

# THE BUCKEYE STATE

## CLEVELAND NEWS

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Cleveland, Ohio, May 6.—Full account of the P. W. A. style show and the Les Garris formal dancing party will appear in next week's Defender.

Mrs. Gertrude Lockhart of E. 55th St. continued to make a profit at Mt. Sinai hospital. Her husband arrived from New York to be at her bedside.

The national grand worthy guardian of the Al-rican Woodmen was banqueted by the officers of camps 3 and 10 at the home of Mrs. James Offer, E. 55th St. last week.

The East side has lost one of its most respected citizens by the death of Mrs. Mary Peters, 2185 E. 103d St. Mrs. Peters is a native of Toronto, Can., born in 1858. She leaves to mourn her demise two daughters, Mrs. Edna Peters of Cleveland and Mrs. Lauretta Peters Fowler of Detroit, Mich.; one son, Granville Peters of Cleveland; two sons-in-law, one daughter-in-law, five grandchildren and a host of friends. She was loved by all. It was never too late for Mother Peters to help care for the sick and needy. After the death of her husband, Andrew Peters, she moved to Cleveland and became a member of Cory M. E. church.

Ephraim Garrison, father of John Morrison, 2649 Central Ave., died very suddenly of acute indigestion and was buried from Willis chapel. His son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Devins of Woodlawn, Pa., were here to attend the funeral.

The funeral of William Lee, 2367 E. 63d St., took place from J. W. Willis funeral home last Saturday. A host of friends turned out to pay tribute.

## Society

One of the prettiest affairs of the post-Leuten season was the formal dancing party given by the Gnosth Seanton club at the Caterers' club on last Friday evening. Fifty couples were present in evening dress and danced to the music of Royal Ambassadors band No. 2, W. T. Blue, Jr., director. The ladies were beautifully gowned, reminding one of a miniature style show. After the dance the club members and their friends went to Pool's cafe on E. 55th St., where dinner was served. Members of this progressive club are Chester Bines, Elwood Glenn, Howard Evans, Milton Carnes, Ralph Hurks, Kenneth Green, Bert Simmons and Francis Gould. Miss Holmes and Brighton Ramsey of Akron were among the out-of-town guests.

The promising young 400 club is planning to make their debut in a short time. The exact date will be announced later. The meeting last week was held at the home of Ernest Carey. Charles Collins has joined the band of merry socialites. Miss Vivian Marie Alston, reporter.

The Idle Hour club met with Mrs. O. Walker, 2339 E. 105th St., April 29. The night being suggested for pleasure, we were highly entertained with music of all kinds by J. Stevenson. Our president gave an interesting talk on the club and entertained with funny stories and imitations all of which were thoroughly enjoyed. A hearty welcome was extended the guests, who included Mrs. G. Pueropoy of Bannessville, Br., Mrs. N. Walker and Miss M. Walker of this city. A lovely luncheon was served by the hostess. The evening was wonderfully enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. Rowland, 2275 E. 74th St., May 6. Officers: G. Barbour, president; Mrs. M. Walker, vice president; Mrs. J. Rowland, secretary; C. E. Wilson, treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Wilson, reporter.

The Optimistic club met last week with Mrs. Grace Williams, 2461 E. 56th St.

B. K. LeStone, 2525 Central Ave., general utility man for J. W. Willis & Co., funeral directors, is confined to his home with an attack of acute bronchitis, under the care of Dr. Oliver A. Taylor.

The Fortnightly club held a pleasant meeting with Mrs. Mamie Hawkins of 2338 E. 43d St. She served an elaborate luncheon and proved a charming hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Harris, formerly of Chicago and New York, and were called to Cleveland on account of their sister's illness, will remain here for an indefinite period. Their son Oswald is also here attending Fairmount junior high school.

Mrs. Charles Boyd of E. 56th St. delightfully entertained the Housekeepers Art and Study club, with the vice president, Mrs. B. Guinea, presiding. A very interesting talk on antique, modern and domestic exhibits for the benefit of St. James church was given by Mrs. Allie Jones. The club will have an art booth at the exhibit. Other visitors were Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Mac Day Letcher, Mrs. Susie Mathis, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. W. H. Gaines, Mrs. Allie Jones and Mrs. Della Boyd. A dainty luncheon was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mamie Early, 2186 E. 100th St., May 12. Mrs. J. L. Schooler, president; Mrs. Katie Irvine, secretary; Mrs. Mamie Early, reporter.

Mrs. Geraldine Smart Burks, one of our most popular nutrons, who took part in the P. W. A. style show, was quite stunning in the sport scene. She appeared in a three-piece combination suit of peach Canton crepe and brown velvet. The gray georgette she wore in the afternoon scene was purchased in New York. Mrs. Burks, the charming wife of Ralph Burks, is still receiving complimentary expressions from her admirers, she being one of the most nearly perfect models. Other attractive models will be mentioned in our next issue.

The Una Voca Art club met with Mrs. Alice Nash as hostess in a social session. Whist was played with much interest, with Mrs. Esther Mosley winner of the guest prize and Mrs. Marguerite Henry winner of the club prize. Mrs. Viola Chapman and Mrs. Esther Mosley were guests of the club. Mrs. Lillian Williams, president; Mrs. Charles Gardner, secretary; Mrs. Genevieve Hunt, reporter.

W. Dewey Wilkerson of the Osage tribe, Pawtaka, Okla., was in the city for the week-end on his way East, expecting to sail for Europe some time during the month. While here he was the guest of J. Walter Willis, Jr.

Leonard Ingram, formerly of Muskogee, Okla., but now of Chicago, was in the city last week in conference with his attorney, Mr. Chandler.

Mrs. Mary Beckwith, 12015 Woodland Ave., has returned from Beckley, W. Va., where she was called to the bedside of her daughter, who met with a serious auto accident.

Leola V. Jones, popular violinist, and Foster Collins motored to Youngstown and Detroit last week. They report a fine trip. Mr. Jones will sail for France about May 19, much to the regret of his many admirers.

The Golden Eagle Sunday school class banqueted the ladies of the Silver Star and Ruth classes of Cory Sunday school last Wednesday evening in the parlors of the church. Several other men and women were guests. Julius Johnson was toastmaster. W. H. King, general manager of the Anchor Life and Accident Insurance company, gave an inspirational address. S. L. Dennis, chairman of the social committee, deserves praise for the social success of the banquet. Officers of the Golden Eagle class are C. E. Robinson, president; William Glenn, teacher.

Joseph R. King, grand lecturer of the F. A. and A. M., was in Lima, Ohio, for the week-end and in East Liverpool Tuesday of this week.

The Junior Federation of Colored

Women's clubs, was to meet this week Thursday, at the P. W. A. from 5:30 to 6:30. Mrs. Gertrude Fisher, suppl.; Alice Green, president; Dorothy Fisher, vice president; Julia Gants, secretary.

The Coterie club was royally entertained April 26, at the home of Mrs. Catherine Floyd of Golden Ave. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Irene Kenner, 2535 E. 79th St. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garnett, of E. 51st St., received Sunday for dinner. Mrs. Garnett's mother, Mrs. Gould, of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Gould returned to her home during the week after a very pleasant stay with her daughter and son-in-law. Mrs. Garnett was formerly Miss Agnes Gould.

Mrs. Mary Taylor Brown, deputy of the Lady Elks and Moore, accompanied by Mrs. Lena G. Brown, organizer for the Crusaders Mutual Insurance company, returned Saturday from a very successful trip down state visiting Columbus, Springfield, Dayton, Middletown and Cincinnati, O. This was Mrs. Brown's first trip in her new Hupmobile sedan. They were met in Springfield by Mrs. Mollie DeBraun.

Emerson Hickley and fiancée, Miss Verna Gorman, motored to Youngstown Sunday. In Mr. Hickley's attractive Diana car.

The Hook and Thimble club enjoyed their stuntmeeting at the home of Miss Della Williams of Blaine Ave., as hostess. The stunts furnished plenty of fun during the evening. Special guests were: Arthur Morton, Rev. S. A. Lucas and John H. Early. Miss Williams, who specialized as a charming hostess when she entertained the men of the "cloudy side, of which she is captain, won the praises of the entire gathering for her exceptional hospitality. The repeat was reported one of the outstanding features of the evening. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Tom Christopher.

Mrs. Matilda Nason, of Atlantic city, N. J., is the house guest of Mrs. Irene Kenner, of E. 79th St.

The local juveniles of the American Woodmen, Mrs. Hattie B. Day, worthy guardian, had as special guest Saturday, at the Central Ave. bath house, Mrs. M. I. Smith, Denver, Colo., national worthy guardian.

Mrs. Lydia Allen left for Cadiz, O., after spending the winter with her sons, Messrs. Will Mason, of Blaine Ave., and Henry Mason of E. 101st St.

Mrs. Pearl Spencer, of E. 100th St., proved a very delightful hostess to the Current Events club Wednesday afternoon by entertaining 14 members of the club at a theater party after which they retired to her home where she served a lovely three course dinner. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Minnie Stakely, of E. 87th St.

Mrs. Bessie Carter, 2375 E. 55th St., is able to be out after several months illness, to the delight of her many friends. During her illness she lost her mother by death. Now she reports her father failing very rapidly owing to the loss of his companion.

One of the outstanding house affairs of last week was the annual reception of the I. B. club at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. P. H. White, of E. 80th St. Sixty ladies were in attendance to listen to a splendid program. The decorations were pretty and attractive and the refreshments were delicious.

Mother's day was fittingly celebrated at the Cedar Y Friday night. Miss Fumie Harr acquitted herself wonderfully well as chairman of the program committee.

St. John's fair and bazaar promises many interesting features. The dates are May 16, 17 and 18. Mrs. Minerva Taylor, chairman; Mrs. Mollie DeBraun, vice chairman. The idea of a fair was introduced by St. John's new and worthy pastor, Dr. Henry P. Jones. It is quite enthusiastic as to the splendid benefits that will result from the new undertaking at St. John's. Miss Dorothy Bush, a popular member of the senior choir, appears to be forging ahead as the leading candidate in the ladies popularity contest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gorman, 2265 E. 55th St., motored to Youngstown, Friday and were guests of Mrs. Gorman's sister, Mrs. Cordelia Fields. Their daughters, Geraldine and Louise, accompanied them.

During last week Thornton R. Percy, 2226 E. 84th St., received the sad intelligence announcing the death of his mother, Mrs. Rosa Lacey, of 1718 Palmer St., New Orleans, La. Owing to the flood he was unable to attend the funeral. Another son is left also, to mourn their mother's loss.

Melvin Lee, of E. 43rd St., has returned from New York city after a very pleasant visit.

The Jay Dec club was entertained Sunday at the home of Miss Helen Troy, of E. 81st St., with Miss Frances Hunter as hostess. Miss Clara Anderson is president.

Mrs. Marie Vaz, the popular nurse, will spend the week-end in Alliance, O. Mrs. Vaz, who opened the way for Race nurses at St. Vincent's Charity hospital, is doing private nursing now in her desire to enjoy a partial rest. She is rated as one of Cleveland's best nurses.

The Helping Hand society will meet Friday, May 12, with Mrs. Rachel Chaffin, of E. 61st St.

The Fortnightly club is entertaining an indoor picnic at the home of Mrs. May Gray, 2173 E. 81st St., this week Thursday.

A. L. Bryant, foreman at E. Ramsey's tonorial parlor, Cedar Ave., at 101st St., was all in smiles Friday. The "stork special" arrived at the Maternity hospital of Western Reserve university and left a fine bouncing baby son. Mrs. Bryant was formerly Miss Dot Rose, of Columbus, but more recently stenographer in the office of Chandler and White, attorneys.

Mrs. Frank Meridith, of Hollingsworth court, was called to Yellow Springs, O., Saturday, by the illness of her aged mother, Mrs. Mary Mills.

Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Morgan, of 5810 Thackeray Ave., of the arrival of a beautiful daughter, Marland Dorothea, on April 6. Mrs. Morgan was formerly Miss James, bookkeeper for the Cleveland Cail and Boyd's Piano store. They are still receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

Mrs. W. R. Delyle and Mrs. M. J. Frank, of the Jones Dressmaking parlors, 4606 Central Ave., spent the week-end in Chicago, and report a most delightful time.

The many friends of Mrs. William James, 2639 Central Ave., will be pleased to learn that she is recovering at St. Luke's hospital, after a serious illness. Mrs. James was formerly Miss Elizabeth Slaughter, sister of Slaughter Bros., funeral directors.

Mrs. Evelyn Scott, 14450 Euclid Ave., had as guest her aunt, Mrs. Cora Bar-

ley, Massillon, O., who came to attend the style show.

The Merry Moments club well meet with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scott, 14480 Euclid Ave., Tuesday evening.

Full list of participants in the P. W. A. style show in next issue of Defender.

Miss Betty Foster, one of our popular school teachers, is seen driving a beautiful Chrysler sport model roadster.

Thursday, April 23, was trophy night at the Central Ave. bathhouse. Councilman Thomas W. Fleming presented the medals to the Oaka basketball team. These boys won the championship of the home league. A large and enthusiastic group of boys and girls were present to give the boys a rousing tribute. The evening was delightfully spent in dancing. Refreshments were served under direction of Supt. J. R. King. Albert Williams, athletic director, is proving himself a live wire. Between him and Miss Frances Williams there is always something doing at the Central Ave. bathhouse. Councilman Fleming fostered the building of one of the finest swimming pools and gymnasiums in the city. J. R. King, the superintendent, is also proving a live wire.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wynn of Elyria were in the city Monday on a shopping trip.

The East End Social club met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linder of 2202 E. 76th St. Mrs. Crown, due to an unexpected accident, was unable to entertain the club at this meeting. Mrs. Linder kindly consented to entertain instead. Mrs. Harvey of 5116 Central Ave. will entertain on May 10. Visitors at this meeting included Mrs. Louise Huffman, Mrs. Douglas Gale, Mrs. Polindexter, Miss Susie Linder, Miss Scott, Miss White, Mr. Stewart, Albert Hunt, Clemons Spears. Mr. Linder proved a splendid host, regardless of the absence of his wife from the city on a visit. The luncheon included cold pork sandwiches, tomato salad, coffee, ice cream and cakes. The membership social will be May 6. Mrs. Melissa Taylor, reporter, will not be with the club any longer owing to the illness of her mother. She plans to return to her home as soon as her mother's health will permit.

Miss Lillie Bell Smith, 2371 E. 57th St., is able to be out after several weeks' illness of an attack of pleurisy.

## East Siders Banquet

A gala affair in the social world was witnessed in the first annual banquet of the East End Political club at the Cedar Y. A representative group of two hundred East side citizens, men and women, who are keenly interested in civic affairs, assembled in the hall, prettily festooned with red, white and blue streamers and arranged with potted plants and cut flowers. The ladies were out in all their Easter finery. Miss Verna Easley and the Y. M. C. A. quartet sang.

Charles W. White acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the toastmaster, Attorney Clayborne George, president of the club. The main speakers were C. Morgan Jolley and Rev. Dr. D. Ormond Walker, pastor of St. James A. M. E. church, who thrilled the members with a wonderful oration on our duties and opportunities in America through proper use of the ballot. Other guests present who delivered short talks were Judge Bradley Hull, County Clerk George Wallace, Judge Charles Selzer, William R. Green, Judge Lee Steel, Tom Cook, Dr. E. J. Gregg and Sheriff E. D. Hanratty, who received a fine ovation.

Much commendation was given the club on the affair. The efficient committee on arrangements were Allen H. Dorsey, chairman; Mrs. Lily Mason, Mrs. Paul White, P. H. Thomas and Mrs. Harriet Williams.

## MUSICAL NOTES

By Harry Ford

Buck and Bubbles, another top-notch act, were a hit at the Allen theater last week.

Miss Sadie Fletcher, a very fine soprano, formerly of Youngstown, Ohio, is making her home here. She will be heard soon at one of the afternoon musicals.

The Four Covans, one of the nearest dancing acts before the public, now playing Pantages time, soon will appear at one of our local theaters.

William E. Fontaine and his first-rank male quartet, opened April 17 at Keith's Temple, Detroit, Mich. The turn is a hit at all stands.

The King male quartet, Cleveland's best, appeared at the style show at the public hall, April 26.

Rev. Dan Bradley and 120 voices, in his choir from the First Congregational church, appeared at the Mt. Zion temple Sunday, April 24.

Sammy Stewart and his five opened the new Dreamland cafe, Chicago, Ill., April 10.

Cyril Crawford, one of our old standbys in the local musical world, is still quite successful with his five-piece band.

Prof. Carl Diton will appear at the Metropolitan C. M. E. church May 27. George Warmack and his famous band appeared in Detroit April 15. They will appear here soon in a homecoming.

Mt. Zion Congregational Temple, Inc.

Saturday evening at the Hotel Cleveland the \$50,000 campaign to pay off Mt. Zion was officially launched by a luncheon, of which W. B. Davis of the W. B. Davis company was host. All the members of the executive committee were present and there was an enthusiastic get-together meeting during the evening.

Sunday morning Rev. Russel Brown filled his pulpit, speaking on the subject, "The Vow of Poverty." It was regular communion Sunday and just before the administration of the communion three new members were received into full membership.

Among the visitors at the service were Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee, formerly of Kansas City, and Attorney Charles A. Chandler returned from Oklahoma.

The N. A. A. C. P. held their membership mass meeting in the afternoon,

at which time Hon. James Weldon Johnson spoke to a packed house.

## Martin-Steele Nuptials

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Rush Martin of W. Jackson St., Painesville, was the scene of a pretty wedding Saturday, when Miss Mae Gertrude Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, Sr., became the bride of Curtis A. Steele. Rev. W. L. Jackson read the services, which were witnessed by only the immediate relatives. Lodengrin's wedding march was played by Mrs. Rush Martin.

The bride was attired in a pretty gown of gray georgette with a shower corsage of pink rose buds and lilies of the valley.

Attending her was Mrs. Ethel Martin, who wore a gown of rose colored georgette. Thomas R. Martin, brother of the bride, served as best man.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Steele left for a motor trip to Chicago and other points west. After May 8th they will be at home to friends in their newly furnished home at 567 W. Jackson St.