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Conserving Interests of Colored Americans

Race Leaders Urged To Study And
Apply Social Programs To Special
Civic Needs of People.

THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE

Plans To Extend Its Work To Many
Cities. Eugene Kinkle Jones
Timely Advice In The Survey

During 1917 Negro leaders should study social programs and learn to apply those most appropriate to reduce the number of social maladjustments among their people. Special efforts should be made in those directions in which the Negro record compares unfavorably with the same among the whites—for example: (1) The death rate, with special reference to infant mortality and death due to pulmonary causes; (3) Delinquency among adults, with special reference to the need of such preventive measures as may be thrown around the adolescent youth—wholesome amusements, employment opportunities, vocational guidance.

League To Extend Work

In this connection the National League on Urban Conditions among Negroes is planning to extend its work to an increased number of cities. The almost unprecedented northward migration of Negroes to the large industrial centres has made this extension increasingly necessary. Already twenty cities feel the influence of the league's activities. Additional colored social workers will be trained, so that the work proposed can be prosecuted not only by sympathetic persons that know intimately the aspirations of the race, but can be handled with intelligence and confidence.

Social Problems And Race Lines

Social problems know no race lines, but racial prejudices may accentuate these problems. In the case of the relationship of Negroes with the white people in American cities, this is particularly true. In New York city, where the league's work in the various colored districts is the model for the activities in other cities, it is hoped that during the year 1916-17, the Brooklyn committee will become independent and assume entire responsibility for the work in Brooklyn; that a definite movement to reduce the high infant mortality among Negro babies in New York will be inaugurated; a home for colored women discharged or paroled from the Night Court, Work House or other penal institutions will be established; in cooperation with the Babies' Welfare Association, the Association of Day Nurseries and other organizations, a day nursery will be established in the Columbus Hill section; in cooperation with the Association for the Prevention and Relief of Heart Disease and the Burke Foundation, a cardiac class or clinic may be established in the Harlem section, where 60,000 Negroes live; a school for domestic employees

will be established; those organizations wishing to conduct boys' or girls' club work may combine and jointly employ a worker with boys and a worker with girls to conduct their respective clubs; and some form of vocational guidance will be instituted for the colored school children of New York, thereby directing the children to opportunities for occupational training and enlarging the field of employment now open to colored children.

—The Survey.

Colored Man Appointed On Board of Education

New York, Jan. 10.—For the first time since 1893, a Negro became a member of the Board of Education, Monday, when Mayor Mitchell announced appointments to fill the eleven vacancies which now exist. The Mayor appointed D. E. P. Roberts, a Negro physician, of 242 West Fifty-third street, to fill one of the vacancies.

The report that the Mayor intended to appoint a Negro to the board was current around the offices of the Board of Education for the last week and caused considerable discussion. Dr. Roberts is the first Negro member of the board since the retirement of Samuel R. Scotron, who served on the Brooklyn Board of Education from 1894 until 1898.

DUMAS PROUD OF HIS AFRICAN BLOOD

A few weeks ago a new novel of the great French author, Alexander Dumas, was discovered and has received considerable mention throughout the literary world. A French writer in La Revue gathers together some reminiscences of the great novelist and among them is the following: "It is said of Dumas that he was so vain that he would often get up behind his own carriage in order to demonstrate to his friends that he had a Negro footman. He always seemed very proud of the fact that he had African blood in his veins."

COLORED FARMER HEADS KANSAS INSTITUTE

Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 4.—Edward Harvey, acknowledged to be one of the most capable scientific farmers in Douglas county, was recently elected president of the Douglas county farmers' Institute. Mr. Harvey is a graduate of the Kansas University in the class of 1894, and was a member of the football team.

COLORED MEN SUB- MARINE VICTIMS

Washington, D. C.—The British stock transport, Russian, which was sunk by a German U boat December 14, and left Newport News, November 16, for Alexandria, Egypt, with a load of 400 mules, had 22 Colored men on board. Nothing has been heard of them or of the rest of the crew and it is believed that they were lost.

SECRETARY LANE WANTS COBB'S RESIGNATION

Washington, D. C.—The Secretary of the Interior has requested Professor James A. Cobb to show reason why he should not resign his professorship at Howard University. Prof. Cobb served as assistant director of the Colored Advisory Committee of the National Republican Committee, and for that reason Secretary Lane desires his resignation. If Prof. Cobb could have swallowed the treatment accorded the race by the present administration and worked for it, his position would have been safe. It is expected that Howard University will stand by Cobb and demand that he remain.



NOBLE N. JOHNSON

Noble M. Johnson, the world's greatest Colored Screen Star, as "Little Bear" playing opposite Ruth Stonehouse and Jack Mulhall in the 5-reel Red Feather Universal feature, "Fighting For Love," yesterday, Jan. 2, at the Parlor Theatre, on Douglas St., Omaha, Neb.

PORTRAITS OF BLACK RULERS DISCOVERED IN EGYPT

In the November number of "Art and Archaeology," James Henry Breasted, the world famous archeologist and scientist, announces the discovery of the studio of an Egyptian portrait sculptor belonging to 1400 B. C. It was called the house of "chief sculptor, Thutmose." All of the portraits are remarkable for the fact that they are unmistakably of Africans, especially that of Queen-mother Ti. The ones of Ranofer and the Queen of King Ikmaton are also impressive with pronounced Negro characteristics.

Editor Takes a Trip; Omaha to Denver

Holds Conversation With Congenial
And Interesting Fellow-Passengers
Enroute Westward.

INCIDENTS AND SIDELIGHTS

Finds Colorado Metropolis Wide
Awake. Renews Acquaintances
And Meets Former Omahans.

Through the generous kindness of a friend, a prominent Union Pacific railroad official, the editor had the pleasure of a coveted and delightful trip to Denver. The trip was coveted for I was very anxious to attend the consecration of my fellow ordinand, of twenty-five years ago and warm personal friend, the Rev. Irving Penke Johnson, D. D., as bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Colorado. Because of our friendship, I was anxious to be present, if it were possible, when he was inducted into the highest office in the Church. But neither as parson nor editor, would my pocket book permit me to take the trip.

(Will parishoners who are in arrears for the parson's salary and subscribers who owe the editor, kindly take the hint? Oh, thank you, so much. The church treasurer will promptly send you a receipt and the business manager of the Monitor will do likewise.)

I enjoy walking, and as a matter of fact do a great deal of it; but, really, as much as I enjoy a hike, 565 miles—the distance between Omaha and Denver—was just a little too much for me to undertake to walk at the limited time at my disposal and especially at this season of the year. Therefore, I am exceedingly grateful to my railroad friend for making it possible for me to take this coveted trip.

Incidents and Sidelights

Some of the incidents and sidelights of this delightful trip may prove of interest to Monitor readers. Am I over bold in thinking this? If so, it must be charged to the warm welcome our readers gave my articles on my trip to Memphis. Those, of course, dealt with scenes and customs less familiar than those of the West, but I am inclined to think that our very familiarity with things near at home makes us overlook much that is most interesting, instructive and inspirational. I don't know how it is with you, but an ordinary trip down town on an Omaha street car, commonplace and prosaic as it may seem to many, is always full of interest to me. A five hundred mile trip on the railroad furnishes me with enough matter to write sufficient "copy" to fill a good sized newspaper. The next time you go down town on the street car, just use your eyes and notice how many interesting people and things you will see, and when you take a railroad trip do the same thing. It will repay you and make

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General Race News

SANTO DOMINGO NEWS CENSORED BY U. S.

Washington, D. C.—Drastic censorship equal to anything Russia or any other European government has ever imposed, has been established by the United States navy over the Colored natives of Santo Domingo. The exact text of the order is as follows:

Censorship

"With the declaration of Occupation and military government in Santo Domingo, censorship is hereby established, the existence of which will be immediately notified to the press.

Any comment that is intended to be published upon the attitude of the United States government, or upon anything connected with the occupation and military government of Santo Domingo must first be submitted to the local censor for approval; and no such comment shall be permitted to be printed without having passed upon favorably by the censor.

The publication is forbidden of expressions of a violent or inflammable nature tending to inciting hostility or resistance to the military government.

The publication of any newspaper or other periodical that offends against this order will be suspended; and responsible persons—owners, editors or others—will further be liable to punishment by the military government.

The printing and distributing of posters, handbills, or similar means of propaganda in order to disseminate views unfavorable to the United States government or to the military government in Santo Domingo is forbidden, as is the distribution in Santo Domingo of such matter in papers and periodicals published in foreign countries. Offenders against this regulation will be liable to punishment by the military government.

The officer (general) commanding on shore will appoint censors and put this order into effect."

CHICAGO DAILY STUDIES CITY NEGRO

The Chicago Daily News has just finished publishing a series of articles pertaining to the Negroes of that city. It is one of the most exhaustive studies of the kind ever published in this country and covers every phase of the race's life. These articles not only relate the progress which the race is making in business, professions, religion, wealth, art, literature, music, amusements, education, and labor, but also shows up the lures and pitfalls which are continually besetting the race in the big city. It is to be hoped that the whole series will be published in one volume, for they are well worth reading and study.

CARNEGIE STEEL CO. USES NEGRO LABOR

Thirty-five Men Are Now Employed at Waverly, N. J.

Newark, N. J.—For the first time in its history the Carnegie Steel Company of this city is employing Colored labor. Thirty-five men are employed at the Waverly, N. J., warehouse and officials of the company say that they are all making good.

Nearly all the men are from the south and most of them have brought their families.

PEORIA COLORED MAN DIES AT AGE OF 103 YEARS

Records of Coroner's Office Showed
Henry Harper to Be Past
Century Mark.

Peoria, January 3.—Records of the coroner's office, place at 103 years the age of Henry Harper, who died recently, supposedly of pneumonia. Coroner Elliott is investigating the case, but expects to receive a certificate from Dr. Askew, who has been attending the decedent for some time.

Harper was born in Georgia and had lived in Peoria for 50 years. His daughter, Mrs. Stella Schuman, with whom he made his home, 109 Lincoln avenue, says he is 103 years old.

THE FIRST COLORED WOMAN "POLICEMAN"

Los Angeles, Cal.—In the person of Mrs. Georgia A. Robinson, Los Angeles boasts of having the first "Colored Policewoman" in the country. Mrs. Robinson is assigned to duty with the juvenile Bureau, and has proven herself to be a good angel to the delinquent children of this city.

Her ability as a linguist, speaking fluently German, French, Spanish and English, enables her to reach all classes of the city's population, and she has little trouble in winning the confidence of the children and their parents.

Mrs. Robinson's success as a police officer has won for her the commendation of the city officials and it is not at all improbable that there will be other Colored women appointed to fill similar positions in this and other cities.

SOCIALISM AND THE NEGRO

The Negro will be greatly aided by Socialism. He doesn't want to force himself into the company of white people—he merely wants an equal chance to make a living. Socialism will give the Negro the right to a good job, and he will get the full social value of his labor. In other words Socialism will give the Negro economic equality. It is to the interest of the white workers to have their black shop neighbors getting good wages and good conditions. If the black man were to get less, the white man's standard would be dragged down. By keeping the Negro's standard up, the white man's burden is lightened and his economic position is made more secure. For that reason, it is a matter of plain common sense for the whites to give the blacks a square deal.—Appeal to Reason.

CONGRESS TRIES TO DIS- FRANCHISE PORTO RICANS

Washington, D. C.—The proposed disfranchisement of 165,000 Porto Ricans by a property and literary test failed through the efforts of a single representative, Meyer London, Socialist representative of New York. Both Republicans and Democrats were ready to pass the bill when Mr. London made a most vicious attack upon it. So bitter was the bill assailed that Congressman Mann wanted London "disciplined" by the House. But London persisted and forced a resolution to grant the Porto Ricans ten years in which to either acquire property or to learn to read and write.

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Injure
Hands or
Clothes.

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West---
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Our Women and Children

Conducted by Lucille Skaggs Edwards.

OUR COUNTRY

If it had been permitted us to choose a place and time for our existence, we could have chosen no place more conducive to health, hope and happiness than upon American soil and no age more glorious and full of opportunities than this, the twentieth century.

We would have let pass by aesthetic Greece in the golden age of Pericles and imperial Rome in the prosperous days of Augustus Caesar. No time, no land could have appealed to us so much as this land of ours in this day of ours.

It is true that the great principle of the brotherhood of man is not in operation toward the Negro; it is true that he is not given all the rights granted to its citizens by the constitution of this country; and that he still suffers many humiliations on account of race prejudice.

Regardless of all this we are optimistic. Obstacles often act as incentives to higher things. The outlook grows brighter every day. Men's rights must always prevail against men's wrongs. We should be too busy availing ourselves of the opportunities we have, to complain of the privileges which we do not have. Our rise has been so rapid that it is unprecedented.

This is a day of the evolution of our race. A day of the rise of our women. A day of hope for our mothers. A day of opportunities and possibilities for our children. A day of success for any man who struggles and labors to win. It should make us glad to form a part of a nation, whose natural beauty and resources, whose institutions and civilization, and whose wonderful opportunities rank second to none in all the world. L. S. E.

A NEW YEAR'S BANK

"I have a bank," said Billy Bly.
"What do you think goes in it?"
All pleasant words and deeds that I
Can crowd into each minute.
The interest is happiness,
And I am sure it pays!
The bank? You all know that, I
guess—

The year, with all its days."

The Youth's Companion.

BOYS AND GIRLS

The difference is apparent early: A boy has as much fun in stoning a cat as a girl has in hunting for violets. A boy's curiosity is directed to the ice box; a girl would like to see what is in the top bureau drawer.

A girl can give the impression when away from home that her parents are wealthy; a boy cannot.

Every boy is old enough to be welcome to sit in the neighbor girl's parlor many years before his sister thinks he is old enough to sit in the parlor at home.

A girl is never so young that she will reveal to guests at a party that the spoons are borrowed; a boy child never grows so old that he fails to.

Give the boy a dollar and he will eat it; give his sister one and she will wear it.

A brother and sister may have hair of the same shade, but the boy's is called red and the girl's auburn.

When brothers fight, it is over the larger share of pie; when sisters quarrel, one has worn something belonging to the other without asking permission.—Ex.

Dependable dressmaking, 949 No. 27th street. Miss Gladys Councillor.—Adv.

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WILL ENCOURAGE NO EVIASION OF THE LAW

The Monitor received this week copy for an advertisement from an out of town firm which we believe would only encourage violation of the spirit if not the letter of the prohibitory amendment which carried at the last election and becomes operative May 1st.

The editor of The Monitor from school days has borne the reputation of being "a good sport," in the sense of being a hard but fair fighter in any sport or cause in which he was interested, and a good loser. We hope we can never be charged with being an Achilles sulking in the tent. We fought prohibition as hard as we knew how. We lost. We shall however do nothing to encourage any evasion of the law. Our position is made plain in the following letter which was our reply to the firm seeking advertising space in our columns.

January 9, 1916.

Dear Sir:

The advertisement which you submit to us for insertion in our columns is not acceptable.

The Monitor opposed prohibition; but since the measure has passed, we believe the law should be enforced and that newspapers should not accept advertisements that will in any way encourage infractions or evasions of the law. For this reason we have decided to accept no advertisements of this character.

Thanking you, however, for considering us as an advertising medium and regretting that we cannot sell you advertising space for your business, believe us to be,

Respectfully yours,
John Albert Williams, Editor.

A VISION

Half awake and half asleep I sat in my chair one evening, musing upon the way of mine in the world. Before my curtaining eyes came the glow of what seemed to be a crimson wreath of light, but as it cleared I saw that it was our rosary of sorrows and that each bead was red with the blood of my people. Two tears stole down by cheeks and my breast seemed choked with sobbings. I would have hidden my eyes for pain as the red drops fell, but looking down I saw a golden chalice that caught them in its glistening bowl. And when again I looked up to the rosary, the blood drops ceased to fall and the soft lustre of pearl was crowding away the crimson. My eyes opened wide and as I stretched forth my hand to hold the glimmering thing, the chalice ascended to my lips and a tender voice whispered, "Drink!" I drank and that which had been blood was wine and through my dull and dismal body surged all passions that come of ambition and battle and conquest and love. My hands swept together to clutch the cup that I might drink more of the potent potion, but it was gone. Quick-

ly my eyes looked up and the rosary had left a fading afterglow.

"What can it mean?" I cried, holding forth my hands to the empty dark.

"It means that He who made you knows," came the soft words from a distant but lingering voice. "The chalice is Time and the mystic alchemy that turned bitter into sweet was Hope. That you and your dusky race lives is not to be in vain. Work! Wait! Win!"

DON'T GO TO THE SUN

We have received numerous complaints concerning the treatment of our people at The Sun theatre and this week a representative of The Monitor called upon the management and took up the matter. There seems to be a disposition not to want Colored patronage and we request our people not to go. We hope, at some future time, to be in a position to handle the matter more effectively than now, but for the present we can only advise them to remain away. Nearly all other movie houses, together with Boyd, Brandeis and The Orpheum, make us welcome and their entertainment is always of superior quality.

SONG OF SOLOMON

Eats

1. Eats, O my son, is the answering fodder that cometh to corral the lusty cry of an empty stomach.

2. This call cometh thrice daily, but the wise guys with the whiskers sayeth it is all to do with the halter of habit.

3. Wet not that I dispute with them, O my son, yet if fodder beeth but a fancy habit why not hamstring the habit and save the fodder?

4.—Now that we liveth in the heyday of H. C. L., many are the people who adviseth us how to keep down the gastric rah rah with a dime per diem.

5. I tried it, O my son, for a running month and thereafter I lay in the psychopathic ward gaining walking strength for a creeping six.

6. The dime per diem stunt was not for me, nor for the other fellow. It was for the columns of the paily pink.

7. I dream me of a time when a dime would dole a dinner for a dozen, but now, O my son, it will not purchase thee the perfume from a beanery.

8. A loaf of bread costeth thee a dollar and a beefsteak is worthy of a golden platter on the banquet board of a Creosus.

9. The soldier fare of beans and bacon and tack give thee visions of a feast and a dish of prunes is a fond memory.

10. Yet still the stomach calleth for eats, O my son, but a dime's worth of fodder is an insult, and dollar's only a tickle. What thou needest to feed thy face plentifully is the government treasury.

John Ruskin Cigar, 5 cents. Biggest and Best.

OBVIOUS OBSERVATIONS

The weather has been so delightful for the last few days that ye editors are positive that they have an acute attack of spring fever. Pass the sas-safra, please.

And so the war goes on! Well, we could not stop it as hard as we tried to, but maybe when the last Ally shoots and is shot by the last German they will clasp their hands in the death struggle and call it THE GREAT MISTAKE.

There is so much in the magazines and newspapers these days about us Colored folk that we really believe the old U. S. A. has found out that we are a piece of the inhabitants.

"What Shall We Do to Be Saved From the Negro?" was recently sung at the American Labor Federation with so much gusto that police on the beat thought there was a riot.

Old Whispers, better known as Car-ranzy, the Mexican, has bought a

carload of second hand European guns from the Japs and is bringing them to Mexico. Now for some second hand shells and Villa will have a holy picnic watching the Federals shoot up themselves.

The Turkish Ambassador who wasn't afraid to hand the U. S. a hot one for the way it treated the Colored people, is now one of the greatest men of Turkey. And to think that if he hadn't told the truth he would still be lollygagging around the White House swallowing grape juice through a straw.

Thanking you most kindly for your somnolent attention, we will now request the end man to punish the bass drum.

Don't fail to attend the large Kensington Mrs. R. K. Lawrie will give January 24, from 1:30 to 6:30 p. m., at her home, 114 North 43d Ave., for the benefit of the Old Folks' Home.

—Adv.

Sixty Years Ago

Kountze Brothers organized a bank in Omaha. Six years later, under a charter issued by the Government, it became the

First National Bank of Omaha

Along with the city, the state and the great west, the bank has grown. Compared with the splendid building which the bank now occupies, the original bank building of Kountze Bros., at 12th and Farnam, was insignificant; but the founders had a breath of vision and integrity of purpose, which means more than the little frame building, (1857) or the brick banking house, (1866) or the granite home, (1888) or the present imposing structure.

FINANCIAL GROWTH

It is not alone in buildings that the First National has shown progress and growth. Year by year the deposits have grown; and as the business demanded, the capital has been increased, a million dollars being added from earnings.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

Th growth of this department has crowded the facilities of the old building and in the new one there will be found increased accommodations together with the rich simplicity and refinement that make the exterior of the structure so striking.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS

Patrons of the bank will appreciate the increased facilities offered in the vault rooms of the new building. The old boxes and compartments have been moved from the old building and as rapidly as possible new boxes will be assigned to box holders. Protected by every known safety device, light, well ventilated, convenient of access, yet strictly private, they offer the acme of safety for valuables of every character.

AN INVITATION

Is extended to you to visit the bank. When you have friends here from out of town, bring them in. Occupying as it does, such a prominent position, being so complete in every detail, the people are interested in seeing the interior and to visit the bank. You will be very welcome.



Events and Persons

Mrs. Carl Monday, of Kansas City, Kan., who spent two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Essie Coleman, of 1314 South Twentieth street, left Wednesday afternoon for her home.

The Atkinson Shoe Co. wish to call attention to their line of boys' shoes. This company bought heavily last year and is offering the best at prices unequalled in Omaha. Look for ad.

Cecil Smith was buried Wednesday afternoon from Jones and Chiles' chapel. The Rev. W. F. Botts officiated. Interment was at Forest Lawn. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ceesney, of Kansas City, Mo., uncle and aunt of the deceased, were here for the funeral.

Weeping Willow Lodge No. 9596, G. U. O. of O. F., meets second and fourth Thursdays of each month at U. B. F. Hall, 24th and Charles. M. H. Hazzard, N. G.; T. H. Gaskin, P. S. P. S.

Mrs. William Brooks has returned from California, after a four months' visit there.

Mrs. H. Reanya has opened a restaurant on Twentieth and Paul streets.

Ms. and Mrs. Edgar Llewellyn have gone to St. Paul, Minn.

H. M. Allen, 2555 Cuming street, formerly of Oklahoma, was buried Friday from the Grove M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Masons. Banks and Wilks directed.

Mrs. Bertha Hawkins has gone to San Francisco, Cal., for an indefinite stay.

Keystone Lodge No. 4, K. of P., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Thursday of each month. M. H. Hazzard, C. C.; J. H. Glover, K. of R. S.

Mrs. Irvine Grey, of 2610 Seward street, who has been quite ill with la grippe, has recovered.

Mrs. W. N. Moore, of 2120 North Thirtieth street, and her mother, Mrs. Sarah Johnson, who have been ill with la grippe, are much better.

Eugene McCaw has secured a position at the University Club.

Dan Desdunes' Orchestra, Webster 710, 2516 Burdette St.—Adv.

Guess who will represent Empress Zeoditu, the new Abyssinian queen, at the Ideal Club's Coronation Ball, February 1st, and win the beautiful prize.

Adam's Orchestra will play their first engagement at a Colored Ball on February 1st, at The Alamo. The Ideal Club promises a musical sensation.

Go to Gordon's Drug Store, 24th and Burdette Sts., for Brown Skin Powder, Dr. Palmer's Skin Whitener Soap and Skin Whitener. Webster 6174.—Adv.

Mrs. Helen Davenport left for St. Paul last week where she will join her husband.

The first dance of the Ideal Club will be the finest of the season. Don't forget the date—FEBRUARY FIRST, at THE ALAMO.

Frank Frierson, 415 N. 13th, was buried Sunday from Grove M. E. Church under the auspices of the K. I'z. Banks and Wilks had charge of the funeral.

Harry Bradley, of Seward, has been appointed custodian of the Nebraska state senate for the sixth time.

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Robert Jube and wife, of 2502 Patrick avenue, left Omaha last week for an extended trip that will last until spring. From Kansas City they will go to Denver and from thence to Oklahoma where they will spend most of their vacation with their children.

Jeff Banks, a well known citizen of St. Joseph, Mo., is in the city for a few days as the guest of Jack Broomfield.

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Dr. M. O. Ricketts, well known in Omaha, is reported quite ill at a hospital in St. Joe, Mo., and his death is momentarily expected.

W. H. Brunner, the well known barber, is again with P. H. Jenkins at 1313 Dodge. All old customers and friends welcome.

HYMENAL

PEOPLES-BELL

The marriage of Miss Frances Irene Bell, daughter of Mrs. Carrie L. Bell, to Larry N. Peoples, was solemnized Thursday evening, January 4th, at the home of the bride's mother. The Rev. John Albert Williams of St. Phillips Church performed the ceremony, assisted by Dean Tancock of Trinity Cathedral. The bride was given away by her brother, William Bell. Miss Ruth Seay, violinist, and Miss Otis Watson, pianist, played the Lohengrin wedding march for the bridal procession.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of white satin and georgette crepe. Over this fell her long tulle veil, which was held in place with orange blossoms and she carried a shower of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Mary Newman, bridesmaid, wore an attractive gown of blue satin draped with blue tulle and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. Little Miss Margaret Bell was ring bearer, and looked very sweet and dainty in her dress of pink and white satin. She carried the ring in a Calla lily.

The groom was attended by Dr. Craig Morris, who acted as best man.

After the wedding an informal reception was held. Those assisting were Misses Madeline Roberts, Corinne Thomas, Frances Shaw, and the Phi Delta girls, and Mesdames Newman, Wheatley, Harper, Strauthers and Gray.

The rooms were decorated throughout with cut flowers, palms and Christmas greens.

The bride received many useful and beautiful presents, among which was a bird's eye maple bed room suite, gift of the groom. A present which the bride prizes most highly because of its associations and memories was the wedding handkerchief of her grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Weathers of Chicago, formerly of Omaha, which is over fifty years old.

The couple will be at home after January 15th, at 926 North 27th avenue.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Services at the Mt. Moriah Baptist church were well attended all day Sunday. Formal report will be forth coming at the end of the month. This church will open doors for Revival meetings, Monday night, the 5th of March. The services of an effective evangelist have been secured for the occasion. Prepare yourself for the task. Under the auspices of the trustee board, the pastor will deliver a lecture, that stirred the community in the East, where he pastored five years, entitled—"Why to Marry? Who to Marry? When to Marry?" on Thursday evening, February the 8th, 1917. Everybody living ought to hear it.

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Andrew Reed who has been with the Western Undertaking Company for some months went to Kearney for an examination before the State Board of Embalmers Tuesday. Mr. Reed passed with a grade of 96 per cent, one of the best grades ever made in such an examination in the state. He was highly complimented by the examiners.

Mr. Reed will remain with Mr. Silas Johnson, who is head of the Western Undertaking Company, and has always taken pride in encouraging young men to develop the best that is in them. He has given Mr. Reed every opportunity for study and he, in common with his many friends, is gratified with the record Mr. Reed has made. The Western Undertaking Company has now a licensed embalmer of our own race who can do proficient and satisfactory work. The firm has met every requirement and with Mr. Johnson's good reputation for integrity and fair dealing deserves to succeed.

Everyone is welcome at the large benefit Kensington to be given at the home of Mrs. R. K. Lawrie, 114 No. 43d Ave., Wednesday afternoon, January 24, from 1:30 to 6:30 p. m.—Adv.

Mrs. Arthur Anderson, who is arranging the cantata, King Saul, for the benefit of the Grove M. E. church, invites the public to volunteer for places in the chorus. The cantata calls for many voices and the number has not yet been secured.

Meetings held on Tuesday evening, at church.

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PRE-NUP TIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Ricks held a reception at her home, December 27th, from 4:00 to 7:00, in honor of Miss Frances Bell and Mrs. John Bundrant.

Mrs. Strauthers and Mrs. Harper entertained at an elaborate four course dinner Sunday, December 31st, in honor of Miss Frances Bell and Mr. Larry Peoples. The table was profusely decorated with carnations and narcissus and the fifteen guests enjoyed a delightfully served menu.

Mrs. Carrie L. Bell entertained the members of the bridal party of her daughter, Miss Frances, Sunday, December 31, at a luncheon at her home.

Miss Madeline Roberts gave a shower Tuesday night, January 2nd, for Miss Frances Bell. Miss Bell received lots of Kitchen furnishings and utensils. A number of her Lincoln friends who were invited but were unable to attend, sent a large package of presents.



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ST. JOHN'S A. M. E. CHURCH
NOTES.

The Rt. Rev. H.B. Parks, Bishop of the Fifth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Connection, preached at St. John Sunday morning. The subject was: "Your Besetting Sin." The discourse was instructive and powerful from every angle. The Bishop was delighted with the large appreciative congregation, the splendid singing by the choir and the generous offering by the people. The collection for the day, \$101.00, and 3 persons united with the church. He remained over the guest of his friends, Rev. and Mrs. Osborne, till Tuesday evening.

Monday evening special prayer service was conducted by Mrs. J. H. Glover. Tuesday evening Rev. M. B. Wilkinson, Pastor of Mt. Moriah Church, preached a practical gospel sermon on "Sins of Omission." The audience was inspired and a real penecostal feast was enjoyed. Bishop Parks ably emphasized the "Sins of Omission," teaching a great unthought of lesson by many along that line.

The Captains of the Missionary Campaign met at the residence of Mrs. Lulu Rountree on Monday eve, and completed the plans of the organization. One of the most interesting features of the plan will be the Tuesday night Forum, which will begin January 3, with a splendid program, and from time to time the committee intends to have on each program some of the most able men and women of the community of both races to address the Forum on Civic Righteousness, Social Betterment, Juvenile Work, Health Hints, Etc., subjects that will interest and instruct the people and draw large crowds, because of that fact, the committee will always have lunches and refreshments at each meeting.

Mrs. Mardell Ricks Bundrant, who spent the holidays with us, left Tuesday for her home in Minneapolis. She was the guest at many social functions while here.

Mesdames Samuel Ray, Eva Walker, Anna Burton, Myrtle Metcalf, Mother Ewing and Mrs. Osborne, attended Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church, in South Omaha, Monday evening to hear the Right Rev. H. B. Parks, who spoke to the people at that place.

Miss Ozelia Dunning is organist at St. John's during the illness of Mr. Fouts.

Mrs. Sidney Allen is on the sick list.

The Missionary Society will meet at the church Tuesday evening, January 16. The Captains and their members are requested to be present. Any woman or girl is cordially invited to be present and join with us in this campaign for St. John's Church, and the cause of Missions.

The Junior Aid will meet with Mrs. Maggie Franklin Wednesday. Miss Pearl Ray, President.

N. W. C. A. NOTES

Mrs. R. K. Lawrie will give a large kensington at her home, 114 No. 43rd Ave., Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 24, the proceeds of which will be given to the N. W. C. A. A lunch such as only Mrs. Lawrie can prepare will be served at 35c per person. The public is cordially invited to attend. Anyone desiring to make reservations for entertaining their friends may do so by calling Mrs. Lawrie, Walnut 733.

There will be a regular meeting at the home Wednesday, January 10.

Mrs. Lawrie will serve one of the rare luncheons for which she is famous at the Kensington Wednesday, January 24.—Adv.

THE EDITOR TAKES A TRIP
FROM OMAHA TO DENVER

(Continued from first page.)

you appreciate the meaning of those familiar lines.

"Two men looked out from their prison bars; The one saw mud, the other stars."

(No. 15. The Colorado Express) Westbound.

This was the train I took. It is a through train from Chicago to Denver. It leaves Chicago at 11:20 one night; Omaha at 4:20 the next afternoon and is due in Denver at 7:15 the following morning. Many of the passengers on this train have come from various points east and south of Chicago, and, in normal times, from beyond seas. So you can see how cosmopolitan the passenger list of the average trans-continental or mid-continental train is. This train, No. 15, Union Pacific System out of Omaha, has as its equipment, a buffet-observation car, Pullman twelve-section drawing room cars, Pullman sixteen-section tourist sleeping car, free reclining chair cars, dining car service, with of course its proper complement of baggage and express cars. It comes out of Chicago as No. 3, Chicago and Northwestern, and Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and becomes No. 15, Union Pacific out of Omaha.

Saturday's Home Bound Crowd

Did you ever notice that Saturday's trains are always well filled? It seems to be the day of the home-going crowd.

The afternoon train of Saturday, December 30 was no exception to the rule. Indeed, I believe that the crowd of home-going passengers was larger because it was the end of the year and many were going home for New Years.

The train out of Omaha was crowded and left nearly thirty minutes late. I secured a seat in chair car No. 6020. The porter in charge was one of the oldest men in the service, Edward Marsh of Omaha. My seat mate was a pleasant middle-aged man who got off the train at Columbus, where a great many more passengers got on. Here a well built fellow of about 50, whose name I subsequently learned to be Emry, a farmer near Sioux City, boarded the train and asked pleasantly:

"May I have this seat,?" indicating the vacant one next to me.

My reply was, "Certainly, sir; I'm entitled to, and can only occupy one."

He said laughingly, "I guess your right. Thank you." And down he sat.

We got into a conversation and I learned that he was on his way to Central City, to attend the funeral of his father, who had just passed away at the age of eighty-four years and whom he had visited but a short time before.

The folk around were friendly and before the journey ended, I had made the acquaintance of several, and had pleasant conversations with them. Of these folk I shall tell you later. My only observation now is this: How much easier would life be for each of us on street or car, if everybody simply tried to be pleasant as were my fellow passengers on chair car 6020, on No. 15 Union Pacific train, on my recent trip from Omaha to Denver.

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SOUTH SIDE.

(Mrs. J. M. Thornton, Correspondent)

Mrs. Malone, of 31st and U streets, who has been quite sick, is very much improved.

The members of Golden Rule Tabernacle, No. 35, gave a linen shower last Thursday afternoon, Jan. 4, to their High Preceptress, Mrs. Ida Riddles, for her efficient leadership for the last two years. She was the recipient of many beautiful pieces of linen.

Mr. Robt. Severe, custodian for Packers National Bank, who has been quite sick for about two weeks, is much better and has gone back to work.

The Revival meeting now in progress at Bethel Baptist Church, is reaping a great harvest for Christ. There have been many converts.

Bishop Parks preached at Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church, Monday night, January 8.

The Bethel Baptist Mission Circle met with Mrs. Velma Hill Thursday afternoon, January 11.

Mr. Ernest Wiggins returned Tuesday from Oklahoma where he went two weeks prior to Xmas. He brought home unexpectedly to all, his bride.

Rev. J. H. Nichols, who has been pastor of Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church, for one year and four months, left last Wednesday night at 11:10 for Ottawa, Kansas, the home of his daughter. More than a month ago he was told by his physician that he would have to stop preaching at least for a while that it was against him both physically and mentally, and that he must have rest. Fearing the outcome of not obeying the doctor's advice, he wrote the Bishop for a leave of absence, which was granted. On last Monday evening, when Bishop Parks told the congregation that he would have to leave and how Rev. Mr. Nichols had told him that he had learned to love the members and hated to be torn so suddenly from them, although it could not be otherwise, he broke down and wept as a child. The members of the church regretted very much to have him leave and many in the audience wept

as well. He is going to spend time until next conference visiting with his children and taking complete rest. The prayers of the Church are for his restoration to health.

Lela S. Dudley died January 9, 1917, at 2123 North 28th avenue. She professed a hope in Christ at the age of thirteen years and joined the Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church. She has lived a devoted Christian during her life. Having spent all her life in South Omaha, except for a few months, and attending our public schools and living the life of a true Christian girl, she has endeared herself to all that knew her. She was the only one of our race to graduate from South Omaha High School. From the time of her conversion she has been a faithful worker in this Church, and aiding other churches whenever she found it possible.

She had been a member of Allen Chapel choir eleven or twelve years. In the Sunday School she has held the position of secretary, teacher and superintendent. She leaves two sisters, one brother, one uncle, one aunt, several cousins and a host of friends to mourn her demise. The funeral services were held from that Church Thursday, January 11. Rev. H. Shepherd officiated. Jones and Chiles had charge of the funeral.

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To Rent, slightly used heart. Inquire C. T.

Miss Virgil Gaskin has returned to her home in Cheyenne.

One of the most successful revivals of the Zion Baptist Church is being conducted by the Rev. J. R. Romer, of Buxton, Ia. His powerful sermons are bringing many into the church.

Wm. Ransom, of Omaha, spent Tuesday in Lincoln on business.

"The Mendicant" was the name of a charming one-act playlet given Xmas night at Zion Church, and proved a success with caste as well as finance.

The Masons held their third annual banquet at the Masonic Hall on December 27. About 100 guests were present.

The Davis Club held open house New Year's Day at the home of Mrs. Jennie Sellers. Resolutions were passed commending the work of the former president, Mrs. J. E. Jeltz, and regretting her departure. Mrs. Fan-

nie Young was chosen her successor.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Suggs, of Hiawatha, Kas., spent a few days in Lincoln on their return from Empire, Wyo.

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Urges Boycott,
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Editor Monitor:

Please allow me to say to my race through the columns of your paper that "a place in the SUN" Theatre is certainly reserved for us, particularly. That place is one corner of what is in reality its gallery.

I for one Negro am absolutely too proud to accept it.

After ascertaining who are the managers and owners of this moving picture show, let us make every effort in the future to keep our people from patronizing any line of business in which this owner or manager may be interested.

Respectfully,
Arthur W. Campbell,
1324 North Twenty-fourth street.

TO THE PUBLIC

We, the firm of Banks and Wilks, wish to make the following statement for the benefit of the public and for the protection of our business name.

On Monday one Cecil Smith died at the St. Joseph Hospital and we were called to take charge of the body. We were authorized to embalm same by county attorney and did so. Mrs. Cesney, of Kansas City, aunt of deceased, and Isaiah Jackson, of Omaha, called to make arrangements for funeral, but neither would assume the expenses of burial. In the interim, the firm of Jones and Chiles demanded the body, which we agreed to deliver provided the cost of embalming was paid.

We make this statement so that the

public may know our position in the matter.

Respectfully, Banks and Wilks.

NONE TO SPARE

(From "From Pillar to Post," by John Kendrick Bangs.)

A Negro I encountered down in Alabama last winter stands conspicuous in my memory for both his conscious wit and his unconscious humor. He plied me with questions as we stood on a railway platform waiting for my train, and nearly drove me to despair. Part of the illuminating exchange of ideas ran in this wise:

"Whar yo' come from?"

"Maine," said I.

"Got any children?" he queried.

"Yes," said I, "I've got two sons in Detroit, and—"

"Dee-troit, eh?" he interrupted. "Yaas, such, Ah'e heard of Dee-troit. Dee-troit's a nice state to have two sons at, Ah reckon. So yo' was born in Dee-troit, was yuh?"

"No," I replied, "I wasn't born at Detroit; I was born at Yonkers—"

"Oh-o-oh! So yo' was born at Yonkers, was yuh? Yaas, suh—Yonkers! Ah don't know much erbout Yonkers; but Ah guess it is a nice state, too, ain't it?"

"Well," I said, "yes—Yonkers is a pretty nice state, too—what you might call a comatose state; but—"

"Yaas, suh; Ah've heern tell dat Yonkers was one of dem cummytoe states, and Ah guess dat's a pretty good kind ob a state to be born in. What yo' selling?" This with a hasty glance at my suitcase.

"Brains," said I.

"Lawdy me! Sellin' brains, eh?" said he. "Waal, suh, Ah'm sorry. Yo' look so kind of set up. Ah thought yo' was a-sellin' seegyars. Yaas, suh, Ah'd hoped yo' was." He gazed wistfully along the shining rails. "Dem seegyar drummahs is mighty free wid deir samples, suh," he continued, "and Ah been a'hopin' yo'd be able to spar me a han'ful like the res' ob 'em does. But ef yo're dealing in brains, hit ain't likely yo' got enough to gib any away."

PROBATE NOTICE

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Jane Allen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given: That the creditors of said deceased will meet the administrator of said estate, before me, County Judge of Douglas County, Nebraska, at the County Court Room, in said County, on the 5th day of March, 1917, and on the 6th day of August, 1917, at 9 o'clock A. M., each day, for the purpose of presenting their claims for examination, adjustment and allowance. Six months are allowed for the creditors to present their claims, from the 4th day of February, 1917.

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