

THE BUCKEYE STATE

(By Alexander O. Taylor.)

Cleveland, O., June 30.—The beautiful \$35,000 new edifice of St. Andrew's Episcopal church on E. 45th street, near Cedar avenue, was formally dedicated last Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. R. Breed, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, preached the dedicatory sermon. Bishop W. A. Leonard had charge of the service and spoke briefly but impressively, expressing his high regard and great love for the race, and its exceeding interest in the religious and civic development of the city. Rev. John Keene, assistant to Bishop Leonard, and Rev. D. Wellington Paxton, the rector, also spoke interestingly. Other Episcopal divines present at this service were Rev. John Stalker of St. Luke's, west side; Rev. Plazant, St. Paul's, East Cleveland; Rev. Burson, Grace church, S. E.; Rev. Rogers, Stephens, and Rev. John Ogburne of the Augustine Mission, Youngstown. Among some of Cleveland's most philanthropic white Episcopallans present were Ex-Ambassador Myron T. Herrick and wife, Mr. Savage and wife, Mrs. P. Fell, Albert P. McFall, Albert Wood and Henry Jones. The service was beautiful and most impressive choir under the direction of Rev. Alexander, rendered splendidly, Raymond Smith, the accompanist, being at the organ. The named are the officers and members of the church; T. W. Walker, rector; John P. Green, junior rector; Ralph Jackson, C. H. Clinton, Edward Seelig, H. W. Dade, J. E. Cheeks. Interesting services have been held during a full account of which in next issue. * * * The given by the Phyllis Association last week Wednesday at St. John's church was a most successful affair, fully 100 and friends partaking of supper prepared by Mrs. the cateress. Among were Messrs. J. R. Wylie, Trust Company; C. E. Cleveland Hardware Co.; J. Wood of the Burrows Co.; W. Chesnut, A. T. S. Sutherland, Mrs. H. H. Miss Rathbun and Miss Jane E. Hunter, the general secretary, who spoke most encouragingly of her work the past year. Even though often meeting with great obstacles in her efforts she says she has stemmed the tide most successfully, the recent campaign for 500 subscribers surpassing the mark desired. She strongly intimated the early affiliation of the association with the Y. W. C. A. Miss Hazel Mountain, president of the Cleveland Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, was a most pleasing toastmistress. Creditable mention is due Mrs. James Allen for her splendid rendition of the humorous reading, "Helen's Babies." The addresses were interspersed with enjoyable selections from the Sewanee River Quartet. Daniel D. Fowler as superintendent of service, and his efficient assistant, Leslie Slaughter, deserve special praise for the manner in which they handled the unexpected number of guests. The waiters represented the members of the Boethian and Dan's classes of St. John's Sunday school. The Boethians: Harold Taylor, Ralph Ke, Cyril Dandridge, Woodworth, Arthur Morris, Eugene Cheeks, Wood, Warren Hansbary, Eugene Elm, Alfred Stewart, Otto Johnson, Bill Scott and Armen D. Evans. The Dan's: Leonard Henderson, James on, Ralph Blue, Welcome Blue, Jr., Tucker, Joseph Scott, Joe Todd, Miner, Nelson B. Mergan, Willard Richard Lee. The color scheme red and gold. Beautiful ponies, etc., were donated by Director of Berman and Messrs. Hughes and The banquet room presented a beautiful spectacle. * * * Excellence No. 11, F. and A. M., held its 10th anniversary last week evening at Dreamland pavilion said to be the finest affair of the year. * * * One of the prominent members of whom spoke, H. A. Cottrell of Toledo. * * * H. Martin, Charles York, Past Masters J. I. Edmonds and Win. T. of Mason of Ohio. Harry forshipful Master of Exalted to Columbus for To R. W. Miller is due the excellent supper and of the Caterers' Association surpassed service. * * * Miss Wade, daughter of S. 31 E. 99th street, graduates from the M Street High School, D. C., last week. A medal offered by the Independent for the best essay on works of Shakespeare. She normal school at once. Mr. returned from the Capital The community was shocked by the news of the death of M. Farrier, 2358 E. 63rd after several weeks' illness. The deceased was one of our most highly esteemed citizens and a faithful member of Antioch Baptist church for years. * * * Miss Edna Robinson, who has been ill in the Page private hospital, is home again, greatly improved. * * * One of the prettiest affairs of recent date was the club dinner given by the Pleasant Company Club at the residence of Mrs. Lovesta Smith in E. 86th street, the ladies entertaining their husbands in a royal manner. Covers were laid for 24, an elaborate menu being served. * * * Mrs. Della La Count, formerly of Ravenna, is ill at the home of Mrs. Thomas Cook, 2331 E. 29th street. * * * Rev. W. M. Lewis, the Gospel singer, has gone to Akron. * * * Orton Slaughter of Springfield, O., is the guest of his brother, H. S. Slaughter, the funeral director. * * * Mrs. Lulu B. Cox arrived from Toledo Tuesday. She resigned as assistant to Miss Jane E. Hunter of the P. W. A. last week. Miss Bertha J. Blue is the acting assistant. * * * Rev. Archie Allen has been assigned to a charge in Bellaire. He is a promising theological student at Wilberforce University. * * * Councilman T. W. Fleming is looking forward with interest to the next meeting Monday night in the new City Hall council chamber. He announces a concert at the Marion-Central playgrounds by Phillegan's Band next Thursday evening, the first time a concert has been given in a city public park by a Colored band since he served in the council before as councilman-at-large. * * * Mrs. James A. Cousins and daughter, Miss Willa, who have been the very pleasing guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Thomas W. Fleming, returned to Tazewell, Va., Wednesday accompanied by Master Wallace Fleming to spend his vacation. * * * The Women's Mite Missionary Society of St. John's A. M. E. church held a most enthusiastic meeting Monday evening at Mrs. Stevely's, 2333 E. 31st street. The quilt was won by Mrs. Margaret Anderson, who was successful in raising \$21. Mrs. Ella White, the president, reports \$35 raised on the quilt. The next meeting at Mrs. Adams', 2190 E. 37th street. The annual "dew" rally will occur the 9th. * * * Arthur Morris and John Wood were Akron visitors Sunday. * * * Mrs. Blanche Gilmere and J. Walter Mills, one of our leading undertakers, were married last Saturday night by Rev. G. V. Clark. They will reside in the bride's beautiful home on Grantwood avenue. * * * Miss Rachel Walker, Cleveland's leading prima donna, was married to R. W. Turner, 2209 E. 39th street, Tuesday evening. The groom is one of Cleveland's most respectable citizens. The couple have the best wishes of The Defender. The bride sang beautifully at the dedicatory exercises of St. Andrew's Episcopal church Sunday afternoon. * * * Mr. Edwin R. Bell of E. 93rd street, was beaten up by thugs and seriously injured on his way home last Saturday night. It is said he is in a critical condition. * * * Rev. H. C. Bailey preached able sermons at Antioch church last Sunday. His many friends are happy to see him at his old post again. The U. tendered him a reception Thursday evening. * * * Mrs. M. Jones, formerly of popular sermons, is this month to speak at her home, Mr.

Cleveland and not return to Philadelphia. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Berry, 10710 Arthur avenue, celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary last week Wednesday evening. * * * Prof. George Sampson, principal of one of the schools in Xenia, arrived last week, joining his wife and children. They will spend the summer here with Mr. Sampson's parents. * * * Mrs. Frances Parker, a former resident of Cleveland, is here from New York, stopping at the Phyllis Wheatley. * * * It is said that the Young Men's Christian Union has been incorporated by Felix Worth and others interested in the projected branch Y. M. C. A. movement. * * * William Craig's Cleveland Cubs defeated the Meade Club in an interesting game of baseball last Sunday. * * * Mrs. Mary Talbert was entertained at breakfast last week Wednesday by Mrs. James Beckwith, 12018 Woodland avenue, and in the afternoon at dinner by Mrs. John Early. She left for Buffalo Wednesday night after a very pleasant visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Abbott, 2127 E. 96th street, who tendered her a very pleasant reception. * * * Mrs. John J. Jackson, 2170 E. 90th street, who underwent an operation at Charity Hospital, is still very low, no hopes being entertained for her recovery. * * * Rev. Charles Bundy was in the city the past week. It is hoped that he is to succeed Rev. Maxwell as presiding elder of the N. O. conference. The latter's time expires in September. * * * The death of Mrs. Fannie Coleman, wife of Rev. W. H. Coleman, father of the N. O. Sunday School Institute, in Dayton last week, was announced at the Mite Missionary meeting Monday evening and greatly deplored. The deceased was noted for her activity among the women's clubs of the state. * * * Mr. Henry Aiden Sherwin, one of Cleveland's most philanthropic white citizens, died the first of the week. The sad news was received with profound sorrow by the management of the Phyllis Wheatley Association, since he was one of its most liberal and faithful supporters.

(By Wm. Henderson.)

Springfield, June 30.—Miss Helen Swayne, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Swayne, and Mr. C. R. Emerson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, 1206 S. Wittenburg avenue, Wednesday evening, June 21. Miss Blach Dent, Buffalo, N. Y., was present at the wedding besides a large number of Springfield's best citizens. The presents were very elaborate. They will be at home to their friends after July 1 at 314 E. Euclid avenue. * * * James Davis, an old resident, died June 21 at the age of 83. He lived in the rear of 511 West state street. He leaves a wife, a son and daughter, John Davis and Mrs. Chas. Swanson, and twelve grandchildren. He was married over 50 years. * * * Champion Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M., held their annual service at Trinity A. M. E. church Sunday, June 25th, at 2 o'clock, with the commandery. Blue Lodge, Eastern Star chapter, Troy Ohio, commandery, were visitors. The sermon was preached by Rev. Thomas Jackson of Wilberforce, O. * * * Miss Ruth Lewis, Helen Crosswhite and Emma Harris are home from Wilberforce to spend the summer. Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Burton attended Wilberforce. Their daughter, Gladas, graduated.

By Hawkins and Foster.

Sekitan, Ohio, June 30.—The present indications are favorable for a citizens' literary society and debating club. Several prominent race-loving young men have pledged their support. The writer was met by a committee of interested men Monday and a conference held as to the best possible meeting hall. After a brief consideration a committee was selected to make proper investigation and report same. Neither finance or service will be spared in making the effort a success morally, socially, intellectually and financially. The project is a new venture and is being backed by some of Sekitan's leading Race men who are much interested in the young men and women, boys and girls of the community. Every step taken will mean the developing of character and the training of mind. A place of amusement of this kind is much needed, where both saint and sinner can meet and spend a few hours of recreation. * * * Roy Miller, a scholar in the Hazewood, Ohio, school, made the highest average in the class. He was the only colored child in the school. * * * Rev. F. C. Locust, pastor of the First Baptist church, Covington, Ky., and congregational will give their annual picnic at Highland Grove, Ohio, Thursday, July 20. * * * C. Hawkins, press correspondent, attended the commencement exercises held at W. L. Brown school of Cincinnati, Ohio, Wednesday afternoon. Report in next issue. * * * James H. Wilson, press correspondent of Cincinnati, and business man, spent Sunday among friends in Delhi. * * * Rev. Zack Shotwell, pastor of Cleves M. E. church, passed through Sekitan Monday to Cleves, to arrange matters for the old people's concert Saturday evening. * * * Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Hoard of Walton, Ky., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Banks Sunday. * * * Get the Defender! Get the Defender! Get the Defender! See Hawkins & Foster, 5 cents. * * * Mrs. Mattie Arnold of Sekitan avenue was entertained by Mrs. Della Keys Monday with a six-course luncheon. * * * Mr. J. W. Gaines, Sekitan's sportsman, business man and politician, attended derby day races at Linton Saturday. Mr. Gaines highly complimented the members of his Race who he met there for their good behavior, excellent costumes, automobiles, fast horses and pretty women. * * * Mrs. Margaret Brooks has gone to Gary, Ind. * * * Miss Lillian Grubbs of Wytheville, Va., is spending several weeks, the guest of her cousins, Mrs. Eva Riddle and Miss Renna Grubbs. Monday evening Miss Grubbs was entertained with a musicale at the home of Mrs. J. Morton, Miss Jennie Erwin was the piano accompanist. Those present were Mrs. S. H. Pillow, Mrs. J. W. Gaines, Mrs. Morris Grubbs, Mrs. W. K. Riddles, Mr. and Mrs. J. Morton, Proprietors and Mr. Merrill Neal of Saylor Park. * * * When in need of good reading matter get the Chicago Defender. It is worth reading. * * * The lovers of good preaching are missing quite a gospel treat. The new minister at the Baptist church preached very ably Sunday morning and evening. His manners are very pleasant. * * * Miss Maggie Curry of Chicago, Ill., has returned home after enjoying an extensive stay here, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McCowan. * * * Mrs. Josephine Dickerson of Northbond entertained Mrs. Sam Palmer, Mrs. Maggie Curry of Chicago, Mr. M. Evans and other guests Sunday. * * * A Bible class will be organized at the Baptist church at an early date. * * * Woodson & Johnson have repaired their quarters. Everything looks bright. * * * Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Lucas have moved into new quarters on Sekitan avenue. * * * Rev. Burt Diddle, Delhi, entertained Sunday Miss Lillian and Annie Graham, Rev. J. Wilson, Miss Davis, Miss Ware and Mr. Drake. * * * Miss Roena Frisco has returned from a trip to Wilmington, O., to visit relatives. * * * W. H. Brannon, contractor, has finished the cement sidewalk extending from Cincinnati avenue to High street and has a large contract at Cleves. * * * Mrs. Laura Green of Springfield, O., is here visiting her husband, Mr. James Green, and friends.

(By James H. Wilson.)

Cincinnati, O., June 30.—Mrs. W. L. Ross, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. White, 741 Carlisle avenue. * * * Rev. C. S. Williams, pastor of Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, of this city, delivered the commencement address at the graduation exercises of the South Gate St. High School, Newport, Ky. The theme of Rev. Williams's address was "The Negro." * * * The Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, entertained last week in honor of the graduates of the University of Cincinnati, and the local high schools. An excellent program was rendered, which was highly enjoyed by all that were present. The proceeds were applied to the organ fund of the Brown Chapel, A. M. E. Church. * * * One hundred members of the Ninth street branch of the Y. M. C. A. marched in the recent preparedness parade. * * * Laurence Goode and Miss Mayme Hargraves were in Elmwood last Sunday as the guests of Miss Lila A. Ingram. * * * The pupils of the Douglass and the Harriet Beecher Stowe schools of this city and also Race schools of Covington, Ky., had their annual outing at the Zoo Thursday. * * * Mrs. J. B. Burbridge of Cleveland, O., spent a fortnight with her sister, Mrs. B. L. Mang, 934 West 11th street. * * * W. L. Mang, 934 West 11th street, was