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## CITY GREETES ELKS FROM SEVEN STATES

### JIM CROW IN HEALTH CALLED 'MURDEROUS'

#### Dr. R. T. Wright Makes Fiery Speech On Discrimination Of Negroes By Public and Private Agencies and Ass'n's.

Detroit, Mich. July 8—A fiery speech, bristling with facts and demands for no compromise in the fight on segregation and discrimination in the treatment of Negroes by public and private health agencies was delivered by Dr. R. T. Wright, chairman of the national board of directors of the NAACP at the opening mass meeting of the 28th annual conference of the association here June 29th at Cass Technical high school.

Dr. Wright branded as "murder" and "lynching" the neglect of Negro health by the regular agencies and condemned in forthright language the restrictions placed upon the training of Negro doctors and nurses.

### Celebrate 15th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Everett B. Gibson of Seattle, Wash., celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary with a reception during the evening of June 24. About 75 guests called and extended congratulations to the couple.

Mrs. Gibson is formerly of Omaha, being the former Miss Emma Parker. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson have two sons, Everett Ray and Danny Parker, born in Seattle where their parents have made their home for fifteen years. Many beautiful presents were received.

During the evening, Miss Roberta Spencer sang "At Dawning," Bobbie Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gibson, played "I Love You Truly" on the saxophone while his sister, Jacqueline, sang it. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson received an official church blessing from Dean Post, rector of the Episcopal church. Members of the P. T. A. attended in a body to extend Mrs. Gibson, also an officer of the organization their sincerest congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Burke, 2007 Clark St., and Mrs. Earl Robertson motored to Lincoln Monday, July 5th, to visit Mrs. Mary Williams.

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### Rev. J. S. Williams Celebrates His Eighth Anniversary

The Rev. John S. Williams, newly elected moderator of Omaha Presbytery and pastor of Hillside Presbyterian church, 30th and Ohio streets, will celebrate his eighth anniversary on Thursday night and Sunday morning and afternoon, July 8th and 11th.

Rev. Williams preached his first sermon in the Hillside church on Sunday, July 8, 1929, and was unanimously called by the members of the church which numbered at that time 19 adults and 5 juniors. The membership has now increased to 71 with a tremendous musical following.

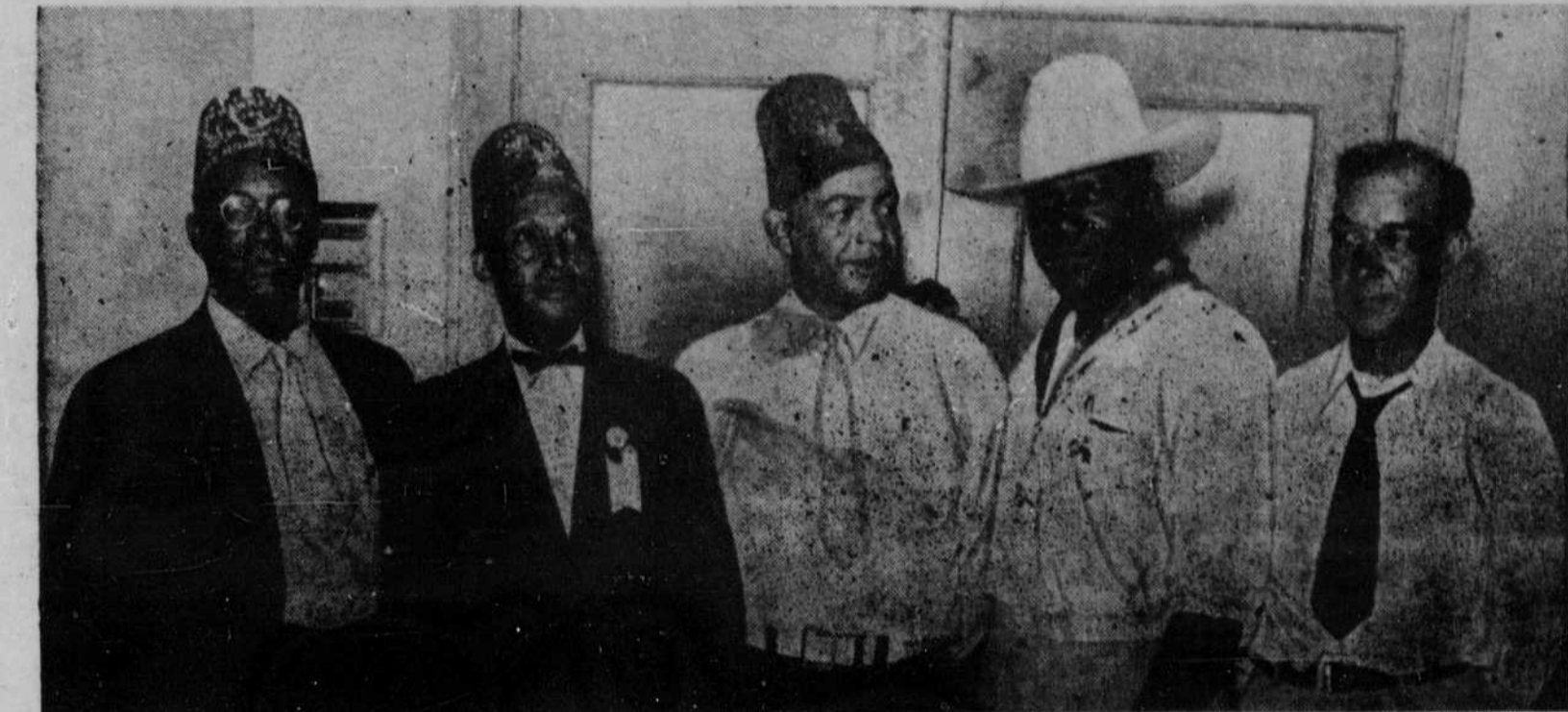
The pastors and their choirs which will take part in honoring this minister of prominence include: The Broadcast Chorus, Salem Baptist church, Clair Chapel M. E. church, Pilgrim Baptist church, Cleaves' Temple C. M. E. church, Bethel Baptist church, Mt. Moriah Baptist church, St. John A. M. E. church, Third Presbyterian church.

Other artists and friends include a quartette from Mrs. Pinkston Mitchell's studio; Mr. Richard F. Miller, tenor soloist; Dundee Presbyterian church; Miss Claire Henderson, soprano soloist; the Civic Service orchestra; Dr. J. W. Pressly, Presbyterian executive; Dr. A. F. Ernst, clerk of Omaha Presbytery and professor at Omaha Theological Seminary.

Having been elected moderator of the Omaha Presbytery, Rev. Williams won his way into the hearts of the people of both races. Citizens and friends rejoice with him and his charming wife and heartily extend them their heartiest congratulations.

The anniversary sermon on Sunday morning will be preached by the pastor. The choir with its new summer robes will sing, "Come You Blessed," by John Pringle Scott. The anniversary musical will be given at 3:45 p. m. A chorus of 100 voices is expected to conclude the program with the immortal "Hallelujah" chorus by Handel directed by Mr. H. L. Preston and accompanied by the City Service orchestra.

### Iowan Elected Head Of Midwestern Elks



From the left: W. J. SHEPPARD of Des Moines, who was elected president of the Midwest Association of Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World Tuesday at conclusion of the six-state meeting; J. D. COLBERT of Atchison, Kan., and PAUL S. HOLLIDAY of 3014 No. 28th Ave., elected vice presidents; A. E. PULLAM of Kansas City, Mo., elected treasurer, and SAMUEL JAMES of Cheyenne, elected a vice president.

### ELKS NAME OFFICERS FOR YEAR

### The Elk's Parade A Colorful Display

The Elk's parade beginning at 28th and Wirt streets and preceding down 24th street, the South Parkway of Omaha, was indeed a colorful spectacle to behold. A unit block of black Americans were garbed in the colors of Elkdom, led by bands from Kansas City, Mo.; Des Moines, Ia.; and Omaha, Nebr. For ten blocks all Omaha was lined along the street to pay a howling ovation to their favored band, drill team or lodge.

Within the line of march were approximately 75 beautifully decorated cars bearing delegates from 7 different states and 17 lodges of Elkdom.

The highlights of the parade were Master Willie Jones, 1711 E 26th street, Kansas City, Mo., who proved to those along the line of march that he knew what it was all about when it came to maneuvering with a baton as he led the band from Kansas City, under the watchful eye of

### Sesqui-Centennial Celebration

By M. E. Webb

The Sesqui-Centennial Celebration held in Memphis, Tenn. June 22-27 inclusive was in commemoration of 150 years of African Methodism; for in 1787 Richard Allen and first bishop of the A. M. E. denomination, walked out of historic St. George church in Philadelphia because of the unfriendly attitude toward religious freedom.

This was more than just a mere celebration. It was a rekindling of the fires of African Methodism. One could not help after seeing several thousands of delegates from both domestic and foreign fields (the Memphis Commercial-Appeal stated 7,000) returning with renewed determination to work the harder that their church might become more effective, religiously. To this end the Christian standard rather than the "Gold Standard" was emphasized throughout the meeting.

Memphis is a city of nearly 300,000 with a colored population of 106,000. As far as could be determined, the delegates were well cared for, and the city extended every means of friendliness, including ample motorcycle escort during the parade.

Headquarters for the celebration were at the Washington high school where daily morning devotion was held. The many branches of the meeting were held in Porter school, study rooms of the high school, the St. Andrews and Avery Chapel A. M. E. churches. Our pastor represent-

ed St. John A. M. E. church. Omaha. Its Sunday school and Allen League were represented by Misses Robbie Mae Edmondson, Gertrude L. Rucker, Delilah Rucker, Edsie and Marion Webb and the writer. Returning home we came by Nashville and Miss Delilah Rucker liked the city so well that she remained to visit with relatives and sisters, Misses Ann and Fidella Rucker.

The entire trip was educational and inspiring and we thank the church for the opportunity to attend and the Omaha Guide for this space.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moore of 2816 Hamiton St., entertained twenty-six of their friends on their first anniversary Tuesday, June 29th, at a buffet luncheon. Mrs. Moore was showered with many beautiful gifts. The music by Mr. and Mrs. James' orchestra was very appropriate and greatly enjoyed. Mrs. M. T. Patton presented Mrs. Moore with a large bouquet of flowers and Mrs. Margaret Starks gave her a delicious cake. The guests departed in the wee hours wishing Mr. and Mrs. Moore many more happy years.

Mesdames Olive Davis, Irma Nelson and Eva Mae Dixon, were hostesses to a party of thirty at a breakfast Sunday morning given at Elmwood park, honoring Mrs. Magdalen Bryson of Chicago, Miss Sadie Coleman of Little Rock and Miss Asilee Dotson of Kansas City, Kas. Mrs. Bryson is the house guest of Mrs. Davis.

### Old Time Citizen Passed Away July 7

Mr. W. H. Ransom of 2918 Seward street, died Wednesday July 7th at 3:30 a. m. Ransom had been ill for about 8 months and even at the advice of his physician, he refused to stop work.

He was employed at the police station under Commissioner Jepsen, and was known as a "3 A. M. man." For years, Mr. Ransom could be seen on his way to work at this hour.

He was the first Negro child to be born in the State of Wyoming and he had lived in Omaha for the past 45 years.

He was very active in civic, social, and fraternal activities, having served as a Past Chancellor Commander of the K. of P's, a Major of the K. of P. Uniform Ranks, and Past Exalted Ruler of Iroquois Elks Lodge No. 92. The deceased always took an active part in local political campaigns, serving with honor in the police department for years and also as an employee of the Northwestern R. R. Co. He was also an active member in the Masons lodge.

He leaves to mourn their loss a devoted wife, two sisters and many other relatives and a host of friends.

Mrs. S. Henderson, entertained twelve guests at a 10 o'clock luncheon Friday honoring Mrs. Magdalen Bryson of Chicago. The afternoon was spent playing Monopoly.

Mr. Philip Barge of 2536 Parker street, motored to Chicago to witness the Louis-Braddock fight. He reports having had a very nice trip.

### ORATORICAL CONTEST

One of the highlights during the convolve of the Midwestern Association of the I. B. P. O. E. of W., was the Oratorical Scholarship Contest held at the Zion Baptist church last Sunday night, July 4th.

The following contestants, as state representatives, delivered orations on the subject, "The Negro and the Constitution." Miss Wilda Perkins, Kansas City; Miss Bernice Grice, Omaha; Miss Annabelle Payne, Des Moines, Ia.; and Mr. Charles Knight, Denver, Colo. The following ratings were awarded by the judges: Miss Wilda Perkins, first place; Miss Bernice Grice, second place; Miss Annabelle Payne, third place; and Mr. Charles Knight, fourth place.

All of the contestants presented the subject intelligently and the winner, Miss Perkins, scored on not only the facts she presented but on her dramatic presentation and clear enunciation. She received a four year scholarship to attend the college of her choice.

This movement sponsored by the Elks toward the furtherance of education among the youth of the race is one worthy of high commendation.

### BILL WOULD PROHIBIT GAMBLING SERVICES

Washington, D. C., July 10—Senator Wheeler, Montana asked congress Thursday to prohibit the sending of gambling information across state lines. The bill he introduced provokes fines and imprisonment for bookmakers and others supplying gambling information and persons knowingly providing transmission facilities.

Prof. W. L. Horn of Kansas City, Kas. Then came that well trained feminine drill team from Des Moines, Ia., who under the leadership of Mr. Harry Wilson literally turned 24th street into a drill field, executing beautiful formations all long the way. The crowd went wild with applause as the beautifully dressed team would break into a unique formation.

The parade proceeded down 24th and over to Pilgrim Baptist church where it disbanded to listen to a battery of welcome addresses delivered by Hon. Dan Butler, Mayor of Omaha; Johnny Owen, honorary Mayor of Omaha; Rev. M. C. Curry, of Zion Baptist church; Senator John Adams, r.; J. C. Carey; and A. E. Toney, president of the association

The day was completed with the annual oratorical contest, with champions from Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska competing for that most coveted scholarship to some college of the winners choice.

Mrs. Willard Cohen who was in the city for the Elks convention was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Turner, 3018 Burdette St. Mrs. Cohen is a resident of Kansas City, Kas.

Miss Gladys Pierce of Marshall, Texas and a student at Wiley college, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Pierce of 2532 Parker street.

### Stephens Jailed, Freed

New York, July 10 (C)—J. E. Stephens, former assemblyman, was jailed then released on Wednesday on an old Post Office "fixing" charge under which he was on bail.

## MEET ME AT THE CARNIVAL DANCE

Featuring Anna Mae Winburn at the Dreamland Hall on July 26th