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Eloquent Speech Delivered by the Late Dr. Ricketts

Speech Made by Representative from Douglas County
Before Joint Session Nebraska Legislature Feb-
ruary, 1895, Nominating John M. Thurston
for United States Senator

The brilliant Richard L. Metcalfe, now editor of The Omaha Nebraskan, was the efficient representative of The World-Herald at the legislative session of 1895, when Dr. Ricketts made his eloquent speech nominating

ments and the sentiments of its times. With an untrodden path before me, one unmarked by other footprints, with no beacon hung along by the hand of precedent to light my path-way, necessity forces me to yield the



THE LATE DR. M. O. RICKETTS.

the Hon. John M. Thurston. Recognizing its worth, Mr. Metcalfe sent the speech in full to his newspaper with this opening comment:

Ricketts Is a Power

It remained for Ricketts of Douglas to take the house by storm. In explaining his vote Dr. Ricketts made a speech that will be long remembered by those who heard it. He was frequently interrupted by applause. At the close the crowd cheered Ricketts right royally, and after adjournment the members crowded around to congratulate him. Dr. Ricketts spoke as follows:

Mr. Speaker: Some writer has said that 'ingratitude is a crime so base that no man charged with it has ever been found who was willing to admit his guilt,' therefore, I crave permission to make a few remarks which gratitude, the noblest of human passions, impels me at this time to make. In all ages and all times the proud race to which you belong has been prolific in its production of great men, whose tongues have been touched by the silvery wand of a magnificent eloquence with which to voice its senti-

hand of reason to that of gratitude and follow where they may lead.

"I shall spare you and this honorable body a rehearsal of the wrongs suffered by the unfortunate people which I have at this time the great honor of representing. War has with the blood of thousands of your best and bravest sons written the story of that great wrong, and in her fearful retribution the hand of justice has placed a corpse at almost every fire-side. When I look around me and see upon this floor so many men who placed their lives upon their country's altar, men who marched to the inspiring strains of the music of freedom and union, men who fought and bled all the way from Bull Run to Appomattox, that the shackles of human slavery might be stricken from millions of human beings and that they might be clothed in the robes of citizenship, I am overwhelmed by my sense of a deep and lasting gratitude. But, sir, when I reflect that when the union soldiers were unable to withstand the shock of war, when the clouds of uncertainty and doubt hung like a pall over the destinies of free government, when

the loyal heart of the nation was clothed in profound sorrow, when, sir, your flag was being trampled neath the feet of treason you called upon the Negro, who responded 200,000 strong with bare breast and brawny arm, mingling his blood with that of his patriotic white comrades for the preservation of the stars and stripes, I am encouraged in the belief that you will grant me a patient hearing.

Thirty Years of Uncertainty

"In the southland today there slumber in nameless graves 10,000 men whose rich blood was shed that a party might be born among men which would inscribe upon its banner that noble sentiment: 'A government of the people, for the people, and by the people.' The man for whom I vote is in my opinion the grandest, ablest and best living exponent of those principles, which at one time made the republican party the great party of the people. The conditions as laid down at Appomattox have never been fairly complied with and the thirty years of freedom through which my race has passed have been as one long night so cruel in its attendant circumstances as to crush from out their hearts every human passion. Did I say all? No. Hope; man's earliest, truest and best friend, the singer of lullaby songs at the cradle of his infancy, the play-fellow of his childhood, the companion of his youth, the friend and associate of his manhood, the staff of his declining years, still lives, and during all the years in which we have been robbed, whipped and murdered, our wives and daughters insulted and outraged, and in some instances for daring to defend their virtue have been stripped stark naked and before the jeering rabble of drunken men had their bare backs lashed until the blood oozed from every pore, I say, Mr. President, that even then hope lingered and whispered patience.

Stand by the Party

"There are some people who taunt my race with fanaticism and claim that out of a false sense of gratitude we blindly adhere to a certain political party. I retort, sir, that when I reflect that the republican party has made possible every step taken by my people upon the highway of human progress, clothed the humblest slave in the robes of citizenship, placed above his hut the flag, in his hand the ballot and studded his sky with the stars of hope, I am forced to the conclusion that we should be slow to fly from the evils which they say we have to others which we know not of.

Let the Bloody Shirt Wave

"If there are those in this audience today who will in the refinement of sarcasm accuse us of waving the bloody shirt I care not, for I believe that so long as there remains in this land a single mother who in the hush of night steals to her wardrobe to drop a tear upon the blue uniform worn away to the war by a dutiful son or a loving husband, so long as there remains a veteran who wears an empty sleeve or a wooden leg

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Kentucky Governor Prevents Lynching

Executive Rushes to Scene by Special
Train and Quells Blood-Thirsty
But Cowardly Mob.

LOCAL RACE MAN PRAISES ACT

William H. Gray Receives Letter of
Appreciation From Governor Stan-
ley Who Maintains He Only Did
His Sworn Duty.

Murray, Ky., Jan. 24.—Governor Stanley made a hurried trip by special train from Paducah here, January 11 to prevent the lynching of Luke Martin, a Colored man charged with murder, and that of Circuit Judge Charles Bush and Commonwealth Attorney Denny Smith, whose lives were also threatened by the mob.

Martin is charged with the murder of a white man and had been held in the Hopkinsville jail for safe keeping. When brought here for trial he was kept in the court house all night under a heavy guard of deputy sheriffs. When the case was called counsel for the defense asked for a continuance because of the discovery of new evidence which had not been fully developed. Judge Bush granted the continuance and it was then that the court room mob rushed to the bench and threatened to lynch the judge and district attorney unless the trial was proceeded with at once.

Governor Stanley was rushed here by special train and announced that if a lynching took place they would have a chance to lynch the Governor of Kentucky first. Facing the mob, he said, "I am here to uphold the law and to protect this court, with my own body if necessary."

The blood-thirsty and cowardly mob was quelled by this brave man, who takes seriously his oath of office, and the state of Kentucky was saved from an indelible stain.

William H. Gray, of Council Bluffs, who is a native of Kentucky, wrote Governor Stanley commending him for his prompt and heroic act. He has received a letter of appreciation from Kentucky's chief executive. The letter shows Governor Stanley's modesty and the high sense of official

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POLLARD TO BE A DOCTOR

The name of Fred Pollard will live long in athletic annals. He is the newest addition to the long list of athletic stars among the young men of our race. Pollard is a native of Chicago and is twenty-one years of age. He is only five feet six and one-quarter inches high and weighs 150 pounds. He is a great hurdler as well as football player. He expects to become a physician and is laying at Brown university, Providence, R. I., the foundation for a future course in medicine.

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General Race News

AFRICA THE BEARER OF CIVILIZATION

Many very interesting discoveries have been made lately and, rather surprising, they all seem to bear out the ancient legend that the first civilizations were founded by African races. One of the most recent startling claims made is by Edouard Naville, the famous discoverer of the tomb of Osiris, and one of the greatest of living archeologists. The journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute publishes the 'Origin of Egyptian Civilization' by Mr. Naville, and in it the author maintains that the Egyptians were dark skinned people of African race. He closes with the following striking words: "The dawn of Egyptian civilization, which we have to place at a very early date, is certainly distinct proof of the important part played by Africa in the history of human culture. Whether the whole region of the Mediterranean was first peopled by Hamites (Africans), as is now asserted by various authors, I do not feel competent to decide. But it seems to me unquestionable that the Hamitic civilization has been the first in date, and that it has largely influenced the islands and the neighboring nations. We cannot help concluding that the races who were the bearers of the Aegean civilization came from the south."

COLORED ATHLETE ENTERS

Pollard, Brown Football Star, to Compete in I. A. A. C. Events.

New York.—Fred D. Pollard, the New Brown University football player, who was almost unanimously the choice of the experts for All-American back, has returned to hurdling, the branch of athletics in which he first attained prominence, and competed in the games of the Irish-American A. C. on January 13th in the Seventy-first Regiment Armory. The entry of the Providence football star was received for both the hurdle race and the sprint.

SYMPATHETIC WORK ON ZULUS

Gertrude R. Hance, an English missionary who has lived among the Zulus for 29 years, has just published a work in England entitled, "The Zulu Yesterday and Today." The author is an ardent admirer of the Zulu and her work shows deep sympathy and sincere friendship. It has been reviewed extensively in the English press and magazines.

INTERESTING SCENES OF DANISH WEST INDIES

The Sunday New York Times publishes many beautiful scenes of the Danish West Indies in its pictorial section of January 7. In most of them the black natives are very prominent, not only as poor people, but as members of the better class. Many of them appear very handsome and even among the natives there is a distinct show of intelligence in their faces. Two of the groups show an indiscriminate mingling of the darker and lighter races, something, we fear, will be absent, now that the prejudiced American assumes ownership of the islands.

THE AMERICAN NEGRO AND MILITARY TRAINING

Washington, D. C.—Where is the Colored man going to figure in these schemes for compulsory military training?

This is the question which raised its head recently at the hearings before the Senate sub-committee which is considering the Chamberlain bill for universal military training. It raised its head, but it was not answered—not so anybody could hear it.

It came about through the formal request, put in by Giles B. Jackson and James Hayes, both Colored, of Richmond, Va., for a separate military school in which to train Colored officers for the Colored rank and file under universal military service. The two spokesmen were accompanied by the editor of a local Negro paper, who declared that the Negroes were fond of military life and that such a school would turn out a good supply of officers.

The sub-committee—two of whose members, Chamberlain and Thomas, are Southern-born—heard the delegation without comment, but the request has gone into the formal record of the hearings to trouble, perhaps, the proponents of a universal system which apparently nobody wants to see really universal.

REBUKE LIBEL UPON HAITIANS

Quite recently a professor of the Chicago University wrote an article for a Chicago paper concerning voodooism in Haiti and the same was displayed with lurid headlines, extremely unjust to the little black republic to the south of us. Elsie Clews Parsons answers the article in the New York Times and severely rebukes the author and his "utter irresponsibility" for publishing false pictures and untrue statements. She says in part:

"I have traveled in Haiti. I met President Leconte, a gentleman whom I would no more think of describing as a devil-worshipper than I would President Lincoln. I had many opportunities to note the gracious ways of the Haitians, a graciousness to be expected of any people of either French blood or African. Unfortunately I had opportunities, too, to note their sensitiveness and their at times pathetic attempts to make friends with the boorish, the overbearing, and the uninformed citizens of the United States who were engaged in the island in matters of public franchises."

SLAVES FREED UNDER BRITISH FLAG

Most people have not realized that slavery existed anywhere under the British flag today, so it is a surprise to hear that an ordinance declaring the abolition of the legal status of slavery in Nigeria (Africa) has been promulgated.—Review of the World.

ASKS CATHOLICS TO WELCOME COLORED PEOPLE

There is no Christian reason why the Afro-Americans who are now pouring into our cities should not be well received by the Catholic clergy

and laity. No opportunity should be lost, nor effort spared to bring as many of them as possible into articulation with the truths and practices of our holy faith. Can northern Catholics neglect to do their individual and collective utmost toward opening up the faith to those who now, in a truer sense than ever before, stand at the door and knock? Shall we allow a glittering opportunity of demonstrating the catholicity of Catholicism to slip idly through our fingers? The new year will answer.—Edward F. Murphy, in America, the Weekly Catholic Review.

AN OHIO TOWN'S COLORED POPULATION INCREASED

Barbertown, Ohio, Jan. 18.—This thriving little industrial center, situated in the northern part of the state, has had a large influx of Negro labor, brought in by local industrial concerns and corporations. The Colored population now numbers upwards of one thousand. New comers have been cordially received. There seems to be a disposition to surround them with the best moral, religious and educational influences.

Miss Mayme Harvey, 1219 Cass, died last Friday and was buried yesterday at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Banks and Wilks had charge of the funeral.

MRS. LAWRIE'S BENEFIT KENSINGTON

Mrs. R. K. Lawrie, the well known cateress, gave a large Kensington at her home Wednesday afternoon which was one of the most delightful and largely attended affairs of the season, about 100 persons being present. The house was prettily decorated with cut flowers. During the afternoon an impromptu program was given consisting of piano selections by Miss Madeline Roberts and recitations by Mesdames W. Craig, A. L. Wilson and

W. T. Osborne, each of whom received a dainty gift from the hostess. Prizes were also presented to the two ladies doing the prettiest pieces of needlework during the afternoon, Mrs. Wm. Jackson receiving the first prize and Mrs. John A. Smith second prize. Mrs. Lawrie served a delicious lunch. She was assisted by Mesdames Hieronymous, Dupee, Duncan and Johnson and the president and members of the N. W. C. A. Mrs. Lawrie also entertained a number of young people in the evening. The proceeds of the entire affair which will be announced later, will be given to the Old Folks' Home. Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Lawrie for the success of this undertaking.

Boys, watch the work of Fred Houston. He is one of the best barbers in Omaha. At Jewell and Phalanx, 105 So. 14th.—Adv.

GUY B. ROBBINS RETURNS FROM BURIAL OF WIFE

Guy B. Robbins, the well-known real estate dealer, was called to Xenia, Ohio, January 12, by the serious condition of his wife, who has been an invalid for several months and too ill to stand the trip to Omaha. She died January 13, just before her husband's arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Robbins were married in Liberia, where he was secretary to the American Legation. Soon after their marriage she contracted the African fever. He hastened with her to her parents' home in Ohio. Subsequently he was called to Omaha by the serious illness of his father, where he took charge of his father's business. Mr. Robbins returned to Omaha Sunday.

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THE ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

Under the foregoing title, Dr. Charles Gilmore Kerley writes a stimulating article in the Outlook and the following is one of its attractive truths:

"It is generally assumed that the benefits derived from adoption are all on the side of the child. This is a general belief and always an error. What possible role could the adopted child or adopted children (for many adopt more than one) play in a family that would accrue to the benefit of the adult members of the family? It is this: they postpone old age. The presence of young children and young people in the home means that the adults are kept young. To be mentally youthful means a postponement of physical age. Has the reader ever been in a childless home, a home that has been childless, we will say, for fifteen or twenty years? If so, you will agree with me that there are signs of age, very definite signs; that the passing years have left their indelible footprints. Everything is painfully precise. Every chair and piece of furniture stands stiff and prim and proper. The home of these old young people characterizes the occupants, and the occupants now demand order, quiet, and creature comforts. Even the family pets resent intrusion or disturbances of their daily routine.

Place a child in a home as described above, and what a change takes place, not only in the home, but in the occupants! I have repeatedly known the advent of an adopted child in a childless home to cure neurasthenia, despondency, and habitual grouch, particularly in men. I am able to give a very effective prescription against premature old age, and the prescription calls for constant association with youth, which means youthful environment—and environment is the great determining factor in human existence, not excepting heredity."

A MOTHER'S TEMPLE

By Hattie Vose Hall

A builder builded a temple;
He wrought it with care and skill—
Pillars and groins and arches,
All fashioned to work his will.
And men said, as they saw its beauty,
"It never shall know decay.
Great is thy skill, O builder!
Thy fame shall endure for aye."

A mother builded a temple
With infinite loving care,
Planning each arch with patience,
Laying each stone with prayer.
None praised her unceasing effort,
None knew of her wondrous plan,
For the temple the mother builded
Was unseen by the eye of man.

Gone is the builder's temple—
Crumbled into the dust;
Low lies each stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
But the temple the mother builded
Will last while the ages roll,
For that beautiful unseen temple
Was a child's immortal soul.
—Zion's Herald.

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ONE CERTAIN WAY OF REDUCING YOUR COST OF LIVING

Why not figure out what proportion of the present high cost of living is chargeable to the vegetables you consume during the year? You would find that they represent probably half of your living expense. If you cut this expense down you deprive yourself of the wholesome and necessary food provided by nature, to keep the brain healthy and the body in repair—for more and more is it apparent that the active child, the efficient workers, the man "young at three score" depends upon vegetables to properly "balance" his food ration, since the mineral salts contained in fresh vegetables are absolutely indispensable to health.

With garden seeds at their present perfection, a home garden is bound to be a success, and a space 25x50 feet will produce all the vegetables a family of six would require. Do not put it off! Plan for your garden now, a garden for health and for saving.—People's Home Journal.

ST. JOHN'S A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Rev. W. T. Osborne, Pastor.

The Willing Workers met at the Church Friday afternoon. There were two new members, Mrs. Beatrice Napier, and Mrs. Jessie Wright. The Willing Workers have added a literary department to their club, and Mrs. Alice Sherwood read a splendid paper on "Love and Kindness." Mrs. Carrie Carter porved herself quite a dramatic reader in the rendition of "Creation." A real dinner was served after the program.

The Rev. W. T. Osborne will preach a special sermon Sunday morning. Subject, "Saints in Wrong Places."

Mr. Roy Fouts, organist of St. John, is much better and will be out soon.

Mrs. L. Broomfield, daughter of Mrs. Martha Jackson, returned home last Tuesday sick.

The largest audience that has attended a literary society at St. John, was present at the opening of the Tuesday Night Forum, under the management of the Missionary Clubs. The program was par excellent. The instrumental by Miss Otis Watson, solos by Miss Darlene Duvall, Mr. Rufus Long and Rev. F. J. Peterson, were received with hearty applause which demanded encores. The Hon. Amos P. Scroggs gave a splendid logical and practical address on "Poise," which was full of food for thought and enjoyed by the appreciative large audience. The captains and members gave a rising vote of thanks to the participants on program and the audience for the great interest shown in their efforts for the literary, musical and financial development of St. John and the cause of missions. Program for Tuesday night, January 30:

Congregational singing, "My Country 'tis of Thee. Invocation.
Vocal solo, Mrs. Ida Baker.
Address, "Why We Should be Proud of Our Race," Mr. George W. Parker.
Vocal solo, Mrs. Helen Fields.
Tenor solo, The Rev. W. T. Osborne.
The ladies will serve a fish dinner

and by request chitterlins. Dinner at 7 p. m. Dinner committee: Mesdames Queen Jackson, Maude Ray, Alice Avery, C. H. Huston, Beatrice Napier, Lulu Wheeler, Jessie Wright.

Refreshment committee: Mesdames W. S. Metcalf, F. J. McCullough, Myrtle Moore, Evelyn Ray, and Miss Wilimena Watson.

Entertaining committee: Mesdames Eva Walker, Lulu Rountree, Anna Burton, L. P. Robbinette.

The Missionary Ladies have added

a new club to their campaign, known as the Bright Star Club. The following members have already joined and others are wanted: Messrs. Chas. W. Washington, Plummer Walker, E. W. Moore, E. L. Jackson, W. P. Ray, Dr. Pryor and Rev. G. D. Rivers.

Mrs. C. H. Huston and Miss I. Jackson are the new members who joined the campaign club last Tuesday eve.

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RACE PRIDE

Race pride is an intangible something that makes and raises people and nations. Without it men are mere clay; with it no power in heaven or earth can hinder the on-sweep of its potent force. Collectively speaking, we are not a race-proud people. It is not our fault. For three hundred years our tutelege at the hands of a fairer race has dammed up the well-springs of our self love. They taught our fathers and us that our race was a hewer of wood and a drawer of water, and we have believed. But the rose tint dawn of truth is chasing away the pall of the selfish lie.

Despite the vigorous protests of prejudiced American historians we have always had a suspicion that the great races of northern Africa and hither Asia had a large strain of our blood, but now we know it. The great scientists of Europe who prefer truth to error have fairly startled the world with the facts they are hurrying at the false ethnical claims of pseudo-historians. Old Rawlinson and Ridpath must be fairly shaking in their graves as proof after proof is produced, showing that the Grecian and Roman civilizations owe their rise to African blood. The pill is so bitter that American historians and journals refuse to swallow it. It hurts their pride to the choking point. It will be a long day before they accept the new facts, but time and tide wait not. Truth will establish her claims despite the puny prejudices of Americans.

Let us take heart and ponder the meanings of these wonderful truths. To know that our ancestors ruled the world and gave birth to human civilization is worth more than all the jewels and gold and silver in the world. It gives us the basis for a pride of race that none can equal. The day will yet come when a child of our dusky race may say with truth, "To claim relation with Africa's children is greater than to be born a king!"

PORTO RICO AND THE SOUTH

W. E. B. contributes an article to the Boston Transcript severely scoring Congress for its action upon the Porto Rican franchise bill. He says: "The Porto Rican bill probably would pass Congress without much objection or debate, had not the color question unfortunately been injected into it. As the measure passed the House last July, it imposed an educational and property test upon all citizen voters—this a device of Southern statesmen to prevent the Negro from securing equal rights in the Island. Some of the senators proposed to broaden the bill but the Southern idea, as represented by Hoke Smith of Georgia in the committee, constituted an obstacle. The Negro element in the Island is only twelve per cent, but that is enough to make a vital difference in

the character of the legislation the United States Congress is willing to enact for the benefit of its ward. President Wilson, it is understood, is satisfied with the compromise."

SONG OF SOLOMON

P. C.

1. Hearken, O my son, whilst I thrum for thee a plaintif thrum upon my trusty lyre.

2. Ye have called for a song upon a Colored man's favorite dish and I have gone the gamut from start off to finish.

3. Ye have heard it said that chicken was a Colored man's middle name, but son of my heart, it isn't so.

4. So, too, hath it been rumored that a red ripe juicy watermelon was better than a comp to the golden streets, yet it seemeth to me a libel of levity.

5. And there clingeth a legend that possum with sweet potatoes was a platter decoration plenipotentiary, yet history produceth no proofs of preference.

6. Nor have mine ears been deaf to the faint call for 'chitlins' but on a vote it lost in its own precinct.

7. Then I hid myself to the market place to watch Colored folks shopping. Mine eyes did spy yellow legged chicken, mouth compelling ham, sleek possum, and what not, but the Colored folk saw them not.

8. They formed a line like gallery gods and the first one whispered "Pork Chops."

9. And behold when he hath slipped the butcher his thin dime, the next whispered pork chops. And thusly the third, and so on until the last little son of Ham raised to his tip toes and piped, "Pork Chops."

10. And then, O my son, I felt in my jeans and found two bits and leaning over the marble counter, I caroled into the ear of the fat butcher, "Pork Chops."

PRESS COMMENTS

People Who Miscalculate.

Most people do not think beyond today or look beyond tomorrow. As a result they are constantly miscalculating in the affairs of life and become a drain upon society and a worry to their friends.—The Richmond (Va.) Planet.

Gratitude.

Our gratitude is best expressed in actions. To speak of opportunities and blessings which come to us as a result of the emancipation proclamation and then to neglect to make the best use of them is a paradox. Let us show our appreciation of freedom by making the best use of the advantages afforded us. Good homes, schools, churches and worthy business enterprises will be the best commentaries in our citizenship.—The Torchlight, Danville, Ky.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

An Humble Tribute to the Late Dr. M. O. Ricketts.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 22, 1917.

Editor Monitor:

In the last issue of The Monitor I read with much regret of the death of Dr. M. O. Ricketts, of St. Joseph, Mo., formerly of Omaha.

It was my pleasure to have known Dr. Ricketts intimately and well from 1882 to the day of his departure from Omaha. I watched his career as a citizen, a professional man and a public servant, and during that period of time I knew of no man possessed of nobler traits of character. He was honest and conscientious, a firm adherent to that noble principle of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. I readily recall a little incident in his life which illustrated and showed the estimation in which he was held by others as well as myself. It was in 1894 when he sought his second term in the legislature.

A few days after the republicans had named a ticket, the democrats did likewise. The tickets being before the people I asked the late Paddy Ford, ex-Councilman of the 3rd ward of Omaha, if he was going to vote the straight democratic ticket, and his reply was, "indeed, I am not. I am going to vote for my neighbor, Dr. Ricketts, as I believe he is the brightest man on either ticket."

I was present in the House of Representatives when in joint session in February, 1895, and I heard Dr. Ricketts make that eloquent speech placing John M. Thurston in nomination for the United States Senate. It was a masterpiece of eloquence.

Ed. F. Morearty.

OBVIOUS OBSERVATIONS

The election is over and the new officials have taken office, but the Colored voter still stands on the outside looking in. How long, voter, how long?

Japan has paid millions of dollars on her national debt and will try to pay it all if the war lasts much longer. The world nations don't like it, but Japan keeps smiling—and planning.

Tom Lawson said he didn't want to squeal, but they made him and now the democrats from Woody down are hunting for cyclone cellars. **SOME ADMINISTRATION.**

The whole of Canada has jumped onto the water wagon and the prediction is that in ten years there will not be enough whiskey in the U. S. to float a tooth pick. Well, we never cared for whiskey anyway.

The troops are leaving Mexico, according to the latest reports. Let us see, what the dickens did they go down there for, can you remember?

It snowed Saturday night, rained at midnight, snowed some more and then froze up tight. Some class to this weather.

Thanking you for your kind attention, ye editor will now put a padlock on the typewriter and start out collecting on the subscriptions.

AWARDED DAMAGES FOR DEATH OF HUSBAND

Mrs. Oneida Jackson, of Omaha, whose husband was killed last summer by falling down an elevator shaft at Yonker Bros.' store at Des Moines, Ia., has been awarded compensation in the sum of \$2196.49 by Judge C. A. Dudley. The widow has been receiving \$5 a week, but has been now awarded the above sum.

CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP THE DEACON

Rev. John Albert Williams, Priest.

The church is never over-crowded, except on rare and special occasions; so worshippers who desire to come are reasonably sure of being able to find a seat.

The hours of the Sunday services are 7:30 a. m.; (a little too early, it is admitted, for the saints who rejoice in their beds); 10:00 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m., (even this is too early for some, or else their clocks are slow); and 5 p. m. (this generally interferes with the dinner hour, afternoon nap, or Sunday callers.) However, these are the hours of service. You will notice that they have been carefully planned to interfere as little as possible with the usual hours set for the "movies."

The Woman's Auxiliary met Thursday with Mrs. Irvine Gray, 2610 Seward street. Next Thursday the usual monthly missionary tea, with a silver offering will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Hicks, 2020 Clark street, Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Silas Johnson being the hostesses.

The parish paper of St. Luke's Church, Lincoln, contains this significant item: "The churches are full of women; the penitentiaries are full of men."

KENTUCKY GOVERNOR PREVENTS LYNCHING

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honor and responsibility with which he regards his office. Here is the letter:

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Frankfort, Ky., January 20, 1917.

Mr. W. H. Gray,

1322 Ave. A, Co. Bluffs, Ia.

My Dear Sir:

Your kind and generous words of commendation and approval came duly to hand. I regret my inability to express my profound appreciation.

As I see it, it is the prime duty of a Chief Executive to maintain the law in its majesty and to enforce it without fear or favor. A lawless mob, defiantly attempting to overthrow courts and to take into its own bloody hands the administration of alleged justice, is not guilty merely of a murder in which hundreds participate without provocation or excuse: It is a kind of treason and insurrection against constituted authority—an effort to demolish those sacred and established institutions upon which civilization itself is based.

It is, however, very gratifying to know that my good and generous friends are so hearty in their approval of what, to my mind, was the simple discharge of a plain duty.

Most sincerely yours,

A. O. Stanley.

MADAM DEMBY A FAVORITE IN SOUTHERN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Madam Demby, who is to give a recital at Grove M. E. Church, next Thursday night, under the auspices of the Women's Home Missionary Society, is said to be an artist in her line and is a great favorite at many of the Southern colleges and schools where she has frequently sung.

Weeping Willow Lodge No. 9596, G. U. O. of O. F., meets second and fourth Thursdays of each month at U. B. F. Hall, 24th and Charles. M. H. Hazzard, N. G.; T. H. Gaskins, P. S.

Events and Persons

We will try to make a general clean-up on subscriptions within the next two weeks. Please have a smile and some change when our genial collector presses the electric button.

Ben Slaughter left this week for a short visit to Muskogee and will go from there to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the season.

Go to Gordon's Drug Store, 24th and Burdette Sts., for Brown Skin Powder, Dr. Palmer's Skin Whitener Soap and Skin Whitener. Webster 6174.—Adv.

Mr. and Harry Williams have decided to make Los Angeles their future home and have gone to house-keeping.

A letter received by Fred Williams from G. Wade Obee informs him that the latter has entered business in Los Angeles.

Adam's Orchestra will play their first engagement at a Colored Ball on February 1st, at The Alamo. The Ideal Club promises a musical sensation.

Joe Officer returned to Canada last week after a most pleasant visit among his old friends in Omaha.

Mrs. W. A. Anderson wishes voices for the King Saul cantata, which is being arranged for the benefit of the Grove M. E. Church. Meetings are held every Tuesday at the church. Volunteers may call Webster 6928.

The Shriners' Annual Ball. Remember all. At Alamo Hall. Hear the call: "Balance All." February 8. Buy your tickets early.—Adv.

James Allen, veteran U. P. employee, left the hospital last Wednesday and is able to be out again.

Keystone Lodge No. 4, K. of P., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Thursday of each month. M. H. Hazard, C. C.; J. H. Glover, K. of R. S.

Mrs. Sadie Blue, of 1919 Vinton street, is confined to her home with hemorrhage of the lungs and Dr. Clyde Moore is attending her.

Mrs. Anna Bedell and daughter, Zola, of Lincoln, Neb., who were the guests Sunday of their aunt, Mrs. M. A. Sheldon, 3410 North Twenty-ninth street, who has been quite ill, but is able to be up again.

The coming event will be the Shriner's Ball at Alamo Hall, February 8.—Adv.

Dan Desdunes' Orchestra, Webster 710, 2516 Burdette St.—Adv.

The Don't Worry club met at the home of Miss Estelle Jefferson, 512 North Twenty-fifth street, January 18th, at which plans were made for a musicale recital at the home of Mrs. Ashby, 2111 Poppleton avenue, February 15, at which time a program will be given by some of Omaha's best talent. Luncheon was served. This week's meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bessie Johnson, 2720 Drexel street, South Side.

The Atkisson Shoe Co. wish to call attention to their line of boys' shoes. This company bought heavily last year and is offering the best at prices unequalled in Omaha. Look for ad.

The Shriners' and their friends, their wives, cousins, sisters, nephews, uncles and aunts, say that you will miss the event of your life if you fail to attend the Shriners' Ball. You don't intend to miss it, do you?—Adv.

Miss Ednah Boyd, of DeWitt, Neb., is in Omaha for an indefinite stay. She is the guest of Miss Ruth Alexander, 3410 Charles street.

Guess who will represent Empress Zeoditu, the new Abyssinian queen, at the Ideal Club's Coronation Ball, February 1st, and win the beautiful prize.

Charles Sheldon is still quite ill at the home of his mother.

Mrs. George Smith, of Twenty-seventh street, gave a birthday party Wednesday night in honor of her husband, who has reached his twenty-sixth milestone. The evening was spent at whist. The first prize for the ladies was captured by Mrs. Belle Taylor and the booby prize was won by Mrs. Mack. P. W. White was the winner of the men's first prize, the booby going to Mr. Mack. Mr. Smith received quite a number of presents in honor of the day.

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Mrs. Maude Ray and her club led in membership at the Forum Tuesday evening. There were nine of her members present. Mrs. Eva Walker second with eight members present.

Mrs. Volney Carter is dangerously ill at St. Philip's rectory and her recovery is exceedingly doubtful. Mr. Carter has secured a leave of absence from the Union Pacific that he may be with his wife.

For Chills use our \$5.00 coal or your kind at Harmon & Weeth. Web. 348.

Wednesday Miss Cuma I. Watson graduated from Commercial High, where she was one of the few pupils to take a four years' course, and Miss Venus B. Cropp from Central High. The Monitor congratulates these young ladies.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Solomon are spending a few days in Chicago visiting relatives.

Mrs. William Mortimer leaves today for Excelsior Springs, Mo., where she expects to spend a fortnight.

Will N. Johnson, Lawyer, 109 So. 14th Street. Douglas 5841.

Mrs. C. H. Harris, of 2912 Grant street, who has been very ill with la grippe, is rapidly improving and able to be up.

The Elite Whist Club met with Mrs. J. F. Smith, 2726 Blondo street, Wednesday, Jan. 17. The prize for highest score was awarded Mrs. L. C. Sayles.

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Mrs. Sam Walker is still on the sick list.

The first dance of the Ideal Club will be the finest of the season. Don't forget the date—FEBRUARY FIRST, at THE ALAMO.

W. P. Wade went to Lincoln Tuesday to arrange for the funeral of the late Andrew Brown. He returned Wednesday. The body of Mr. Brown is at Jones and Chiles Undertaking Parlors. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon under the auspices of Rescuer Lodge, from St. John's A. M. E. Church.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thomas who have been stopping at 3310 Blondo street, are now making their home with Mr. P. H. Thomas, 2312 North 27th Street.

When you need a good clean shave, see P. H. Jenkins, 1313 Dodge street.—Adv.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS WILL HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Knights of Pythias will hold their annual memorial services Sunday afternoon at half past two o'clock at Alamo Hall. The public is cordially invited.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday was not a record breaking day with the Mt. Moriah Baptist, from a jubilant standpoint. The people found fault with the weather the Lord sent. I wish they would quit finding fault, and just demand what they want and keep up the order. However, we are anticipating that they shall get just what they want next Sunday and be out strong, in presence, means and spirit.

A lecture, entitled "Why to Marry, Who to Marry, When to Marry," the announcement of which packed a church five hundred seated, with many standing, and stirred the community, which was delivered by Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, in one of his recent pastorates, will be delivered under the auspices of the trustee board of the Mt. Moriah Baptist, 26th and Seward, Thursday, February 8th, 1917, at 8 p. m. Don't think that this lecture is for unmarried people alone. Nothing will convince you but hearing it. Every single person ought to be present, and those who have made mistakes in the life. It is inspirational, instructive and preventive. Let nothing unworthy keep you away.

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

In spite of the very disagreeable weather, the Rev. W. F. Botts preached to a large and appreciative audience Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. Julia Walker Saunders was buried Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. F.

Botts officiated, being assisted by the Rev. D. Phelps. Resolutions from the choir and from the Church were read by Mrs. Lovinia Rose and Earl Jones. The floral designs were most beautiful. Mrs. Saunders will be greatly missed in Zion as she was organist and instructor of the choir. Jones and Chiles had charge.

On Monday night, men's night school from 7:30 to 8; Tuesday night, young men and boys' physical culture class, 7:30 to 8; Wednesday night, prayer meeting, Bible class and teachers' meeting; Thursday night, woman's physical culture class.

Rev. W. F. Botts left Tuesday night for Carrolton, Mo., to attend the funeral of Deacon Jackson.

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Science Notes

BY WILLIAM G. HAYNES.

INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY

"The Nation's Business," the monthly publication of the United States Chamber of Commerce, is performing a noteworthy service in emphasizing the achievements and the continued progress of this country in matters of science and efficiency. This paper has recently spoken of the progress made in America in the matter of industrial chemistry. A few illustrations may indicate what our industrial chemists are doing in many lines.

Grape-growing, now a large industry in this country, was disturbed by an insect which attacked the roots. Chemists concocted a fertilizer which would nourish the plant in a way to produce a stock too tough for the insect. Incidentally, grape-growing thus became, also, much less dependent on good or bad seasons.

How to get rid of thousands of tons of raisin seeds was a problem which developed in California. A chemist found tannin in the seeds, which now are not burnt but are utilized in a way to be of service to leather manufacture.

Hulls from cottonseed used to go back to the fields, partially to restore the fertility which the plant had taken out of the soil. Then the oil was extracted but wastefully. The hulls were burned; later the ashes were used for the manufacture of potash. Now they are one of the chief ingredients in a balanced ration for cattle. Besides this use, the once despised seeds present, as the result of the industrial chemist's researches, such by-products as salad oil, soap, glycerine, paint, roofing tar and a cooking fat.

Through the agency of the chemist corn is made to produce sugars, syrups, gums, starches, dextrans, oils, glycerine, acids and salts.

Twisted wood pulp is going into towels, rugs, cordage, wrapping twine, and into furniture that simulates furniture made of reeds or willow. Waste tanbark, from which all the tannin has been extracted, is now supplementing and replacing rag stock in tarred felt roofing. Some of it is going into wall paper and some into pipe conduits. Chemists are studying now the possible use of corn stalks for paper pulp.

Aluminum, as "The Nation's Business" points out, furnishes a startling example of what our industrial chemists have done. Twenty-five years ago the principal ore of aluminum, bauxite, was not even mentioned in a list of useful minerals, published by the government. In the past ten years the use of aluminum in this country has risen from ten million to one hundred million pounds a year.—The Omaha Excelsior.

ELOQUENT SPEECH DELIVERED BY LATE DR. RICKETTS.

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to remind him of Bull Run or Gettysburg, so long as the conditions as laid down at Appomattox remain uncomplained with, so long as there remains a single citizen in this republic who is denied the right of political liberty, just so long should that bloody shirt be waved.

"We have turned toward Washington, the seat of our general government, for protection, and from both the president and the senate we have

been told that the government is powerless to protect in times of peace men who offered their lives to protect the government in its hour of imminent peril.

An Ideal Choice

"The man of my choice believes that if republicanism stands for anything it stands for the right of every American citizen to walk beneath the folds of his country's flag to the ballot box to cast one vote and have that vote counted. He believes a republican should have as much protection thrown around him in the exercise of his political rights in Mississippi as a democrat has in Maine. He believes that if Mr. Crisp is permitted to preside over our national house of representatives that General Weaver and Mrs. Lease should be permitted freedom of speech in Georgia. Mr. President, if government is a science and history has a philosophy, neither has ever been more tersely put than when the great philosopher of Rome stood upon the magnificent ruins and broken columns of its departed greatness, and with a voice of doom said: 'No republic can long stand whose foundation stone rests not upon the pillars of eternal liberty and liberty of its citizenship.'

Man of Broad Intellect

"The man for whom I vote is broad enough of vision to see that continual disregard of law breeds anarchy, and that any government which recognizes the principle that might makes right must necessarily maintain a large standing army. So true an American is he that above the dollar he places the man, above the protection of the products of labor he places the laborer, above reciprocity he places civil and political liberty, above policy he places principle, above all other considerations he places American manhood and American citizenship. His election to the high office of United States senator would honor Nebraska by placing beside the eastern millionaire our grandest specimen of western manhood and western brains. It would insure to us of this great commonwealth a representation irresistible in logic, matchless in eloquence, ripe in scholarship and unsurpassed in patriotism.

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"For my people he never loses an opportunity of saying a kindly word, and before the court of public opinion, the supreme court of any republic, he has been for us at all times and under all circumstances a faithful advocate. To those of you who have had the pleasure of hearing him preach the doctrine of republicanism, and have heard his indescribable peroration upon what some call the force bill, I appeal to bear me witness that I do not draw the picture too strongly when I say that it is then that he equals in eloquence Demosthenes, who won his fame by hurling his powerful invectives against Philip of Macedon; it is then that he equals Cicero, who used the magic of his eloquence in expressing the sentiment of Cataline against the liberties of Rome; it is then that he equals Patrick Henry, as he sounds the alarm against the encroachment of Great Britain upon the liberties of Americans.

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The revival which has been going on for the past two weeks came to a close last Sunday evening with the addition of fifty-two members.

The pastor is well pleased with the attendance from north as well as south side people, and the way God has blessed his work.

In addition to the fifty-two, many Christians expressed the joy of being made much stronger by the special sermons preached during the services.

Rev. Mr. Taggart is planning on baptizing his candidates on Sunday, February 4th. Owing to the fact that there are too many to accommodate in the church pool, he will baptize in the Missouri river at the foot of O street, South Omaha. All will meet at the church, 29th and T streets, in the

SOUTH SIDE.

(Mrs. Lulu Thornton, Correspondent)

Household of Ruth No. 5083 held their installation of officers Wednesday eve, January 17, at the Odd Fellows' Hall. After routine business they celebrated their second anniversary with a supper. Covers were laid for about fifty members and friends. E. E. Bryant, master of ceremonies, Allen Jones, Toastmaster, Mrs. Roxie Williams, M. N. G., J. W. Louis, W. R. C.

Mr. Henry Arduna, of 5308 South 27th, was injured at Central Coal yard Monday, January 22, while at work. He was bruised quite a bit about the back and legs.

Little Mildred Williams, of 5422 No. 27th street, who has been quite sick, is much better.

Mr. R. L. Woodard, who has been down with la grippe for about two weeks, is much better and able to be out a little.

The Bethel Baptist Mission Circle met with Mrs. Webb on 30th and V streets Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Octavia Brown, who has been quite sick for some time, is said to be a little better although she is still

morning and will leave immediately after morning service. They will march from the church singing as they go, down O street straight to the river banks. Sermon preached at the river. All who wish to join in the march must be at the church not later than 2 o'clock.

Messrs. Joseph Carr, Alfred Jones, Charles H. Hicks and Frank Golden and Mrs. Alphonso Wilson left Saturday night for St. Joseph, Mo., to attend the funeral of the late Dr. M. O. Ricketts, which took place from the Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon. Messrs. Carr, Jones and Golden returned Monday morning. The others later.

A Big Masquerade Carnival is scheduled for Friday, February 2, at the Mecca Roller Rink. Everybody come.—Adv.

confined to her bed.

Myrtle Fisher, of 5905 South 15th street, graduated from the 8th B to the High School Wednesday afternoon. We are glad to see our girls finishing the grade schools and hope they will continue and finish the High School as well.

Mrs. Erva Gray, who is seriously ill at her home, 17th and P streets, is reported a little better.

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Mr. Shirley Smith was slightly injured last week in a railroad accident at Akaron, Colo. He is now able to be out.

Miss M. H. Demby, of Kansas City, Kas., will appear in recital at the Masonic Hall, January 30, for the benefit of the Newman M. E. Church.

Mrs. Talbert returned last week from St. Louis, Mo., where she was visiting relatives.

A Lincoln Day program will be given February 12 at the Newman M. E. Church. Prof. G. B. Evans, Mrs. S. Mason, Mrs. I. Hensel and others will appear.

Mr. and Mrs. Chevin are ill.

The revival being conducted at the Methodist Church by Rev. Mr. Nickerson will close Sunday night.

Messrs. Ben and Abe Corneal were called to St. Paul last week on account of the death of their brother.

Mr. Andy Brown, formerly of Omaha, died at his residence Monday morning from an attack of pneumonia. He is survived by a wife and daughter.

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fore me, County Judge of Douglas
County, Nebraska, at the County
Court Room, in said County, on the

5th day of March, 1917, and on the
6th day of August, 1917, at 9 o'clock
A. M., each day, for the purpose of
presenting their claims for examina-
tion, adjustment and allowance. Six
months are allowed for the creditors
to present their claims, from the 4th
day of February, 1917.

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