

Lincoln Department

BY EUGENE NICHOLS.

The Colored Girls' Patriotic league will give a party at the Y. W. C. A. Thursday afternoon. This is a new organization among the girls.

Mr. J. Henry Nelson is in the city visiting friends.

A delightful surprise was given in honor of Miss Lottie Allen Tuesday night at her home. She was taken by complete surprise.

Mrs. Henry Gordon is now at home and is doing nicely.

Miss Edna Carter has been sick, but is now able to be out.

There will be a Valentine social at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening. There will be a postoffice for mailing valentines to your friends.

The D. M. S. club will meet Friday, February 22, at the home of Mr. Reuben Murray, Seventh and C streets. All members are reminded to be present, as there is important business to transact. President, Mr. Albert Burris.

Rev. Bell has been holding services at Mount Zion church. No successor for Rev. Hillman has been chosen at this writing.

Mr. Norton of Denver is here attending the university and Conservatory of Music, Mr. Douglas of Wichita, Kan., is also attending the university here.

ATCHISON, KANSAS

Miss Francis Griffin entertained Pyles, Fred Taylor, Mr. Bailus and Friday evening in honor of Miss Chloe Private Willie Highbaugh, at the home of her sister, Mrs. G. Sale. The evening was spent in games of childish nature, after which tempting refreshments were served, making the affair very enjoyable.

Mrs. Tilla Baxter's grocery on North Seventh street burned Tuesday morning at 4:30, cause unknown; no insurance. Mrs. Lucinda Thomas and family lived adjoining the store and owing to the timely arrival of Mr. Gene Tolbert the occupants were rescued. Mrs. Baxter will reopen her store as soon as it can be rebuilt.

Miss Hazel Penn, who just returned from the State Normal at Emporia, took sick the next day after her arrival and it's to be regretted that her sickness took on the aspect of smallpox. Her sister, Miss Pertilla, teacher in the Lincoln schools, is quarantined at their home, 713 X street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Winnow visited Mrs. Winnow's sister, Mrs. Zenia Hudson, who is sick in Kansas City, Kan. Mrs. Hudson is not improving very fast.

Gus Downing returned from Chicago Sunday to report to Uncle Sam. Private John Jackson, Charles Bruce and William Highbaugh spent Sunday at home.

Messrs. Fred Taylor, George Maderison and Ralph Baylis spent Sunday in Kansas City.

Levin Shaw spent Sunday in Kansas City with his father.

Miss Guly Guthery of Kansas City is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Guthery.

Miss Lulu Mitchell has returned from an extended visit in St. Louis and Oklahoma.

Miss Chloe Pyles is substituting in the place of Miss Pertilla Penn as teacher during Miss Penn's confinement.

Miss Clara Lee, who has been confined to her room several weeks, is convalescent.

Miss Ethel Carson's illness is becoming alarming to her many friends.

The end came to Henry Moore, an old and respected citizen and veteran of the civil war, Monday morning at 4:30. He had lived his allotted time and a well spent life is left on record behind. Funeral, Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. at Ebenezer Baptist church, Rev. W. H. Hill officiating. Mr. Moore leaves to mourn his loss a wife, one daughter, two sons and a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Shepard received the sad intelligence Monday morning from St. Joseph of the death of their son-in-law, Tracy Hughes. His sickness was only a few days with pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes were married a short time ago at the residence of Mrs. Hughes' parents, 1113 North Sixth street, Atchison, and left immediately for St. Joseph. Mr. Hughes' home, to reside. Mrs. Shepard and Mrs. Alec Denney left for St. Joseph Wednesday morning to attend the funeral. Mr. Shepard, being sick, was unable to attend.

Charles Ingram, one of Atchison county's most prosperous farmers, suffered a stroke of paralysis Friday, the 8th inst. His son Frank and two daughters, Misses Ida and Grace of Omaha, are at his bedside. He is doing nicely at this writing.

There will be a hot time in the old town the night of the Camouflage Ball given by the O. N. E. Club boys at Peterson Hall, February 22. Something new and novel. Be there!—Adv.

Be sure to patronize Monitor advertisers and tell them why.—Mention the Monitor.

South Side Notes

Little Ruth Adams, who has been quarantined on account of smallpox at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Severe, is getting along nicely. They expect the quarantine to be removed this week.

Word was received from Miss Beatrice Stewart, who was suddenly called to Olathe, Kan., by the very severe illness of her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Nichols, wife of Rev. J. H. Nichols, that Mrs. Nichols was paralyzed and entirely helpless.

Mr. A. C. Stewart of 1215 Missouri avenue received word from Washington, D. C., that he had been appointed government meat inspector, to be located at Austin, Minn., and is to take his position March 1. He will leave the later part of this month. His family will follow later. Mr. Stewart is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gray. Mr. Stewart is one of our promising young men and we hope for him the greatest success.

The Bethel Baptist church held their baptismal services Sunday afternoon. They baptized in the pool that will be in their new church. Quite a number of persons from the north side attended the baptizing.

The home of Mr. J. A. McGough, 2819 T street, is quarantined on account of smallpox. His little son Louis has it.

The Allen Chapel Aid was entertained last Friday by Mrs. Craig and Mrs. E. Clark at the home of Mrs. Clark. The Aid will be entertained next Friday by Mrs. Brown on Twenty-seventh and Maple streets.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind assistance and sympathies during the long illness and death of our little son James, and for the floral offerings.—Mr. and Mrs. James Price.

The second quarterly meeting for Allen Chapel, A. M. E. church, will be held Sunday, February 17, at the church. Presiding Elder H. W. King will be present and have charge of the meeting. Rev. Stoner of Council Bluffs will preach Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Williams of St. John will be present with his congregation. Rev. Mr. King will preach at 8 o'clock in the evening. Rev. Mr. Broadnax, the pastor, will preach at 11 a. m.

Mrs. Bessie Johnson of 2720 Drexel street underwent an operation at University hospital. Forty-third and Dewey, last Wednesday morning for enlarged glands of the throat. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Prairie View Proud Seat of Learning

Monitor Representative Visits Well-Equipped Institution Where Prof. Terrell and Efficient Corps of Teachers Are Doing Good Work.

To the Readers of The Monitor: My last letter was written at Houston and I expected to leave that city on the train that bore my letter north, but a sudden change in the climatic conditions brought freezing rain which kept me indoors until Wednesday morning, when I left for Prairie View, that large educational institute promoted and supported by this state for the benefit of the race, under the direction of forty-nine capable teachers, of whom Prof. I. M. Terrell is the principal. Prof. Terrell is a north Texan from Fort Worth, where for thirty-three years he was engaged in school work and known as an able teacher, and it was by virtue of his ability alone that he was selected by the State Board of Education to head this great and rapidly growing educational institution, which is so needful to the youth of our race.

Prairie View is typical of its name. It is situated on the mound of a hill on this broad, rolling prairie land of Waller county, two miles from the little railway station on the H. & T. C., at which point I disembarked and was whisked across the prairie to the school by auto, which is furnished for students or prospective visitors. I forgot to tell you that I had been a student at Prairie View so many years ago. How long? you ask. Just twenty-seven years ago! And as I rolled up the long gravel drive I looked about me for the old buildings that stood there in my days, but they were all gone but one academic hall, which is now used as an office by the principal and for recitation rooms. We were proud of it in my days; it was the one big brick building, in which was the chapel and auditorium. But I could see many changes were made. I was a stranger in the land of my youth.

The machine stopped in front of the old academic hall just as I had recognized it in that group of twelve large buildings, and also several large frame ones, also forty-seven cottages of the modern bungalow style were distributed in orderly lines around the broad, level and expansive campus. I was startled from my reverie by a hearty and detoned, "Well, Sir Stranger, won't you come in and tell us who you are and why we are honored with a visit from a person who seems to be

searching our grounds and buildings as in quest of a German spy?" I realized I had been day-dreaming and had not noticed the presence of this gentleman at the door until he had spoken.

I descended, presented my card and was received by the president, I. M. Terrell; his secretary, Mr. Mason, and Prof. Waller, instructor of agriculture. Of course I talked and asked many questions, and the information they imparted, and seemed glad to do so, was more than I can chronicle at this time. I must, however, tell you this: Prairie View is noted for its thorough and painstaking work of education. Its curriculum is broad and practical. Its corps of teachers efficient. Its twelve brick buildings, thoroughly modern, consist of four dormitories for girls, in charge of Miss E. P. Baker, dean; the household arts building, chapel and dining hall, steam and power plant, steam laundry and mechanical building, the last three being in charge of W. P. Terrell; boys' dormitory and academic building. The seven large frame buildings include three dormitories for girls; the hospital, in charge of Mrs. S. A. McCall; laundry; boys' dormitory; agricultural building, in charge of C. H. Waller, and science building, in charge of P. E. Bledsoe. There are forty-nine teachers and 958 students enrolled.

I was whirled across to the little city of Hempstead, six miles north, in the auto that brought me there; did some business; then boarded the train for Brenham. Brenham, you know, is the place where the lash was applied to several German-Americans for refusing to buy Red Cross buttons, as the press reported. The truth is they were ridiculing race men and women for manifesting interest in the Red Cross.

After a day in Brenham I departed for Belleville, where I spent Saturday and witnessed the burning of the white school building. Did you say, "Another bonfire in interest of The Monitor?" No, an accident, probably brought on by carelessness of the janitor. I left here for Sealy, then on to La Grange, where I am spending Sunday.

Until next week I am corresponding yours, FRED C. WILLIAMS, Traveling Representative of The Monitor.

AN OBJECT OF SCORN

The following poem was written in French by H. Castra, a Colored man of Louisiana, after the battle of New Orleans. R. L. Desdunes has translated it for readers of The Monitor. It will be found interesting, instructive and suggestive:

I remember one day in my childhood sense A certain morn my mother said, sighing: "My little one, emblem of innocence, You know not yet what Fate to you will bring! Claim not country beneath these sunny skies; It matters naught whether here you were born, Trust your mother, who in truth testifies— You are nothing but an object of scorn."

Ten years later, on an extensive sphere, We heard the sound which threatened our fall: "Brothers, one blood! Quickstep to a victory, score!" (Sweet words were they). "Louisiana claims us all!"

From my mother taking a tender leave, I trusted you, being of the manor born; My soldiers' pride would not let me conceive That I could be but an object of scorn.

And when I stood on the field of battle I combated like a brave warrior; The cannon ball nor the musket rattle In my bosom never caused a tremor. I combated with that sort of valiance For my country with hope unborn, Far from thinking for my recompense That I would be but an object of scorn.

After the fight, when the triumph had come Through a combat against a mighty foe, You toasted me in your cups of welcome, Saluted me as a valiant hero, Without regret and with heart sincere, Believing that it was friendship newly born, I drank with you, proud of my soldier share, And felt more manly than an object of scorn.

But at this day I'm feeling sad and sore; In you I see a change of sentiments; Upon your lips my eyes perceive no more That graceful smile—in your chosen moments It added charm to your once honeyed phrases. Are you to me enemies newly sworn? I see now by your forbidding gaze I am no more than an object of scorn.

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