

**RAILWAYS AND HOTELS**  
(By J. William Shields)

Perry Nichols, of Spokane, paid Omaha a short visit last week. He was en route home from the east.

Fred Collins, of Cheyenne, well known ex-prizefighter, spent Thanksgiving in Omaha and renewed many of his old acquaintances.

Your sweetheart, wife or sister, wants a box of O'Brien's Candy. Ask her and see.

Sandy Bryant has been employed as door man at the Blackstone.

Gene Thomas was seriously hurt in an auto accident last week. Several ribs were broken and his head lacerated. Latest reports are favorable as to his present condition.

John Ruskin Cigar, 5 cents. Biggest and Best.

Harris Boswell, of Kansas City, spent Thanksgiving with Omaha friends.

The boys on the rails say that business is so dead that there is nothing to do but call the undertaker.

All the U. P. headquarter men are in town preparing to take life easy during the holidays.

Remember Freling and Ste'ale. They carry the finest line of trunks, bags and suit cases in Omaha.

The ruling that saloons are not obliged to pay \$1,000 for license from now to May 1, will keep most of the bars open.

The Monitor has the ads of Omaha's premier haberdashers. Give them a Xmas call and mention us.

Atkisson, the home of the famous Nettleton Shoe, has favored us with a fine ad. Look it up, boys, and give him a play.

The Willow Springs Distillery will manufacture denatured alcohol and near beer.

There is talk among the hotel men of organizing and looking forward to their own welfare as well as the welfare of their employers. The idea is a laudable one and it is to be hoped that a real effort will be made toward the realization of the project.

The California rush is on and the Santa Fe is kept busy trying to find waiters for its specials.

Charlie Windom, of Chicago, was in the city last week.

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Roscoe Miller is back at the Omaha Club. Roscoe claims he caught a case of rheumatism, but the little bird says that Roscoe just naturally had to beat it back to the bright lights and local speedways.

It would be a most excellent idea for our waiters to choose some one head waiter of the city hotels and contribute to him small amounts to the end of helping some poor Colored children to a happy Christmas. While the charitable institutions of Omaha are most liberal to all classes, many of our own men should club among themselves or donate to the Goodfellow's fund with a special request that some Colored children be looked after.

**CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY**

Rev. George F. Bragg Preaches 25th Anniversary Sermon.

On Sunday morning, November 26, the congregation of St. James Protestant Episcopal Church celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its pastor, Rev. Dr. George F. Bragg. Coming to the church, a young man, Dr. Bragg has been a force not only in his church, but the community at large.

During the course of his sermon, Dr. Bragg spoke of several members of the church who, with him, were also celebrating twenty-five years of service. In bringing his text, "Without vision, the people perish," he spoke of the abundant vision and faith that had kept the Negro race since its emancipation from slavery. While praising those who had helped the church during its struggles, he also took occasion to score those who had been content to sit by and do nothing, saying they were spiritually dead. "Some people do not like this kind of preaching," he said, "but during my twenty-five years of service at St. James Church, I have never hesitated to preach against sin in any of its forms, and there are no considerations that can make me swerve from the course that is laid out for me as minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ."—The Baltimore Afro-American.

**MUST RECOGNIZE BLACKS**

Boston, Mass., Dec. 8.—That the present European war is the result of the selfish desire of the fighting nations to gobble up the whole of Africa was asserted by W. E. Burghardt DuBois, in an address on "The World Problem of the Color Line" at the Newton South Forum Sunday, November 26.

"The rights of the blacks throughout the world must be recognized," he declared, "and if they are not, such conflicts will go on because of the arrogance and selfishness of the world powers in their desires to gain the land of the black man's home in Africa."

The present war, the speaker said, was the result of a desire to control the African veldt, a desire to exploit the African race, and but for the eagerness of European rulers to secure control of the land in the Dark Continent, there would have been no war.

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