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### THE NEGRO'S CONTRIBUTION NOT NEGLIGIBLE

A moment's thought will easily convince open-minded persons that the contribution of the Negro to American nationality as slave, freedman and citizen was far from negligible. No element of American life has so subtly and yet clearly woven itself into warp and woof of our thinking and acting as the American Negro. He came with the first explorers and helped in exploration. His labor was from the first the foundation of the American prosperity and the cause of the rapid growth of the new world in social and economic importance. Modern democracy rests not simply on the striving white men in Europe and America but also on the persistent struggle of the black men in America for two centuries. The military defense of this land has depended upon Negro soldiers from the time of the Colonial wars down to the struggle of the World War. Not only does the Negro appear, reappear and persist in American literature but a Negro American literature has arisen of deep significance, and Negro folk lore and music are among the choicest heritages of this land. Finally the Negro has played a peculiar spiritual role in America as a sort of living, breathing test of our ideals and an example of the faith, hope and tolerance of our religion.—Du Bois, "The Gift of Black Folk."

to relatives by mail, either to register their letters or send it by Post Office orders.

### SPRUCE UP

SPRING is here. Spruce up. Clean up your premises. Paint up your home, if it needs it, and plan to beautify your surroundings. Do your part on your promises and pound the city authorities until they improve the street and district in which you live. Demand nothing but the best. "Good Enough" will not do.

N. A. A. C. P.

Vice-president M. Hunter and Rev. J. A. Harris, represented the Omaha Branch in a splendid meeting held in Bethel Baptist church, Southside, Sunday afternoon.

They report the reception of the acting pastor of the church, the Rev. Mr. Young, into membership. This means another influential and enthusiastic booster for the organization on the Southside.

Several others spoke their intentions of joining the branch on the third Sunday in April at which time another meeting will be held at Bethel church. Attorney W. G. Morgan has engaged to feature the meeting with an address on, "Our Rights as Citizens of this Commonwealth."

The first Sunday in April being Easter, the regular monthly meeting of the branch in business session will be held on the second Sunday in April, 4 p. m. at the Y. W. C. A.

### PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wade, 1703 North Twenty-third street, gave a birthday surprise party on their daughter, Mrs. A. Black, Saturday, March 27. There were twenty-five invited guests. The house was beautifully decorated with pink and white. A three course luncheon was served. Radio music was one of the pleasant diversions. Mrs. Black was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

### PHI DELTA CLUB MEETS

The Phi Delta club held three meetings the past month, the hostesses being respectively, Mesdames Blanche Blair and Trigg; Willa Green and James Jones, and the Misses Teresa and Irene Jones. Mesdames Cordena Armstrong and James Chew, were guests of Mesdames Green and Jones; and Mrs. J. D. Lewis was the guest of the Misses Jones. Mrs. Lewis won first and Mrs. Mary Harrold, second, prize at bridge.

### EASTER BALL

The third annual Easter ball will be given at Dreamland hall, Monday night, April 5. Adams orchestra will furnish the music.

### DEATH OF MRS. LOUIS SPADY

Mrs. Annie Spady, widow of the late Louis Spady, died last Thursday at her home on North Thirty-first street, after a brief illness. Mrs. Spady had been a resident of Omaha for over forty years. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon from Jones & Company's chapel, interment being at Forest Lawn. The Rev. W. F. Botts, pastor of Zion Baptist church, officiated. The deceased is survived by one son, William; and a daughter, Louise.

### LAID TO REST

Mrs. Margaret R. Stith, wife of Chris C. Stith, passed quietly away at their home, 3442 Oak street, last Friday, at 7:45 a. m., after a lingering illness of over a year. She leaves as survivors a loving husband, five sons, a father, five sisters, five brothers and a number of other relatives, most of whom were present at the funeral.

We feel that the community has lost a beautiful character, in this noble woman, who lived a Christian life, having an amiable disposition and a kind word for everybody.

The funeral was held at the Mount Zion Baptist church, Sunday at 3 p. m. Rev. H. W. Botts delivered the eulogy and was assisted by his associate pastors, the Revs. M. C. Knight of Quinn chapel A. M. E., C. R. Ross of Newman M. E. churches. There was a special solo by D. E. Jackson, and recitations from choir and official board. The floral offerings were numerous.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their untiring efforts to assist us during the sickness and death of our mother, Mrs. Emma Victor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. BRYANT.

### RUMMAGE SALE

The ladies of Division No. 9 of the First Central Congregational church will hold a rummage sale, April 7 and 8, at 2223 Leavenworth street. Doors open at 9 o'clock.—Adv.

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### COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA.

The three-day carnival and concert given by the Unity Rid club on March 24-25-26 was a success.

The Booster's club will give a chicken dinner April 15 and all are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freeland entertained Mrs. Madison and daughter at dinner Sunday, March 28.

Mrs. Grace Meekins, Mrs. Viola Johnson, Mrs. Stockaday, Mrs. John Williams, Mrs. George, Mrs. Frank Newby, Mr. Wash Moore, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Virginia Nevins, Mrs. McCullen, Mrs. Jordan and Mr. Mouren are on the sick list this week.

The Phyllis Wheatley Reading Circle met Thursday, April 1, at the residence of Mrs. Wayne Brant, 2625 2nd Ave. The subject was "Frederick Douglas," conducted by Mrs. Maude Lowry.

Quotations from Emerson were given. The last meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Lola Pearl, 212 So. 11th street, the lesson was "Booker T. Washington" by Mrs. Carter. Quotations were given in response to roll call. The hostess served a delightful luncheon.

Moses, Mrs. Taylor Williams' oldest son, was buried last Tuesday afternoon. The choir of Tabernacle Baptist

church furnished music. The public schools let all the school children out to attend the funeral. Rev. J. P. Jackson officiated.

The missionary union met with the Calvary Baptist church. There was a program just before the sermon and among the many on the program was little Charlie Cage, who gave an oration on "The Mission of the Church." It held the audience spell-bound from start to finish. Many others filled their place on the program after which the Rev. Mr. Cogg preached a soul-stirring sermon on "Witnesses for Jesus." Rev. W. A. Moore led in prayer. A very liberal offering was taken for that mission circle.

The concert at the Tabernacle church Monday night by the Honey Boys quartet was one of the most entertaining concerts in a long time in Council Bluffs.

The board meeting was held at the parsonage of the church Tuesday night. The monthly meeting of the church will be held in the basement of the church Wednesday night.

A special Easter program will be given Sunday.

Mrs. Virginia Hall has the Cosmopolitan Cook Book for sale at 2516 6th avenue.—Adv.

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