

Lincoln News

MRS. SARAH WALKER.

N. A. A. C. MAKING PROGRESS

The N. A. A. C. P. held a very interesting meeting last Wednesday at Masonic hall, with a large attendance. Six new members were reported. Four were brought in by Rev. Mr. Burkhardt, among them being the membership of Congressman Sloan. Mr. J. E. Jeltz was fortunate in securing the memberships of Mr. C. P. Peterson, food administrator, and Mr. Charles Matson, who is chairman of the war activities.

The N. A. A. C. P. donated to the Ada Young unit, the local Red Cross society, a neat little collection for the defraying of small expenses. Mrs. Maude Gates, chairman of the organization, reported great success from that department.

Mr. Lawrence Gates, chairman of the war savings branch, presented his plans to the association, which were met with approval, and a drive is expected to be made soon.

The association was greatly disappointed upon not hearing the Rev. N. H. Jeltz of Cheyenne, Wyo., a brother to Mr. J. E. Jeltz of this city, who was to give a lecture, but on account of conference convening there very soon he was unable to be here.

Misses Nondus and Mabel Scott of Beatrice, Neb., arrived in the city Saturday morning as guests of Miss Viola Walker. The Misses Scott expect to be visitors at the state fair, in addition to visiting their many friends.

The following men entrained early Sunday morning for Camp Lewis, Wash.: Sam Jones, Joe Gibson and William M. Ward, who was leader of the squad.

Mr. Rasmus Curtis left for Sioux City Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Virgie M. Miller was baptised during the morning service at the First A. M. E. church Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Johnson departed Saturday morning for Omaha, where he will enjoy a short vacation.

Miss Opal Ashford entertained at dinner Sunday for Misses Nondus and Mabel Scott of Beatrice.

The following attended the grand session of the Sons and Daughters of Bethel at Omaha: Mrs. Laura Johnson. Mrs. Alice Grant and Mrs. Jennie Sellers.

Mrs. Delia Alexander, who has been ill for some time, was able to attend church Sunday.

Mr. Jackson Spicer and son Wesley departed Sunday for Bedford, Ia., their old home, where they were heartily greeted by their many friends. Mr. Spicer and son expect to be gone about two weeks.

Mrs. Falling left Sunday for Peoria, Ill., where she will spend about two months visiting at the home of her daughter.

Mr. Robert Johnson is on the sick list this week, having an attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Stella Cruse and daughter, Miss Valeria, returned home last week from different points in Kansas, arriving there from Denver, where they had spent several months enjoying

the scenic grandeur of that state.

Miss Odessa Hillman of Chillicothe Mo., and Mr. James Arthur Patrick of Lincoln were married in Omaha last Thursday by Rev. W. F. Botts at the parsonage. The happy couple arrived in Lincoln Tuesday evening, where they will be home to their many friends. Mr. Patrick is a resident of this city and is well known as a prosperous and industrious young man. His bride is not as well known, but she has many friends, having visited here two summers ago. She will be remembered as a talented young lady, having taught school for many years.

Mr. Roy White of near Richfield, Neb., is the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson and sister, Mrs. Sarah Walker.

Mrs. J. W. Cooley entertained at breakfast Saturday morning for Miss Virgil Gaskin, Miss Ruth Collins and Mrs. Fannie Young.

Mrs. J. M. Cooley also entertained Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Williams and Miss Flossie Patrick at 6 o'clock dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. William Patrick drove from Aurora, Neb., to Lincoln, Tuesday evening, to be guests at the reception given Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Patrick.

Miss Flossie Patrick will give a reception Wednesday evening in honor of her brother, James Patrick, who was married last Thursday to Miss Odessa Hillman of Chillicothe, Mo.

PUBLICITY AND CRITICISM.

"Congress shall make no law... abridging the freedom of speech or of the press," so reads a clause in our Constitution.

This is a wise provision. The citizens of a democracy should at all times know of and be able to criticize the management of their affairs. Investigation and criticism in the present war have been of great benefit in hastening our preparation by pointing out errors that have been made. There is no doubt whatever that the great safeguards in the conduct of the war are almost unlimited publicity and the right of criticism.

We are told that constructive criticism is always welcome, but who is to decide what is constructive? Why not criticism without the adjective? Most citizens believe that Universal Military Training as a corrective of our unpreparedness would have been constructive, and yet it was not adopted. Who can tell, if it had been accepted when first proposed, what the result would have been on this war!

If we had had more publicity upon the production of aeroplanes, shipping and ordnance, the suggestions of thinking men would unquestionably have stimulated the rapidly with which these articles were being produced, and the delays that have occurred might have been avoided.

There are things the Government cannot make public, and these the people do not ask to know. But in the main full information concerning the progress of preparation can safely be given to the people. It is the people's war; it is a war supported by the people, financially and physically, and suggestions by them should be sought and considered.

Thoughts Mightier Than Armies. Ideas go booming through the world louder than cannon. Thoughts are mightier than armies. Principles have achieved more victories than horsemen or chariots.—Rev. Dr. W. M. Paxton.

Our Flag

BEAT GERMANY
Support EVERY FLAG that opposes Prussianism
Eat less of the food fighters need
DENY yourself something
WASTE NOTHING

The Second Line Of Defense

(Written by Miss Madree Penn, graduate of Omaha High School, Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, of Howard University, Washington, D. C. Since her graduation Miss Penn has taught school in Washington, D. C., and Sedalia, Mo. From the Department of Languages in Lincoln High School, Sedalia, Mo., she went to Training School for Secretaries in New York City, and for the past year has been engaged in special war work under the War Work Council Y. W. C. A. in North Carolina and Virginia.)

Sixteen months ago when war broke out between the United States and Germany, the United States threw all her energies into the gigantic task of assembling a force which she might hurl against Prussianism, in order that government by the people, for the people and of the people might not perish from the earth. To create that first line of defense, consisting of land army, sea army, air army might seem to have been a task suf-



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ficient for even American statesmanship. But with wisdom and foresight truly remarkable, she did not forget the conservation of the custodians of a nation's greatness—its girls and women.

The care of the men composing the first line of defense was the work of the department of government. The care of the women and girls composing the second line of defense was delegated by the United States to the Young Women Christian Association, which for fifty years had been carrying a constructive program to the girls and women of the country.

The National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association of America, in response to this S. O. S. call of the nation, created a war work council which in turn raised a budget last year of \$4,000,000 to be spent on work in communities affected by the war; club work, recreation, housing, social morality, hostess houses, patriotic leagues, in fact, for anything that would help the girl, behind the man, behind the gun.

The American Girl! Nothing "that a democracy made safe for the world" can give, is too good for her! There is no girl of no group with a deeper Americanism than is hers in whose veins flows the blood of the first patriotic American to shed blood for his country—Crispus Attucks.

There she stands, that dusky American with eyes bright with unshed tears as she sends off her men to do their part, bravely, nobly and well.

The War Work Council appropriated \$200,000 of its \$4,000,000 for work among colored women and girls. Colored women leaders direct all work of the War Work Council for work among colored people. They are women chosen for their training in social activities. Most of them are college graduates. Through the summer session of the Y. W. C. A. Training School in New York City these leaders have been trained. In June, 1918, there were thirty-two secretaries who utilize all features of the Y. W. C. A. war work program to teach high ideals and the practical advance in standards of living, made possible in these days of changing conditions.

It is through club work under direction of trained leaders, that the Y. W. C. A. is helping our girls to find their places in war time service. Industry is calling women by hundreds of thousands as men leave the factories for the army. In this invasion all women must stand together to keep wages up, overtime down and standards of living high.

Girls—whatever race or clan or creed—are more alike than different and so the Y. W. C. A. in its program for all girls has led the way in teaching this truth, And American womanhood shall come into its own just as American manhood shall come into its own.

America dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal could not have stayed out of this war if she had tried, but, constrained by a

power greater than hers!" she was compelled to enter in—skirts muddled though they are—for, "God is working his purpose out, as year succeeds to year; God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near—Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God, as the waters cover the sea."

AN APPEAL TO ALL PATRIOTIC WOMEN

Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, Jr., (Formerly Mrs. Grover Cleveland) Urges Women of Nation to Stand Firm.

"We can win if America can be held steadfast and unswerving, and the women of America can hold her steadfast. Against all temptations to compromise the women of America should stand firm and united," says Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, Jr. (formerly Mrs. Grover Cleveland), in a message to the women of America, made public through the National Security League.

Mrs. Preston is active in the Security League work. She was the first woman to become a member of the League's National Executive Committee, and is secretary of the League's Committee on Patriotism Through Education.

Mrs. Preston's message to the women of the country reads in full: "Proclaim Liberty."

"Proclaim Liberty throughout ALL THE LAND unto all the inhabitants thereof."

"These words were written about 1490 years before Christ, as part of the Law of Holiness in the Book of Leviticus. Our fathers inscribed them upon the Liberty Bell which called our mighty nation into life.

"Today all the inhabitants enjoy liberty, the Jew and the Gentile, the rich and the poor, the native and the alien-born, the weak and the strong. The old Liberty Bell is silent, for its voice has been heard 'throughout all the land.'"

"But Liberty is not safe. It is menaced along the battle fronts of many nations, our own among them, and America requires a new motto for her old Bell: 'Proclaim Liberty throughout ALL LANDS unto all the inhabitants thereof.' Until liberty is safe in all lands, it can not be safe in our own. Hence the task to which America has reverently and unselfishly dedicated herself.

"The Fathers of this Republic, men of many races, with a common love of liberty, wrought into law our ancient motto, thus giving liberty a chance to enlighten the world.

"Today we, their descendants, are called upon to make real the new motto, and thus to give liberty the undisputed right to bless the world.

"This can be done but only after heroic struggle and self-sacrifice. A premature peace would mean failure. It would be only less disastrous than complete defeat. Against all temptations to compromise the women of America should stand firm and united.

"Peace and Safety."

"Victory means peace and safety for our children; defeat means humiliation and practical servitude for them; while a negotiated peace, with the military machine of Prussia unbroken, means that everything in their lives must be subordinated to the task of preparing for another war with Germany. We can win now if America can be held steadfast and unswerving, and the women of America can hold her steadfast."

ITALY HAD FIRST PAWNSHOP

From That Country the System Gradually Spread Over the Rest of the Civilized World.

The French call them monts-de-piete, but no satisfactory explanation for this nomenclature is forthcoming. The establishment of municipal pawnshops in France was attended with more difficulty than was the case in other countries.

Among the Churches

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. T. A. Taggart, Pastor.

Sunday morning service, preaching 10:45; Sunday school, 1:30; B. Y. P. U., 6 p. m.; preaching Sunday night 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome.

The Mission Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Lula Whidby, 2919 R street.

Mother Drungels, who is past the one hundred mark, is quite ill at the home of her grandson, 2513 South 26th street.

Miss Madree Penn will give a lecture for benefit of Bethel Baptist church Thursday night, September 12th at A. O. U. W. Temple, 25th and M streets, South Side. Public invited. Admission 25 cents. Adv.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. M. W. Wilkinson, Pastor

Services were very enjoyable all day Sunday. A few additions.

Mr. Damond Maxwell and Miss S. B. Drewe were married at 2536 Hamilton street, by the Rev. M. H. Wilkinson. Quite a few friends and relatives were present. They are from Pensacola, Fla.

The barbecue dinner at church Monday was a grand success. Everything was sold off. Aunt Fanny Harvill certainly knows her business. There will be another barbecue dinner on Saturday the 14th at the church. Cooking by Aunt Fanny Harvill.

Mr. H. L. Anderson and Mrs. M. H. Wilkinson returned from the Iowa Association, Des Moines, where they enjoyed a fine session.

Preaching by the pastor next Sunday morning, "Success Brings Joy." At 3 p. m. pastor and congregation will visit and preach for Rev. P. C. Parker, Council Bluffs, Ia., Bethel Baptist church. Rev. Kelly from Pensacola, Fla., will preach at night.

NEWS OF ST. JOHN'S

A. M. E. CHURCH

Miss Corinne Thomas, niece of Mr. and Mrs. William Ricks, was crowned queen of the 1918 carnival Monday evening, September 2. The crown was very beautifully inserted with blue and white brilliants.

The queen's procession was led by six pretty little flower girls and her attendants, Mrs. Alice Sherwood, Mrs. N. Morris and Miss Ray L. Middle-

ton, after which the following program was rendered:

Selection—By Choir.
Prayer—Rev. W. S. Metcalf.
Reading—Mrs. M. Hubbard.
Solo—Miss Pearl Ray.
Reading—Mrs. M. Johnson.
Solo—Mrs. R. Rafferty.
Recitation—Mrs. L. Wilkerson.
Selection—By Choir.
Report—Mrs. Alice Sherwood.
Solo—Miss Ray L. Middleton.
Piano Selection—Madame S. McCoy.
Each participant rendered her part well. Special mention should be given to Mrs. Alice Sherwood, who worked so faithfully and intelligently to make the carnival a success.

CONFERENCE TO MEET

The 43d annual session of the Kansas conference, Fifth Episcopal district, will convene in St. John's A. M. E. church, this city, Wednesday, September 18, at 9 a. m. Annual sermon by Rev. B. R. Ross, Bishop H. B. Parks, presiding.

The Rev. Samuel R. Skelton will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and evening at 8 o'clock.
W. C. WILLIAMS, Minister.

Miss Covington of Chicago is the guest of Mrs. C. E. Russell of 4023 Seward street. She came to attend the Morris-Russell wedding.

Mrs. Wyatt Williams and Mrs. U. B. Young of Lincoln were Omaha visitors this week. They came to attend the Morris-Russell wedding.

Lieutenant Elmer Morris, who was recently commissioned at Camp Pike, arrived in the city Friday on a brief furlough. He had to leave Tuesday night for Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, where he had to report for duty Thursday.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Botts left Monday for St. Louis to attend the National Baptist convention.

Last Monday night selects of draft district No. 5 met in the lecture room of Grove M. E. church, and listened to instructive talks from Mr. Glover of the draft board and Dr. L. E. Britt.

These talks are to be given every Monday night and men subject to call are invited to attend these and the drills which are given on the circus grounds.

The Rev. John Costello, pastor of Pleasant Green Baptist church, left Tuesday for St. Louis to attend the National Baptist convention.

REMEMBER THE DAYS	
SUNDAY	ONE MEAL WHEATLESS
MONDAY	ALL MEALS WHEATLESS
TUESDAY	ONE MEAL WHEATLESS
WEDNESDAY	ALL MEALS WHEATLESS
THURSDAY	ONE MEAL WHEATLESS
FRIDAY	ONE MEAL WHEATLESS
SATURDAY	ONE MEAL WHEATLESS

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