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DIRECTORY
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THE AFRO-AMERICANS
OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

1907

CONTAINING a review of the past and present commercial and financial conditions of the colored people of Topeka and Shawnee County, Kans.

¶With roster of all business, professional and tradesmen; their churches and other organizations.



Prepared by
IRA O. GUY, President Topeka Business League
TOPEKA, KANSAS

Preface

IT would be base ingratitude if we should fail to express our high appreciation for the assistance which we have for the past three years received from the Topeka Commercial Club through the kind and friendly acts of its President and Secretary, Mr. C. K. Holliday and Major T. J. Anderson, respectively.

We have never requested of them anything which was not absolutely essential in promoting the interest of our local league. They have never refused us any thing which was in their power to give or to assist us in getting.

Assistance such as they have given goes farther in producing beneficial results of a permanent nature than twice that amount given in most any other direction. For their constant interest in our success along commercial, financial and industrial lines we are most grateful and trust that our efforts towards making progress along these lines may be successful to the extent at least, that will justify them in feeling they have been repaid for what they have done for us.

IRA O. GUY



IRA O. GUY,
1st Vice-President National Negro Business League



DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON
President National Negro Business League

INTRODUCTION

Business Leagues are organized for the same purpose as are Chambers of Commerce and Commercial Clubs. In our city we have colored men who are members of the Commercial Club, Grocers' Association and other such bodies. But the average colored business house is small in size yet and their methods of business operations are in the stage of development today that most white houses were 20 and 25 years ago. It is, therefore, necessary to have organizations of our own, which deal with our present needs and create favorable conditions, such that as fast as time will permit we may develop and put in practice that spirit of commercialism which is necessary to the possession and proper enjoyment of all the rights and obligations of true citizenship.

Before a Business League can do effective work in promoting the commercial and financial interests of the people in its community, it must know the conditions of the various business houses and their proprietors, the number of different houses and everything else about them. This known, it will not be so difficult to determine along which lines the efforts of the body should be directed, in stimulating existing establishments and helping to start new ones.

The National Negro Business League today ranks among the greatest organizations of its kind in the United States. Without losing sight of the fact that its founder is an intellectual Hercules, we do not hesitate to assert our belief that nothing contributed to the rapid and permanent growth and development of this great commercial agency more than Dr. Washington's original method of bringing together the most successful men from all sections of the country and having them tell their story of how they succeeded in life and thus acquainting them with the true conditions in all other sections of the country. To be able to say positively that there are 126 colored drug stores in the country counts for more than any number of bombastic declarations that we are able to succeed in business without a single case as an example to point to. To know there are 34 colored banks in the country gives us much more hope and confidence in ourselves than to say the reason we haven't (as we had to say before the existence of the National Negro Business League) but three banks is because we do not have the chance to get a start, as the white boy does.

Nothing will assist more effectively in carrying on this great work than for the 450 active Leagues in this country to publish annual directories, giving the true conditions of the colored business men and women of their communities, and after careful comparison and reflection bending their united energies in the direction best calculated to produce the largest and most lasting results.

The Migration

About 27 years ago, six or seven thousand dissatisfied people left the south, principally the states of Tennessee and Mississippi to find homes in the west. All of them being ex-slaves or their descendants, were very poor. Whatever money they had laid by before leaving their native states, was in most

cases spent before they arrived in Kansas. Upon reaching here they were in such destitute circumstances that they threw themselves on the mercies of the people of this state, for food and clothing, until they could begin to maintain themselves. About five thousand of these people located in Topeka and Shawnee County.

The colored population of Topeka before this time had consisted of only a few families, all of whom were very thrifty. Since this time, many of the best types of our people have come here from the Carolinas, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois and other states.

Kansas was peculiarly adapted for the new-comers. Her changeable climate exerted a good influence on these people, many of whom were shiftless and slothful. Her small towns encouraged simple and common-sense habits of living. Her many thousand acres of land, enriched by the blood of un-numbered martyrs who had sacrificed their lives for the cause of human freedom, offered homes and the means of gaining an independent livelihood, to all who were so inclined.

The new-comers were equal to the occasion. No people had fought harder in the last year of the Rebellion than they. In addition they had left their native state in the search of an opportunity of gaining a livelihood and the free use of all their physical and mental powers. The opportunity presented itself and they seized it. By a constant, determined and never-tiring efforts they have produced a state of financial prosperity, found no-where else in the north, east or west and not in many places in the south.

Topeka and Shawnee County

Shawnee County lies in the Kaw valley—Its sandy soil, watered by the Kaw river, is rich and fertile. The occupation of its inhabitants are chiefly truck-gardening, poultry-raising and fruit-growing. In all of these lines the colored people figure very prominently, owning about 3000 acres of farm land and renting a considerable amount in addition. Topeka, the county seat of Shawnee County, and the capital of Kansas, is situated on the north and south banks of the Kaw river. The two sections are connected by the Melan bridge, the largest concrete bridge in the world. The Santa Fe and Rock Island railroads have each a steel bridge across the river. Topeka is a beautiful city, has many parks, broad streets and boulevards. Her streets are adorned with beautiful modern homes. She has about 50 miles of paved streets, 160 miles of brick, stone and cement sidewalk. There are 71 church buildings, costing \$687,000; a new Y. M. C. A. building, costing \$47,000. There are 26 school buildings, 27 hotels, 9 banks, 2 telephone systems, 27 wholesale houses and 369 manufacturing plants. In addition she has 9 educational institutions, the largest and most popular of which is Washburn College. There are 38 miles of street railway tracks in the city, and the city railway system is the best in the west.

The few facts given in the preceding paragraph will not begin to compare with what our people in some places can say of their home town. Yet we feel far more proud of Topeka than the New Yorker does of his city or the Chicago, St. Louis, or Kansas City colored man does of his. Our reason for this is because the opportunity of our people to get a start and succeed in life is far superior to those offered in any of the large metroplitian cities of the country, in no city does any man who has the "stuff" in him, get a better show when it comes to pure business patronage than in Topeka.

The Churches

The church has always been the pioneer organization in any community where the colored people live in considerable numbers. In fact, the doings of the church and its financial and spiritual condition, constitutes the chief topic of interest among our people in the average town.

In Topeka, there are about twenty-five churches among our people. They each have their history of a checkered career. At present, however, practically all of them are in a healthy state of growth, spiritually and financially. The pastors of all of the churches are men of exceptionally rare abilities and are eminently fitted for the high calling of the ministry. Many of these honorable gentlemen will be recognized as men of national reputation, and actively engaged in the work of outlining and putting into operation the future policies of their respective denominations.

ST. JOHN A. M. E. CHURCH.

The St. John A. M. E. Church occupies a beautiful site, centrally located, on the corner of Seventh street and Topeka avenue. For many years this church has stood as a monument to the faith and devotion of the race. The property is worth \$15,000, with a mortgage debt of less than \$1,000. The congregation is composed of people from all the walks of life; among them lawyers, doctors, professors, merchants and mechanics. Many of the communicants as well as attendants own property in all parts of the city. The church is doing good work under the pastorate of Rev. J. E. Edwards and is considered a worthy factor in building up and maintaining the moral worth of the community.

Rev. J. E. Edwards, the present pastor of St. John A. M. E. Church, came to this charge a little more than a year ago from the First Church at Los



St. John A. M. E. Church



REV. J. E. EDWARDS, D. D.

Angeles, Calif., where he had served seven years consecutively, giving full satisfaction and accomplishing an excellent work. He has succeeded in reducing the mortgage debt to \$722. The experience which the pastor has had in church work aside from his training in schools fits him most eminently for the work. His twelve years in Texas and the same in California are marked with special success, and universal endorsement by the communities which he served. The parish of St. John is profiting by the faithful and untiring service of the present pastor. His attention and care over all the departments of the church cannot fail to be helpful to each. He stands by the right hand of the superintendent of the Sunday School, encouraging and rendering every possible assistance. The Allen League of C. E. never meets without him; in fact, there is nothing in the church but that the pastor is identified with it. Rev. Edwards is looked upon by the many worshippers at St. John as one of the best speakers it has ever been their good fortune to have. The Reverend most invariably fills his own pulpit, unless some distinguished minister or needy brother is present.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Shiloh Baptist Church, corner of Twelfth and Buchanan streets, was organized twenty-six years ago. It is located in the heart of what is known as "Tennesseetown," with a membership of 350 of some of the best citizens of Topeka, representing all lines of industry and nearly every trade and profession. Ninety per cent of the members are property owners. Among all the agencies for good in that section of the city, Shiloh stands out the most prominent. Some of the best men of the denomination have been at some time pastors of Shiloh. Last June the church celebrated her Quarto-Centennial, on which occasion the progress made by the members in all the pursuits of life were reviewed.

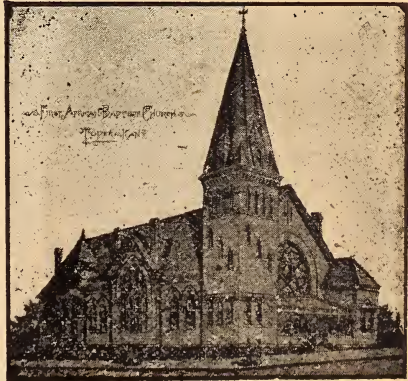
Shiloh stands for Christian education and missions, both home and foreign. The pastor, Rev. C. G. Fishback, B.D., who is field secretary of the foreign mission board of the national Baptist Convention, states that Shiloh ranks with the leading Baptist churches in America in her contributions for African missions.

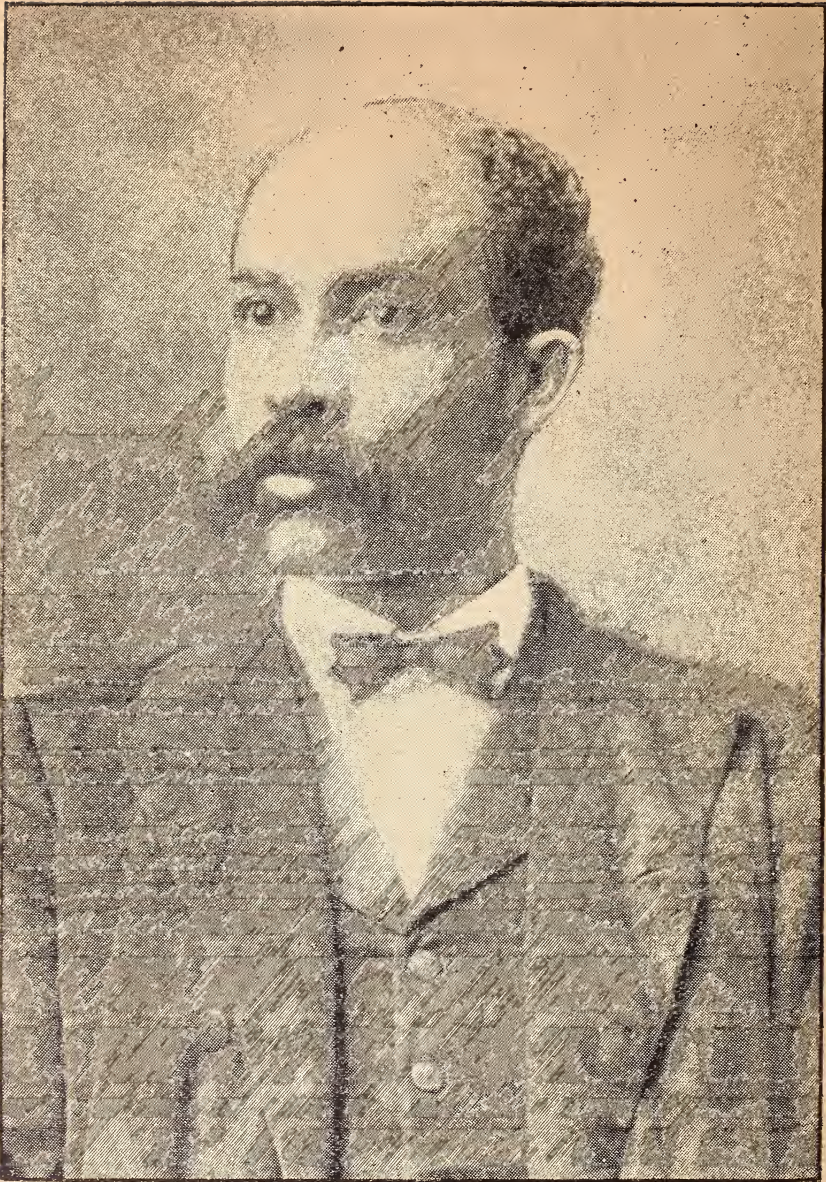
FIRST AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

This beautiful structure, the foundation for which was laid eleven years ago, is now being erected on the corner of Third and Quincy streets, a most desirable and centrally-located site, three blocks from the postoffice. The foundation was laid and the Sunday School room built on one end of it by Rev. G. D. Olden, D.D. When completed it will be the most modern and completely-equipped church edifice of the denomination in the state of Kansas. The church was organized forty years ago and looks back upon a long list of distinguished ex-pastors, among whom are the following divines: H. H. White D.D., J. F. Gray, J. F. Thomas Browder P. Johnson Bell, Jones, G. D. Olden, D.D and Duvall.

The building is complete in its appointments, having three vestibules, a basement, dressing rooms, pastor's study, large Sunday School room, and spacious auditorium. The history of the congregation is that of many besetments, fierce conflicts and hard struggles, yet they are willing "to bear the toil, endure the pain" and fight "to win the prize." The membership is now much smaller than when the foundation was laid, but is gradually increasing. In this number, however, are some of the Master's faithful and true, who are much devoted to His work and worship. It is their great love for the Master's cause that enables us to go forward with the work.

Rev. T. J. Carr, formerly of Clarksville, Tenn., is the present pastor, and counts on success only by wrestling with God as Jacob did.





REV. T. J. CARR

Pastor First African Baptist Church, 3rd and Quincy Sts.

The Colored Y. M. C. A.

The successful accomplishment of any important undertaking is always preceded by several direct or indirect attempts of a similar nature. Six years ago last February, Rev. G. W. Guy, a retired minister of the North Missouri conference, began to hold Sunday afternoon meetings at 429 Kansas Avenue. These meetings were intended to attract young men, and help to check the wave of criminality which was, at that time increasing at an alarming rate, to the detriment of our people. The meetings were successful and were indorsed by such men as Dr. T. J. McFarland, D. D. who was then pastor of the First M. E. Church, corner of Sixth and Harrison Streets, and Prof. F. W. Ellis at that time Dean of Washburn College and Instructor in Ethics and Psychology at the same institution. Later the meetings were transferred to the Industrial Institute, which was located in the southern part of the city. For two years the meetings flourished and were the source of much good to the community. The annual visits of Mr. R. C. Bedford, Traveling Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Tuskegee Institute were made occasions for special rallies for these meetings. When the Industrial Institute moved to its present location, 3 miles east of the city, meetings were temporarily abandoned. In the winter of the same year Mr. W. C. Evans and Mr. Mitchell of the Central Y. M. C. A. and others visited the several colored churches and made an effective appeal for the young men to meet and organize a Bible class. The meetings were well attended; to such an extent that the following year service were held on Sunday afternoons also. The interest in the movement increased until in the spring of the following year, the present colored department of the Y. M. C. A. was organized by Mr. J. E. Moreland of Washington D. C., national



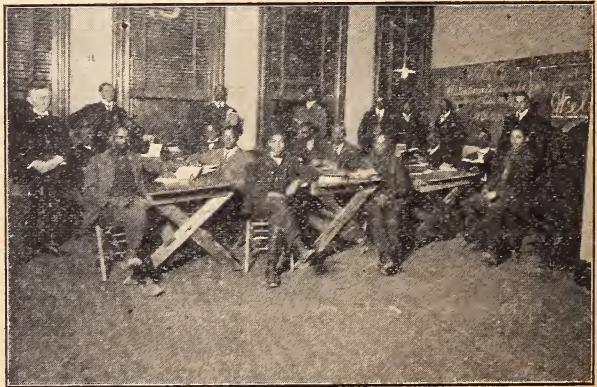
Y. M. C. A. Ladies Auxilliary

secretary of the Y. M. C. A. When the colored Masons purchased their present building at 402 and 404 Kansas avenue, the association leased the south half of the second floor, and remodeled it to suit the purposes of the organization. Since this time the growth of the department has been healthy and rapid, the work in the night school being especially helpful to those who avail themselves of the opportunity to attend. Last fall it became imperative to enlarge the scope of work. Accordingly, on the occasion of a visit by Mr. Moreland, it was decided to add the Physical Training department to the work.

Thirty solicitors were assigned to as many districts of the city, and in five days \$1004.00 was secured in pledges. This money was collected, the gymnasium equipped and on February 20th of this year the new department was opened to the members. Of the money raised for this branch of the work two-thirds of it was donated by the colored members and friends of the organization. Too much praise cannot be given to Dr. Wm. E. Jackson and Mr. Robert DeFrantz for their untiring zeal and sacrifice, which has been responsible as much as anything else for the success of the movement.



Y. M. C. A. Night Class in Business Course



Y. M. C. A. Night School in Elementary School Branches

Public Schools.

The thirst of the colored man for an education is unquenchable. It is safe to say that no other race has attended school more faithfully under so unfavorable conditions as he. That he has seemed so slow in applying himself in a practical way to gaining a livelihood, along all lines of usefulness is not a result of over-education, as is often believed, but caused by one sided education.

In Topeka, we are gradually learning to make a living by applying our knowledge and trained intellects to other, as well as professional pursuits. The standard of citizenship of our colored population is above that of the average city. There cannot be any doubt but that this is due largely to the liberal advantages which the public schools of this city have offered us in the grade and High school, together with the excellent quality of work done by the teachers.

Political Life.

There has always been an unusual amount of interest taken by our people in the political affairs of this city and county. It is the concensus of opinion that the influence we exert in this direction is not as strong at present as it was in former years. We all differ as to the cause for this. Whatever the cause, it is for us to decide whether present conditions will become better or worse. We must create conditions which will be favorable to our individual and collective interests. We should know by this time, that regardless of our complaining, the present state of affairs will not cease, but will increase, if we do not control a larger share of the material resources of the county. Complaining will not create conditions. If we feel responsible for our bearing on the citizenship of the community, then it is our duty to unite our effort in a direction which will be the most effective in changing conditions.



J. H. Guy's Residence

Looking Backwards

The migration of our people to this State, which we made mention of in a preceding paragraph, began in the year 1879 and continued until the close of the year 1880. As a result of this migration, the State had 40,000 more people added to its population. These people gained possession of a considerable amount of land. A few years later the great boom opened. In spite of the great slump in real estate caused by the breaking of the boom, we have held in our possession and have acquired a good per cent of the real estate of the State. We do not wish to leave the impression that our condition is by any means what it could have been, nor do we mean we are contented with the results. Worry and complaining will accomplish nothing. It is our belief that by taking things as we find them and doing our best under the circumstances we can accomplish far more than by any amount of idle complaining and fault-finding.

All over the State, and especially here in Topeka, the propensity for acquiring property and engaging in business is growing. The habits of thrift and economy are becoming more prevalent. Self-reliance in our ability to conduct business and make it pay is stronger, because of our past successes. There is no doubt but that we are on the verge of one of the most prosperous times ever witnessed by colored people. The opportunity is waiting. It is for us to say whether we will allow it to escape.

In early days, our people, feeling the need of a church, would call a meeting and organized one. I have not heard of a church being organized without the endorsement and support of at least one sinner. The same is true of our schools. After slavery, our uneducated parents felt the need of schools for their children. In my mind there is not the least doubt but that the liberal support which the white man has given to the education of our people has been largely inspired by the intense interest our foreparents took in seeing us receive an education. What is true of us in the religious and intellectual world is true in the business world. There is no longer that thickness of comprehension of the needs and relations of the material things in life to the spiritual and intellectual. We are slowly realizing that we do not need to be in poverty and filth to be a Christian. We are also realizing that it is possible for a rich man to get to heaven, as well, and sometimes a little better, than a poor man. It is just as essential that we have the support of our people who are not in business in our League work as it was that the non-Christian man help us in our church work. It is also as essential that we shall be able to draw the support of the white people to us in our business undertakings by the interest our people not engaged in business have in our success, as it is that we draw support for our schools.

Our Bearing On Citizenship.

After all that is true—and not true, for that matter—has been said as to our progress along the various lines of business, we must face the cold and scrutinizing gaze of a critical public and receive its verdict on the good or bad manner in which we have performed our work. If perchance we are able to deceive the public by a false representation, sooner, or later our very character will speak out in no uncertain tone, and disclose to the world our real condition. We should reflect seriously on our past history and examine closely our present situation. If it is not such as would reflect credit at close inspection, the least thing we can do is to make good while we have the opportunity.

If an antagonistic wave should for some reason sweep over our city, threatening to rob us of many just and necessary advantages and privileges, would the white business men, who at all times are influenced in their actions solely from a chance of loss or gain, feel that they would suffer financially from the loss of our patronage, to an extent that would cause them to decide they could not take sides against us? Does our business character work to our advantage? Has our method of conducting business strengthened the confidence of the whites in the capability of the colored man to do something besides menial labor? Is there any advantage in our organizing for mutual assistance in commercial and financial undertakings?

The Topeka Colored Business League.

The first attempts at organization by the colored business men in Topeka was directly prompted by a desire to create a fund large enough to make it possible for those interested to meet the competition of the large up-town retail stores, in selling goods. It was intended to use this fund in buying large quantities of certain articles of merchandise, thereby getting the same price as the large competitor. This plan never materialized. Later weekly meetings were held in South Topeka for the purpose of discussing various phases of all business subjects. These meetings proved beneficial for a while, but finally the interest waned because everyone had talked himself out. Besides, there was not any outline of work for the body to follow or any specific purpose in meeting. Afterwards several spasmodic attempts at organization were made, until in the spring of 1904 a meeting was called by Mr. Clay Odell, Mr. J. H.



Colored Masonic Hall, 404-406 Kansas Ave.

Childers and Dr. Briscoe (deceased), at Stonestreet & Hamilton's undertaking establishment, for the purpose of making an effort to secure the 1905 meeting of the National Negro Business League for Topeka. These meetings flourished until it was found that funds could not be raised with which to send a delegate to Indianapolis to ask for the meeting. Feeling that it was a serious mistake to not send a representative to this meeting, the writer at his personal expense (excepting \$2.00 received from Mr. J. M. Wright and a similar amount from Dr. O. A. Taylor) went to Indianapolis and asked for the meeting, in behalf of Topeka. He was of course, unsuccessful. The following year he was instrumental in having Mr. J. M. Wright assigned for a paper on the program of the New York meeting of the National Negro Business League. At this time he took a delegation with us to New York and made a strong fight for the meeting, but was again unsuccessful.

In the fall of the same year the local League was reorganized and an outline of work mapped for the coming year, for we had been convinced that the best results could only be obtained by uniting and concentrating our efforts in an intelligent direction. To accomplish this in addition to the regular committees twelve bureaus were created, with special work assigned to each. This year we obtained better results in the League work. The most successful event of this year's work was the open meeting on June 28th, 1906, at which time Mr. Theodore W. Jones, one of the most successful business men in the country, and a member of the executive committee of the National Negro Business League, was present and addressed the members and citizens of the city. The good effects of Mr. Jones' visit and address are strongly felt today and he will always be remembered and welcomed in Topeka.

One fact it would be well to impress on the minds of the reader, and that is the efforts to form a Business League in Topeka was made necessary, first because there was not a colored bank in the city where men whose integrity and honesty as well as ability as business men was not questioned could secure the amount of accommodation necessary for them to successfully compete with other men in their respective lines of business. We contend that we must have a good bank, and can support one. It is our intention to not stop until the colored people have a substantial bank established in this city.

In the summer of 1906 we were successful in securing two representatives for the program of the National Negro Business League from Kansas for the Atlanta meeting. They were Mr. Charles Whitney, a contractor, of Topeka, and Mr. Foster Williams, a merchant, of Coffeyville. At this meeting through a determined fight by the writer (the only representative from Kansas present at the Atlanta meeting) assisted by many of his influential friends, among whom were Mr. T. W. Jones of Chicago, Mr. J. E. Bush and Judge M. W. Gibbs of Little Rock, Ark.; Dr. S. A. Furniss and Hon. D. D. Knox of Indianapolis, Hon. T. T. Fortune of New Jersey, Rev. W. R. Pettiford of Alabama, Hon. M. M. Lewey of Florida, Mr. Chas. Banks of Mississippi, Mr. Fred R. Moore and Mr. P. A. Payton, Jr., of New York; Mr. F. D. Patterson of Ohio, Mr. J. C. Jackson of Kentucky, Mr. J. C. Napier of Tennessee, Dr. S. G. Elbert of Delaware, and many others, the place of meeting for the eighth annual session of the National Negro Business League was decided in favor of Topeka.

The Coming of the National Negro Business League.

We feel that nothing more appropriate can be said of the coming of the National Negro Business League to our western city than has been expressed in the following circular, issued by our local Business League. The circular was prepared and published by the members of the advertising committee composed of the following distinguished gentlemen: Chairman, Jas. H. Guy; Secretary, Rev. C. G. Fishback, B. D.; Rev. J. E. Edwards, D. D.; Hon. John H. B. Taylor, and Prof. F. Roundtree.

The National Negro Business League, of which Booker T. Washington is President, will hold its eighth annual session in Topeka, Kansas, this year, the dates having been fixed for August 14th, 15th and 16th.

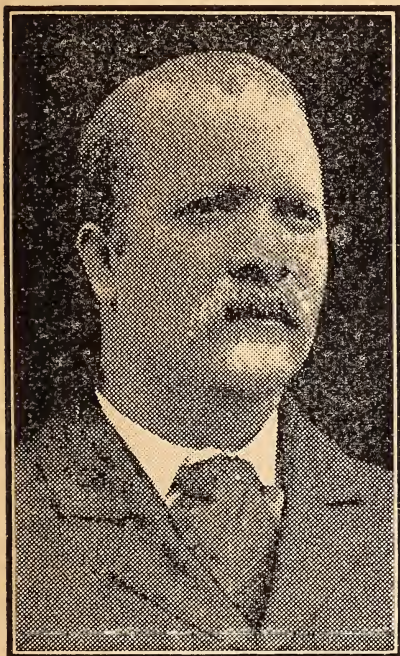
It is the first time in the history of the organization that it has seen fit to hold a session so far west as Kansas.

This League, as is generally known, is composed of many of the best, most influential and industrious men and women of the race, and we may say that

in a large measure, represents the wealth, business acumen and intelligence of the race. And when we say intelligence, we do not mean to confine the terms to literary attainments, but we mean that class of men and women who do things, who accomplish something for themselves, and are a living and practical example to the commercial and business world that could well be emulated. Men and women of every livelihood are represented in this great con-course of industry that is soon to invade, for the first time, the broad and inviting plains of historic Kansas.

Largely the majority of those attending will come from the North, East and South; some as delegates, and many as friends of the League who will make the trip to see the West as a matter of curiosity and personal pleasure. The attendance will be large, we dare say the largest in the history of the League in point of delegates enrolled.

What will the West do? To what extent will we contribute to this splendid galaxy of the commercial and business world? Is it not the most opportune



J. E. BUSH

**Member Executive Committee
National Negro Business League**



MR. EMMETT J. SCOTT
**Secretary National Negro Business
League**

moment to place ourselves favorably before those of the more distant parts, who are soon to become our guests?

It will be a splendid opportunity for the North, South, East and West to touch the cord of common brotherhood and for three days drink from the same fountains that will be filled with the lessons of economy, thrift and industry. There has never been a time in the history of this Republic when there was a greater necessity for a common understanding; an understanding as to the best methods of making a life worth living. Of making a life not only commendable to ourselves or one's own country, but to the world.

The program for this session will be ripe with seed thoughts, thoughts which when once dropped will take root and send forth an hundred fold. The

benefits to be derived from this meeting, especially to the West, are incalculable. The opportunity will not, unless we begin at once to look, be seen until it is past.

To the end, therefore, that we in the West especially may be able to grasp and hold all the benefits that are to be derived from the meeting, it is urged that in each community (city and country alike), Leagues—Business Men's Leagues—be organized and delegates elected at once to attend this meeting, and that all business men and women put forth every possible effort to be in attendance and hear the program.

The committee on transportation is assured of a rate of not over one and one-third fares for the round trip for the benefit of those who may avail themselves of the opportunity.

Topeka most heartily extends to all her warmest and best right hand. The necessary committees have been appointed and ample accommodations for all will be provided. A most hearty reception will be extended.

City Federation of Clubs (Women).

A. B. O. U. T. Club—Miss Hattie Harper, Pres.
Arden Club—C. F. Clinkscale, Pres.; Mrs. D. H. Watkins, Secy.
Athenean Club—Mrs. A. Weatherly, Pres.; Mrs. R. Williams, Secy.
Autumn Leaf Club.
Coterie Club—Mrs. E. M. Guy, Pres.; Mrs. O. A. Taylor, Secy.
Dumas Club—Mrs. P. Tolbert, Pres.; Mrs. M. Oliver, Secy.
Excelsior Club—Mrs. L. Jordon, Pres.; Mrs. J. Barker, Secy.
Golden Rod Club—Miss L. B. Ford, Pres.; Mrs. M. Caldwell, Secy.
Imperial Art Club—
Mothers' Congress—Mrs. R. H. Wade, Pres.; Miss M. J. Jordon, Secy.
Ne Plus Ultra Club—Mrs. J. Smith, Pres.; Mrs. R. McCarroll, Secy.
Oriental Club—Mrs. M. Carson, Pres.
Orphans' Home—Mrs. S. Tellas, Pres.; Mrs. J. B. Roundtree, Secy.

Clubs—Social, Literary, Etc.

Cosmopolitan Club—J. H. Guy, Pres.; F. Roundtree, Secy.
Ivy Club—J. H. Childers, Pres.
Ladies' Guild of St. Simon Church—Mrs. J. H. Guy, Pres.; Mrs. F. E. Buckner, Secy.
Oak Leaf Club—
Pleasant Hour Literary Society—Dr. W. W. Caldwell, Pres.; Miss G. A. Watkins, Secy.

Libraries.

Sheldon's—Tennessee Town Public Library.

Insurance Companies.

Knights and Ladies of the Orient—J. M. Wright, President; P. C. Dyer, Vice-President; A. S. Thomas, National Secretary; F. S. Thomas, National Treas.
Topeka Council No. 1—N. Sawyer, President; E. Ridley, Secy.
Knights and Ladies of Protection—J. Mason, National President; P. C. Thomas, National Secretary; J. G. Groves, National Treasurer.
Topeka Council No. 1.—

Masonic.

Euclid Lodge No. 2—Chartered November 15, 1876.
Mount Moriah Lodge No. 5—Chartered March 10, 1880.
Kaw Valley Lodge No. 18—
Lincoln Chapter No. 2—Chartered August 7, 1880.
Cyrene Commandery No. 3—Warranted October 29, 1894.
Xerxes Council No. 9, Royal and Select Masters—Chartered April 20, 1889.
Seville Consistory No. 6, A. A. S. R.—Chartered April 9, 1893.
Oriental Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.—Chartered April 7, 1897.

Ladies Orders.

Bethany Chapter No. 8, O. E. S.
Myra Chapter No. 5, O. E. S.
Rebecca Chapter No. 8.

Grand United Order of Odd Fellows.

Exodus Lodge No. 2034—Chartered December 1, 1878.
Patriarch Council No. 105.
Shawnee Lodge No. 1923—Chartered September 13, 1874.

Ladies' Order.

Household of Ruth No. 166—Chartered March 8, 1880.

Knights of Labor.

Sunnyside Temple No. 59.

Knights of Pythias.

Excelsior Lodge No. 3—Chartered October 24, 1893.

Daughters of Calanthe.

Prince Albert Court No. 85.

Benevolent.

First Grand Independent Benevolent Society.
The First Union Benevolent Lodge of North Topeka.
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Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria.
Macedonia Lodge No. 9—Chartered June 3, 1897.

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United Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World No. 55.

PARKS.

Central Park—Between 13th and 15th Streets, east of Clay St.
City Park—Bounded by the Kaw River, Kansas Ave., Crane and Harrison Sts.
Chesney Park—Between 18th and 19th Sts., Buchan and Lincoln.
Gage's Park—Three miles west of city on West 10th St.
Holliday Park—Bounded by 12th, Taylor and Western Ave.
Huntoon Park—Bounded by 12th St., Topeka Ave. and Huntoon St.
Garfield Park—North of the City.
Vinewood Park—Six miles east of the City.
Wilson's Summer Garden—East of City, on Parkdale Street car line.
Places of Interest for Strangers to Visit.
Bethany College—Bounded by 8th and 10th Aves., Polk St. and Western Ave.
Burnett's Mound—Five miles southwest of City.
Governor's Mansion—Corner 8th Ave. and Buchanan St.
Government Building—Corner 5th and Kansas Ave.
Reform School for Boys—One and one-half miles north of City.
Santa Fe Hospital—Corner of E. 6th and Adams St.

Santa Fe General Offices—Corner 9th and Jackson Sts.
Santa Fe Shops—Northeast of the City.
State Capitol—Bounded by 8th and 10th Aves., Jackson and Harrison Sts.
State Insane Asylum—Northwest of City.
Topeka Industrial Institute—Three miles east of City.
Washburn College—Southwest of City.

City Officers.

Deputy City Marshal—Mr. C. C. Lytle.
Assistant Surveyor—Mr. Robert De Frantz.
Sanitary Police—Mr. S. W. Pasker.
Dog Catchers—Mr. W. Core, Mr. Peter Davis.

County Officers.

Deputy County Attorney—Hon. W. I. Jamison.
Deputy County Treasurer—Hon. J. M. Wright.
Deputy County Sheriff—Hon. H. I. Monroe.

Mail Carriers.

Mr. A. P. Smith.

Mail Clerks.

Mr. Isiah Lizenby.

Mr. J. Kuykendall.

Clerk U. S. Weather Bureau.

Mr. B. J. Walker.

Officers Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A.

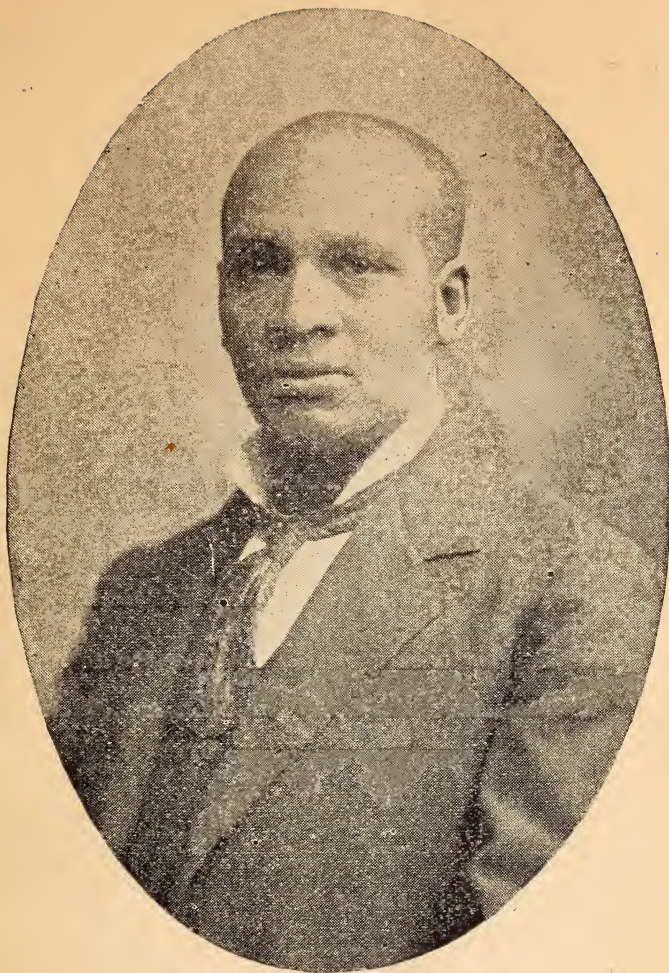
Mrs. Dora Watkins, Pres.

Mrs. J. H. Guy Treas.

Mrs. E. Montgomery, Secy.



Lee's Drug Store, 921 Kansas Ave.



JAMES HENRY GUY.

Mr. Guy is a native of Ohio and secured his education in the Union School of that state and his college training at West Geneva, where by the direction of his parents he was prepared for the ministry. After leaving college he taught school for two years, and then became a student at law in the office of the Honorable William Lawrence, LL.D., of Bellefountaine, Ohio. Mr. Guy enjoys the rare distinction of being the first colored person to be admitted to the practice of law by the Supreme Court of his native state. He came to Kansas in 1885, locating at Topeka. In the practice of his profession he has met with more than ordinary success. He served four years as deputy prosecuting attorney of the County of Shawnee and assisted in the prosecution of the famous Collins case, which is considered to have been the most interesting murder trial in the history of the state.

Mr. Guy stands high with the members of his profession, and is the paid attorney of several fraternal and business concerns. He is a member of and senior warden in the Episcopal church, and is also prominent in social circles. He is a forceful and logical debater, and takes an active part in political and all public matters pertaining to the race.

A. M. THOMAS, LAWYER.

Mr. Thomas was born in the state of Missouri, Boone county, May 10, 1861. He attended the public schools of his state, and went to Ann Arbor, Mich., where he entered the school of law, from which he graduated in June, 1887. He opened his office in August of the same year in this city, where he has practiced ever since. His practice at times extends to every court of the state. Mr. Thomas is a Past Master of the Euclid Masonic Lodge No. 2, of this city, and is serving his second term as district deputy of the Grand Lodge of Kansas. He has also been actively engaged in the Commandery of the state, and in the Cyrene Commandery crack drill team of Kansas and Nebraska. In his profession, Mr. Thomas is considered as one of the best read members in the city.

Mrs. L. H. Slaughter was born in Montgomery county, Tennessee. She came to Kansas when a little girl with her parents. Her father bought a house and three lots on First street between Jackson and Van Buren streets. He with the help of his good wife, built two other houses, when the Rock Island railroad bought him out. He then bought 34 lots on Grand avenue in Lowman Hill. From this place Mrs. Slaughter was married to L. H. Slaughter. Three children were born to them. About a year ago a Mrs. Nance came to Topeka and taught a class in millinery, to which class Mrs. Slaughter belonged. She worked hard night and day, trying to learn all that was to be known about the trade, for she worried much about her three daughters, of what they could get to do when grown up, knowing the chances for the colored girls to learn trades were very scarce. She opened a shop on July 15, 1906, in one side of a tailoring and cleaning shop, until she was able to secure another location. She had only \$50 to open with. This she had saved. She made one dozen hats, and bought a few flowers, braids and feathers in addition to the little furniture for the shop at the time. She staid there two months and a half, then moved on the 1st of November to the present stand, 431 Kansas avenue. Last fall she put in a \$500-stock and does not owe a dollar on it so you see what a person can do if they try. This spring she has enlarged the store, had a large wall case built and expects to do a much larger business than last spring. She also expects to put in a massage and shampoo parlor.



HENRY I. MONROE.

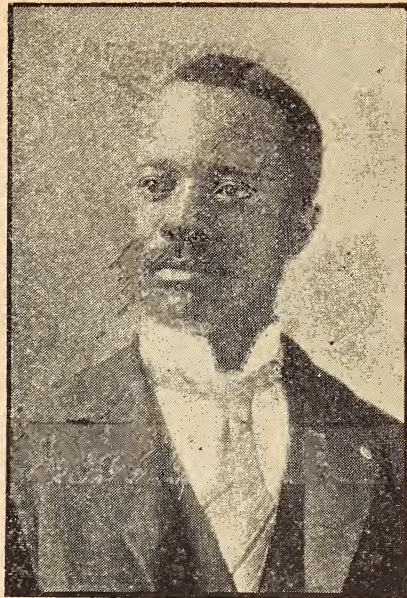
Henry Monroe was born in the state of Tennessee. He came to Kansas when five years of age. One year later he entered the public schools and received instructions in the common branches. His parents were poor and he was thrown on his own resources at an unusually early age. He did all kinds of common labor, and for this reason was unable to go as far in school as he desired. Similar reasons are so often given by shiftless people as a cause for not having made much progress in school that in justice to Mr. Monroe we wish to impress on the reader that this was not so in his case. The best proof of this is the fact that he entered the Industrial School as late as five years ago, and finished the Commercial and Business course. Shiftless men never make such a sacrifice after taking on themselves the obligations of mar-

ried life. In the year of 1898 he was appointed deputy in the county treasurer's office and held this position until four years ago, when he was appointed deputy county clerk. He filled this position ably, being credited as one of the most efficient assistants who has held the office. He was a strong candidate for county clerk last spring. His defeat was, and is yet, the cause of much bitterness on the part of his host of friends, both white and colored. Last fall Mr. Monroe was appointed deputy sheriff of Shawnee county by Sheriff Wilkerson. Mr. Monroe is a member of the Shiloh Baptist Church and choir. He is a member of the Masonic lodge, the Knights of Pythias, and the I. B. P. O. Elks No. 55. Mr. Monroe is one of the most reliable and strongest men of the city in his loyalty to all movements which are of real benefit to the local interests of the colored people.

DR. OLIVER A. TAYLOR.

Dr. Taylor was born in Leavenworth Kansas, over 35 years ago. He spent his early boyhood at home, and finished the public schools of Leavenworth. He entered Maharry Medical college and graduated from there in 1894. He practiced in Macon, Mo., for four years, and where he enjoyed a lucrative practice. He came to Topeka in August, 1898 seeking a larger field of work. He married Miss I. B. Harlan in April, 1895.

Dr. Taylor's marvelous success in Topeka has inspired several young men to take courage and study medicine. He is a member of the Topeka Medical association and the Kansas Medical society. He is accorded the best of treatment and courtesy by the white members of his profession and is recognized as one of the best physicians in the city. The Doctor owns a handsome home at 1535 Van Buren street, as well as other residence property. He is one of the most popular men in the city.



Local Negro Business Men's League

President, Ira O. Guy.
 Vice President, E. Ridley.
 Secretary, F. Roundtree.
 Treasurer, G. W. Hamilton.

COMMITTEES.

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F. Roundtree.
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Miss Lena Thompson, Chairman.
 Frank Wilson.

James Brown.
James Clayborn.
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Ira O. Guy.
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A. M. Thomas.
G. W. Hamilton.
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Prof. S. G. Watkins.
R. N. Turner.

Topeka and It's Environments

Churches.

Second Baptist, corner 3d and Quincy.
Pastor. Rev. T. J. Carr, D.D.
Third Baptist, 12th and Washington.
Rev. H. W. Bell, Pastor.
Central Baptist, North Jackson St.
Rev. H. H. White D.D., Pastor.
Shiloh Baptist, 12th and Buchanan.
Rev. C. G. Fishback, D.D., Pastor.
W. T. McKnight, Supt. S. S. Capt.
Wm. Reynolds, Chorister.
Mt. Olive, Kious and N. Topeka Ave.
Primitive Baptists, King and Buchanan.
Mt. Hope Baptist.

Christian.

Second Christian, corner West and 12th. Rev. B. C. Duke, Pastor.

Episcopal.

St. Simon the Cyrenian Mission, 7th and Western Ave. Rev. Father Henry B. Brown, D.D.

Methodist.

Asbury M. E., 837 N. Van Buren.
Rev. D. Smith, Pastor.
Mt. Olive M. E., 12th and Buchanan.
Rev. McFarland.
Brown Chapel A. M. E., 1205 Washington Ave. Pulpit vacant by recent death of Pastor, Rev. Gamble.
St. John A. M. E., corner 7th and Topeka Ave. Rev. J. E. Edwards, D.D., Pastor. Prof. R. Wade, Supt. S. S. Miss Mary Jodran, Chorister.

St. Mark A. M. E. Church. Rev. House-ly, Pastor.
Lane Chapel, 14th and Van Buren.
Rev. Norris, Pastor.

Presbyterian.

Second Cumberland Presbyterian, 210 E. 13th St. Rev. Nicolson, Pastor.
G. A. Bigbee, Supt. S. S. Mr. Price Thomas, Chorister.
Y. M. C. A. (Colored Dept.). Dr. W. E. Jackson, President. Mr. Robert De Frantz, Secretary.

TEACHERS OF SCHOOLS. CITY.

Buchanan School.

Prof. C. F. Clinkendale, Principal.
Miss Effie Burge.
Miss Belle Fort.
Mr. Gaitha Page.

Lane School.

Prof. S. G. Watkins, Principal.
Mrs. Minta G. Beck Caldwell.
Miss Hester G. Hawkins.
Miss Mary B. Patterson.
Hardiman.

Lowman Hill School.

Mrs. Mollie Langston, Principal.
Miss Lela B. Ford.

Madison School.

Prof. Reuben F. Wade, Principal.
Mrs. Sadie R. McLean.
Prof. Nathaniel Sawyer.
Miss Inez Wood.

Monroe School.

Prof. Frederick Roundtree, Principal.
Miss Bessie Hawkins.
Miss Willa Merriweather.
Miss Maggie Foster.
Miss Cyrene Smith.

Washington School.

Prof. J. L. Harrison, Principal.
Mrs. W. I. Jamison.
Miss Lillian Jeltz.
Prof. Ezekiel Ridley.

Industrial Institute.

Prof. Wm. R. Carter, Principal.
D. W. Howard, Business Manager.

INSTRUCTORS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Business—Prof. William Johnson.
Carpentry—J. R. Langdon.
Domestic Science—Miss Agnes Rowley.
Elocution—Mrs. Fannie Moten.
Farming—Mr. Murray.

Millinery—Miss Jennie Ballentine.
Music—Miss E. James.
Printing—Prof. M. W. Freeman.
Sewing—Miss A. Watkins.
Tailoring—Mr. James Brock.

Y. M. C. A. (Colored Dept.) Night School.

Common School Branches—Prof. E. Ridley, Principal.
Prof. R. F. Wade, Assistant.
Commercial and Business Course—John M. Wright, Instructor.
Physical Culture (Gymnasium)—Dr. W. W. Caldwell.
Prof. G. A. Page.
Mr. F. De Frantz.
Spanish—Major John M. Brown.

Counselors-at-Law.

Guy, James H., 429 Kansas Ave.
Jamison, Wesley I., Deputy County Attorney, County Court House.
Jones, Paul, West 14th St.
Thomas, A. M., 413 Kansas Ave.

Ministers of the Gospel.

Bell, Rev.
Baker, Rev. R. P.
Brown, Rev. Father Henry B., 516 Taylor St.
Burton, Rev. J. S., King and Buchanan Streets.
Carr, Rev. T. J., 3d and Quincy St.
Crockett, Rev. J., 429 Kansas Ave.
Duke, Rev. B. C., 1221 Buchanan St.
Edwards, Rev. J. E., 511 W. 7th St.
Fishback, Rev. C. G., 1201 W. 12th St.
Housley, Rev., St. Marks.
Hart, Rev. G. W.
King, Rev. H. W., 1312 Monroe St.
Little, Rev. A. R., 1029 Grand Ave.
Nicholson, Rev.
Norris, Rev., 1330 Van Buren St.
Olden, Rev. G. D., 201 Jackson St.
Parks, Rev.
Ransom, Rev. J. R., 1726 Topeka Ave.
Smith, Rev. O.
South, Rev., Presiding Elder.
White, Rev. G. W.

Physicians and Surgeons.

Caldwell, Dr. W. W., 921 Kansas Ave.
Jackson, Dr. Wm. E., 404 Kansas Ave.
Jamison, Dr. J. M., 327 Madison St.
Shields, Dr. I. A., 1331 Van Buren St.
Taylor, Dr. Oliver A., 921 Kansas Ave.

BUSINESS HOUSES.

Bakeries.

Thompson, Miss Lena, 1231 Kans. Ave.

Barber Shops.

Caldwell, W., 115 W. 7th St.
Carter, J., 1025 Kansas Ave.
Johns & Alexander, 931 Kansas Ave.
Lytle, C. C., 105 W. 5th St.
Lytle, C. C., 1003 Kansas Ave.
McCarroll, 109 W. 7th St.
Moody, P., 921 N. Kansas Ave.
White, Henry D., 110 Kansas Ave.

Blacksmiths.

Stevens, W. B. St.
Trotter, Sherman, N. Topeka Ave. and
Gordon St.

Cafes.

Allen, 1003 Kansas Ave.
Bailey, Mrs. W. J., 107 E. 7th St.
Bennett, Otto, 117 E. 4th St.
Charles, Dupree, 108 Kansas Ave.
Dupree, Andrew, 116½ Kansas Ave.
Howard's Cafe, 118 Kansas Ave.
Henderson's Cafe, 108 Kansas Ave.
Penwell & Wilson, 105 W. 5th St.
Rock Island Cafe, 102 Kansas Ave.
Williams' Cafe, 119 Kansas Ave.
Wilson's Cafe, 19 Holiday St.

Coal and Feed.

Coleman, J. G., 116 N. Kansas Ave.
Davis, Peter, 15th and Monroe St.
Hale, Wesley, 13th and Monroe St.
Pottinger, J. E., 8th and Hancock St.

Drug Stores.

Capital Pharmacy, 324 Kansas Ave.
Lee's Drug Store, 921 Kansas Ave.

Grocers.

Berry, J., 519 N. Kansas Ave.
Bigbee, G. A., 13th and Quincy St.
Boudre, J., 1731 Kansas av.
Brown, W. B., 1169 Buchanan St.
Chiles, John, 1201 Washington Ave.
Ferguson, J. M., 15th and Quincy St.
Guy Brothers, 311 W. 14th St.
King, Mrs. J. H., 615 E. 10th St.
Odell, Clay, 1301-1303 Kansas Ave.
Overton, M. W., 907 N. Western Ave.
Quarles, W. M., 512 W. B St.
Thompson & Morton, 2001 W. 10th St.
Stillie, John, 1187 Lincoln St.
Scales, W., 1st and Monroe St.

Hotels.

Bailey House, 217 E. 7th St.
Potter's House, Mrs. M. Adams, 323
Kansas Ave.
Slaughters, Mrs. Ellen, 14th and Mon-
roe St.
Commercial Hotel.

Insurance Companies.

Knights and Ladies of the Orient, 501
Kansas Ave.
Knights and Ladies of Protection, 115
W. 5th St.

Laundries.

Capital Hand Laundry, 109 E. 3d St.
Wilson's Home Laundry, 612 E. 4th.

Milliner.

Slaughter, Mrs. L. H., 431 Kans. Ave.

Newspapers.

The Topeka Plaindealer, N. Chiles,
Editor and Manager.
The Watchman, 115 E. 5th St., J. H.
Childers, Editor; P. C. Thomas, Mgr.

Tailors, Cleaners and Dyers.

Bradford, Geo. Glenwood Pantatorium,
105 W. 4th St.
Bradshaw, J., Tailor, 407 Kansas Ave.
Martin & Brown, Pantatorium, 115 W.
7th St.
Moore, J. W., 931 Kansas Ave.

Pool Halls.

Bradshaw, C., 115 W. 5th St.
Moody, R., 112 Kansas Ave.
Vaughn & Oliver, 402 Kansas Ave.

Photographers.

Lucas, W. H., 123 Kansas Ave.
Slaughter, L. H., 431 Kansas Ave.

Painters and Paper Hangers.

Buckner, Mrs. F., W. 8th St.
Long, H. G., Morris Ave.
Sanderson, Oscar A., 1180 West St.

Second Hand Stores.

Rock Island Second Hand Store, 112
Kansas Ave.

Upholsterers.

Grandpree, L., 28 Taylor St.

Undertakers.

Stonestreet & Hamilton, 7th and Quin-
cy St.

Wall Paper.

Buckner, Mrs. F., 918 W. 8th St.

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Harris, Mr. Arthur.
Spotts, Mr. A. S.

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Rhymes, Tales and Rhyme Tales.

Buckner, John W., Poet.
 Fishback, Rev. C. G. Author of The
 Uncrowned Queen.

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 Whitney, C. A.

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Buckner, Robert.
 Buckner, W. W.



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 Hawkins, Charles.
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 Martin, Robert.
 Stewart, Chas.

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 Bryant, Mrs. M.
 Clark, Mrs.

Dyer, Mrs. M. M.
 Harris, Miss Lulu.
 Jordon, Miss Mary.
 Page, Miss Minnie.
 Ransom, Mrs. Helen.
 Shields, Miss.
 Solomon, Miss Gertrude.
 Stewart, Mrs. Lenis.
 Young, Mrs. M.

Fruit Farms.

Brown, Major John M.

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 Bolden, Montgomery.
 Bryant, Henry.
 Chiles, David.
 Chinn, Ernest.
 Cooper, W. C.
 Davis, John.
 Davis, James.
 Davis, William.
 De Moss, Isaac.
 De Moss, Henry.
 Fort, Benjamin.
 Fort Frank.
 Holt, James.
 James, Albert.
 James, John.
 Jamison, H.
 Keith, Robert.
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 Mimms, J.
 Parks, Jas.
 Patterson, Tyree.
 Powers, Jesse.
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 Smith, Wallace.
 Smith, Jason.
 Smith, Rockstin.
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 Spotts, Peter.
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 Williams, Mrs. Wynder.
 Oden, Mr. P. E.

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Duke, B. C.

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 Coleman, Mrs. Jas., 711 W. 14th St.
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 Gaines, Mrs. E., 11th and Fillmore.
 Moss, Mrs. Geo.

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Ray, Dennis.

Hucksters.

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Core, William.
Dunn, R.
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Morton, Wm.
Ridley, Ezekiel.
Roundtree, Frederick.
Sawyer, Nathaniel.
Spotts.

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Buckner, Mrs. Frances.
Long, Clarence.
Sanderson, Oscar.
Washington, Victor.
Overr, Sherman.
Hardison, Samuel.

Plasterers.

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McCoy, William.
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Spaulding, Jackson.
Spaulding, Albert.
Spires, Henry.
Wade, Albert.

Plumbers and Gas Fitters.

Shields, W.
Thompson, D. W.
Turner, R.

Printers.

Dorsey, J. W.
Harris, Arthur.
Simms, Harry.
Smith, Ira, foreman Topeka Plaindealer.
Solomon, William.
Wallace, A.
Percy, Miss.

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Taylor, J. H. B.

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Alexander, A., E. 4th St.
Fuel, H. Sr., 105 W 6th St.
Fuel, H. Jr.
Page, J. D., 924 Clay St.
Roberts, S.

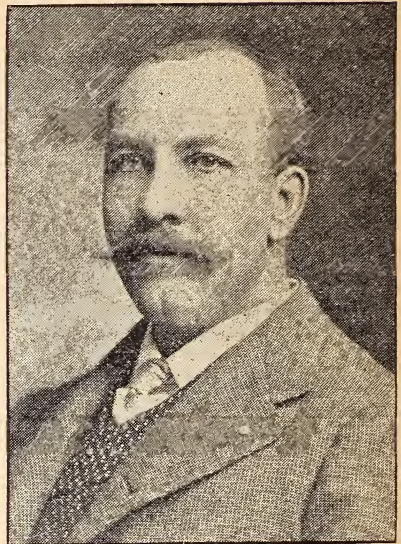
Stereotypers.

Hightower, Geo.

Stonemasons and Contractors.

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Benning, John.
Carrington, Abraham.
Chaney, Al.
Esteys, E.
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McKnight, W. T.
McNary.
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McNeal, Miss Lena.
Jones, Cora.
Brown, Russell.
Guy, R. D.
Chiles, Miss Annicholas.
Mosely, Flossie.

Tile and Mantel Setters.

Ransom, Wm.

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Eagleson, Frank.
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Davis, William, 80a.
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Oden, P. E., 40a.
Parks, James, 80a.
Stonestreet, Fred, 80a.
Terrell, Robert, 60a.
Turner Bros., 110a.
Vance, Frank and Edward, 460a.
Williams, Mr., 40a.
Wynder, Mr., 40a.
Washington, Henry.

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Topeka Choral Club, Ira O Guy, Dir.

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Brown, Pres.; J. H. Guy, V.-Pres.;
P. C. Thomas, Secy.
Lincoln Day Club, J. H. B. Taylor,
Pres.; C. C. Lytle, Secy.
Tennessee Town Protective Associa-
tion, O. H. Anderson, Pres.; P.
Davis, Secy.

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Captain, Mr. Louis Knott.
Lieutenant, Mr. Henry Washington.
Hoseman, Mr. George Sneed.
Hoseman, Mr. C. Meaux.

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES.

Athletic.

Young Men's Gun Club, E. S. Lee,
Pres.; V. Washington, Secy.
Johnson's Giants Baseball Club.
Whist Club, V. Washington, Pres.
Metropolitan Vaudeville Co., A. C.
Harris, Manager.

Business.

Topeka Colored Business League, I. O.
Guy, Pres.; F. Roundtree, Secy.;
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Charitable.

Colored Orphans' Home. Mrs. Tullis,
Pres.; Mrs. A. Roundtree, Secy.

Parks.

Mr. Frank Wilson, Prop. and Mgr.

Musical Organizations.

Bigbee's Juvenile Band, G. A. Big-
bee, Director.
Jackson's 23d Regiment Military Band,
Prof. G. W. Packson, Director; Mr.
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