## **Dubois Lectures** at the Auditorium

An Immense Audience Welcomes Distinguished Author and Editor of The Crisis on His First Appearance in Omaha-Speaks on Pan-African

LIEUTENANT PINKETT PRESIDES

Splendid Chorus of 200 Voices, Miss Middleton, Director; Mrs. McCoy at Piano, Pleases Audience-Lecture Under Auspices of St. John's A. M. E. Church, Which Clears Several Hundred Dollars.

N audience numbering more than A 2,000 heard Dr. William Edward Burghardt DuBois, editor of The Crisis and one of the executive officers of the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People, speak at the city auditorium last Thursday night, May 22, on the Pan-African Congress and the Negro Soldiers in France. Although Dr. Du-Bois is an executive officer of the National Association and there is a local branch here with a membership of nearly seven hundred, he came in a private capacity and lectured under the auspices of St. John's A. M. E.

A chorus of two hundred voices and several citizens occupied seats on the platform. The chorus which was directed by Miss Ray Middleton, with Mrs. Stella McCoy at the piano, sang several folk songs exceptionally well, which was a pleasant feature of the evening's program. The Rev. W. C. Williams, pastor of St. John's, introduced Lieut, H. J. Pinkett, who presided. After the singing of "America," an invocation by the Rev. W. F. Botts, pastor of Zion Baptist church, the chairman introduced the Hon. Ed P. Smith, mayor of Omaha, who delivered a most earnest, sincere and effective address of welcome in which he stressed the fact that Omaha has been made what it is by no one class or race or creed, but by all of our splendid citizenry and that in the problems of reconstruction all must do

Chairman Pinkett then introduced Mrs. Jesse Hale Moss, secretary of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. dead heroes of the nation who fought own lives in their own way and enjoy P., who in a most capable and effect for the life of the republic and saved the security which good intentions tive speech explained the objects and its unity and its liberties has there | toward other countries ought to inideals of the organization and made been another day so solemnly impresan appeal for members.

The chairman in a brief well-chosen speech introduced the lecturer Dr. cated to patriotic self-sacrifice and ex-DuBois, who told of the origin of the alted service to mankind. It is the world war, and the relation of Africa greatest of Memorial days, the most thereto. The planting of German impressive celebration of devotion to colonies in Africa during the session country which is faithful unto death. of the congress of Berlin in 1876 In 1898 the coming of Memorial day sowed the seed which really brought found the nation at war, indeed, and on the harvest of bloodshed in 1914- with a fine, unselfish purpose, but the 18. The Negro,s part in the world task was small and easy, for so great war and the rising race consciousness a power, and the world as a whole of African peoples are stages in the Spain in no vital sense resembled the evolution of world democracy. It was tremendous world struggle into which this idea which lead to the Pan-African congress in Paris. The speaker forced. Now we realize there has been and hold its heritage for generations told of the difficulties thrown in the an altogether different contact with way of this race congress, but finally the most vital and fearfully difficult of successful sessions under the pres- problems of mankind, with opportuniidency of M. Diagne and himself as ties for service which entirely dwarf secretary. He told of what he had the problems and possibilities of 19 learned of the treatment of our sol- years ago. diers in France at the hands of some States know that mighty forces hos-American officers and how the document recently published in The Crisis, ciples of government, American hopes which has been sent by Americans to and desires, took the field for the triofficials of France to prejudice them umph of reactionary militarism, the against the Colored soldiers fell into divine right of kings and the supremhis hands, and stated that the French acy of armed power. Now it is clear officials refused to issue such procla- to all who are neither blinded by mations and promptly burned them. prejudice nor the victims of stupidity In closing he said that the returning and lying that the free nations of soldiers re-entering civilian life will the world had to fight for their freenot be satisfied until real democracy dom, that the countries which love for which they shed their blood on peace had to battle for their security foreign fields and saw exemplified in France should be established in this

At the conclusion of Dr. DuBois lecture, which consumed one hour, the physical training for women, first aid, URBAN LEAGUE OF chorus sang a closing number and agriculture, handicrafts, domestic the Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, pastor of science, sewing, canning and manual Mt. Moriah Baptist church, pro- training. nounced the benediction.

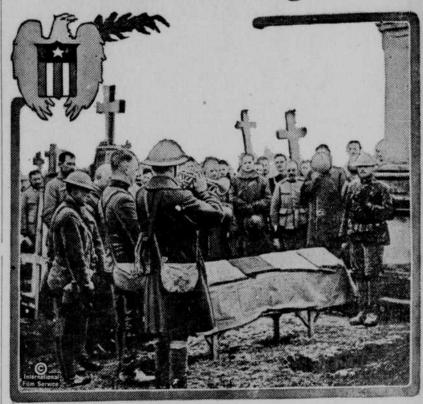
Several hundred dollars were cleared will be the attendance of the teachers by the lecture.

TUSKEGEE HOLDS TENTH ANNUAL INSTITUTE cial course. The General Education board is paying the carfare of the Rosenwald teachers to and from Tus-

annual session of the Tuskegee Insti- kegee institute. tue summer school for teachers will Several noted speakers will address be held June 9 to July 18. Already the teachers throughout the summer applicants are coming in rapidly and school. Dr. R. R. Moton, principal. the indications are that the attend- will deliver a series of addresses. Dr. ance of last year will be exceeded. L. B. Moore, dean of the teachers' col-This is the largest Negro summer lege, Howard university, will be presschool in the country.

Courses will be offered in English, of July 1 Prof. J. R. E. Lee, principal mathematics, science, history, geo-graphy, business practice, education, Mo., will be the speaker.

Lest We Forget



Memorial day this year takes on a new significance. those who gave their lives for Liberty a half century ago have been added the names of the boys who have made the supreme sacrifice for Liberty today. This photo shows the funeral of one of these martyrs, the first an American division to fall in action. His comrades and French brothers in arms attended the funeral.



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On the day sacred to the dead who laid down their lives that liberty might live and grow strong and great, the country they loved and served dedicates itself anew to the finest and highest tasks of which nations are capable, at whatever cost in blood and treasure. The spirit of the great days of another generation is awakened and dominant again. The glorious ideals and devotion of the times which made Memorial day possible are giving that holiday new significance and power for good. There is a rebirth of the best and holiest spirit-

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OMAHANS PARTICIPATE IN SOCIAL GIVEN TO RETURNED CHICAGO BOYS

Chicago, May 31.-Thursday evening, May 20, a very beautiful social function was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hall, 519 East Forty-second place, in honor of their two sons, Corporal Haywood Hall of machine gun company No. 2, 370th infantry, and Private Otto Hall of 115 sanitary train, who have both just recently returned from France. Among the outof-town guests were Mrs. William Newman of Omaha and Miss Ameta Butler of St. Paul, Minn.

CRESCENT CITY RESPONDS TO MISSIONARY APPEAL

(Special to The Monitor.) New Orleans, May 23 .- The sum of \$91,378.31 in cash has been raised by the New Orleans area of the Methodist Episcopal church in sixty days, in the Centenary missionary movement effort, according to Dr. W. A. C. Hughes, secretary. Subscriptions amounting to \$430,189.60 pledged at the same time.

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