. He took in the concert and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gee.

Mr. Ben Dowell, son of Rev. R. A. Dowell, is still improving from a recent accident.

Jetton Hodge is visiting friends in Cornersville this week.

Mrs. Bessie Allen and M. J. Allen, of Cornersville, spent Sunday in Lewisburg.

Mr. Lee Brown, of Cornersville, spent Sunday in Lewisburg.

ELKTON (KY.) NOTES.

On Sunday, January 31, we paid our last tribute of respect to Mr. James Weatheras, who lives about three miles from this place. He was one of the oldest citizens around here and his exact age is not known. He died Friday morning, January 29. He leaves a loving but feeble wife to mourn his loss. He was the father of sixteen children, nine of which still live; he also had twenty-one grandchildren. He was as active as a man of fifty and was only confined to bed about five days before his death. His death caused deep regret in the whole vicinity as well as in adjoining neighborhoods.

HEBON NOTES.

Mrs. Jane Mayberry and little son, Roscoe Tate, spent Sunday with relatives at Scotts Chapel.

Dr. Utley preached an elegant sermon Monday night, February 1. The waiting congregation drank deeply from the spiritual fountain. Those who attended from this place were as follows: Mr. Boren Mayberry, with Miss Hattie Mayberry and Mrs. Bessie Mayberry, Miss Argie Hardison, Mrs. Annie Hardison; Mr. Arthur Jackson, with Miss Allie Hightow, of Verona.

Rev. Samuel Thompson will occupy the pulpit at this place Sunday, February 7.

UNA NOTES.

Mr. Leonard Leach and wife, accompanied by Mr. Phil Searcy and Sister Bessie, also Mrs. Amanda McLaughlin, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Peebles at Little Hope Sunday last.

Mr. Isaac Peebles has moved back in our community.

Mrs. Belle Cannon was called to the city last week on account of the death of her little niece, Gracey Belle Fanning.

Mr. Edmon Alford, an aged citizen, who was kicked by a Shetland pony on Mr. Bogles' farm, is improving.

The Solomon Chapel Sunday-School opened promptly at 9:40 a. m. by the Superintendent, Rev. C. H. Simmons. Rev. C. H. Williams preached two able sermons at 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The Benevolent Society, No. 107, meets in the new hall promptly each first and third Saturday night.

There will be given at Solomon A. M. E. Church on Friday night, February 26, an entertainment and Old Folks' Concert by the church and Sunday-school.

MEMPHIS NOTES.

The Primrose Club of Memphis gave their sixth annual entertainment at Church's new hall Friday evening, January 29th. This was one of the swellest entertainments ever given by the young people of Memphis. It was largely attended. The hall was beautifully decorated with colors of old gold and purple. Music was furnished by two of the best bands of the city, which gave the ladies and gentlemen who preferred, ample time for dancing, while others amused themselves with games. The club is made up of some of the most prominent young men of Memphis and stands second to none of any club in the state. The officers are: Chas. Cameron, President; Ulysses G. Bowman, Vice President; Chas. L. Freeman, Secretary; Earl T. Bobo, Treasurer.

BRYANT TOWN NOTES.

A grand party was given by the young men on last Friday night, January 23, 1909, at the residence of Mr. Madison Bryant, and it was highly enjoyed by the contracting parties. Music and games were indulged in, after which several courses were served. The following were present: Mesdames Georgia Bryant, Mesdames Georgia Jolley, Paralee Bryant, Fannie McGee, Caroline Kelvy, Mattie Kelvy, Ada Bedford and Mr. Stephen Hockett, Albert Hockett, Everett Embry, Mr. Sidney Matthews, Mack Couch, Calvin Shane, Robert Scales, Jr., Ned McGee, Ben McGee, Will Kelvy.

BELLVIEW STATION NOTES.

The Quarterly Conference held at Woodfork Chapel A. M. E. Church, under the pastorate of Rev. J. W. Tally, was a success. The church is having a new roof put on and window lights put in. It is undergoing a general repair.

The Union Sunday-School here is doing excellent work.

At the Quarterly Conference held here the sum of 73.30 was collected.

THE STROLLERS' CLUB.

The Strollers' Club met January 27, 1909, at the residence of Miss Emma James, 414 Fifteenth avenue, North. After the regular form of business several courses of various kinds were served, of which every one seemed to be delighted in being present. The Club adjourned to meet on Wednesday night, February 10, at the above named place, with a special request for all to be present on that date.

SPORT.

BASEBALL CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Standard Furniture Line Baseball Club met Monday night, February 1, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected: Chas. Spalding, President and Treasurer; Eugene Spalding, Vice President; E. M. Bragg, Secretary and General Manager; Samuel Guild, Assistant Secretary; J. W. Eperson, Captain. Messrs. L. Guild, A. Fort and H. Kidd, Board of Directors.

Joe Gans, the ex-lightweight champion, and by experts considered the master of them all, is very sick at his home in Baltimore and from reports he seems to be in a bad way.

Gans has had a very successful career in the ring, and has won fame and money. How much of the money he has been able to put away for that day when the rain must come no one knows. Some say he is all in, others have it that he has laid by some of the "filthy lucre" and that he will not be found wanting. The Negroes are hoping that he has profited by the examples of others and that he has fixed himself for the old age is sure to come. One thing is certain, he was the master of all at his weight, and the color line never worried him.

He met all comers, took them all alike and fought his way to the top. When in his prime he just could not be stopped; and when he went after a man he had a style that was his own, and no kind of defence seemed to be able to stand against his skill. That he has brought home many sides of bacon, cannot be denied; and it is to be hoped that he has stored away some of it, where, when called for it can be found well kept.

Joe was truly a great fighter, and we hope that another Negro lightweight will soon spring forward to take his place. There is one sure thing; the Negro when given a chance more than makes good. There is no fear that we will not always have good fighters. The only thing wanted is for them to have a chance to show; and when given this there is no need to fear.

Gans was a fighter of the old school and has followed the game for many years, not that he is an old man, but he started young and has fought continually for 15 years beating all the good ones until years of service wore him down. He fought gamely always and in his last days he had only his skill with which to meet his younger opponents. Yet, this served him well. For twenty-one rounds he kept himself out of danger going down only after a hard fought battle which will always be a credit to him.

Gans may not have money, but his name will always be a fixture upon pugilistic calendar of fame.

WHERE WOULD I STAND IF I LOST? WALES JEFF.

BY JAMES J. JEFFRIES.

Followers of pugilism are an inconsistent lot. Last summer everybody was criticising Tommy Burns because the Canuck would not fight Jack Johnson.

"Why don't Burns give Johnson a chance?" they would holl. "Burns has been licking a lot of dubs and is afraid to tackle a man who would have an honest chance with him."

Now these fellows are holling out of the other side of their mouths, and they are holling longer and louder than ever. "This man Burns is a disgrace to the ring," they say. "He should never have crossed the color line. Had he refused to meet John on the white people would never have been disgraced by having a negro as the heavyweight champion."

I am wondering day by day what my fate would be were I to meet Jack Johnson and be defeated. The snorting world is crying at me now to go on in and fight the negro. In some instances the criticism hurled at me is not of the kindest nature. I get letters calling me a coward and all that sort of rubbish. I pay no attention to them. I have Burn's example in front of me.

James Jeffries, the retired heavyweight champion, seems to have some conception of what a possible defeat at the hands of Jack Johnson, the big Texas heavyweight champion, would mean. In the article above he clearly states what he has to contend with, and says those who are now calling for him to go in and fight would be saying worse things should he be defeated.

Jeffries, when in the ring, was a good man. He fought his way to the top, and retired with honor. Now, to come out of retirement and fight again just because a few sore heads are calling to him on account of a Negro winning the championship seems to be a rather long chance for him.

He knows the public with whom he must contend; he knows how they can and will knock when a fellow is down and out, and should he be defeated by Johnson they would never forgive him. Then Jeffries knows what he must stack up against if he ever meets Johnson in the roped arena, and before he meets him he will

be sure that he is in the best of condition.

The sporting public can rest easy; Jack Johnson will never draw the color line. It would not be policy for him to do so. He will fight Jeffries when the time comes provided the purse and other conditions suit him; and then all the world will know as of old. Let the fight be pulled off by all means. The fighting public is crying for it. They are willing to pay a good fight for the sport.

BASKETBALL AT FISK.

The fourth set of games of the series was played in Fisk Gymnasium last Saturday. The Freshmen hooked up with the sophomores and were downed by a score of 24-8. This was the best game the Freshies have played this year. Bond, their new forward, showed good judgment and accuracy in passing and basket pitching. The 1911 machine was as usual in good condition and found it no hard task to defeat the first year men.

Line-up:

Freshmen.	Sophomores.
Kelly Forward Upshaw	
Bond Forward Cooper	Erwin

Russell Center Warren	
Speed Guard Thompson	Washington
Washington Rosenberg	

The next game, one of the decisive, was played by the Juniors and Seniors. The "Naughty Nine" boys gathered the famous team work of old and ran over the Juniors to the tune of 34-11. No time during the game were the Seniors in doubt of victory. The Juniors were outplayed. Jackson was out of the game on account of injuries. Key by his fast playing threw baskets from every angle and Brumfield played his usual snappy game. McKissack, the Junior guard, was not up to his usual standard.

Line-up:

Juniors.	Seniors.
Lowe Forward Key	
Sykes Forward Brumfield	
Flowers Center Smith	
McKissack Guard Dawson	
Ellison Guard Warren	

Next Saturday, February 6, the Seniors meet the Sophs. This game determines whether the Seniors win the pennant or not. If the Sophomores win they gain a lead and the Juniors stay in the race by a possibility of defeating them the following week.

The present percentage:

Played. Won. Lost. Pct.	
Seniors 4 3 1 .750	
Sophomores 4 3 1 .750	
Juniors 4 2 2 .500	
Freshmen 4 0 4 .000	

BISHOP PARKS PASSES THROUGH THE CITY.

Bishop H. B. Parks, D. D., of Chicago, Ill., passed through the city on Wednesday morning en route to Jacksonville, Fla., to attend the Council of Bishops of his Church. He stopped over in the city a few hours that he might call to see his colleague, Bishop Tyree, who has been confined to his room for about three weeks. He found him much improved. Bishop Parks is the Bishop of the Twelfth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church which comprises the States of Tennessee and Alabama. He left in the afternoon over the N. C. and St. L. Railroad for Jacksonville.

HELIOTROPE CIRCLE.

The Heliotrope Circle was entertained Jan. 24th by Mrs. Chas. Cotton whose home was beautifully decorated with Christmas bells. Wreaths of holly entwined the mirrors in the parlor and dining-room. A huge bunch of yellow chrysanthemums formed the center of the table in the dining-room. The Circle contemplates organizing an auxiliary for the purpose of helping the Charity Ward of Wilson's Infirmary. Mrs. A. J. Dodd, president, has been appointed chairman. The visitors were: Madames J. H. Hale, Thomas Hardiman, Samuel Cotton and Cage Cannon. During the social hour an ice-course and wine were served in the dining-room. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. H. Franklin, 3 Robinson street, February 9th.

HOLLINSWORTH-BROWN.

On Wednesday evening at 8:30, Mr. A. J. Hollinsworth and Mrs. Annie Brown were united in marriage. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Douglass, 1306 Jackson street, Rev. C. H. Clark, D. D., performing the ceremony. Just before the bridal party, which consisted of Mr. A. J. Hollinsworth, accompanied by Mr. Walter Hadley; Mrs. Annie Brown on the arm of Mrs. Walter Hadley, entered, three selections were rendered: Miss Blanche Stevens, of Marion, Tenn., sang, "Sing me to sleep;" Miss L. McLemore sang, "In after years when I am old," and Miss Mary Work sang, "I love you." Each made a fine impression upon the large number of friends present. While Miss Myrie Mae Hunter played softly the wedding march, the party filed in and took their position in the middle of the parlor, where Dr. Clark was waiting to perform the sacred ceremony. Refreshments were served in the