

# OHIO STATE NEWS

## CLEVELAND NEWS

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CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 30.—Mail your news early each week before Monday to insure publication in current issue. Please do not phone your news.

Luther King with his Cleveland Spiritual Singers are scheduled to appear April 6 at the East Cleveland Women's club (white) in a musical being sponsored by the music and drama division of Kirk Junior high school. A testimonial benefit for Mr. King, one of the race's outstanding tenors, is planned for the near future. Among the leading sponsors are Mrs. Leitha C. Fleming and William R. Connors of the Negro Welfare Federation.



A. O. Taylor

The Inner Circle Bridge club was recently entertained by Mrs. Irene Dilard. A very charming hostess she was. Mrs. Zola Hunt won first prize; Mrs. Ruth Thomas, second. Plans were discussed as to the club's annual dance to be given in the near future. Elizabeth Gillespie, reporter.

**Dr. Hall Improving**  
Dr. Ernest Hall, pastor of East Mt. Zion Baptist church, who sustained a fracture of the hip in an unusual accident, is reported to be making splendid progress at Lakeside hospital under the care of Dr. Oliver A. Taylor and the hospital physicians. Dr. Hall's pulpit was filled Sunday by Rev. Homer Turner, pastor of the Junior church, the morning service and at the evening service by Rev. Mr. Alston. Easter will be observed by the Sunday school with a splendid program by the children of the various departments. The B. Y. P. U. will also observe the day with an unusual program. Mrs. Margaret R. Dupree, 222 E. 9th St., organist of East Mt. Zion, was taken to Lakeside hospital last week. Her condition is alarming, but hopeful.

Mrs. Daisy E. Miller, formerly of St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, Sandusky, Ohio, is in the city stopping with Mrs. Hill of 2629 Cedar Ave. She became a member of St. John A. M. E. church last Sunday.

Frank Minter Jr., 32 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Minter Sr., 222 E. 9th St., is in Lakeside hospital suffering from serious injuries sustained when his auto collided Saturday evening at midnight with a U. S. mail truck at 8th St. and Carnegie Ave. Mr. Minter, a member of one of our oldest and prominent families, was just returning from his work when the accident occurred.

The M. J. M. and R. quartet did some fine work at the Woodlawn center last Sunday. They appear again at Zion Hill Baptist church, of which Rev. C. C. Aller is pastor, Sunday (Easter) night. The personnel of the group is Marie Holmes, first soprano; Ida Mae Lowe, second soprano; Mattie Parker, first contralto, and Ruth Turner, second contralto. Charles Wilson, leader of the World Series quartet, is director.

**Ladies' Club**  
The Ladies' Republican club of Precinct A, 17th ward, keeps busy doing something for the good of those who reside in their neighborhood. On Friday evening, March 23, the ladies held open house at the home of Mrs. Berta Stinson, the treasurer, 5709 Thackeray Ave. Over 200 visitors took advantage of the opportunity to get acquainted with the fine speaking program and partake of the delicious refreshments, including ice cream, cake and hot coffee. Among the speakers were Councilman Leroy N. Bundy, Rev. Mr. Nix, Elmer Williams, precinct committeeman; Harold Nixon, president of the Young People's Republican club; James Green, Clifford Bundy, brother of Councilman Bundy, and others. Mrs. Cynthia Lowe Kelly is secretary, and Mrs. Berta Stinson, treasurer and reporter. Mrs. Nellis Brown is the militant president.

**Remember Scottsboro Boys**  
The Glenville Civic and Political club, Charles W. Brown, president, and Mrs. Mae Baez, president, mailed a check for \$100 to the International Labor Defense in New York through the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P. The check is to be used toward the Scottsboro boys defense fund. The civic club held a radio contest sponsored by Mrs. Clae Biggs, chairman, a report of which was made at the Cedar Y last Thursday evening. The response of the public was phenomenal as it is reported that the club realized a handsome sum from the traffic beyond the amount forwarded to the defense fund of the Scottsboro boys. The radio was won by Mrs. Perry L. Easley, 2105 Blaine Ave., No. 2 being the winning ticket. Mrs. Biggs won this radio from her ward club for having the largest house meeting during the last campaign in the Glenville district. Realizing the need of funds by the Scottsboro boys, she decided to raffie the radio for their benefit. Mrs. Biggs is one of the most ardent workers for the N. A. A. C. P. and is the wife of Dr. W. S. Biggs. Mrs. Walter Ison was secretary of the radio raffie committee, and Mr. Brown, the president, was treasurer.

**Lane Metropolitan Church**  
Cedar Ave. at E. 16th St., Rev. H. W. Evans, pastor. All of the clubs joined in the celebration of the pastor's birthday. Among the participants on the program we might mention Misses Julia Neal, Grace Spearman and Mrs. Osie Bell. Youth's decision day was a mammoth success. Several of the younger people joined the church. For the success of the movement praise must be given to Dr. Mary King, sponsor of the Alpha Kappa Tau. The program for the day included many of the city's outstanding citizens, such as Miss Myrtle Johnson, teacher of mathematics in Central high; James Tate, tenor, and St. John's church junior choir. It is hoped that many more such affairs will be given in the future to bring the youth closer to God. You cannot only serve yourself at the store, but you can do likewise at the grocery. "Fidelity-Wigley" social to be given by the Jubilee club at the home of Mrs. Green. Sunday was general missionary day. Programs were offered both for the afternoon and evening service. Bishop C. F. Kyle delivered a short sermon at the evening service. Easter services will be held in the church auditorium at 4 p. m. under the direction of Mrs. Estelle Glascock. All are cordially invited to attend the Easter services, but services throughout the year. Rhonda Washington, reporter.

**Annual education week of the Cleveland lodges of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World** will be celebrated the week of April 8. It was announced the first of the week. The final program will be held on Friday, April 13, at Lane Metropolitan C. M. E. church, E. 48th St. and Cedar Ave. The speakers will be Mrs. Mary Martin member of the school board; Miss Pearl Mitchell, president of the N. A. A. C. P. and juvenile probation officer; Rev. H. W. Evans, pastor of Lane, and Attorney Perry B. Jackson. Entertainment tags will be sold on the opening day, April 8, at all churches of our group, at which there will be representatives of Elksdom. Plans are being made for the final oratorical contest to be held April 27. Details will be announced later in these columns.

**Church Redecorated**  
St. James A. M. E. church has been red-decorated, painted and new lights installed and presents a very attractive appearance, quite a contrast from the dingy, unattractive auditorium the congregation has fallen to enjoy since taking over the church building some years ago. Dr. D. O. Walker and his corps of workers were responsible for the success of this effort.

The news of the death of Baby Rogers Blake Lyon, the week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lyon of E. 90th St., was a shock to the community. Funeral services were held at Slaughter Brothers, Mrs. Lyon, well known as Hazel Blake Lyon, by her host of friends, although suffering from a near nervous breakdown over the unexpected death of her little son, is doing fine, expecting to be out during the week.

It might be interesting to note that George W. Carroll, 2215 E. 73d St., celebrated his 57th birthday a few days ago. He and Hon. John P. Green, Cleveland's oldest practicing attorney, are said to be our two oldest pioneer Cleveland citizens.

Joseph R. King, superintendent of the Central Ave. bath house, announces an Easter egg hunt at the bath house Saturday, March 31, at 1 p. m. Children up to 12 years of age in that community will be eligible to partici-

pate. Mrs. Karlene Stewart will assist Mr. King in staging the hunt.

Editor O. A. Forte of the Cleveland Eagle, Cleveland's newest race weekly, was reported among the sick the past week.

Invitations are out announcing the second annual Easter formal of the Gobeelin club at the Glenville Auditorium Easter Monday night. David Penning is president; W. H. Newman, vice president; J. M. Dixon, recording secretary; A. W. Smith, financial secretary; and J. W. Smith, treasurer.

Mrs. Basil F. Ramey entertained delightfully at five tables in her lovely apartment, 10103 Cedar Ave., Friday evening. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Sellers, Mrs. Beesie Bennett and husband; Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bailey, Councilman and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cyril Crawford, Mrs. Margaret Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bassett, and Mrs. Emory Blackburn, Mrs. Daisy Martin, Robert Borritt and Carl Miller. The proceeds will go toward the convention fund of the City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs of Cleveland, sponsored by the ways and means committee.

**New Yorker Here**  
Mrs. William Morris of 2286 E. 134th St. has as a guest her sister, Mrs. Effie Randolph of New York city. Among the many who made Mrs. Randolph's visit a most pleasant one was Mrs. Anna Evans, wife of Rev. H. W. Evans of Lane Metropolitan C. M. E. church, who entertained Tuesday at a very pretty luncheon.

Mrs. Roberta Coleman, 2291 E. 25d St., is entertaining the Afternoon Riders club at her home Friday afternoon. Mrs. Thelma Wells is the guest.

The Ladies' Missionary union of Mt. Zion temple is entertaining at a dinner Friday of this week from 3 to 5 in the church parlors. Mrs. Florence D. Cochran is chairman of the committee.

The Bridgeettes were charmingly entertained by Mrs. Billie Brown in her pretty home, 2230 E. 122d St., Friday last. Bridge was the pastime of the afternoon. Mrs. Ernestine Washington, the guest, won the first prize and Mrs. Bryant won the second. Mrs. Emma with Mrs. Nellie Washington of Adams Ave. Mrs. Eloise Price, president; Mrs. Ruth Lavender, secretary; Mrs. Thelma Wells, reporter.

The Nine Aces Bridge club met at the residence of Mrs. Margaret Carter, 6106 Thackeray Ave., Thursday afternoon. A dainty luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Clotel Erwin, 6106 Thackeray Ave., was accepted as a member of the club. The evening was enjoyably spent in playing bridge. Mrs. Iowa Ferguson won the first prize and Mrs. Helen Irving the booty. Everyone reported a lovely time, acclaiming Mrs. Carter a charming hostess.

**Entertains Bridge Club**  
Mrs. Margaret Robinson was hostess to the Ante-Meridian Bridge club at her pretty home, 2192 E. 80th St., last Friday afternoon. Bridge was the favorite pastime. Mrs. Robinson had a large number of guests to share her wonderful hospitality. Mrs. Hattie Stewart is president of the club.

Mrs. Ruby Slaughter, the popular soprano, rendered "Palms" very impressively at the morning service at Mt. Zion Congregational temple Sunday. White, the pastor, delivered a masterly discourse.

Opening her East Cleveland home to the Lincoln Embroidery club, Mrs. Jackson of 1825 Woodlawn Ave., privied herself a most delightful hostess last Friday evening. Mrs. Cornelia Nickens of E. 83d St. made the afternoon interesting by reading a paper on "Hitler Vs. the Jews." Mrs. Sandra (white) gave a talk on the Bahai movement.

The Wisteria club gave its annual party for the residents of the Old Folks home, 4807 Cedar Ave., Friday afternoon. Mrs. Bessie Blue is matron of the home.

Mrs. Emory Blackburn, 2271 E. 103d St., royally entertained the Book and Timble club at her home last Wednesday. After the transaction of the regular routine of business, each member gave an interesting talk on a current event. An interesting paper on "The Origin of St. Patrick's Day" was an outstanding feature of the afternoon's program. The guests were Mrs. Charles Sweeney, Mrs. Erwin Lawrence, Mrs. Sophia Bailey and Mrs. Edgar Moore. Mrs. S. Ramey is president.

**Harry J. Walker**, the popular promoter and commander of Lemuel T. Boydston post, American Legion, is chairman of the charity Easter Ball to be given in the Public auditorium Easter Monday night. The ball will be preceded by a basketball game in which the champion LeBun Imperials will be featured.

**Mass Meeting a Success**  
Far surpassing the expectations of the president and committee in charge was the mass meeting sponsored by the Baptist City Mission union last Sunday afternoon at Mt. Haven Baptist church, which was filled to capacity. Mrs. Cora Jordan White of Columbus was the speaker. She thrilled her audience, speaking from the subject "What Is That Thou Holdest in Thy Hand?" Mrs. White, who is a nationally known speaker, handled her subject as only a well-prepared person can. All who were not fortunate to hear her missed a rare opportunity. Music was furnished by Olivet Gospel chorus, under the baton of Isaac C. Chapman; Tried Stone Gospel chorus, Mrs. Helen Taylor Reid, directress, and Mt. Sinai Male quartet. Mrs. Gertrude Crabbe, wife of Rev. C. H. Crabbe, pastor of Mt. Haven, is the wide-awake president of the union. The next mass meeting will be Sunday, April 22, at Temple Baptist church, 84th St. and Cedar Ave.

The NRA club met with Mrs. Erma Lee Morris of E. 134th St. Friday last. The guests included Mrs. Effie Randolph, Mrs. Morris' sister, of New York; Mrs. Olga Gunn, Mrs. Eva Forbes, Mrs. Marie Taylor, Mrs. Celeste Richin and Mrs. I. B. Scott. Mrs. J. E. Hubbard won the club prize, Mrs. Randolph the out-of-town guest prize and Mrs. Gunn the guest prize.

The City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs held its regular monthly, March 19 at the Phyllis Wheatley association. It is interesting to note that the attendance is increasing at each meeting. The fine arts committee, Mrs. Allie Jones chairman, rendered a very unique and especially interesting program. A demonstration of "what is good in music" was a special feature. Mrs. Eric Gilbert gave a very instructive address on "Beauty, Grace and Charm." A drive for more club members is now on. Why not federate your club? Plan to be present at the next meeting, April 16, at 1:30 p. m. Marie Taylor Gates, president; Subie S. Ramey, secretary.

**Maggies Still Busy**  
A card from Harry T. Ford of the Musical Maggies, Victor recording artists, radio club dance band and vaudeville, states that the group is in its 15th week, three nights weekly, at the beautiful Lyndhurst Country club, just out of Cleveland. It is also filling engagements throughout the country, including Akron, Ohio, Elgin, Ill., and other important towns. It is playing in Newcastle, Pa., this week and in Fort Wayne, Ind., April 4 to 7, with other first-class engagements pending. The members send their best wishes to their many friends through the columns of "The World's Greatest Weekly."

The meeting of the Cleveland group of churches of the Cleveland-Columbus district was held Thursday, March 22, at the Second M. E. church, Lorain, Ohio. Delegates from Cleveland, Elyria, Oberlin, Akron, New London and Lorain were present. The purpose of the meeting was to increase the common interest and good will of the churches in the group. Dr. J. W. Robinson, superintendent of the Cleveland-Columbus district, was the principal speaker. Problems of the district and religious problems in general were freely discussed. The meeting reached the height of interest during the young people's session in the afternoon. Two subjects, "Young People as the Church and Its Officers" and "Should Young People Enter the Ministry?" were interestingly discussed. This phase of the meeting was greatly enlivened by a delegation of Oberlin students who are preparing for the ministry. The pastor and members of the Second M. E. church accorded a hearty welcome to the delegates. Lunch and supper were served in the large dining room of the church. The intense enthusiasm of the delegates and the many radiant faces bore witness to the great value of the meeting.

**Gilpins Score Again**  
The popular Gilpin Players scored again in the rendition of the two plays, "God's Own," by Isadora Bennett, and "Swamp Mud," by Harold Courlander, in their Karamu theater, 3507 Central Ave., the past week. The theater was crowded at each performance. Most en-

thusiastic and appreciative audiences greeting them. The casts included William Johnson, William Williams, Fitzhugh Woodford, Florence Henderson, Mildred Coleman, Sherman Brown, Leslie Ingram and William Cooper.

**Marriage Licenses**  
Marriage licenses were applied for or issued to the following-named couples the past week: Anthony Jacobs, 36, 2426 E. 39th St., and Jessie Ward, 23, 2250 E. 49th St.; James Holder, 20, 2242 E. 43d St., and Bessie Morris, 29, 2206 E. 59th St.; George Cannon, 26, 2381 E. 61st St., and Edith Harris, 23, 2291 E. 55th St.; Clarence Smith, 25, 2181 E. 56th St., and Della Fields, 23, 2229 E. 56th St.; J. Bryant Beym, 52, 2479 E. 57th St., and D. Bryant Beym, 55, same address; Herbert Hilliard, 22, 2320 E. 33d St., and Ethel Irene Jones, 26, 3640 Scoville Ave.; Masir Ahmad, 36, 5311 Woodland Ave., and Alla Beebe, 37, 2226 E. 69th St.; Adelbert Gibson, 34, 2206 E. 53d St., and Hazel Elliott, 24, 2161 E. 54th St.; James Talbert, 38, 2340 E. 101st St., and Della Coleman, 22, 2320 E. 65th St.; George Roy, 24, 6516 Quincy Ave., and Pauline Richardson, 20, same address; Cevera Jeffries, 26, 1336 E. 120th St., and Marion Branch, 23, 2322 E. 103d St.; Gustavus Womble, 35, 2403 E. 53d St., and Jennie McKan, 40, 2318 E. 57th St.; Johnnie Keith, 33, 2318 E. 39th St., and Mamie Howell, 27, 2252 E. 73d St.; Eugene Sanders, 37, 851 Woodland Ave., and Rosia Barnes, 32, 2232 E. 105th St.

**Deaths of the week** included the following Clevelanders: Mager Stephens, 48, 2259 E. 39th St.; John Green, 46, 2879 Outhwaite Ave.; Rosa Lee Wolf, 37, 2861 E. 31st St.; Ben Bush Sr., 17, 2398 E. 35th St.; W. Jones, 29, 6115 Thackeray Ave.; Robert Saunders, 38, 2734 Central Ave.; Celia Johnson, 39, 6309 Hawthorne Ave.; Louis Oswald, 68, 6832 Colfax Rd.; Edward Haynes, 42, 1118 Davenport Ave.; Ada Ruth Byrd, 21, 4511 Scoville Ave.; Rosa Gilmore, 60, 3735 Burwell Ave.; Joseph Wynn, 45, 2781 E. 53d St.; William P. Saunders Jr., 17, 7704 Cedar Ave.; Emma Baker, 37, 2352 E. 69th St.; Ida Craig, 25, 2544 E. 50th St.; Florence Ziegler, 60, 2315 E. 57th St.; James Snell, 43, 7711 Kinsman Rd.; Walsh Roberts, 33, 2511 Central Ave.; John Harrison, 49, 2316 E. 74th St.; Sadie Cunningham, 31, 2275 E. 55th St.; Matthew Woodin, 42, 2268 E. 73th St.; Harvey Anderson, 32, 2314 E. 25th St.; Louis Todd, 72, address unknown; Lucius Love, 23, 2542 E. 40th St.; Robert Henderson, 36, 2447 E. 64th St.; Maggie Barton, 38, 2182 E. 32d St.