

Tid-Bits of New York Society

Halloween! Can't you just imagine the little spooks and goblins stealing noiselessly about? Black cats too (with yellow eyes, mind you) seem to have done everything in their power to make the Halloween party given by Miss Erma Overton of 75 St. Nicholas Pl. as spooky as possible. The many guests were all attired in costume and masque. The apartment was especially decorated for the occasion with witches, bats and cats and a lighted jack-o-lantern giving a warm welcome. Apples were strung from corner to corner on a cord and each guest was given three chances to "bite"—but alas! the biting was well nigh impossible! The apples were suspended upon rubber bands.

Every year a birthday comes to Mrs. Irene Jenkins and each year she makes a lovely affair of it. On Monday evening she celebrated the occasion with a party at her residence, 2327 Seventh Ave., which was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Preston Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Hutzler Freeman, Newark, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. George, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilliam, Mrs. Eliza Kleckley, Mrs. Marie Diamond, Mrs. Victoria Austin, Mrs. Henry Crawford, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Eliza Brewington, Misses Ross Gilbert, Detroit, Mich.; Maggie Kleckley, Ethel Davis, also Messrs. Henry Coleman, Willis Roberts, Howard Hollis and Samuel Jordan.



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Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Mayme Anderson Pratt, 239 W. 131st St., a dinner meeting was presided over by Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, at which time plans for a future program at the Bethune-Cookman school were discussed. Those to meet with Mrs. Bethune were Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Flournoy Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Austin, Mrs. Georgia Williams, Mrs. Annie Sighler and Mrs. Bessye J. Bearden.

Members of the Robert T. Bess corporation tendered a banquet in honor of their president, Robert Theophilus Bess, who has just recently returned from a tour of the West Indian Islands and South America. The affair was held in the dining rooms of the Hotel Dumas on Thursday evening and was largely attended by members and friends of the organization.

Miss Eva D. Bowles, administrator of Colored work, national board, Young Women's Christian association, has returned from Chicago, where she attended the national meeting of the Young Men's Christian association.

Miss Alice Sampson of 409 Edgecomb Ave. is confined to Harlem hospital, where her condition is reported much improved.

Mrs. Louise Hawkins of Wilmington, Del., who was the house guest of Mrs. Albert Lee of 131 W. 142d St. during the week, returned to her home on Sunday. Mrs. Lee entertained at bridge on Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Hawkins.

Miss Muriel Kellogg of 210 W. 139th St. has been confined to her home for more than a week on account of illness.

Union No. 3 of the National Beauty Culturists of Mme. C. J. Walker agents extended to their friends a night of pleasure on Wednesday at the Renaissance casino, where they gave an exhibition and dance. Jeppy Johnson and her dancing dolls entertained for the guests. Quite unique was the appearance of the little tots as they stepped out of a huge box representing Mme. Walker preparations. To open the lid of the box were two pages dressed in yellow and black. Mrs. Nellie Jones, president of the union, made a short speech and introduced the following officers: Josephine Mapp, vice president; Bell Ford, financial secretary; Edith Mayo, secretary; Hattie Sitt, treasurer; Rebecca Haynes, chaplain, and Sadie Goss, sergeant-at-arms. The entertainment committee included Nellie Jones, Maybelle Roane, Jane B. T. Johnson, Louise T. Sweeney, Sarah Motley, Anna Williams, Bernice Ince, Josephine Mapp and Bell Ford.

Granted Scholarship

Miss Estelle Massey, formerly a teacher in the public schools of Kansas City, Mo., has been granted a scholarship from the Julius Rosenwald fund for a year's study at Teachers college, Columbia university.

The interstate Bible clas of St. Marks M. E. church held its annual homecoming on Sunday, Oct. 27, when there was a reunion of the members of the class who came from far and near. The class is one of the largest of its kind in the city and is headed by D. E. Strother, who has been a Bible teacher for over 25 years. The officers of the class are P. Lane, president, and Ellse Conyers, secretary.

In honor of its 25th anniversary year the W. 137th St. branch, Y. W. C. A., gave a dinner Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock in the auditorium. Speakers on this occasion were Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune and Hubert T. Oelaney. The committee of management includes Mesdames Elizabeth S. Michael, Emma S. Ransom, Virginia E. Scott, William Pickens, Ernest R. Alexander, P. F. Anderson, Frank C. Caffey, William E. Carson, Irene B. Grey, Mabel B. Jenkins, Lela S. Kellar, Eva T. Parks, Cornelia P. Pinckney, Alonzo DeG. Smith, Adah B. Thoms, Watt Terry and James S. Watson.

Miss Wilmetta Jackson, popular member of the Girl Friends club, is now teaching in Fruitland, Md.

Miss Mamie White of Philadelphia attended the reopening of Dark tower on Sunday evening.

Numerous social affairs have been scheduled during the week in honor of the Hampton-Lincoln football teams. One notes with interest the esquires who will entertain at Bamboo inn on Friday evening. The committee sponsoring the reception includes J. Caswell Reid, R. A. Gorham, Berkeley Gaines, Theodore Daniels, Allan Stoute, J. J. Ball, Wendell Derritt, Travis Freeman, K. Lloyd Bright, George W. Reed, McKinley Reeves, Walter T. Reid, Jr., Walker Snowden, George Walton and Dr. C. M. Parker.

A large and interested group was in attendance at the musicale Friday evening, Oct. 25, given for the benefit of the Columbus Hill Day nursery at the Bahai center. The nursery located at 224 W. 63d St. is one of the best equipped of its kind in the city and has served the community for a number of years.

Mrs. Alice Dunbar Nelson, prominent clubwoman of Wilmington, Del., is in the city and will remain until after the convention of the National Council of Women's Clubs, which meets the early part of November.

Albon Holsey, general organizer for the National Business league, who is heading up a campaign here among the Harlem grocers, has been confined to his home with an attach of grip.

Honored With Tea

Mrs. Vernal S. Brown of Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., was honored with a tea given by Mrs. Hugh S. Newton of Brooklyn, with whom she has been making her home during her stay. Among those to meet the visitor were Mesdames Ella Wright, Iona Reed, Mabel Peterson, Mabel Winters, Sarah Russell, Lydia Green, Ella Jordan, Freddie Seaman, Edna Malone, Jean Lewis L. Durant, A. Ferbee, Professor and Mrs. Lyndon Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sherman, Misses Eleanora and Hortense Green. Assisting Mrs. Newton were Mrs. Hortense Hart, Mrs. Eliza Ford, Miss Amanda Reed and Miss Desaderal Newton.

Miss Augusta Savage, sculptor, who recently left for Paris for further study, has written a letter to Eugene Kinckle Jones, executive secretary of the National Urban league, who sponsored for her a Julius Rosenwald fellowship for study abroad, stating that she is now hard at work studying under Monsieur Benneteau, who has twice won the Grand Prix de Rome. Her letter in part says: "Although he does not speak any English, we manage to understand each other. He is very strict, but patient with me, and I am sure that I shall be able to make great progress under his instruction. He promises to enter my work in the salon in May if I work hard."

The Scrollers club will honor their big brothers, Kappa Alpha Psi, with a musicale and tea on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3 at Gumby's studio, 2144 Fifth Ave., from 4 to 6 o'clock.

The committee working for the charity costume ball to be held on Nov. 4 at the Renaissance casino is sparing no pains in making this affair one of the most successful of the season. The funds received will be used to purchase Christmas baskets for Harlem's poor. The group is headed by Mrs. Mayme L. Briggs.

Miss Wilamella Burns of 255 W. 123d

St., a graduate of Wadleigh high school, has accepted a position as instructor of physical education at Haines Normal Institute, Augusta, Ga. Miss Burns left New York Oct. 9 to take up the work and reports many gratifying things about Haines school and its splendid corps of teachers and students.