

THE BUCKEYE STATE

By Alexander O. Taylor

Cleveland, Ohio, April 9.—Mrs. Fannie Morton, E. 71st street, is very ill with neuritis. * Mr. Janny, father of Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan, died at his daughter's residence on E. 43rd street. * Mrs. J. Tabernacle on E. 39th street. * The turkey dinner given by Mrs. George Rose, Mrs. A. D. Boyd and Mrs. Richard Stowers at Mrs. Stowers' home on E. 88th street last Saturday was a wonderful success, \$100 being cleared. This will be turned over to the Autumn Leaf Culture Club toward their clubhouse. * Mr. and Mrs. Ben Andrews, accompanied by his sister, Miss Pat Turner and Miss Brown, motored from Akron and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Moss of the Central Ave. hotel. * Dr. Beaman, Cincinnati, Ohio, spent the week-end in the city, stopping with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turk, E. 40th street. * Wm. R. Wintersmith returned from Louisville, Ky., accompanied by his brother, Robert Wintersmith. * Mr. and Mrs. William Owens, proprietors of "The Geraldine," E. 40th street, entertained royally in honor of Bishop C. H. Phillips, Nashville, Tenn.; Judge W. I. Jamison, Topeka, Kan.; Dr. T. J. Askin, Detroit, Mich., and Dr. Spawling, New York City.

Caterers' Annual Dinner a Success

The annual dinner-banquet of the Caterers' Association, E. 40th street, Sunday evening, was one of the leading social functions of the season, over 200 partaking of the sumptuous feast. Edward Bell, chairman of the house committee, was master of ceremonies. Mrs. Ruby Yates-Slaughter sang beautifully, Mrs. Mabel C. Riggs being the efficient accompanist. George E. Randall, one of Cleveland's most promising baritone, rendered pleasing numbers. Harrison Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Smith, also rendered several vocal numbers. The famous "Pace & Handy Memphis Blues" orchestra, under the direction of J. Berni Barbour, furnished several live and catchy numbers and were most enthusiastically received. * Misses Vivian and Minnie Smith, Bessie Foster and Mabel Harris gave a delightful dancing party in the P. W. A. annex Thursday evening. Twenty couples danced to the beautiful music of Raymond Smith's orchestra. * Miss Dora Bates, Chillicothe, O., spent the week-end with Mrs. Geneva Tuck, E. 40th street. * The Metropolitan Men's Choral Society, organized by Mrs. William Owens, Prof. Murray Adams, director, made its first public appearance Monday night last week at a banquet given in honor of Bishop C. H. Phillips, Nashville, Tenn., at Lane Metropolitan C. M. B. Church. Miss Louise Gillespie was accompanist and Mrs. Marion Crowe sang "Call Me" with credit. * Miss Clara Richard entertained Monday of last week in honor of Miss Dorothy Tuck, who was the guest of Miss Dorothy Cowdry. * Guests at Central Ave. hotel were Clarence Williams, Kent, O.; Eugene Hartwood, Painesville, O.; Randolph Bromery, Cumberland, Md.; R. C. Lewis, Pictorial Art Publishing Co., Chicago; Zeno Washington, Indianapolis, Ind.; Wm. Thompson, Boston, Mass.; Jas. Spears, Cairo, Ill.; Fred Wilson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. H. Turner, Bellevue, O.; J. Rosamond Johnson Co. (three); H. Walker, Montreal, Canada; R. M. Gibson, Memphis, Tenn.; Joe Edw. Bulls, Memphis, Tenn.; G. W. Perkins, Birmingham, Ala.; Jos. Jackson, Pittsburg; Louis Mead, Detroit. * Mrs. George R. Hooper of Blaine Avenue, and sister, Mrs. Wyllie Wood of Mt. Pleasant and brothers, William, Cecil and P. N. Walker, attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Daisy Seward, Wednesday, March 31, at Mt. Sterling, Ohio. * Robert Lawson has been appointed superintendent at the "lake front" disposal plant. W. W. Massingale was appointed engineer at the Central avenue public bath house Monday at \$1,500 per year. Both appointments were made upon the recommendation of Councilman Thomas W. Fleming. * Mrs. Joseph Turner, Mrs. M. E. Thompson, the hair culturist; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Collins and brother, Clarence Collins, and Miss Broadnax attended the funeral of Mrs. Juella (Jack) Collins in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Laundress Sues Employer

Mrs. Savannah Johnson, 10604 Arthur avenue, filed suit in the Municipal court Friday for \$1,000 against Bryan Robinson (white), 1833 E. 90th street, alleging that she suffered serious injury to a finger from a needle which had been left in a dress she washed. She says the needle entered her finger nearly an inch. * The Philanthropic class of Mt. Zion Congregational S. S. will serve dinner in the church Saturday, April 10, from 1 p. m. to 10 p. m. Dinner, 50 cents. Due to the illness of Mrs. Coggins the dinner is being served in the church instead of at her residence. * A beautiful Easter cantata was rendered at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Friday evening under the direction of Mrs. Kittie Skeene Mitchell. * Harvey Atkins, social relations director at the Cleveland Community Center, E. 40th street, has a foreman's class of 12 members which meets weekly for lecture. * If you have furnished or unfurnished rooms for rent please notify Mrs. Minerva Taylor of the U. S. Housing Bureau at the P. W. A. Central and E. 40th. * Dr. R. E. Wiggins has returned from Indianapolis. * Andrew Smith, one of our most charitable citizens, was buried from Shiloh Baptist Church Monday. He was a heavy contributor to the success of the P. W. A. and was highly esteemed by his employers, wealthy contractors on Euclid avenue. * M. B. Auther, general agent of the Idlewild Resort Company, came from Cincinnati to spend the Easter holidays with his wife and left Tuesday to attend the meeting of the Star Building & Loan Association, of which he is president. * Illustrious Potentate C. H. Blake, Charlotte, N. C., lectured and inspected El Hasa Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at its last convocation. Mr. Blake was the guest of Illustrious Potentate Geo. L. Ross of El Hasa Temple during his visit here. * Major W. T. Anderson visited St. Louis, Mo., last week in the interest of the com-

ing A. M. E. general conference. Mrs. Anderson returned last week from an extensive visit in the east and south. * Mrs. Willa Smith and sister, Mrs. Eva Hill, were here from Akron to spend the week-end with their sister, Mrs. Kate Dodge. * The Hiawatha Club met Monday with Mrs. Minerva Taylor, 2250 E. 43rd street. * Mrs. Frank Spencer, E. 30th street, was hostess to the Present Day Club Tuesday. * Mr. and Mrs. John Woods are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Friday, April 2. Both mother and babe doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kemp, E. 76th street, are also happy. A son arrived Saturday, March 27. * Rev. J. H. Dotson, 2250 E. 43rd street, preached a fine sermon at St. John's Baptist Church Sunday week. Rev. Dotson is a young preacher of Tridestone Baptist Church. * Mr. Collins of Cornell road was removed to the Newburg Sanitarium, very sick last week. * Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chaney have returned from an extended visit with relatives in Alton, S. C. * R. L. Hamlett has been appointed labor employer and welfare agent at the Allyno-Ryan Foundry Company. * J. H. Thomas has accepted the agency of the Bozarth Corporation, which handles Egg Harbor City, N. J., real estate. He also sells the Defender. Office, 3708-2707 Central avenue. * The Mothers' Cradle Roll Club will meet next week at the home of Mrs. Carrie Jones, 2346 E. 90th street. * Jefferson Peterson, past grandmaster of Eureka Lodge, F. & A. M., E. 43rd street. He is the father of Mrs. Bessie Carter. * The Gilt Edge Needle Club met Friday with Mrs. Fred Wickline, 3335 E. 126th street. Next meeting with Mrs. I. Starkey, 2331 E. 90th street. * J. Rosamond Johnson and his aggregation scored a big hit at the Hippodrome last week. They left Sunday night for Chicago. * "The Dixie Four," Cleveland boys, are starting at Loew's theater, New Britain, Conn., making good as usual. * Harry T. Ford left Saturday for Chicago and Detroit. * The Optimistic Club will meet with Mrs. Lulu Taylor, 3381 E. 43rd street, Wednesday, April 14.

Central Bath House Opens

The Central avenue public bath house, Central avenue and E. 25th street, was opened Tuesday evening of last week under most auspicious circumstances. Hundreds who endeavored to gain admission were turned away as the beautiful building was crowded to the very doors. The magnificence and grandeur of the building inside surpassed the expectations of all who attended the opening. To the zealous efforts of Councilman Fleming the realization of such a beautiful and modern equipped structure is due, said each speaker. Councilman Fleming was master of ceremonies. The speakers were Councilman Harry Gahn, who was president of city council when legislation was passed giving the 11th ward the beautiful bath house; Hon. Floyd E. Walte, director of parks and public property; Hon. Dudley H. Blossom, director of welfare and Alexander O. Taylor, superintendent of the bath house, who was introduced by Councilman Fleming as the first member of the Race to be placed in charge of a public building in Cleveland. For the architecture much credit is due the city architect, Frederick Boits. Splendid music was rendered by the "Musical Magpies" and Robertson's orchestra. (white). Prof. Harper Garcia Smyth directed the community singing and the ladies of the Autumn Leaf Culture Club received the guests headed by Mrs. Fleming. * Ernest P. Jackson, pharmacist, has a fine "Hudson Six" car. Lindsay Blair, 3725 Gibson avenue, also has a fine car. * The Men's club of St. Andrew's Church gave a pleasant Easter dance at Dreamland pavilion Monday evening. The committee in charge was James Arnold, Charles Bell, Ralph Jackson and F. O. Pridgeon. * Mr. and Mrs. John Ballard had as their guest over Easter their niece, Miss Ballard, of Urbana, Ohio. * Mrs. Meares, grandmother of Mrs. Harry Bayes, died the past week. Her remains were taken to Springfield, Ohio, for burial. Paralysis was the cause of her death. She was 92 years of age. * W. A. Harris, E. 105th street, is able to be out after serious illness. * Mrs. Grace Lucas arrived from Atlanta, Ga., last week to join her husband, Rev. S. A. Lucas. * Mrs. Emma Coram, Mrs. Eva Dennis, Mrs. Hazel Blake and daughter, Aileen, returned from Toledo where they were called by the serious illness of Mrs. Clara Jones. * Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright spent the Easter holidays with their daughters, returning to Chicago the latter part of the week. * Miss Edith Wright is here from Newport News, Va., to spend the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Wright, W. 86th street. * Mrs. R. S. Sills, 2211 E. 39th street, has been confined to her bed by illness. * The Women's Home Missionary Society of Cory M. E. Church will meet Wednesday, April 14, at the residence of Mrs. Dora Hawkins, 2314 E. 86th street. Every member is urged to report her motto box to the president or secretary. Mrs. D. Offer, president; Mrs. Dora Hawkins, secretary. * The announcement of the early resignation of Dr. P. O'Connell, pastor of Cory Church, was a terrible blow to the church as well as community. Dr. O'Connell will accept the deanship of Morgan College, it is said. * Phil Pointer, husband of Mrs. Rosa Pointer, died at his residence, 2432 Central avenue, April 1. He left a wife and a host of friends to mourn his loss. * The choir of St. John's A. M. E. Church triumphed in the rendition of its Easter cantata "Alleluia, Hail With Gladness" by J. Lamont Galbraith Sunday. Comment in next issue. * Miss Mabel Sinkford, school teacher, Ansted, W. Va., is here to spend the spring and summer with her sister, Miss Ethel Sinkford. * Mrs. Luther Bailey, E. 103rd street, had as her guest Sunday her youngest brother from Akron. * The Washington-Carter wedding at St. John's Church last week was indeed a brilliant affair. Mrs. Wallace of E. 89th street was matron of honor; Miss Esther Carter and Miss Myrtle Walker, bridesmaids. Little Murrell Wallace was flower girl and George Wallace, ring bearer. Chas.

R. Elliott, E. 43rd street, presented the bride with a beautiful string of pearls. The contracting parties were Miss Alberta Carter and Janice Washington. After the wedding reception the couple left for Pittsburg. At home after April 16 at 2340 E. 33rd street. * The Booker T. Washington Investment Co. has voted that the books shall be closed to all persons wishing to become members. Only stock will be issued to applications. The Chamber of Commerce books are still open to the public for memberships. The P. W. Investment Co. expects to give to the public a \$250,000 hotel soon. All members of the company will get stock. * Cleveland office of the Defender, 3865 Central avenue. Send in your news early Monday.

Phyllis Wheatley Notes

All Cleveland is invited to hear Miss Nannie H. Burroughs of the National Training School, Washington, D. C., at East Technical High School Auditorium, April 23, at 8 p. m. She will speak under the auspices of the Phyllis Wheatley Association. * For the remainder of this year the gymnasium class of the Phyllis Wheatley Association will meet at Central High School gymnasium each Wednesday evening from 7 to 9:15 p. m. Those who have been attending the class on Monday evening in the P. W. A. annex please note the change of time and place. Outsiders are welcome to join any time. * Sunday at 4 p. m. the Girl Reserves rendered a very interesting Easter program. Mrs. C. F. Nickens read a paper on "Easter and the Woman's Part." * Next Sunday Dr. A. P. Higley of the Calvary Presbyterian Church will give the Vesper service address. All are invited to hear him. * Wednesday, April 14, the Girl Reserves of the P. W. A. will entertain the delegates of the Y. W. C. A. convention in the Phyllis Wheatley Association Annex from 4 to 6 p. m. Members and friends of the home are also urged to be present at that time.

The Collins-Jones Recital

The joint recital to be given Friday evening, April 9, at St. John's A. M. E. Church by Cleota Collins, soprano, and Loula V. Jones, violin virtuoso, promises to be the greatest musical treat of the season. General admission, 65 cents. Patrons' tickets, \$1.10. In the afternoon, 4 to 6 p. m., they will render a free recital for the children of the Sunday school.

Portsmouth, Ohio, April 3.—Rev. and Mrs. M. S. Johnson are attending the annual conference at Springfield. * Mrs. Mary Kelley of 1027 13th street is expecting her daughter, Miss Georgia Kelley, of New York here on a short visit. She will leave Monday, April 5, for Columbus, Ohio, to accompany her. * A rally was held Sunday, March 28, at Beulah Baptist, a new sum being realized. The funds will go for the building of the new church. * Edgar Davis of Williamson, W. Va., is visiting friends and relatives here. * The March trio, composed of Misses Nettie Lewis, Irma Hollingsworth and Mary Goff, entertained a number of friends at the home of Miss Nettie Lewis on Washington street Monday evening, March 29, in honor of their birthday anniversary. * Joseph and James Bryant of 15th street are able to be out after a few weeks' illness. * The sewing circle of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Ethel Johnson of Waller street Monday, March 29. * The Ladies' Aid of Pleasant Green Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. Ida Parker Tuesday, March 30. * Edward Moreland and Mrs. Blanche Williams were married Monday, March 29, at 1 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Burns at the Moreland home. * Miss Lula R. Turner of Findlay street, a teacher in 11th street school, spent part of her vacation visiting friends in Columbus, Ohio. * The condition of Charles Dandridge, who for some time has been very ill, is slightly improved. * A birthday party was given in honor of Miss Marion Parker Thursday, April 1.