

General Race News

CLARINDA JOURNAL PRAISES FIRST REGIMENTAL BAND

The First Regimental Band, Uniform Rank, K. of P., from Omaha, has been the drawing card at the sessions of the grand lodge of Iowa of the Colored Knights of Pythias, in session in Clarinda, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The band, with Dan Desdunes as leader, is the same organization which delighted the people of Clarinda last year, and the year it is even better. There are twenty-three musicians and the leader present, but in Omaha, where the band is very popular and plays at all the big affairs, there are thirty-four men playing.

Each evening of the session they have given concerts in the Clarinda Chautauqua auditorium and will give a final concert there Thursday night. They have also given concerts in the yard of the Page county court house and will lead the grand parade which takes place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The band plays music of all kinds, march music, waltz music, classics and rag time, and plays it all with such perfect harmony and such good finish that they are a pleasure to hear. Their phrasing and shading is excellent, the instruments are always in perfect tune and the whole organization is at the instant command of the leader, who is himself a splendid player of the cornet. They are deserving of all their popularity in Clarinda and it is expected that the Clarinda Chautauqua auditorium will be full to hear them tonight. Last year the band featured a famous ragtime selection called "Memphis Blues." This year their ragtime feature, which bids fair to be as popular, is "Walkin' the Dog."—The Clarinda Journal, July 27.

MISS FREEMAN VISITS ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 11.—The local branch of the N. A. A. C. P. gave Miss Elizabeth Freeman, the cultured English woman who reported the Waco horror for The Crisis, a large audience Monday, July 24, at Pythian Hall.

Miss Freeman brought a burning message to her hearers which was enthusiastically received. She told them of the great need of an organized determined fight against lawlessness in this country. She pointed out the work done by the National Association for the advancement of Colored people and asked the co-operation of the local branch. Nearly \$200 was raised to help the cause.

IS AGAIN FIRST TO SELL COTTON

Albany, Ga., Aug. 11.—The first bale for Georgia, so far as is known here was marketed July 22 at Pelham. It was raised by Ned Sanders, a Colored farmer, in the western part of Mitchell county. He is the same farmer who raised Georgia's first bale last year.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 11.—Montgomery, Ala., at first refused Colored mechanics sent by the Louisville Gas Company to repair wires after a wash-out. Later when work was finished sent them each a letter of thanks with bonus.

EASTERN RAILROAD COMPANY EMPLOYING COLORED LABOR

Waterbury, Conn., Aug. 11.—The abnormal labor shortage of the last seven months has fallen heavily upon the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Co., particularly in the departments of Transportation and Maintenance of Way. An experiment for the solving of this problem has been begun by the company with the importation of one hundred Negro laborers from Norfolk, Va., who have been put on construction work.

At the outbreak of the European War Austria called home its reservists who, with the Italians called to the colors some time later, had finally ousted the Irish as the "section hand" and excavator of the North. Their places were only recently partly filled by Southern Negroes.

THREE THOUSAND LABORERS WILL PARADE

Macon, Ga., Aug. 11.—On the 30th of this month nearly 3,000 Colored laborers will take part in the first annual meeting of the Organization of Colored Laborers of Macon.

At the city auditorium Rev. J. H. Fern, of the First Christian church; Mr. Norville, of the city Y. M. C. A., and Mr. W. T. Anderson, will speak on the subject of the benefits derived from industry.

These 3,000 workers earn something like \$700,000 a year and the idea is to make them understand that their part in the upbuilding of Greater Macon may be worthy of their toil.

APPOINTED POLICE SERGEANT

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 11.—Roy Robinson has been rewarded for his twenty-three years faithful duty on the Atlantic City police force by being appointed sergeant. Sergeant Robinson is the only Colored police sergeant in the east, and is one of Atlantic City's most respected citizens, being prominent in church and fraternal circles. John M. S. Williams and George W. Corbin have been appointed detectives on the local police force. Their appointments have been confirmed.

HAVE ORGANIZED SAVINGS BANK

Waycross, Ga., Aug. 11.—As a result of the activities of the Local Negro Business League at this place, the Colored business men have organized the Laborers Penny Savings and Loan Company. The company expects to engage in a regular banking business beginning January 1, 1917. Carlton W. Gains is the president and R. W. Williams the secretary.

SISTERS PASS STATE BOARD

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 11.—Drs. Esther and Ruth Fowler, graduates from the pharmaceutical department of Howard University, class of '16, have the distinction of being the first two race women to pass successfully the Delaware State Board. The examination was held on July 5.

Not crowing; simply growing with growing Omaha, and helping Omaha to grow.

TWO ANTI-LYNCHING BILLS ARE UNPOPULAR

Atlantic, Ga., Aug. 11.—Two anti-lynching measures have been introduced in the Georgia legislature, one by President G. Ogden Persons in the Senate and another by Representative Henry Fulbright in the lower house. Both bills provide that the sheriff who fails to protect a prisoner from lynching or who, by neglect, allows a lynching to be carried out in the county where he holds office, is to be removed from office by the Governor and is debarred from the right to hold office again.

The Persons bill has been unfavorably reported by the Senate general judiciary committee, and it is probable that the Fulbright bill will meet the same fate in the lower house. There is considerable sentiment in favor of the bills, but the reactionary element is strongly opposed.

BECOMES PRINCIPAL OF KANSAS CITY HIGH SCHOOL

Columbia, Mo., Aug. 11.—Professor Henley L. Cox, principal of the Douglas High School, has been chosen by the Board of Education of Kansas City, Mo., to the principalship of the Wendell Phillip's school, the largest public school in that city, for Negroes. Prof. Cox has been principal of the Columbia school for six years, coming directly from Howard University, where he was graduated with high honors in the class of 1910. His work in Columbia has been signally successful.

KANSAS CITY BAPTISTS DEDICATE CHURCH

Special to The Monitor.

Kansas City, Kas., Aug. 11.—The Metropolitan Baptist Temple was dedicated here last Sunday with impressive services. The special dedicatory service was held at 3 p. m., the sermon being preached by the Rev. Dr. J. T. Caston, of St. Louis. Congratulatory addresses were made by several prominent local speakers. The Rev. D. A. Holmes is the pastor of Metropolitan, where he has done efficient work.

PICTURES WITH SERMONS

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 11.—Rev. E. E. Ricks, minister of the First Baptist Church, has solved the problem of the summer evening service by illustrating his service.

During July and August his subject is "Sunday Nights With Jesus." Many beautiful scenes in the life of Christ are thrown on the canvas, while short, plain, practical and helpful talks are given, interspersed by "Songs in the Night" and illustrated so as.

Elizabeth, N. J., Aug. 11.—One hundred and fifty men from the South have arrived here to work in the sewing machine factory of Singer Co., and 22 more are expected before fall.

OPPORTUNITY MISSED

A Denver man tells of one Westerner's opinion of the East. It appears that this man had occasion to visit New York, a city he had never seen. He remained for a week or two longer than he had expected, and, in writing of his experiences to his wife in the West, he said:

"New York is a great city, but I do wish I had come here before I was converted."—New York American.

EVENTS AND PERSONS

Mr. Roy Broomfield left Thursday evening for Chicago, Ill., where he intends to spend the remainder of his vacation.

The Florence P. Leavitt Club will hold an entertainment at the Grove M. E. church, 22nd and Seward Sts., Aug. 23rd, for the benefit of the church.

Holland Harold is the manager of Adams Saxophone orchestra.

Mrs. I. M. Hunter left Thursday for St. Joe, Missouri, to visit her two daughters, Mrs. Tack and Mrs. Payne, of that city. She will remain about two weeks.

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Mrs. L. Wright left Monday evening for Emporia, Kansas, where she will attend the Grand Lodge of O. E. S. On her return she will stop over at Kansas City to attend the convention of the National Negro Business League.

Miss Ida Craig, one of the Kansas City school teachers, is visiting for a fortnight with Mr. and Mrs. James Graves, of 2803 Miami street. We hope for her a pleasant stay while in our city.

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