

# OHIO STATE NEWS

## CLEVELAND

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CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 9.—The Queen's Bld Bridge Club held an April fool party at the home of Mrs. Helen Phillips. The specific purpose of this meeting was to get acquainted with some of their mutual friends. Among the guests were Mrs. Felicia Wright, Mrs. Thelma Jackson and Miss Alberta Redd. Interesting features of the April fool affair were the cracker race won (but lost) by Miss Redd; the Major Bowes amateur hour was won by Mrs. Wright who imitated Bing Crosby. Following the party the members and guests stopped in at the A. V. club



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to finish up the evening in a most complete manner. The officers are Eugenia Crayton, president; Helen Phillips, vice president, and treasurer of the Christmas fund; Lacobia Lockett, secretary and reporter; Lavinia Baker, treasurer. Other members are A. V. Owens, Geraldine Farris, Virginia and Alma Wilkes. Plans for a night in Barbara are being made for April 24 at 2238 East 101st street, when a ham is to be raffled off.

**Chicago Sports in Town**  
Clevelanders had the pleasure of meeting some of the leading representatives of Chicago sportsdom Sunday. In the party were Al Monroe, the militant and aggressive sports writer of the World's Greatest Weekly; Matthew Brown, president of the Chicago Golfers Club; Bill Watkins and Ralph C. Shelton. They were guests of Lem Franklin, the Golden Gloves champion, 2296 East 88th street, and Lem's father, Irving Franklin of 2336 East 103rd street. Lem and his genial wife had a sumptuous spread for the boys Sunday. Lem goes to Boston this week for a bout.

The Rexall club held another of its interesting meetings at the home of Mrs. Mabel Carr, 2211 East 31st street, Friday. Mrs. Mary Williams, formerly of Chicago, but now of 7603 Cedar avenue, was accepted as a member. Plans are in the making for the club's formal cabaret party at the Cedar gardens soon. Johnson Owens will be host at next meeting.

**Mrs. Fairfax Buried**  
The entire community was saddened by news of the tragic death of Mrs. Hattie Fairfax of 2213 East 35th street, at the age of 86 years. Mrs. Fairfax' death following burns which she sustained at her home was a distinct shock. The widow of John Fair, Sr., she was a member of one of the most outstanding of Cleveland's pioneer families. Her friends were innumerable. She was a charter member of the Federation of Women of the state and city and was active in Republican circles during her entire life until weakness from age caused her to give up the work. The funeral service at "The House of Wills" were very pathetic as well as impressive. Rev. MacFadden, pastor of Mt. Zion Congregational Temple of which she was one of the founders, and Dr. Flynn, pastor of the Christian Missionary Alliance Tabernacle, officiated.

Mrs. Thomas W. Fleming paid a glowing tribute to the exemplary character and life of the deceased who was loved and esteemed by all who knew her. Representatives of all walks of life were in attendance at the funeral, many of them being our leading white citizens.

Surviving her are: Mrs. Laura F. Colby, Duluth, Minn.; George, Daniel R. John, Jr.; Mrs. Florence F. Robinson and Mrs. Gertrude F. Chaney, children; eight grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**Mrs. Ella E. Jackson Passes**  
News of the death of Mrs. Ella E. Jackson at her home, 10512 Hudson avenue, following an illness since last December was a shock to her hosts of friends in Cleveland. Mrs. Jackson came to Cleveland 36 years ago, soon after joining Antioch Baptist church, where the funeral services were held on Saturday. Dr. W. H. McKinney officiated, assisted by Rev. Horace Bailey and Rev. W. G. Thurston. All of the ministers spoke of the fine character of Mrs. Jackson, who was very active at Antioch for years. She was also active in Hermonie Court of Calanthe, No. 41, the women's department of the Knights of Pythias. The flowers were beautiful.

Surviving Mrs. Jackson are John Lamont Jackson and Ernest William Shreve, sons; daughter-in-law, Mrs. Helen Shreve; one sister and brother, Mrs. Melina Enus, and Robert Harding of North Buxton, Ontario, and a host of relatives including Floretta and Lillian Shadd, nieces, who were exceptionally attentive to their aunt during her illness. Leland, French, Inc., had charge of the funeral.

**Give Comic Opera**  
For about four months the beautiful three-act comic opera, "The Marriage of Nannette" has been under rehearsal at the Cedar Avenue "Y." All who know of the untiring efforts of Mrs. Leone B. Bray, playwright and pianist, director of this interesting play, will realize that something very worthwhile and entertaining is in store for all who avail themselves of the opportunity to see it. The date selected is Thursday, April 15 at Central high school auditorium. Such well known artists as Helen Carey, Josephine Crawford, Lois Bray Nelson, Florence Galbreath, Ruth Baltimore, Thuston Jamison, Isaac Dupree, Clyde Austin, J. Edward Brooks, Holman Whitson, Leroy Vazquez Davis, Earl Calaway and others are included in the cast.

**Second Anniversary**  
The hostesses for the tea given in commemoration of the second anniversary of the Cultural Arts Studio, 8414 Cedar avenue, included such popular matrons as Mrs. George G. Jones, Mrs. W. S. Biggs, Mrs. P. H. White, Mrs. William Morris, Mrs. I. B. Scott, Mrs. Willie Berrien and Mrs. C. H. Phillips. The program was very interesting and reflected exceptional credit upon the faculty. The program included a duet by Ernestine and Eryn Young; a piano number by Edwina Lawrence; a clarinet solo by Albert Jones, with Thomas Rush as accompanist; two tenor numbers by John H. Perry; piano, Mrs. Grace Walters; soprano number, Mrs. Edith Washington; contralto number by Mrs. Mary Branch; piano selection, Jean Fairfax; piano selections, June Merida; vocal duet, Mrs. Washington and Mrs. Branch; piano selections, Margaret Smith; piano duet, "Birthday March" (Bohn) by June Merida and Edwina Lawrence. Mrs. Pearl was also on the program. Between three and four hundred people were there to enjoy the unusual artistic treat. Mrs. Grace Willis Thompson is director of the studio.

The many friends of Mrs. Charles Allen of 3867 East 142nd street, will be delighted to learn that she is able to be out after several days' illness. Mrs. Allen was formerly Miss Willetta Farris.

**Miss Jannell Wooding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Wooding of 2182 East 43rd street, returned last week from Los Angeles, Calif., where she spent the past 18 months.**  
**Unpleasant Experience**  
Mrs. Lulu Smith, 2285 East 89th street the popular wife of Richard (Dick) Smith, the militant supervisor of service at the Wade Park Manor, had an unpleasant experience as she was returning home. Two boys snatched her purse on East 89th street near Antioch Baptist church, of which she is an active member, and ran away. Her screams attracted the attention of the popular county commander of the American Legion Attorney Jack Persky (white) who gave chase through yards and jumping fences, captured the boys and held them for the police. Jack deserves a medal for his heroic capture and is certainly qualified for membership on the police force should he desire it.

**East Mt. Zion Baptist Church**  
Dr. Ernest Hall preached at East Mt. Zion Baptist church in his usual spiritual manner Sunday. He was greeted by overflow congregations at each service. Dr. Ernest Estell, the evangelist, was a visitor and spoke at each service. The annual two weeks evangelistic meetings were to open Monday and will close on April 16th. As Dr. Hall puts it, "Dr. Ernest Estell is a great preacher. He has a message from the Lord for every one who attends these meetings." You should hear this great man at East Mt. Zion, Cedar avenue and East 103rd street. The J. L. Carter club met Sunday afternoon in the church. Miss Alice Jones, leader. The Hattie Jackson Guld girls meet on Thursday, April 8, at 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Scott, leader.

**Returns From CCC Camp**  
Ambitious Eugene J. Lockett, the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Lockett, 2554 East 103rd street, returned after serving in the various CCC camps since his graduation from Central high school in June, 1934. Young Mr. Lockett is very proud of his experience in the government service of the CCC and advises any boys who can to take advantage of the opportunity to join the service. He had the pleasure of spending three months in the state of Idaho, ten months at Ft. Hill and returned to Cincinnati where he had a great deal to do in the way of reconstruction of the flood districts.

**Dr. Gomez Making Good**  
Dr. Joseph Gomez, pastor of St. James AME church, succeeding Dr. D. O. Walker president of Wilberforce university, continues to grow in esteem and in the hearts of the membership of St. James. Graciously and unassumingly he goes about his labors revivifying and organizing the membership until to date the church is a beehive alive and at work. The Sons of Allen, a group of men organized by him, attested their loyalty and showed their allegiance in an effort that netted more than nine hundred dollars; and now comes "The Daughters of Allen," with a drive which is hoped to eclipse that of the men. Captain General Dazalia Wade leads the van and a group of consecrated women with songs on their lips, tickets in their hands, and sandals on their feet, marching to the tune of "Joy Bells." The willing and faithful service of these women is done in appreciation of the great work being done by this God-fearing man, Dr. Gomez, who has manifested a zeal for Christian service to mankind. The women's drive culminates Sunday, April 11. Mrs. Addie L. Gardner, publicity chairman.

Dates to remember this week: April 8, gospel song recital by St. John and St. Paul choirs and turkey dinner from 5 to 9 p.m., at 2338 East 85th street; April 9, Daughters of Allen concert at St. James; supper at 2332 East 88th street, from 5:30 to 9 p.m., April 11, 4 to 6 p.m., tea and parade of flowers at St. James.

**Antioch Baptist Church**  
Dr. W. H. McKinney preached at Antioch Baptist church. His subjects were "The Promise of His Presence," and "A Transforming Power." Both were inspirational. Both services were well attended.

The Kings Daughters met in the dining room with Mesdames E. Cardwell and L. Jones as hostesses. The Dorcas Bible class met with Mrs. E. Beavers, 2187 East 80th street; the Concordia Bible class with Miss E. Patrick, 2244 East 43rd street; the Silver Leaf club Monday with Mrs. V. Franklin, 2191 East 100th street; Group No. 7, Wednesday, with Mrs. L. Gantt, 2220 East 85th street. The funerals of Mrs. Mamie Lawson and Mrs. Ellen E. Jackson took place from the church Tuesday and Saturday, respectively.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 9.—John Frew Morning, one of Cleveland's most progressive young men, announced his candidacy for membership in the City Council the past week. Mr. Morning was born in Logan County, Ohio, 32 years ago. In his early teens he attended West Mansfield high school with his brother. They drove a horse and buggy five miles daily in order to secure a high school education. Completing high school he entered Wilberforce university. Practically worked his way through school, graduated with honors from the commercial department in 1924. He then continued his education at the Dayton YMCA school. Since coming to Cleveland he has been studying at Cleveland college of Western Reserve university.

Immediately following his completion of his studies he connected himself with the Supreme Life Insurance and Casualty Company, now the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company, starting out as an agent. In a short time he was awarded with being advanced to assistant manager of the Dayton office. In 1925 he was selected as special representative of the company and within an eighteen months' period he covered three states and the District of Columbia with success. In 1926 he was appointed district manager of the Dayton office. Within three years he had built that district to the point where it was recognized as the outstanding district in the company's system. In 1929 when three life insurance companies, namely, the Liberty Life Insurance Company, the North-eastern Life Insurance Company of New Jersey, and the Supreme Life and Casualty Company of Columbus, Ohio, merged as the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company, Mr. Morning was selected as best qualified to assume the management of the company in Cleveland. He has developed the Cleveland district to the point where it is recognized as the outstanding district in the company's great system. He took over this district which had not had a manager for two years and had a limited amount of business. Since taking over the Cleveland district, Mr. Morning has proven his ability as a successful executive in the life insurance business. Not only has Mr. Morning developed his agency to the point of employing twenty-one of our group on full time, but he has also put in force over 12,000 policies for his company, which means so much to our economic security as well as to the happiness of an under-privileged group.

Along with his business, Mr. Morning has contributed liberally to the civic and church life of the community. He has made distinct contributions in this respect and has always proven his willingness to do his bit in many ways.

He was one of the organizers and first president of the Cleveland Board of Trade which position he held three years. He has made an unusual record as president of the popular St. James Forum, founded by Dr. D. Ormande Walker, now president of Wilberforce university. Mr. Morning has served four years as a member of the executive committee of the Cedar Avenue "Y." He has served as president of the Insurance Managers Council of Cleveland with credit and has also served on the citizens committees of the various Phillips Wheatley membership campaigns. He has been a contributing member of the 18th Ward Republican club several years and served as inspector for the Board of Elections on Election Day which appointment came through the 18th Ward club. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, also, of the trustee board of St. James AME Church. He married while in Dayton and has a family of one son and two daughters. His wife is Mrs. Juanita Morning. They maintain their own home at 2375 East 85th street. Mr. Morning's office is located at East 79th street and Cedar avenue.

**Wedding Bells**  
Marriage licenses were issued the past week to the following named couples: Manuel Jones, 29, 3992 Cedar avenue, and Elsie L. Maddox, 23, of 2607 East 67th street; John Hunter, 25, of 2351 East 40th street, and Lorraine Neal, 21, of 5905 Thackeray avenue; Jesse Chilton, 39, of 2409 East 43rd street, and Mary Hollins, 41, of 2409 East 43rd street.

John Triggs, 47, of 6913 Kinsman road, and Any Cooper, 45, of 4450 Cedar avenue; Charles P. Hughes, 40, of 2330 East 68th street, and Rosetta F. Wood, 32, of 2208 East 68th street; Henry O'Neal, 40, of 2310 East 57th

street, and Margaret Moody, 41, 6704 Bader court; Fred Smith, 32, of 2252 East 55th street and Joyce McMillan, 27, of 7319 Central avenue; Harry Simmons, 35, of 2474 East 29th street, and Annie Jackson, 43, of 2369 East 36th street; Robert Harris, 34, of 2277 East 101st street, and Ellen Hunter, 17, of 2488 East 38th street;

Gerald McKenzie, 31, of 2131 East 96th street, and Harriet Whittier, 24, of 2046 86th street; James Perry, 39, of 2243 East 95th street, and Bessie Holoway, 42, of 2243 East 95th street; Arthur Scott, 44, of 3420 Woodland avenue, and India Bunch, 43, of 2392 East 37th street; William Weems, 25, of 2661 East 61st street, and Cornelia Davis, 20, of 2654 East 67th street; John Addison, 23, of 14613 Saranac Road, and Ruth Lucas, 21, of 7319 Central avenue; James McDaniel, 43, of 2177 East 69th street, and Lena Marks, 43, of 2163 East 78th street; Ed Marshall, 21, 2293 East 100th street, and Ava McMullen, 20, of 6827 Kinsman road; Don Howard, 22, of 2268 East 73rd street, and Betty Harris, 19, 2315 East 101st street; Russell Gohagan, 24, of 2268 East 93rd street, and Ruth Greene, 24, of 2329 East 63rd street.

### Deaths of the Week

Listed among the deaths of the past week were the following named Clevelanders: Lena Collins, 38, of 2692 East 47th street; Mamie Lawson, 47, of 2733 East 79th street; Walter Revels, 52, of 2393 East 46th street; Louise Echulter, 41, of 2347 East 46th street; Edward Dennis, 5805 Diamond avenue; Samuel Jackson, 31, of 2534 East 61st street; Frank Johnson, 43, of 5605 Outhwaite avenue; Onella Winfield, 19, of 2426 East 49th street; James Cummings, 55, of 2474 East 39th street; Frances Spriggins, 26, of 2191 East 35th street; Anna Robinson, 65, of 2557 East 22nd street; Viola Dixon, 60, of 2418 East 46th street; Otis Dupree, 24, 2227 Woodland avenue; Harriet Fairfax, 86, of 2213 E. 35th street; Charles Hibbitt, 46, of 2229 East 93rd street; Clara Mobley, 3, of 7114 Colfax road.

### News From Divorce Court

Divorce suits were filed in the Cleveland Common Pleas court the past week by the following named plaintiffs: Roy Lewis, 2182 East 38th street, vs. Jennie Lewis, 1728 West 24th street; Eunice Dobbs, 5007 Quincy, vs. Ira Dobbs, 2520 East 19th street; William Edmonds, 5524 Woodland avenue, vs. Estella Edmonds, address unknown; Lou Richard, 6908 Kinsman road, vs. Ollie Richard, 3746 Central avenue; Aleitha Tucker, 2361 Cedar avenue, vs. Anthus Tucker, 6016 Cedar avenue; Fleda Bivins, 2558 East 59th street, vs. Allen Bivins, 2558 East 59th street; Evelyn Wise, 2557 East 71st street, vs. James Wise, 6112 Woodland avenue; Rubye Lee Parchman, 2911 East 75th street, vs. William Parchman, address unknown.

Divorces were granted to the following: Madeline Reid, 2548 East 40th street, from Culbert Reid, 2733 East 31st street; Hattie Downey, 2300 East 93rd street, from Willis Downey, 2372 East 38th street.

### City Offers More Exams

Ten new examinations for city positions were announced the past week by Lawrence J. Young, secretary of the Civil Service Commission. Of course, you know our own Clayborne George is a member of this commission, and urges all of our group who feel qualified to take the examinations. Examinations and dates for filing applications are: senior assistant civil service examiner, last day of filing,

April 10, examinations April 17; park foreman, file, April 15, examination, April 27; sewer maintenance foreman, file, April 15, examination, April 30; assistant superintendent, garbage collection and district garbage collection foreman, file April 21, examination, May 5; city permit clerk and city record clerk, file April 22, examination, May 6; telephone operator, file, April 28, examination, May 12. Information as to the examinations may be had at the Civil Service Commission in the City Hall.

It is a pleasure to know that besides Mr. George as a member of the Civil Service Commission we have two other members of our group in those offices. They are Mrs. Frances V. Shaurter, wife of Dr. Robert Shaurter, the dugglist, and Charles Collins, assistant examiners.

**Given Fourth Prison Sentence**  
David Lee Jackson, 34, of 5904 Quincy avenue, Friday, was under sentence to an intermediate term at Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, for burglary—said to be his fourth sentence in ten years. He had been sent to the pen in 1927 in 1929, and 1932 and had been out on parole since August 1, 1935. He was found guilty Friday of stealing two suits of clothes from a Central avenue apartment.